

RTCA BOARD MEETING
August 9, 2021 BOD Meeting
Time 7:00 PM MST

In attendance:

President: Cory Hart, CH
 Vice President: Tracey Kallas, TK
 Treasurer: Linda Lee, LL
 Secretary: Jeri Berg, JB
 Director: Christina Martinez, CM
 Director: Meta French, MF

Absent:

Director: Patty Smith, PS (excused)

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from July 7, 2021, Meeting

Motion 2021-302 Motion to Approve BOD Meeting Minutes July 7, 2021

Motion: CM 2nd TK Approved

Report of President: No report

Report of VP: No Report

Report of Secretary:

- Icloud storage for the club is needed.
- Adobe: Monthly fee is charged or can encrypt Word or Excel files.
- Discussion on different types of storage for club records, Google account to be set up for Club storage and documents
- Discussion on communication with public who contact RTCA
- Breeder ads: A letter will be sent to the breeders to update their information.

Correspondences:

- **Health Statement – All Parent Delegate – P. Piusz** – AKC returned, stating it needed all BOD members and to clarify that RTCA required tests were the same as CHIC. An updated Health Statement was created and listed on the BOD FB page for review July 19, 2021. RTCA Health Statement 2021 was sent to AKC/AKC All Parent Delegate on July 22, 2021.
- AKC has updated the on AKC Marketplace - Rat Terrier - Health: <https://marketplace.akc.org/puppies/rat-terrier> but not on the AKC Rat Terrier Breed but it has not been updated on Rat Terrier Breed page <https://www.akc.org/dog-breeds/rat-terrier/>
 Email has been sent Aug 4, 2021, to M. Rudd & P. Piusz requesting how to update
 Aug 5 reply from M Rudd: I have provided your email to the content team and their manager to ensure a process is put in place for updating all locations when new information is provided.
- **AKC Marketplace – Rat Terrier Breeders** –
 - Marketplace is checked regularly, if false information is found, the breeder is asked to remove the information and AKC is notified.
- **AKC Logo & Trademark License agreement:** on hold until AKC can confirm how it will be used.
- **Traveling Meet The Breed events:** Question from All Parent Delegate Posted on the BOD FB page July 22, 2021
 - RTCA has not participated, as Club members are not available to man the booth in different cities. AKC provides staff for booths that are not manned by Parent Club volunteers.
- **Updating information and photos on AKC for Rat Terrier Breed**
 Discussed, to be continued on BOD Facebook page.

- **AKC Pledge for 2021 Parent Club Medallions at the AKC National Championship**

Discussion on what options are for Medallions, Dates emails and hard copy were received, Pledge Deadlines provided; more information needed, JB to contact AKC and provide information for more discussion on BOD FB page.

Report of Treasurer:

RTCA Balance Sheet for July 2021 attached/separate sheet
Discussion on using one PayPal account for finances.

Committee Reports:

Bylaws Committee:

Chair Randi Garske

Members: Jeri Berg

Charles Harrison

Sharma Sonntag

Sue Swan

With hectic show schedules and vacations, the committee has not been able to spend the time necessary to propose changes. The committee is currently about halfway through the bylaws for changes.

We are working on getting the Bylaws ready for review and or vote for the Annual Meeting, Sept/Oct 2021.

If not, it will go to a vote to the members separately.

Discussion on items presented at the 2020 Annual Meeting, How the Bylaws are being reviewed and proposed changed made.

Health & Genetics:

Chair: Carmeta (Meta) French

Members: Cory Hart

Tracey Kallas

Jeri Berg

Linda Lee

Christina Martinez

- Discussion on new Committee Chair and members.

JR Handler Committee: No report submitted.

- Discussion on continuation of committee.

Judges Education & Mentoring Committee:

Chair: Tracey Kallas

Members: Kari Jepson

Linda Lee

Renee Morgan

Christina Martinez

- Sent out 5 cards to one cluster.
- Work has started on updating flyer/handout for AKC registration.
- Discussion on Breed Mentors, difference of Breed Apprenticing and Mentoring. Information: links to webpage and possible inclusion in Welcome letter and newsletter.

National Specialty Committee – 2020-2021:

Chair: Cory Hart

Members: Jeri Berg

Tracey Kallas

Sue Swan

- Discussion on Classes to be offered in Sweepstakes and Specialty. Raffle, reimbursements, Trophy Sponsorship also discussed

Specialty 2022 We need to solicit Proposals and Statements of Interest from people to Host & Chair the 2022 Specialty. Ideally, we should try to be able to announce the location and dates at the 2021 Specialty. As the few have been hosted on the East or West Coast, ideally 2022 should be somewhere in the MidWest.

Newsletter Committee: No report submitted.

Chair: Patty Smith Absent

Co-Chair: Tracey Kallas still going to be co-chair?

Members: Susan Mulligan

Shana Bokelman

Theda Little

Pedigree Committee:

Chair: Christina Martinez

Members: Linda Lee

From July 7, 2021 BOD minutes: Pedigree Committee to contact AKC to find out how we can get rid of Non-Standard Dogs.

Motion 2021 -303- Motion to update the Family Tree CM 2nd LL Approved

Discussion on emails, replies, CC'd and forwarded.

STATS & Performance Committee:

Members: Randi Garske

Jeri Berg

Susan Mulligan

Cory Downey Hart

Tracey Kallas

Combined Stats & Performance Committee:

Performance Committee Report:

The performance committee contacted AKC about obtaining reports for Rat Terriers qualifying in companion events. AKC produces these reports quarterly and the cost is \$280, for a total cost of \$1,120 annually. The committee feels that the club's treasury will not support this expenditure at this time.

Stats Report: AKC Stats from Jan – June on FB page; the information is about 2 months behind. JB compiled stats totals and individual: Confirmation, Performance: Agility, Barn Hunt/Dock, FastCAT, CGC/Tricks/Temp/OB, Rally and Scent.

Email to be updated

RTCA Members response to information request: 42 dogs from 23 members; some dogs are co-owned.

Discussion on Top 10, Congratulations to all dogs, recognition of RTCA members.

Policy & Procedure Committee:

Chair: Cory Hart

Members: All board members

JB: July 12, 2021/Facebook BOD page: Reviewed and approved Updating RTCA Approved Forms with new logo, wording and/or layout.

RTCA Code of Ethics has been updated with new logo, UKC and FSS references have been removed.

Vote to update COE with Border #2 JB, TK, PS, CH, CF, CM, LL

Discussion on Updating Membership application with rtca email, forms still needing approval, New forms to be created for Supported Entry, RTCA National Specialty, new Policy & Procedures.

Supported Entry Committee: No Report submitted.

Chair: Jason Sharp –

Members: Cory Downey Hart

Ray Draper

Gail Harlamoff

Tracey Kallas

Christina Martinez

Sue Swan

- Discussion:
 - set procedures for SE to follow
 - all items donated be clearly marked with RTCA supported the entry
 - When requests are received, the email is forwarded to SE chair. No information is being sent back.
 - BOD has made final decision on support when there is no response from SE committee.
 - Suggestions of possible number of shows to support each year including Nationals and try to include all areas of country.

Discussion to continue on BOD FB page for more input and creation of an outline.

All in agreement.

Ways & Means Committee:

Chair: Cory Hart

Members: Tracey Kallas

Christina Martinez

CH: no time to deal with this due to Specialty taking up time.

Old Business:

- AKC Pupdate Newsletter – TK had Covid in Feb. can follow up on it. Text AKC contact name to follow up.
- Non-disclosure Confidentiality agreement. A number of clubs have these agreements - AKC All Parent Club. No work has been done, will be tabled until after RTCA National Specialties.
- Calendar & Google account for the BOD – CH: can set up with the RTCA address.

New Members: No new members

New Business:

- **Annual Meeting:** Friday, Oct 1, 2021.
 - Discussion on video conference for Annual Meeting
 - AKC guidelines, equipment needed,
- **Webpage:** Find a Rat Terrier <https://ratterrierclubofamerica.org/find-a-rat-terrier>
 - Changes and updates discussed. JB will make approved changes
- **Showsight** – Breeder-Kennel Issue – 2 magazines: August Print & Digital and Rat Terrier Digital Breed magazine
 - Can build it over the year, will allow us to authorize anything breed specific. At the end of 12-18 months if we want to have them printed, they will do free of charge if we have X number of advertisements. Digital magazine can be audited and have control over. Designed for small clubs that don't have a printed magazine
- **Parliamentarian:** Discussion on renewal of services – value vs actual use.
 - Can she be retained until the end of the year vs a full year?
 - To be contacted
- **Incorporation:** Discussed Status and state(s)

- LL to Find out any differences between Colorado and Missouri 501C3 before a move is made for RTCA to Incorporated in Colorado.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 1, 2021, 7:00 PM MST

Motion 2021-304 Motion to adjourned the meeting CM 2nd TK Approved.
Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm MST