

August 17, 2017
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 Bench Chair
7. Report of Communications Chair
8. Report of Membership Chair
9. Report of Health & Genetics Chair
10. Report of Historian
11. Report of Regional Activities Chair
12. Report of Rescue Chair
13. Report of Registrar
14. Report of Working Dog Program Chair
15. Report of Committees
16. Unfinished Business
17. New Business
18. Schedule Next Meeting
19. Approval of Minutes
20. Adjournment

1. Roll Call

Present:

Karen Hinchy
John Habermehl
Karen Schiller
Vicky Delfino
Denise Reed
Jon Jolly
Kristy Jolly
Dan Silvertree
Mary Jo Crance
Kim Kramer
Corine Lindhorst
David Hassilev

2. Report of President

• Standard Revision

A note was sent to membership about participating on a committee to revise the UKC Chinook standard. Eleven members responded that they supported a revision and would be willing to participate. The committee includes long time members as well as some

newer breeders, and hopeful breeders. The first meeting was held on August 14 to discuss an approach and timeline for the work. The group agreed to the following:

- Objective/Scope:
To update the current COA Chinook standard based on input from members and judges to more clearly articulate the ideal Chinook while respecting the broader view of Chinook “type” that has sustained the breed.
- NOT in Scope:
 - Complete revision of the standard
 - Alignment with other Chinook standards
 - Inclusion of non-Chinook type from potential new crosses
- Principles/Ways of Working:
 - All committee members to check email and keep up with discussions
 - Any difficult decisions must be decided by a 3/4 vote of committee members.
- Revision Process:
The committee agreed that the next step should be soliciting and reviewing feedback. Key inputs to the revision process should be:
 - Feedback from COA members on what they would like to see changed
 - Judge feedback from the last five Specialties on what they would like to see clarified
 - Feedback from experts such as canine biomechanical researchers, with the expectation the group would align on any specific feedback requests before third parties are asked to participate
- Timeline:
Requests for member and judge feedback to be sent around August 19. Three weeks will be allowed for feedback.

The President requested a vote to formally establish the committee. ***See Unfinished Business**

- Annual Report
The President called for the remaining annual reports. The Annual Meeting will be discussed in the September Board meeting.

3. Report of Vice-President

- VP
The Vice-President had nothing new to report.
- 501c Committee
There was nothing new to report.

4. Report of Secretary

- Meeting Minutes
The July 25, 2017 Board meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent and have been posted to the COA website.
- Annual Report
A draft of the Annual Report has been sent to the President for completion.

5. Report of Treasurer

- Balance Sheet
Cash position remains strong with \$31,364 of available cash and an additional \$4,901 in Restricted Funds.
- Profit and Loss
We are showing a net surplus of \$2,006 for the first month of the fiscal year.

6. Report of Bench Chair

- 2018 Chinook National Specialty
The Bench Chair moved that the 2018 Chinook National Specialty be held in conjunction with UKC Premier. ***See New Business**

7. Report of Communications Chair

- Website
The Communications Chair has continued testing of website, specifically on the Forums. Over the next few weeks any differences between the current website and the new website will be resolved, to prepare for the switch.
- Chinook Quarterly
A call was made for stories about the 2017 Chinook National Specialty and activities earlier in the year at Camp Cody.

8. Report of Membership Chair

- Membership
 - New Members (2): Dave Passudetti (CO), Richalene Kelsay (FL)
 - Renewed Members (1): Elaine Edler (CA)
- 2018 Calendar Contest
The Membership Chair volunteered to run the 2018 COA Calendar Contest and made several motions regarding same. ***See New Business**
- Postcard
A postcard will be sent to showcase the new website.

9. Report of Health & Genetics Chair

The Health & Genetics Chair had nothing new to report.

10. Report of Historian

11. Report of Regional Activities Chair

Position vacant.

12. Report of Registrar

The Registrar had nothing new to report.

13. Report of Rescue Chair

One person inquired about Chinook rescue, and an application was sent.

14. Report of Working Dog Program Chair

One member inquired about challenging some awards, and a response is pending.

15. Report of Committees

- 501c Committee – John Habermehl ***See Report of Vice-President**

16. Unfinished Business

- Annual Report – ***See Report of President**
- Breed Standard Revision
Motion 2017-29 (Passed by Unanimous Consent)
Motion by Karen Hinchy, Second by Denise Reed:
I move the COA form a Committee chaired by Karen Hinchy to propose a Standard Revision to the Board.
- Fiscal Year Budget
Motion 2017-30 (Passed 10 Yes, 2 Absent)
Motion by Vicky Delfino, Second by Karen Hinchy:
I move the COA Board accept the July 2017 to June 2018 fiscal year Budget as amended. Chairs have the authority to spend on line items that have been previously approved in the Budget by the Board, without coming to the Board for specific approval.

17. New Business

- 2018 Chinook National Specialty
Motion 2017-33 (Passed by Unanimous Consent)
Motion by Denise Reed, Second by Corine Lindhorst:
I move that the 2018 Specialty be held in conjunction with the UKC Premier on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 in Kalamazoo, MI.
- 2018 Calendar Contest
Motion 2017-34 (Passed by Unanimous Consent)
Motion by Kristy Jolly, Second by Corine Lindhorst:
I move the COA Board use the createcalendarphotos.com website to use the website's store to sell our 2018 COA Chinook calendar, same as the previous year. The calendar price will be set at \$14 for the 2018 calendar.

Motion 2017-35 (Passed by Unanimous Consent)
Motion by Kristy Jolly, Second by Corine Lindhorst:
I move that the 2018 COA Calendar contest have the same rules as the 2017 COA Calendar contest: Rules are as follows: 2 photos per household (family or single memberships), only current COA members are allowed to submit photos or vote, each member may vote only once, photos accepted after the deadline will not be considered, the top voted photos will be included in the calendar, Rainbow Bridge photos are free to enter, the cover contest will be \$5 per photo submitted (no limit on submissions with donations), photos must follow set rules regarding type, size, content, etc.

Motion 2017-36 (Passed 12 Yes, 0 No)
Motion by Kristy Jolly, Second by Vicky Delfino:

I move that the Cover Contest donations benefit the Chinook Breed Conservation Program.

18. Schedule Next Meeting

The next meeting of the 2016-2018 COA Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017, at 8:00 p.m. EDT.

19. Approval of Minutes

Motion 2017-37 (Approved by Unanimous Consent)

Motion by Karen Hinchy, Second by Vicky Delfino:

I move that the August 17, 2017 minutes be posted and approved by unanimous consent within 48 hours of posting.

20. Adjournment

Motion 2017-38 (Approved by Unanimous Consent)

Motion by Karen Hinchy, Second by Vicky Delfino:

I move that the August 17, 2017 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, Inc.