

Board Meeting September 7, 2017  
Meeting called to order at 8:03 EST

Present: Susan Tinch, Alex Mitchell, Meegan Pierotti, Denny Nestor, Chris Allen, Christy Shaw, Cathy Hjelm  
Absent: David Chubb

**President's Report:** No report

**Secretary's Report:** Two previous reports need to be accepted. D. Nestor moved that we accept July minutes as posted, S. Tinch seconded. No discussion. No opposition. Motion passed. August meeting minutes, C. Allen moved that we accept the August minutes as posted, D. Nestor seconded. No discussion. No opposition. Motion passed. C. Shaw said we received an invitation to have a specialty with Mid-Atlantic Hound Association. She asked if we could put this out to some of the IHCUS members in that area to see if they would be interested in doing a supported entry. M. Pierotti said that she would consider it. Christy said that we could post it in members only and see if there is any interest.

Third Eye we received positive correspondence from some judges regarding the recent issue and C. Shaw will let Sarah Beaupre know that she's doing a great job.

**Treasurer's Report:** Funds as of August 31, 2017

General Fund - \$(3,663.92)  
Health & Research Fund - \$3,029.98  
Rescue Fund - \$(278.61)  
Specialty Fund - \$17,489.90

TOTAL - \$16,577.35

Account Balances as of August 31, 2017

Chase Checking \$15,437.01  
Chase Savings \$100.00  
PayPal \$1,040.34

TOTAL - \$16,577.35

### **Committee Reports:**

**AKC Delegate:** Michelle will be attending the AKC delegate meeting. She has asked for the Board's input on two different things. C. Allen has moved to approve the Grand Championship calculation points as worded. C. Hjelm seconded. Discussion was held. A discrepancy in the counting points, previously you can't count your dog. Now AKC wants to allow your dog to be counted. Tally taken 4 yes, 1 no. Motion passed.

AKC is wanting to change rules regarding dogs who have been disqualified due to aggression. The new rule would ask that the dog be identified through markings or permanent ID so that it would be identifiable for reinstatement. AKC would also require that the dog be reinstated at another location outside of the show grounds. Michelle is recommending that the rule changes are unnecessary. C. Allen made a motion that we veto the change requiring markings or permanent ID would be unnecessary and unenforceable and that a dog that has been disqualified for aggression and if they are being considered for reinstatement, needs to be on the show grounds. C. Hjelm seconded. Discussion held. Tally taken 5 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

**Breeder Referral:** We need a new chair for this.

**Historian:** We posted a job description, posted on 8/7. C. Allen made a motion that we approve historian guidelines as posted, M. Pierotti seconded. No discussion. All in favor, no opposition. Motion passed.

**Judge's Ed:** C. Shaw hasn't heard from Eric Liebes regarding input from the membership, with the exception of people wanting to give pictures. She will talk to him at the specialty.

**Membership applications:** Tammy Squillante, C. Allen made a motion that we accept Tammy Squillante's membership application. S. Tinch seconded. All in favor, no opposed. Raymond Szydzik. M. Pierotti made a motion that we accept his membership application. C. Allen seconded. All in favor, no opposed.

**Third Eye** submission guidelines: Third eye standard operating procedures to be approved by the board. It was under old business under the August agenda. Discussion held, ideas going back to Sarah.

**Outreach:** One note from Carol

Show Chair's Report: Nothing to report, everything going smoothly so far.

**National Specialty Report:** C. Shaw said we need to post an updated itinerary on FB including the ring times. Need to touch base about the Top 20 ring time. Brenda McMurray wants the ring time to be 7. It will be tight with coursing the same day. Run through will be about 6:30. We also need to make sure that the bios are not to be read prior to judging. D. Nestor wanted to know about judge's gifts (conformation, sweepstakes, agility \$60, Lure coursing and rally/obedience gets about \$40). M. Pierotti said that she could contact Jessica Lyn Stover regarding doing something for them.

Host hotel hospitality has been confirmed. Christy will see if we have name tags in the tub, if not she'll go buy some. Club banners, Christy has 2, she said that we probably need to order new banners. Susan Joyner said that she belongs to Zazzle and can get them at a really good discount. Christy said that there is a board that is about 3 feet tall in the storage unit that she would like to bring out for the specialty. Denny wanted to know about the supported entries and who will set them up, Christy said that everyone who sponsored will set them up on the appropriate days, so nothing special needs to be done. They need help putting together the welcome bags on Wednesday. Chris said that she could use help in Agility. Christy has the challenge trophies, Judy Umek has the tags. Christy will set them up for the event. Denny will bring real plants, he's ordered 3, two cut arrangements and one greenery. Christy asked what board members are going to be at the meeting. Denny Nester, Alex, Christy Shaw, Chris Allen, possibly David Chub. Christy will take care of printing the membership roster, she asked Cathy to send committee reports she gets between now and the meeting. Meegan said that her mom will be helping hand out trophies and asked if she needs help with recognizing anyone, if someone could lend her a hand, that would be appreciated.

Alex Mitchell will do an online FB garage sale in a few weeks. Website: Chris said everything is working well.

Denny has left the call 8:32 p.m..

**Old Business:**

Judge's Ed drafts being used currently by AKC.

Christy proposed changes to the Breed Mentor program. She wants these mentors to use an IHCUS email address instead of personal. Breed Mentors currently need at least 4 homebred litters, she proposed that it be changed to 4 litters, can include 1 co-bred. Must attend at least 2 sanctioned JE seminars, one of them in the last 24 months. Must have at least 5 years of consecutive membership in good standing at the time of application. Must have attended at least 2 National Specialties at least one in the past 36 months.

Ringside mentoring, will mirror the AKC rules. Judges education will be in charge of ringside mentoring at National Specialties. Mentors should obtain mailing and email addresses of anyone requesting JE for follow up. Outdated materials should not be used, use only current information. Breed experts will be required to attend one JE every 5 years. Ringside mentors should be able to provide health testing results on current in house breeding stock once every 5 years. Christy will put together all of this information and bring it back to the next board meeting.

Ibizan hound database: C. Allen will get to it after National.

We will use judges in the 3rd or 4th place from the recent poll for the 2018 National judges.

**New Business:** IG club will be at Purina Farms for 2018 and have asked if we wanted to share performance event costs like we did in 2016. C. Allen made a motion that we will share with them for 2018, but include them in lure coursing events only, A. Mitchell seconded. Discussion was held. No opposition. Motion passed.

Foy Trent has asked that we push back our closing date to a week earlier for future Nationals. C. Allen made a motion that future National events close 3 1/2 weeks earlier to get everything included, S. Tinch seconded. Discussion held. All in favor. No opposed. Motion passed.

M. Pierotti made a motion that we accept the bloat article submission from Heather for the Third Eye. C. Allen seconded. Discussion held. All in favor. No opposition. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. EST