Secretary’s Report – Vol. 2, Summer 2013

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Upcoming Board Meetings

October 4, 2013 Chicago, Illinois

Phone Conference Calls

November 18, 2013
January 20, 2014
February 17, 2014

If you have any issues you would like your KCA Board to address, please submit to the KCA President at least two weeks prior to the scheduled meeting date.

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2013 Keeshond Club of America  
National Specialty Best of Breed  
GCH KJ’s Hot Date  
Owned and bred by Kristen Jackson Dowd  
From the Bred-By Class!

Congratulations to Heart of America Keeshond Club  
for hosting another successful and memorable  
KCA National Specialty Event!
KCA BOARD MEETING
TELECONFERENCE
APRIL 22, 2013

Board Members Present: Carolyn Schaldecker, Debbie Hodges, Rick Su, Anita Williams, Jennifer Sturgeon, Kathy Easter, John Malak, and Margaret Bissell.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Carolyn Schaldecker at 7:04 CDT.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 22, 2013 MINUTES: Debbie made a motion to approve the minutes with the clarification that Kathy Easter recused herself from the Brookes / Reed hearing but not from the Vorce / Reed hearing. Anita seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT: Carolyn mailed AKC the updated KCA membership roster.

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT: No report

TREASURER’S REPORT: Anita reported a total balance of $177,513 between the checking and CD accounts. Anita discussed bonding of the treasurer as required by the By Laws. Debbie made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report and to pursue bonding at an amount of $200,000 for Carolyn and Anita as current signatures on the account. Rick seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2013 NATIONAL: Carolyn reported that HOAKC is in the final stages of preparation. The Board discussed having a KCA information table during the 2013 National. Kathy will co-ordinate the table.

2014 NATIONAL: The schedule of events has been received by the Board. Conformation judges are being hired and no judge will judge on two days. A contract for agility site, agility judge, and agility show secretary has been completed. Central Carolina Keeshond Club will make a presentation at the May Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

JUDGES EDUCATION: Donna reviewed with the Board the letter that will be sent out to members who have been on the mentor / presenter list.

BY LAWS: Donna reviewed the work of the By Law committee. It was determined that the committee will be doing a complete review of all of the By Laws.

WEBSITE: Carolyn discussed the new website. Carrie O’Bin has agreed to be the webmaster.

NATIONAL SPECIALTY REVIEW COMMITTEE
Carolyn added Anita to the committee. Committee is composed of Debbie, Donna, Jennifer, and Anita.
AKC LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: Rick made motion to nominate Mae Evans for AKC Lifetime Achievement award in conformation. Kathy seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously. Debbie made motion to nominate Margaret Bissell for AKC Lifetime Achievement award in companion events. John seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

LETTER TO LEFEBVRE / OWEN: The hearing is continued until the Board receives pertinent information concerning the appeal to the Canadian Kennel Club by the claimants.

NEW BUSINESS

SPECIALTY SHOW WITH ORLANDO CLUSTER: AKC announced that there would be an addition to the all breed show on Friday, December 13, 2013 for specialty events for regional or parent clubs. Rick made a motion to decline the offer in 2013. Margaret seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AKC SURVEY ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO VETERINARY SCHOOLS: The AKC is doing a short market research study to understand the monetary support that clubs provide to veterinary schools. Carolyn will respond to the survey.

AKC MEET THE BREEDS (SEPTEMBER 28-19) Rick discussed the Meet the Breeds to be held in New York City on September 28 and 29. Jennifer made a motion to support the Meet the Breeds with a budget to be submitted by Rick. John seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJS ADVANCED INSTITUTE: The American Dog Judges Institute requested support for the Dog Judges Educational Foundation. Rick made a motion to donate $250 to ADJS. John seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

DOG FANCY REQUEST: KCA has been advertising in Dog Fancy magazine and has received a renewal notice. The Board will further research the impact of this advertisement.

REQUEST FOR JUNIOR TO EOJ A request was made to support Claire O’Neil at the European Open Junior Agility trials in Switzerland. Margaret made a motion to support Claire with $2500. Debbie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

25 YEAR PIN: Donna inquired about the continued membership of one member for the 25 year pin.

ADJOURNMENT Rick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anita seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 CDT.

KCA ANNUAL MEETING
May 24, 2013
Topeka, Kansas
(Pending Member Approval)

CALL TO ORDER President Carolyn Schaldecker called the meeting to order at 7:10 CDT. Carolyn introduced the Board to the membership.

Quorum: 76 Members present which was certified as a quorum.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING Minutes were distributed for membership to read. Suzanne Hampton made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2012 Annual meeting. Mary Benell seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT No Report

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY No Report

REPORT OF THE TREASURER John Malak gave the report in place of Anita Williams. John reported a total balance of $174,087.43 with $18,604.38 in the checking account.

AKC DELEGATE REPORT John Sawicki, AKC delegate for KCA, presented his report. He applauded the concept of the Reserve Winners Dog and Reserve Winners Bitch at the National receiving major points. He discussed the need to continue being alert and working on legislative issues. There was a short discussion.
on the issue of reorganization of groups at All Breed shows. There was another short
discussion about the AKC position on puppy mills and animal rights groups.

COMMITTEES

JUDGES EDUCATION Donna Smith, Judges
Education Chairperson, discussed the new
guidelines for mentors for upcoming judges and
presenters for the judges education
presentation during workshops. Applications
were made available at the meeting. Future
applications will be available by contacting
Donna.

BREEDERS EDUCATION Debbie Lynch,
Breeders Education chairperson, discussed
future programs for Breeders Education.

BY LAWS REVISION Donna Smith, By Laws
Committee chairperson, discussed the work of
the current By Laws committee. The procedure
for changing By Laws thru specific language
changes which will need to be approved by the
Board, AKC, and the membership was
described.

OLD BUSINESS

SPECIALTY RESULTS PUBLICATION A KCA
publication which would include all specialty
wins and pictures was initiated in 2012. Carolyn
explained that the publication had not been
forthcoming because Cathy Bosnic, the
chairperson for this project, had not received
information from the specialty clubs concerning
the winners of their specialty shows. She also
has not receiving pictures from either the clubs
or the specific winners for inclusion in the
publication. Carolyn urged all specialty clubs
and winners to send information to Cathy for
the publication.

NEW BUSINESS

EUROPEAN OPEN JUNIOR WORLD AGILITY
CHAMPIONSHIP Claire O’Neil, daughter of
member Karen O’Neil, has again qualified for
the European Open Junior World Agility
championship. Carolyn announced that KCA will
be donating $2500 to Claire O’Neil to help
sponsor and defer the costs of this trip to
Switzerland.

2014 NATIONAL SPECIALTY Beth Blankenship
announced that the 2014 KCA National
Specialty will be held in Asheville, NC from May
4 thru May 10. The event and grooming will be
all in one room of an Event Center. The
specialty will also include a 4 to 6 month puppy
extravaganza.

HALL OF FAME REQUIREMENTS Debbie
Hodges discussed the addition of OM1 as an
automatic HOF for obedience. Conformation
HOF requirements for bitches have been
changed to a required 40 points rather than 25
points. Points have been added for Breed, Best
Opposite, and Select awards at specialties.
After much discussion, John Sawicki moved to
close the discussion. Mary Ward seconded the
motion. Motion passed by majority vote of the
members.

OPEN DISCUSSION Janet Johnson proposed
that the ROM required numbers be lowered to
7 for bitches and raised to 15 for males. Mary
Benell as Breeder Referral chair, requested that
membership keep her up to date on personal
information (addresses, phone numbers, e-mail,
itters available). Terry Gum requested that all
upcoming specialties be listed on the website.
Mary Ward discussed the promotion of the
breed. Barb Eng asked about the nomination
for the AKC Lifetime Achievement award.
Jeanne Wilson asked about the Continental
Kennel Club registry.

ADJOURNMENT Joanne Reed made a motion to
adjourn the meeting. Kathy Billman seconded
the motion. The motion was approved
unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at
9:40 CDT.

KCA BOARD MEETING
May 19, 21, 26, 2013
Topeka, Kansas

Board Members Present: Carolyn Schaldecker,
John Malak, Kathy Easter, Margaret Bissell,
Debbie Hodges, Donna Smith Present only on
May 19: Anita Williams Absent: Rick Su,
Jennifer Sturgeon

*Minutes are presented in order but not
necessarily in order of discussion.
CALL TO ORDER  The meeting was called to order by President Carolyn Schaldecker at 8:43 AM CDT, May 19, 2013.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING  John made a motion to approve the April 22, 2013 teleconference minutes. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT -- No report

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT  In the absence of Jennifer, Carolyn presented the following applications:

- Jodi McGee  Sponsors:  Cindy Turnbull and Kathi Fleischer
- Kathleen and Steve Winzer  Sponsors:  Julie North and Beth Blankenship
- Carrie O’Bin  Sponsors:  Rick Su and Beth Blankenship
- Wendy Venable  Sponsors:  Kathy Easter and Liz McKnight

Debbie made a motion to accept all applications except Carrie O’Bins until we get the complete application and sponsor form for her. Margaret seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT  Donna passed out the new Policy Manual (hard copy and CD) to all Board members.

TREASURER’S REPORT  Anita reported that KCA has $18,604.38 in the checking account. The total balance of the treasury which includes the CD is $174,087.43. Debbie made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report. Margaret seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Anita discussed the bonding of the treasurer as required in the By Laws. It was determined that a procedure needs to be established for procuring bonding and the reconciliation of accounts.

Annual Committee reports

AKC DELEGATE  John Sawicki  Report Received. The report included issues that are to be voted on at the June AKC Delegate meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina. Margaret made a motion to support John’s recommendations on those issues. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A proposal was made in the March AKC Parent Club committee for e-balloting. Board discussed those options.

AKC GAZETTE COLUMNIST  Debbie Lynch Report Received. As AKC Gazette columnist, she expressed concern that the AKC Gazette was not being read because it is now on-line only. This matter will be discussed with AKC delegate John Sawicki. Debbie Lynch asked about the possibility of putting the Gazette articles on the website. However, there is a question of whether the articles are owned by AKC after being published. AKC will be called to determine an answer to this question.

AWARD COORDINATOR  Kathy made a motion to continue the award coordinator position with the following responsibilities: 1) The coordinator has the responsibility of gathering all the statistics from each of the statisticians and forwarding it to the Board for award purposes. 2) The coordinator will send all of the final statistics to the historian of KCA. 3) The coordinator will also create a slide presentation of those award winners for the annual banquet. Donna seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

CONFORMATION STATISTICIAN  Anita reported on the conformation statistics.

OBEEDIENCE STATISTICIAN  Margaret reported on the obedience statistics.

AGILITY STATISTICIAN  Emily Taggart. Report received.

RALLY STATISTICIAN  Pam Hildebrand. Report received. Obedience and rally statistics are contained in the same report. Margaret will continue to receive the AKC report and then send it to Pam.

Debbie made a motion to approve a budget of $50 for agility statistics reports and $300 for obedience statistics reports. Anita seconded
the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**JUNIOR HANDLER STATISTICIAN** Jennifer Sturgeon No report received.

**ROM ROMX COORDINATOR** Anita Williams will replace Mae Evans in this position. The AKC Stud Dog will be received by Anita in order to maintain the statistics necessary to determine the recipients of the ROM / ROMX.

**25 YEAR RECOGNITION** Jan Bundsen No report

**BREEDER EDUCATION** Debbie Lynch. Report received. Debbie made a motion that any expenditure for the breeder education committee over $50 must be pre-approved by the Board. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. The Board added Kathy Easter to the Breeder Education committee to serve as a liaison with the Board.

**BY LAWS COMMITTEE** Donna discussed the current work of the By Laws committee. The committee recommended the addition of a new KCA policy regarding hearing procedures. The policy for KCA would read: “Sustained charges will be forwarded to the American Kennel Club.” Debbie made a motion to accept the recommended language. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Sections of the By Laws that are under discussion by the committee are a new membership type, discipline, election of officers, changing of some of the dates, and some minor language changes to reflect current communication methods.

**FUTURITY MATURITY COORDINATOR** Tracee Buethner No report

**HEALTH** Tawn Sinclair No report

**HEARTS AND CARDS** MeLinda Hughes Report received Donna made a motion that a standing box be placed in the Secretary’s Report to remind members to notify the Hearts and Cards chairperson of any KCA member who should receive a get well card or sympathy card from KCA. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Melinda has asked to be replaced as chairperson.

**HISTORIAN** Cathy Bosnic Report Received. Cathy is not receiving information from local clubs as to the results of their specialties nor is she receiving winning specialty pictures from owners. Consequently, she has not published a report to the membership with pictures and results as announced last year at the Annual meeting. Donna made a motion to place a standing box in the Secretary’s Report which will remind people and clubs to report results to Cathy for publication. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:35 PM CDT. The Board reconvened at 1:37 PM CDT.

**HOF / ROM / ROMX CUSTODIAN** Betsy Winans No report

**INFORMATION AND BREEDER REFERRAL** Mary Benell Report received.

**JUDGES EDUCATION COORDINATOR** Donna reported on the Mentor / Presenter program. Debbie made a motion for a budget of $700 for judges education program. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**KCA AWARD and WANDA SMITH AWARD COORDINATOR** Anthea DeForest Report received. The Wanda Smith award was discussed.

**KCA SPECIALTY MEDALLIONS COORDINATOR** Carla (Casey) Kohler No Report Specialty clubs are reminded that it is the affiliated club’s responsibility for contacting Casey in writing in advance of the specialty show to receive the KCA medallions. Information that needs to be provided is the name of the affiliated club, the date of the show, and the name and address of the person to which the medallions should be mailed. Specialty Club should also send a list of current officers to the KCA treasurer after each election is held.

**KCA NEW TITLES MEDALS COORDINATOR** Chris Pawlenty Report received.
LEGISLATIVE LIAISON  Donna Powell  No report received

MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR  Pat Martinez  Report received  Pat has asked to be replaced as coordinator.

MEET THE BREEDS COORDINATOR  -- Rick Su  Report received. Specialty clubs are reminded that materials are available for loan from KCA for their Meet the Breeds programs.

NEW MEMBER PACKETS  Patti Hobbs  No report

NATIONAL SPECIALTY COORDINATOR  Debbie Hodges  She reported that a committee will be working on updating the guidelines for the National specialty.

RESCUE REFERRAL COORDINATOR  Mary Ellen Grace  Report received. No groups requested rescue funds for 2013. Debbie Hodges volunteered to draft a letter to be sent to Rescue groups and clubs on January 1 to remind them of the availability of rescue funds.

WAYS AND MEANS CHAIR  Karen Evasuk  No report

WEBSITE COMMITTEE AND WEBMASTER  Rick Su  Report received  Kathy made a motion to create a position of Website Coordinator who will coordinate data to be submitted to the webmaster for regular updates. The coordinator will serve on the website committee. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Carolyn volunteered to take this position. The Website committee will be asked to research the cost of getting the first placement on various search engines.

The Board recessed at 3:27PM CDT. The Board reconvened at 3:41 PM CDT.

OLD BUSINESS
FACEBOOK PAGE FOR KCA  Kathy Easter suggested that the concept of a facebook page needs to be thoroughly researched before undertaking this as a KCA activity. The purpose and scope needs to be delineated.

RECOGNITION OF PERFORMANCE WINNERS  Margaret will continue to work on the recognition of performance winners.

PUPPY BUYERS GUIDE  No report.

DEVELOPMENT OF CODE OF ETHICS COMMITTEE: The development of a Code of Ethics Committee is pending based on the sending of letters to the various specialty clubs.

NATIONAL JUDGES SELECTION PROCESS COMMITTEE: Beth Blankenship, as chairperson, submitted guidelines for selecting judges for the National specialty which weighed various factors into the selection process. Debbie made a motion to discontinue this committee. John seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Debbie made a motion to publish those factors which include the names of judges with the number of Non Sporting groups each have judged, the number of Keeshond actually placed, and the number of Keeshond placements in the group by that judge. This report is to be published in April Secretary’s Report. Kathy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2014 NATIONAL  Bonnie Fowler and Michelle Roybal are the new co-chairmen of the 2014 National. Bonnie introduced herself to the Board and distributed a copy of the schedule for the National week to the Board for discussion. The Central Carolina Keeshond Club will submit names for Sweepstakes judges and the 4-6 month Puppy Extravaganza to the Board. Bonnie distributed the list of their committee chairpersons. Angela Curtis presented the trophy selections to the Board. John made a motion to approve the trophy selection. Anita seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board recessed at 6:00 PM CDT. The Board reconvened at 6:27 PM CDT.

ROM/ROMX REQUIREMENTS  This issue will be tabled until October meeting.
KCA BEQUEST PROGRAM

Debbie Lynch submitted a letter of three concerns before the Bequest Program can be initiated.

DOGS USA/ DOG FANCY AD

Anita reported that KCA placed a monthly ad in Dog Fancy for the next year. John made a motion to place an ad in Dogs World (formerly DOGUSA). Margaret seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

MACH MOLLY AWARD

The MACH Molly award has been given to AKC to be presented at the AKC/Eukanuba Agility event. It is not given to a Keeshond but is given to the top agility dog, regardless of breed, based on the number of Double Q’s combined with total MACH points earned during the year. There was discussion on its current significance of the crystal trophy donated by KCA. Debbie made motion discontinue the MACH Molly Award. Anita seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AGILITY HALL OF FAME

Lexie Billman sent a letter to the Board requesting a PACH Hall of Fame award. The Board discussed the merits of PACH and decided that it does not meet the scope of requirements for Hall of Fame.

ILLUSTRATED STANDARD ON WEBSITE

John made a motion to put the Illustrated Standard on the KCA website in pdf form. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST FROM KEESNEWS.COM

Cindy Toste requested permission to use KCA statistics for the Keesnews.com website. The Board decided that a link to the KCA website should be used by the two current on-line magazines (Keesnews.com KeeshondWorld.com).

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Margaret was appointed to chair the Nominating committee.

AGENDA for ANNUAL MEETING

Carolyn reviewed the agenda for the Annual meeting.

The Board recessed at 7:37PM CDT.

OWENS / LEFEBVRE HEARING

The Board went into executive session at 7:45 PM for a continuance of the Owens / Lefebvre hearing.

The Board came out of executive session at 9:00 PM. The Board has determined in the case of the Linda Owen complaint against Suzette Lefebvre that this issue is closed without prejudice.

The board recessed at 9:05 PM CDT.

BROOKES / REED HEARING

On May 21th, the Board reconvened at 6:50 PM for the hearing of the complaint of Brenda Brookes against Joanne Reed. The Board went into Executive Session. The Board recessed at 7:45. The Board reconvened at 7:52 and went into Executive Session for the hearing of the complaint of Roseann Vorce against Joanne Reed.

The Board came out of executive session at 11:00 PM CDT. The Hearing Board found Joanne Reed in violation of the Code of Ethics and will receive a reprimand in the case of the complaint by Roseanne Vorce. The Hearing Board found Joanne Reed in violation of the Code of Ethics and is suspended for a period of three months (June 1, 2013 thru September 1, 2013) in the case of the complaint by Brenda Brookes.

The board recessed at 11:03PM CDT

On May 26th, The Board reconvened at 9:25PM CDT.

The following applications were presented:

Katrina Santas and Brett Thompson
Lapsed membership

Laura Inman
Sponsors: Emily Taggart and Shirley Kilpatrick

David and Angela Malanick
Sponsors: Kristen Dowd and Terri Van Schyndel

[The following applications were presented:
Debbie made a motion to accept the three applications that were presented. Margaret Bissell seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Donna made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Margaret seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 CDT.

KCA BOARD MEETING
June 17, 2013
Teleconference

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Carolyn Schaldecker, Debbie Hodges, Rick Su, Jennifer Sturgeon, Anita Williams, Margaret Bissell, Kathy Easter, John Malak, and Donna Smith

CALL TO ORDER President Carolyn Schaldecker called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM CDT.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Debbie made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected on applications. Anita seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT Jennifer received notice of approval from the American Kennel Club of the supported show for Central Carolina Keeshond Club in Greensboro, North Carolina on August 17, 2013.

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT No report.

TREASURER’S REPORT Anita reported a balance of $168,541.71 which includes two CD’s and a checking account of $43,791.20. Debbie made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Rick seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

In accordance with the By Laws, the Treasurer shall be bonded. For the sake of convenience, the Board has authorized both the Treasurer and the President as signers on the checking account. The Board has also determined that both signers should be bonded. The insurance company issuing the bond in 2013 has required that a third party reconcile the bank account on a monthly basis. Anita proposed the following policy to meet those requirements: The past Treasurer, if still on the Board, will perform this reconciliation. If the past Treasurer is not still on the board, the Board will appoint another Board member to perform this reconciliation. The Treasurer will obtain on-line read-only access for the board member performing this reconciliation and such member will reconcile the bank data to the Treasurer’s report monthly. Donna made a motion to accept this policy. Rick seconded the motion. The motion was approve unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2014 KCA NATIONAL Donna reported on the progress of the Central Carolina Keeshond Club. The Show committee has recently visited the Event Center and Capital Plaza Hotel to make decisions about hospitality and the arrangement of the rings and grooming.

JUDGES EDUCATION Donna reported that AKC has been informed of our new procedures for official KCA mentors. They have removed all names on the list except for the eligible Keeshond judges under the new procedure. She discussed the testing that was done during the National for new mentors. Jennifer moved that Diane Benz, Deb Tousey, and Jean Hargis-Gauchet be approved as mentors as they had met all requirements for mentoring. Rick seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

BY LAWS Donna reported on the progress of the By Laws committee. The work on the discipline section is completed. The committee is currently working on dates that affect the nominating process and the fiscal year.

NEW CHAIRPERSONS Hearts and Cards Chairperson and Membership Coordinator positions are still open. Jennifer volunteered to contact various members to fill these positions.

OLD BUSINESS

HOF / ROM/ ROMX CUSTODIAN The slideshow presentation of award winners for the annual banquet was a responsibility of the Awards Coordinator per the motion at the May
meeting. It was decided that the slideshow presentation should be the responsibility of the HOF/ROM/ROMX custodian.

**PUPPY BUYER GUIDE** Debbie presented an edit of the puppy buyer guide. The issue is tabled until July.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** Margaret reported that the nominating committee will be announced at the July meeting for approval by the Board.

**WEBSITE** Rick and Carolyn will be discussing issues with Carrie O’Bin on June 18, 2013.

**NATIONAL SPECIALTY REVIEW COMMITTEE** Debbie announced that a meeting is scheduled with the committee in June.

**AKC MEET THE BREEDS (September 28-29)** Rick reported that everything is progressing on this project.

**CODE OF ETHICS COMMITTEE** A letter will be sent to each affiliated club requesting each club to propose a KCA member to serve on the Code of Ethics committee.

**FACEBOOK** Kathy is still working on issues concerning establishing a facebook page for KCA.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**DUES NOTICE / POLLING ATTACHMENT** Other issues to be polled will be discussed at the July meeting.

**ADJOURN** Rick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:04 PM CDT.

**KCA BOARD MEETING**

July 22, 2013

Teleconference

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Carolyn Schaldecker, Debbie Hodges, Rick Su, Jennifer Sturgeon, Anita Williams, Kathy Easter, John Malak, Donna Smith, and Margaret Bissell

**CALL TO ORDER** President Carolyn Schaldecker called the meeting to order at 7:13 PM CDT.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Rick made a motion to approve the minutes. Anita seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT** Jennifer received several letters from AKC. AKC closed out the 2013 National and AKC processed the results of the Agility Trial. Meet the Breeds for AKC / Eukanuba show information was received. Rick will handle as the Meet the Breeds coordinator. AKC asks each Parent club to support the Eukanuba / AKC show by purchasing medallions for the winners. Debbie made motion to support the AKC / Eukanuba show with medallions in conformation, obedience, and agility. Kathy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Two other letters from AKC concerned the AKC Outreach Club and the AKC Humane Fund. Jennifer also received a letter from Canine Chronicle which is creating a statistical historical record on each breed.

**RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT** No report

**TREASURER’S REPORT** Anita reported a balance of $168,757.94 which includes two CD’s and a checking account. Jennifer made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Rick seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Anita reported that the dues notices are at the printer and should be out within the week.

**Committee Reports**

**2014 KCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY** Donna reported on the progress of the Central Carolina Keeshond Club. The club has two upcoming meetings (July and August) to continue to work on the details of the National. Judges contracts are complete. Applications for show and judges are ready to be sent to AKC.

**NATIONAL SPECIALTY REVIEW COMMITTEE** Margaret made motion to make the Agility entry fee $27 and second entry of $15. Debbie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A clarification was asked
for concerning non affiliated clubs hosting the National. Based on past National specialties, a non affiliated club that hosts has received fifty percent of any money derived from the specialty. Debbie reported that the committee is progressing on the Guidelines. A time line and check list have been added to aid the show chairperson.

BYLAWS REVISIONS COMMITTEE Donna reported that the Bylaws committee work should be finished by the October in person meeting. A format has been developed for presentation. The discipline and nominating sections are complete.

JUDGES EDUCATION COMMITTEE Suzanne Vessella has met the requirement of being a mentor / presenter. Anita made a motion to accept Suzanne as a mentor. Debbie seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Donna received information from AKC concerning the AKC/DJAA Non Sporting Breeds Advanced Judges Institute to be held in Orlando, Florida. Keeshond presentation will be made on Thursday, December 12 between 11 and 12:30. Hands on portion will be from 1:30 to 2:30. Donna will be requesting dogs and bitches for the presentation and the hands on portion from the membership.

2015 KCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY Donna received information from Ron Spaulding concerning the Sierra Keeshond Club hosting of the 2015 National specialty. They have narrowed their search for a hotel and will be meeting in August to establish committees.

OLD BUSINESS
APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHAIRPERSONS Debbie made a motion to approve Maryellen Meyer as the Hearts and Cards chairperson and Brenda Waite as the Membership Coordinator. Rick seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ROM / ROMX / HALL OF FAME COORDINATOR
The National Awards banquet slide presentation will be added as a responsibility to the description of Hall of Fame Coordinator. Betsy Winans has accepted that responsibility.

PUPPY BUYER GUIDE The board accepted the revision to the Puppy buyers guide for the website and as a handout.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE Margaret announced that Robin Skinner and Karen Godfrey are serving on the Nominating committee.

WEBSITE Rick discussed the Secretary Report and Illustrated Standard being on the website. The data base will be removed as it is out of date.

CODE OF ETHICS COMMITTEE A letter has been sent to the affiliated clubs asking for nominations for this committee.

FACEBOOK PAGE Kathy discussed the pros and cons of a facebook page for KCA. Margaret made a motion to develop a non interactive facebook page that would link to the KCA website. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS
LETTER FROM OBEDIENCE AND AGILITY EXHIBITORS A letter was received from a group of obedience exhibitors with suggestions for future National specialties. The suggestions were turned over to the National Specialty guidelines committee.

LETTER FROM SHOW SIGHT MAGAZINE Show Sight is in the process of developing a feature booklet on Keeshonden. It will include articles on judging and the special qualities of our breed. Advertising will also be accepted. It will be sent to all judges in the United States and Canada. The deadline is August 15th

MEETING IN OCTOBER Carolyn is working on the meeting place for the October meeting.

ADJOURNMENT Rick made a motion to adjourn. Margaret seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:56 CST.
MENTORS AND PRESENTERS NEEDED FOR JUDGES EDUCATION

At the March meeting of the KCA Board, new guidelines were adopted for the official KCA mentor / presenter list for the American Kennel Club. It is the goal of KCA to ensure that all breed mentoring is consistent with the breed standard and is objective in the presentation and discussion of each of the qualities discussed in that standard. The goal is to provide judges with KCA approved training that is as free of personal interpretation as possible and of similar quality and content in all regions of the country. In an effort to achieve this goal, KCA has developed a method to select mentors and presenters based on the following qualifications:

A) A minimum of 12 years in breeding and exhibiting of Keeshonden
B) A minimum of breeding and raising five (5) or more owned or co-owned Keeshonden litters on the applicant's premises.
C) A minimum of breeding four (4) or more Keeshond AKC champions (whether or not owned or handled by the applicant). AKC Champions must be from at least two (2) different litters and must be from litters whelped and raised on the applicant's premises.
D) Attended at least four (4) Specialty Shows hosted by a member club of KCA.
E) KCA Member for a minimum of five years and be a current KCA member at the time of any mentoring or presentation.
F) Have viewed the KCA-approved Judges Education presentation and attended at least one (1) KCA National breed seminar prior to applying.
G) Provide update of qualifications every two years as requested.

Additionally, presenters must be comfortable in speaking before a group and ideally should have done some public speaking in the past. They should be clear and very articulate while speaking.

To fulfill these goals, KCA is seeking mentors and presenters in all regions of the country. We currently have mentors in the following regions and states: West (Northern California, Idaho, and Arizona) East (New Jersey) Midwest (Western Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Michigan) South (Tennessee). IF YOU MEET THE ABOVE QUALIFICATIONS, PLEASE APPLY.

Process for Approval

Mentors / presenters must complete and submit an application and signed statement of compliance to the Judges Education Chairman to be considered for approval. Mentors / presenters must pass with a 100 percent score both the breed test and an anatomy test which are similar to the tests required by AKC for judges. If a perfect score is not received, the mentor / presenter may re-take the test at the next available testing session. The Judges Education Committee will review each application and forward those who fulfill the requirements to the Board for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

CONTACT DONNA SMITH (Judges Education Chair) AT DSmiff@aol.com or call 618-786-2912 for an application. As applications are received, testing locations will be arranged.
KEESHONDEN NEEDED!

AKC ADVANCED NON-SPORTING INSTITUTE
THURSDAY December 12, 2013
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

AKC and the Dog Judges Association of America are hosting an institute for Non-Sporting dogs during the Eukanuba week in Orlando. Judges education needs six Keeshonden for the hands–on portion of the workshop for judges who are considering judging our breed. Our presentation is scheduled for 11 – 12:30 on Thursday, December 12th. The Hands–on portion will be from 1:30 until 2:30.

If you plan on attending the shows in Orlando, please consider letting Judges Education use your dog or bitch in the hands-on portion. AKC will arrange breed judging so that it does not occur during this period of time. This is an extremely important portion of judges education!!! Future judges need to observe and participate in judging the breed in a workshop situation where they can ask questions and discuss the various facets of our breed. This is your chance to help in educating future judges by allowing your dog or bitch to be observed, examined, and moved in a workshop situation.

If you are interested or if you have questions, please contact Donna Smith at DSmiff@aol.com or call 618-786-2912.

KCA has a deadline of OCTOBER 15th to notify AKC of participants.

A message from Tawn Sinclair...

National Parent Club Canine Health Conference

I was thrilled to be able to attend the conference for the third time and found this one to have been the best so far based on the subjects covered and the quality of the speakers. There was an update on Jaime Modiano's Hemangiosarcoma Research Project which KCA is supporting and finally there is some encouraging progress in treating this devastating cancer. There was an excellent presentation on the status of epilepsy treatments. (No progress on finding specific gene markers). There were three excellent sessions on sports medicine and rehab which is one of the fastest growing areas in canine health, fueled in part by the Agility Explosion and secondly, by the need to keep military and law enforcement dogs in service after injuries. There were two sessions on genetics for dog breeders and how to wisely use the ever expanding number of gene tests. I will be preparing a detailed report for the KCA Secretary's Report to share the information imparted at the conference. CHF is sending us videos of the presentations, hopefully within the next three weeks. Perhaps, we could figure out a way to add these to the health section of the KCA website so that people could view the presentations on the subjects of interest to them.
**Welcome New Members**

The following were recommended to you in the last Secretary’s report and are now members.

**Bradley Cook** 2813 Bastille, Salem, OR 97306, (503)689-8951, bradc55@gmail.com

*Sponsored by Shannon Kelly and Donna Powell*

**Stacey Cromer Berman and Greg Berman** 5371 Tarkington Place, Columbia, MD 21046, staceycromer@gmail.com

*Sponsored by Pat and Carol Harrigan and Kristen Cullen*

**Anne Dunn** 190 Silent Lane, Rutledge, TN 37861, itzzbibers@aol.com

*Sponsored by Donna Stekli and Linda Moss*

**Peter Livingston and Sharon Stark** E 6095 County road WC, Spring Green, WI 53588 (608)588-3430

* peter@starklivingston.com

*Sponsored by Terri VanSchyndel and Kristen Dowd*

**Lynn and Casey Collins** 15109 72nd Dr. SE, Snohomish, WA 98296 (206)856-5134, casey.s.collins@boeing.com

*Sponsored by Ann Elders and Linda Hall*

**Anitra and Dain Redlepsen** 4876 Greenleaf Way, Medina, OH 44256 (330)723-6500, anitra@zoominternet.net (sponsored by Ann McHugh and Bonnie Hronek)

**Brenda Sommers** 5155 W. Queneg Ave. F102, Denver, CO 80232, (720)218-6856, kees@spektacleskees.com (sponsored by Jennifer McClure and Rosy Lipphardt)

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS**

Your Board reviewed applications at its May meeting and recommend these applicants to you as prospective members. Your Board asks you to forward written comments and supporting documents that may reflect on the Board’s recommendation to the Corresponding Secretary within 30 days of this report. Your Board may request additional information from you or the applicant at its discretion.

If negative comments are received, the applicant will be notified and given the opportunity to review the comments and respond. Such applications will be held over until the next Board meeting for Board review.

**Jodi McGee**

*Sponsors: Cindy Turnbull and Kathi Fleischer*

**Kathleen and Steve Winzer**

*Sponsors: Julie North and Beth Blankenship*

**Wendy Venable**

*Sponsors: Kathy Easter and Liz McKnight*

**Katrina Santas and Brett Thompson**

*Lapsed membership*

**Laura Inman**

*Sponsors: Emily Taggart and Shirley Kilpatrick*

**David and Angela Malanick**

*Sponsors: Kristen Dowd and Terri Van Schyndel*
KCA 2013 Calendar Key Dates

January  1 Beginning of Awards Year
  15 Ballot for Board Election Due to Teller
  30 Teller Election Report Due/Results Announced

February 1-3/31 Period for First Board Meeting/Begning of Official Year/Rescue Grants Determined
  28 Last day to submit requests for Rescue Grants/Statistician Receives December issue of AKC Awards

March  1 Deadline for Futurity/Maturity Enrollment
  1 Treasurer Opens New Bank Account/Updates signature cards. New packets coordinator reminder to Corresponding Secretary for new membership lists
  31 Corresponding Secretary Requests Crufts qualifying cards

April  15 Earliest date possible for KCA membership meeting

May  1 Annual report of local Specialty clubs activities due to Corresponding Secretary
  1-6/15 Period for second Board meeting/KCA Membership Meeting Awards Banquet/Treasurer’s Report at Membership Meeting

June  1-31 Treasurer sends statement of dues to members
  15 Latest possible date for KCA Membership Meeting

July  1 Deadline for Board to appoint Nominating Committee/Lapsed Members requests for reinstatement due.
  15 Deadline for Nominating Committee to mail letter of acceptance to Nominees

August 1 Deadline for members dues payment/Nominating Committee Report due/Start of club’s fiscal year
  11 Nominees letter of acceptance due
  15-9/15 Treasurer sends overdue dues notices

September 1 Mailing of Nominating Committee’s slate for Board of Directors
  21-12/21 Period for third “fall” Board meeting

October  1 Treasurer accepts no judges ballot votes after October 1, Deadline for Nominees running by petition

November 1 First day to Submit requests for Rescue Grants/Deadline for reinstatement – late dues payments
  15 Nominations by petition due

December 1 Mailing of ballots for Board of Directors if petitions received
  31 End of KCA Awards year

Upcoming Specialties – 2013 from the AKC website

Rocky Mountain Keeshond Club
  9/6/13

Keeshond Club of Delaware Valley
  9/14 &15/13

Keeshond Fanciers of the Central States
  10/6/13

Capital Keeshond Club
  10/12/13

Nor Cal Keeshond Club
  11/8/13

Buckeye Keeshond Club
  11/17/13

Mount Hood Keeshond Club
  12/6 & 7/13
At the May 2012 KCA Board meeting, the Board approved the creation of a KCA Semi-Annual Newsletter published by Cathy Bosnic that will feature the Specialty Show Results and Pictures as well as Annual Awards for a historical record of these special events. This was also announced at the KCA Annual General Meeting.

Specialty Clubs, please submit your photos and specialty results to:

Cathy Bosnic
PO Box 255, Zimmerman, MN 55398
(cbosnic@izoom.net or cathybosnic@gmail.com)

Keeshond Fanciers of the Central States
Sweepstakes & Specialty Shows
Obedience Trials
Saturday & Sunday
October 5th & 6th, 2013
Car-Dun-Al Obedience Dog Training Club
10783 Wolf Dr.
Huntley, IL 60142

SHOW SECRETARY - Cindy Wegner
5611 Liberty Road N
Powell, OH 43065
(740) 363-0443
www.k9specialt.com /
cwegner@columbus.rr.com
On-Line Entries:
www.k9specialt.com
Entries close Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2013 at 6:00 PM

Nor-Cal Keeshond Club
50th Anniversary Specialty Show and Events.
Friday, November 8, 2013
Napa Valley Expo Fairgrounds,
575 Third St., Napa, CA 94559
Same location: Wine Country Kennel Club all-breed shows Nov. 9 & 10.
Closing Date: October 23, 2013
For more information go to our website norcalkees.com, or contact Joye Bondanza 530-529-2014, joyebondanza@gmail.com
## Keeshond Club of America

### Treasurer's Report

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| Checking               | 34,586.53 | 44,333.09 |
| CDs                    | 149,999.99 | 124,750.51 |
| **Total**              | 184,586.52 | 169,083.60 |
Established 1935

Keeshond Club of America
Committee Chairpersons & Coordinators
2013 - 2014

As of September 2013

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Special Thank You to:

Pat Martinez

And

Melinda Hughes

For giving their time and efforts to serving as Membership Coordinator and Hearts and Cards Coordinator, we all appreciate your time served!