



April 27, 2023

COA Board Meeting Agenda:

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COA Mission Statement (adapted from Constitution and Bylaws):

To promote the public's knowledge and appreciation of dogs in general and Chinooks in particular; To produce, publish, and distribute to the general public educational materials about the proper care, treatment, breeding, health, development and training of Chinooks; To support and promote study and research on the history, character, breeding, genetics and particular health problems of Chinooks; To establish a national database of resource materials about the Chinook; To further understanding of the disease, defects, injuries and other ailments that afflict dogs in general and Chinooks in particular; To acknowledge and advance the critical role of an UKC National breed club in providing education, health research and support of rescue for the benefit of the general public, purebred dogs, and Chinooks in particular; To conduct activities including sporting events, licensed events, specialty shows, working certificate tests, obedience, agility and tracking trials, and other such activities and events as may be held under the rules of the United Kennel Club, in furtherance of the above purposes; To urge members and breeders to be guided by principles of good sportsmanship, including fair and honest conduct, and to accept the standard of the breed as established by the COA and the United Kennel Club (UKC) as the only standard of excellence by which the Chinook shall be bred and judged. To otherwise preserve and protect the Chinook and to do all things possible to promote its natural qualities, including the encouragement of regional activities and/or interest/study groups.

Board Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Board Meeting
 - a. Meeting called to order:
 - b. Present: Jon Jolly, Brendan Aldrich, Daniela Metz, Karen Hinchy, Kristy Jolly, Brenda Dean, Corine Lindhorst
 - c. Absent: Bob Cottrell, John Habermehl
 - d. Excused: Pam Turner

2. Report of President - Brendan Aldrich
 - a. Report:
 - b. **Action Item:**
 - i. Speaking with Kim or Vicki regarding 501c status. Vicki was in a meeting with a lawyer at that time. Brendan & Daniela will speak with Vicki.
 - ii. Recognition of Vicki for years of service - ideas: small trophy or plaque with chinook, framed certificate of appreciation with Chinook, recognition at Speciality. pin for years of service, Brendan to take for ideas to discuss next month.
 - iii. UKC notification on board change is required. In progress
 - iv. Invite UKC new leader to board meeting to explain any changes that have or will occur. (Brendan) In progress
 - v. Brendan to contact all board members regarding meeting attendance. Check to see if there is a better day/time. In progress
 - vi. Board Members to submit goals for 2022-2023 year - Tabled will review as new board members are appointed. Hold

3. Report of Vice-President - Daniela
 - a. Report:
 - i. Specialty moving into final stages of preparation. Rooms are booked, flights need to be booked for a few people. Site commitments are done.
 - ii. Outstanding items include:
 1. T-shirts. Communication regarding pre-orders
 2. Auction Items and Regional Baskets: Karen Schiller put out a post looking for items and people to volunteer to put together a regional basket for the auction to be held at the show.
 3. Have some commitments, but know we'll have some day of show registrations as well.
 - b. **Action Item:**
 - i. **For the May Meeting, a motion to commit funds for advertising the Specialty. Daniela to provide bullets for the advertisement.**
4. Report of Secretary - Pam Turner
 - a. Report: No Report
 - b. **Action Item:**
5. Report of Treasurer - Vacant - Brendan Aldrich
 - a. Report:
 - b. **Action Item: Vicky will be providing annual reports to the state of Maine, to be included in the Board share drive.**
6. Report of Communications Chair - Jon Jolly
 - a. Report: No updates at this time.
 - b. **Action Item:**
7. Report of Membership Chair - Kristy Jolly
 - a. Report:
 - i. Updated membership report provided (December - April)
 - ii. 263 members - 5 new members
 - iii. 2 new puppy members
 - iv. Also provided a snapshot of the Chinook merchandise store. 13 items sold in 2022.
 - v. Also provided an update on Calendar sales - 169 calendars sold last year, which sets a new record over 2020 by 1 calendar sale! Netted \$800 in profit.
 - b. **Action Item:**
 - i. Email to members regarding membership options - **TABLED**
 - ii. Notice to General Membership of New Board Members
Kristy/Brendan. **TABLED**
8. Report of Health & Genetics Chair – Karen Hinchy
 - a. Report:

- i. Kickoff for the population analysis has occurred and will send a summary including some initial observations. Study is underway.
- ii. Working on evaluation of health conditions and what factors should be considered by breeders and puppy owners regarding Chinook health, including something that could be given to new puppy owners.

Action Item:

- iii. Karen to send to Brendan the UKC original emails regarding the cross litters
9. Report of Historian – Bob Cottrell
 - a. Report: No report
 10. Report of Regional Activities Chair – John Habermehl
 - a. Report: No report.
 11. Report of Rescue Chair – Brenda Dean
 - a. Report:
 - i. No rescues for this month.
 - b. **Action Item:**
 12. Report of Registrar – Corine Lindhorst
 - a. Report:
 - i. Nothing new to report.
 - ii. Working on a spreadsheet that has all the cross breed dogs included, will have it for the next meeting.
 13. Report of Active/Working Dog Program Chair – Taylor Scanlon
 - a. Report: No report
 14. Report of Bench Chair - (Vacant) Interim Daniela Metz
 - a. Report:
 - i. Board members going at this time to regional: Brendan, Daniela, possibly Karen, Not able to go: Pam, Brenda
 - b. **Action Items:**
 - i. Review budget
 15. Report of Committees- (Vacant)
 - a. Report:
 - b. **Action Items:**
 - i. 501©(3):
 1. Karen to reach out to Kim re: picking up and moving forward with 501(c)3 process.
 2. Bylaws need to be submitted to members
 3. Identify approved company to use (Brendan) will check with Kim
 4. Send bylaws to the attorney for review prior to sending to general members.

16. Breed standard Committee: (Vacant)

- a. Report: No report

17. New Business

- a. Review of active board members
 - i. Brendan to reach out to current board members this weekend in order to confirm participation or if they may be stepping down.
 - ii. Temporarily removal of voting rights from consistently absent COA board members
- b. Annual Report development (Daniela)
 - i. Brendan to provide Daniela with an update on board member status
 - ii. Daniela to work with Pam to send an e-mail to board members regarding obtaining an update for each of the roles.
 - iii. Brendan to provide financial report for the annual report.

18. Unfinished Business

- a. Open board positions
 - i. Draft a message to members regarding open board positions & 2nd email regarding specialty (Brendan) Pending
- b. Review of By Laws and Board Members Duties during March meeting.
- c. Pam to send out current By Laws to board members and will cross check job descriptions and By Laws align
- d. For Kristy- Allen Thomas was double charged for his stud membership on 9/2/22; I see other members were refunded for double charges but he was not (Vicky) Is this complete? Kristy checked 4/27/23 and is actively investigating.
- e. Bring forward ideas on how best to use club funds.
 - i. Karen - setup ways to reimburse members for cost of shipping fresh chilled or frozen semen.
 - ii. Jon created spreadsheet and posted in folder to collect suggestions
 - iii. Online seminar series offerings to general members (Daniela, Pam)
 - iv. Systems design change to better support family memberships, should this type of membership be desired moving forward - as each kennel is currently tied to an individual member.
 1. Membership types: Family. Breeder Family
 2. Any approach should involve a scope requirement and an estimate for development approach and cost.

19. Motions carried over

20. The next COA Board meetings are scheduled for the last Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 5 pm PST, 6pm MT, 7 pm CST, 8 pm EST

21. Approval of Minutes

Motion 2023-34

Motion by: Brendan Aldrich

Second by: Corine Lindhorst

I move that the April 27, 2023 minutes be posted and approved by unanimous consent within 48 hours of posting.

22. Adjournment

Motion 2023-35

Motion by: Brenda Aldrich Second by: Daniela Metz,
I move that the April 27, 2023. 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.

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