

2017 ETSCA Annual Meeting Minutes

The Annual Meeting of the ETSCA took place May 26th, 2017 at 9:00 am. Meeting called to order by President Bruce Van Deman with 27 members and 4 guests present. Bruce Van Deman thanked everyone for attending and special thanks to everyone and all committees that helped make the 2017 National Specialty a great success.

Thanks went out to:

Pat Cox for judging our sweepstakes and acting as our Show Chairperson.

Karen Pouder and helper Dianne Hill for the wonderful Trophies.

Hospitality Sue Jackson, Sue Plance and Jeanje Schoff for coffee, donuts and soft drinks and also luncheon and we look forward to tonight's banquet. Sue Plance was glad things went well and asked to personally thank Jeanne Schoff for all her help working with the Hotel and ideas.

Specialty coordinators Sue Jackson and Jeanne Schoff.... Sue felt that everything went well and that the people on the committees know their jobs and tirelessly and effortlessly just get them done, a great and wonderful tribute to these great members. She did add more people are always welcome and needed to help.

Catalog Sales thanks to Mary Hoagland and Jamie Ward always goes smoothly.

Ring Announcer Ron Morgan got the classes in and out and will be once again working at the Auction, our one great fundraiser, tonight.

Jamie Beuke and Carol Sommers for chairing our silent raffle, they are also the ones that will be setting up the Auction Table tonight. Jamie thanked everyone for their purchases but added they didn't do as well as usual and could really use donations for both the raffle and the auction....so how about useful and special items for next year.

Janelle Smedley our catalog ads thanked those who sent in ads but wanted to encourage more for 2018.

Our welcome bags were made by Bonnie Miller and enjoyed by all.

Also thanked were our Health committee Debi Bell, Jane Naimark, and Bonnie Miller for once again offering our blood draw.

New this year was Round Up organized by the Motorhome Crew. Covered dishes and goodies served on Thursday evening in Room B after Best In Show...everyone was welcome to sit, eat, and enjoy some quiet time together. Thanks to Karen and Frank Pouder, Mike and Dianne Hill, Debi Bell, Pat Cox and Ann Sunderman. This was great fun and great success, plans are to continue the Round-Up next year. Call or email Karen if you want to bring a covered dish or help with something.

Also thank you to Theresa Cousins for all her time and work with the Awards Banquet Booklets and compiling all the information. Hopefully no one was missed as everyone's help is what makes our Specialty the success it is.

President Bruce Van Deman also said the Website is up and running. He wants the club to know that it takes a village to make us great and your ideas are welcome. The President does not vote so it's our

members that need to drive us forward. This year we had two rounds of ballots and 92% of the membership votes so again it's great to have sparked everyone's interest and hopes for continued interest and action from members. Also, he reminded everyone about AKC market place currently receiving over a million hits by people looking for puppies and breeders. Theresa Cousins' had added the applications for both the Junior Membership and Parent Club Approved Breed Mentor to the website along with the Constitution and Code of Ethics, so everyone can have their copy.

Health: Debi Bell reported that we are now close to 95 DNA specimens and that currently they aren't being used but hopes that this will benefit us in the future. Also, chic offers a form to update the health status of dogs that were checked if they develop diseases or problems as they age and felt this needs to be done by all of us with dogs in the data base. It can also be updated by e-mail.

We currently recommend 3 tests per dog, heart, eyes, and a third one of your choice. In 2012 200 dogs were tested with a total of 400 tests and in 2017 400 dogs were tested with a total of 1000 tests. Currently any qualified Veterinarian can submit forms for heart but that is now changing to be required by a Board cardiologist and in triple form like eyes...hearts and eyes need to be done annually. The things of interest from the Canine Health Foundation that are of interest to us are Stem Cells and Tick-borne disease. Jane Naimark and Bonnie Miller also felt these best benefited us. SM is just open to Cavies but we are hoping that this will also benefit us. Bonnie Miller DVM offered to do a column for the website or newsletter and answer questions from members o common problems within the breed or of interest. She asked that anyone interested please email their questions to her.

Rescue: Because of legal issues that can occur and problems of transporting and housing dogs we are currently looking into having a Regional Division of rescue with willing people to coordinate and partner with other rescue organizations to handle rescue. We are studying how other small breed clubs handle this and seems networking is what works as these people do this for a living. The Board will revisit this in the future and get a completed plan in place.

Our Tellers Committee chair Carol Commers with Colleen Morgan and Janelle Smedley announced that the Judge for 2020 for classes was Terry Stacy and for Sweepstakes Theresa Cousins. Also, for President Bruce Van Deman and for AKC Delegate Richard LeBeau. Carol Sommers would be available to answer any questions as to if their vote was received as requested up to 3 pm today (3:00 pm 5/26/17). Bruce thanked the Tellers Committee for their service.

In New Business: We are working on getting a new newsletter editor...we will need to review a work sample and farther work on making this happen.

Shelly Hepler reminded us everyone needed to try and be friendly and use good manners and sportsmanship toward all. Everyone needs to feel part of the Specialty. Mrs. Taylor also sent her thanks to the club and for an enjoyable assignment. Pat Cox introduced Maria Morozova here from Russia, her showing her dog. Also introduced was a young lady that is a new Junior Member, Ms. Janina Nicosia-Campbell here from Scottsdale, AZ.

Bruce asked if anyone had anything to add if not could we have a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Bonnie Miller and seconded by Heather Reid. Meeting adjourned 10:10 am.

Sue Plance, Recording

Approved May 25, 2018 at Annual Meeting