

December 8, 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 Schiller
Vicky Delfino
Kim Kramer
Jon Jolly
Kristy Jolly
Corine Lindhorst
Dan Silvertree

Absent

Karen Hinchy
Mary Malkiel
David Hassilev

2. Report of President

The President had nothing new to report.

3. Report of Vice-President

The Vice-President had nothing new to report.

4. Report of Secretary

- Board Meeting Minutes
The October 27, 2015 Board meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent and have been uploaded to the COA website.

- COA Historical Binders
The old COA Secretary binders have been digitized, at a cost of \$209.91. A copy of the DVD will be distributed to Karen Hinchy for use in the Health/CrossBreeding Committee, and to the Historian.

5. Report of Treasurer

- Current Club Activity
 - The TeeSpring Fundraiser netted \$1,993 for the Health Fund
 - Carol Beauchat (Institute of Canine Biology) has been paid \$4,778 (70% of total)
 - Some membership monies continue to trickle in
 - As time allows, the Treasurer will look into changing banks, issuing credit cards and purchasing CDs.
 - Some monies were received in October and November for the Calendar Contest.
 - Form 1024 for 501(c)(7) status – The Treasurer continues to work on compiling data.
- Future Items
 - Directors & Officers Insurance – To be done after nonprofit status is secured
 - §501(c)(3) status for Rescue or full organization – To be done after 501(c)(7) status is secured

6. Report of Immediate Past President

- Constitution & Bylaws Review
All the Articles have been reviewed, and many have been adjusted. The Committee will complete a final review prior to submitting to the Board.
- 2017 Chinook Centennial Committee
An announcement regarding formation of the Committee will be posted via the CQ and email blast. It is hoped that members from all over the country will join the Committee. An informal “boots-on-the-ground” kickoff weekend is being planned in Tamworth, NH for early January 2016.

7. Report of CQ Editor

- CQ
The Editor is putting together a Fall/Winter edition.
- Spam Mail
The concern regarding spam mail being sent through the COA website contact form has hopefully been resolved. Anyone who has received or continues to receive any spam from the COA contact form should forward the email to webmaster@chinook.org in order to further diagnose the problem and reduce the possibility of this happening in the future.

8. Report of Bench Chair

Alan Krenak has been approved by the Executive Board as the 2016 COA Chinook National Specialty judge. A contract is being prepared.

9. Report of Membership Chair

The Board discussed a new idea for the 2016 Membership drive and approved a related expense.
*See New Business

10. Report of Registrar

11. Report of Publicity & Advertising Chair

Position vacant.

12. Report of Rescue Chair

Rescue facilitated the rehoming of Sam after assistance was requested from his breeder.

13. Report of Historian

14. Report of Health & CrossBreeding Chair

The MyDogDNA activity continues to progress with a very high percentage of results being made public.

MDD expects to have news on the dwarfism test in the next four to six weeks. Thus far, four dogs have tested as carriers (not including the affected dog and parent submitted for verification). These four dogs are not all closely related - two are full siblings; the other two are fairly unrelated to the first two but are uncle/niece to each other.

The Health and CrossBreeding Committee would like to hold a couple of webinars to discuss what the general MDD reports mean, how to interpret the breeding results and other topics. A proposal was made to do three webinars during January and February using Webinars OnAir software, with a limit of 25 attendees per session. The session will automatically be recorded and published to YouTube. The Board voted on a motion to authorize funding. ***See New Business**

Several of our genetic tests have indicated that Chinooks are quite close to Belgian Shepherds. The Belgian Malinois has had a genetic test identify a mutation that causes a type of seizure they call "freezing" and also can link to episodic biting in the Malinois. The description of "freezing" is similar to that of a Chinook seizure. Given the recent success of the random testing that links Chinooks to the dwarfism mutation in Norwegian Elkhounds, the Health and CrossBreeding Committee would like to have a small number of affected and unaffected Chinooks tested for this Belgian Malinois mutation. The Board voted on a motion to authorize funds. ***See New Business**

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 ***See Report of IPP**
- 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
 - Vacant Board Positions
 - Publicity & Advertising Chair
 - Working Dog Program Chair
- The Board will do the work of these committees until Chairs are named.

- Registry of Merit
The Board discussed who would administer the program, and the level of completion the Committee should provide before presenting the proposal for a vote.
- Chesterh Sweetie Award Plaque
The Membership Chair will take care of purchasing the plaque.

18. New Business

- 2016 Postcard

Motion 2015-43 (Passed 8 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent)

Motion by Kristy Jolly, Second by Karen Schiller:

I move that the COA Board approve the expenditure of no more than an additional \$200 to be spent by the Membership Chair. The funds will be used to create a COA Happy 2016 Postcard to mail to all current members as a token of appreciation while serving as a reminder card for COA services and/or events.

- MDD Webinars

Motion 2015-44 (Passed 8 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent)

Motion by Karen Hinchy, Second by Kim Kramer:

I move the COA authorize funds for Karen Hinchy to create a Basic plan account with Webinars OnAir to run three pilot webinars for the Health Committee in January & February 2016. The cost of the two months of membership will not exceed \$50.

- Seizure Testing

Motion 2015-45 (Passed 8 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent)

Motion by Karen Hinchy, Second by Karen Schiller:

I move the COA authorize funds to have five Chinooks participate in the seizure test at UC Davis validated in the Belgian Shepherd, for a cost not to exceed \$275.

19. Schedule Next Meeting

The next meeting of the 2014-2016 COA Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. EST.

20. Approval of Minutes

Motion 2015-46 Passed by Unanimous Consent

Motion by Karen Schiller, Second by Vicky Delfino:

I move that the December 8, 2015 minutes be posted and approved by unanimous consent within 48 hours of posting.

21. Adjournment

Motion 2015-47 (Passed by Unanimous Consent)

Motion by Vicky Delfino, Second by Kim Kramer:

I move that the December 8, 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