

The TTCA Board met on August 2, 2022

Karen Tromblee, President called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM EST. Board members and directors present were: Sheryl Getman (1st VP), Lynne Fardell (Corresponding Sec), Sharon Hurd (Recording Sec), Jim Lenchner (Treasurer), Mary Ann Griffin, Amy Crane, Krista Johnson, Deidre Philpot, and Ron Pankiewicz, Stacey LaForge, AKC Delegate and Rob Smith, National Show Chair were also present. Flossie Barczewski was unable to attend.

The National Specialty scheduled to be held in Colorado in 2024 was discussed. The show chair hopes to be able to continue to hold the show in Colorado Springs connecting our specialty with the Colorado Springs Cluster.

As of this date a host hotel has not been selected, thus at this time there is no contract for the show. It is hoped that the show chair will have contacted three hotels by Sept. 1 and will have selected a host hotel by October 1, 2022. Hotel contracts from the Florida and Maryland shows will be shared with the show chair. By December 1, 2022 a contract should be in effect with a hotel.

The time frame selected for the show is during the busy season in Colorado, thus time is of the essence.

When selecting a hotel the distance from the hotel to the all breed show site needs to be considered.

Several National Specialty Show committee chairs remain vacant at this time.

The Board members will support the show chair to help make the show a success. Sheryl will contact the show chair to let her know the board members will support her in any way needed. Sheryl will be a liaison between the Board and the show chair.

The auction which is the main fundraiser for this show will be held at the Baltimore show in 2023. The Auction is less than a year away.

Dana Cline has agreed to judge this show. He agreed to remain a judge when the pandemic caused to show to be postponed from 2021 to 2024. The show needs to be set so that Dana can be contacted with the final dates and to be sure that he will still be available.

Jackie Faust has contacted Karen concerning applying to hold the TT World Congress in the USA in 2025. Jackie plans to attend in 2022 and would like to submit a bid at that time.

No one really knows when the World Congress will next be held as it got off schedule during the pandemic. For this reason the Board will let Jackie know that we do not want to make a bid for the show at this time, but Jackie may discuss the possibility of a future date with the leaders of the World Congress. We are not sure of the location of the 2025 NS. Sheryl made a motion that The National Specialty to be held in 2025 be held in Virginia or the Carolinas. Krista seconded the motion. All agreed.

Ron made a motion that Sharon Hurd be named as the National Specialty show chair for 2025. Deidre seconded the motion. the motion passed.

The Bay Colony TT Club will be notified as they had asked to host the show.

Regional Specialty Shows held by TTCA were discussed. The Club generally allows for three Regional Specialties per year. Three RS's have already been approved for 2023: Iowa (September), Mid-Atlantic (April) and Bay Colony (August). These three shows have become semi-established as regularly occurring events over the last few years. The Board can approve additional Regional Specialties. The Regional Specialty held at the National Specialty has not been counted as one of the three.

The Bay Colony TT Club has asked the Board for approval to hold an annual Regional Specialty with the expectation that they will be allowed to hold a RS each year.

Stacey reminded the Board that the Bay Colony club is its own AKC club and can hold its own independent specialty shows.

Bay Colony's timing is close to the Iowa RS. There is some concern that holding RS's too close together will effect the attendance at one or the other. It was decided to proceed in 2023 with the closely spaced NS's and then determine if the entries of either show were affected.

Rob asked for the plans for the Mid-Atlantic and Iowa for 2023. He will contact Jackie Faust to let her know the Bay Colony club will need to continue to apply each year.

It was mentioned that there was one RS held where only one dog was entered.

Rob and Ron withdrew from the meeting at this time.

The Breeder Referral committee was discussed. AKC needs appraisal as to what appears on this site. Lynn Fardell has been leading this committee as its business is updated. They have been meeting every couple of weeks

It is hoped that Breeder Referral information will be up and running on the TTCA website by March first. Currently there is a sampling of the information on the website.

A chair is needed for this committee. It is hoped that this position can be filled before March first.

The former chair has not sent in any information or records to the club.

Sheryl was asked if it was possible to have a dedicated button to click in order to go directly to the TTHWF. This would allow TTHWF donors to go directly to that site avoiding involving TTCA in the transaction. Jim said it would be easier for the treasurer. This will also be cleaner when dealing with the IRS. Being able to donate directly on the TTHWF site would clean up the money trail. TTCA can raise money only for the membership. The two entities were originally split for tax purposes.

TTCA runs our rescue program. TTCA provides funds through the HWF. TTCA is incorporated in Pennsylvania while TTHWF is incorporated in Colorado.

As there were no more items on the evening's agenda

Jim moved that the meeting be adjourned. Sharon seconded the motion. All voted in agreement .

the meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM EST