

October 27, 2015
COA Board Meeting

Agenda:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Report of President
3. Report of Vice-President
4. Report of Secretary
5. Report of Treasurer
6. Report of Immediate Past President
7. Report of CQ Editor
8. Report of Bench Chair
9. Report of Membership Chair
10. Report of Registrar
11. Report of Publicity & Advertising Chair
12. Report of Rescue Chair
13. Report of Historian
14. Report of Health & CrossBreeding Chair
15. Report of Working Dog Program Chair
16. Report of Committees
17. Unfinished Business
18. New Business
19. Schedule Next Meeting
20. Approval of Minutes
21. Adjournment

1. Roll Call

Present:

Kathleen Riley-Daniels
Karen Hinchy
Karen Schiller
Vicky Delfino
Kim Kramer
Jon Jolly
Mary Malkiel
Kristy Jolly
Corine Lindhorst
Dan Silvertree
David Hassilev

2. Report of President

- President
Nothing new to report.
- Registry of Merit
Additional questions concerning the proposal will be sent to the Committee Chair.

3. Report of Vice-President

The Vice-President had nothing new to report.

4. Report of Secretary

- Board Meeting Minutes

The September 10, 2015 Board meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent and have been uploaded to the COA website.

- COA Historical Binders
Awaiting quote from the company performing the digitizing service.
- 2016 Specialty
The UKC paperwork was received by the Secretary and has been mailed to Show Secretary, Kim Kramer, for completion and signature.

5. Report of Treasurer

- Current Club Activity
 - Specialty
Includes all information.
 - Memberships
Membership monies continue to trickle in
- Request to the Board
 - Bank Accounts
The Treasurer has not yet looked into changing banks.
 - Credit Cards
See above.
 - CDs
See above.
- Calendar
Some monies have been received from the calendar contest. The Board agreed that proceeds would be placed in the Health fund. Due to time constraints, this will be confirmed by approval of a motion in the next meeting.
- Form 1024 for 501(c)(7) status
The Treasurer has not yet compiled the necessary data.
- Committee Work
 - Constitution and Bylaws Revision
No involvement in this reporting period.
- Future Items
 - Directors & Officers Insurance
On hold until nonprofit status is secured
 - §501(c)(3) status for Rescue or full organization
On hold until 501(c)(7) status is secured

6. Report of Immediate Past President

The Constitution & Bylaws Committee is continuing its work.

7. Report of CQ Editor

The submission deadline for the Fall CQ is November 8, 2015.

8. Report of Bench Chair

The Board discussed the need to move forward with hiring the 2016 Specialty judge, and the associated expenses.

9. Report of Membership Chair

- Membership
 - New Members (3): Kenneth MacDonald (NH), Barbara Zeughauser & George Schlossberg (MD), Candace Mizell (CO)

- Renewals (3): Monica Aden (CO), Jan Andrieu (CA), Melanie Amaral (MA)
- Puppy Members (8): Ryan & Bridget Elsemore (WA), Mark & Danielle Schultz (IL), Carolyn Allyn Van Way & Craig Van Way (CO), Emily Yates & David Passudetti (CO), Julie & Brad Johnson (PA), Chris & Eniko Sturts (CA), Lynda & Brian McLaughlin (WI), Kathy & Steve Krubeck (WY)
- 2016 Calendar Contest

A total of 163 photos were submitted, and all will be included in the 2016 calendar. The cover contest entry donations earned \$170 for the COA Chinook Breed Conservation Project. It was necessary to purchase a one month Survey Monkey subscription to allow more than 100 votes. A motion was presented to reimburse the Membership Chair for the expense. ***See New Business**

Additional survey questions solicited the Membership's thoughts on using the calendar photo entries for other opportunities such as a photo book and/or desk calendar.

The Treasurer asked that a note be added to next year's order form indicating that checks will be accepted.

10. Report of Registrar

The Registrar had nothing new to report.

11. Report of Publicity & Advertising Chair

Position vacant.

12. Report of Rescue Chair

The Rescue Chair had nothing to report.

13. Report of Historian

14. Report of Health & CrossBreeding Chair

The committee has been busy! Key activities include:

- **Dwarfism Genetic Test**

Both the affected dog and parent have received kits and returned samples to Genoscooper. Hopefully in the next month we will hear if the first genetic health test for the Chinook is validated.
- **MyDogDNA 2015**

Unofficial reports indicate over 50 kits were sold with our 20% discount. This is extremely exciting, as we needed 30+ dogs for the first reports on genetic diversity within the breed. We could be in the range of 1/3+ of our breeding population being tested, making their Breeding Tool an incredible opportunity for us.

As of 27 October, there are 17 Chinooks with public results on MDD - several other owner/breeders have indicated they have made their dog's profiles public, and are awaiting results.

- **Population Analysis**

In progress with ICB.
- **Cross Program**

The committee has agreed on the process to revise the Cross Program. Key steps include:

 - Obtain a baseline of the current Chinook population data (see above)
 - Solicit input from geneticists based on the population data and our current program
 - Solicit input from membership/Chinook breeders via a structured survey

- Finalize input from Committee members
- Synthesize all input into a new proposal

As part of the revision, the Committee has discussed rebranding the program and updating goals/objectives. The current best thinking for it includes:

PROPOSED PROGRAM NAME:

Chinook Breed Conservation Program

PROPOSED PROGRAM GOAL:

The Chinook Breed Conservation Program is a long-term program developed in partnership with the United Kennel Club, Inc. (UKC) to maintain a healthy, genetically sustainable Chinook population, with the breed's historical temperament, working ability, structure, and appearance.

PROPOSED PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

- Develop and manage a sustainable gene pool for the Chinook
- Improve the health and longevity of Chinooks by reducing inbreeding
- Decrease average COI of litters born from 37.4% to below 15% by 2030
- Increase effective population size as measured through the CPP pedigree database from ~17 to 40 by 2030
- Identify other breeds/ breed types who can improve the temperament, working ability, structure or appearance of Chinooks to better model the historical ideal
- Educate breeders on population genetics (where/how their dogs fit)
- Provide tools to breeders to support better decision making in planning breedings both for the individual dogs and for the breed

- **Fundraiser**

The Health Committee is planning fundraisers to help replenish COA funds spent on the population analysis. The first fundraiser is a long sleeve t-shirt/hoodie sale, using a logo designed by Corine Lindhorst. The Board extended thanks to Corine for the time spent volunteering on this project.

15. Report of Working Dog Program Chair

Position vacant

16. Report of Committees

- Constitution & Bylaws Committee – Kim Kramer ***See Report of IPP**
- 2016/2017 Events Committee – Kim Kramer
- 501(c)(3) Committee – Vicky Delfino ***See Report of Treasurer**
- 2016 Specialty Committee – Mary Malkiel ***See Report of Bench Chair**

17. Unfinished Business

- UKC Chinook Breed Standard
Discussion postponed.
- Vacant Board Positions
 - Publicity & Advertising Chair
 - Working Dog Program Chair
- Registry of Merit
***See Report of President**
- Approval of 2016 Budget
Motion 2015-39 (Approval of 2016 Budget) Passed 11 Yes, 0 No
Motion by Vicky Delfino, Second by Karen Schiller:

I move that the COA Board accept the 2016 calendar year budget as proposed.

- Chesterh Sweetie Award Plaque
The Membership Chair agreed to see this project through to completion.

18. New Business

- Reimbursement for Expenses

Motion 2015-40 (Reimbursement to Membership Chair) Passed 10 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain

Motion by Kristy Jolly, Second by Karen Schiller

I move that the COA reimburse the Membership Chair, Kristy Jolly, for one month subscription for Survey Monkey in the amount of \$26.00. This subscription was needed in order to receive more than 100 responses for the calendar contest voting survey that also allowed pictures as survey questions.

19. Schedule Next Meeting

The next meeting of the 2014-2016 COA Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. EST.

20. Approval of Minutes

Motion 2015-41 (Approval of Minutes) Passed by Unanimous Consent

Motion by Vicky Delfino, Second by Corine Lindhorst:

I move that the October 27, 2015 minutes be posted and approved by unanimous consent within 48 hours of posting.

21. Adjournment

Motion 2015-42 (Adjournment) Passed by Unanimous Consent

Motion by Vicky Delfino, Second by Kim Kramer:

I move that the October 27, 2015 Board meeting be adjourned by unanimous consent following email approval of the minutes. If there are no objections by the conclusion of the vote on the minutes the meeting will be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Schiller, Secretary
Chinook Owners Association