

AWDF February 1, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Meeting began 9:10 pm est

Attendance:

President: Al Govednik ,Vice President: Bill Bimrose, Secretary: Michelle Testa,
Treasurer Chantal Young

Executive Delegates at large, Dyan Harper and Dan Williams, Vera Reeves
United Doberman Club - Wendy Schmidt,

Working Riesenschнауzer Federation – Tim Nyx

United Schutzhund Clubs of America – Frank Phillips, Jim Alloway

American Working Malinois Association – Anne Camper,

North American Working Bouvier Association – Charlie Porter,

United States Mondioring Association – Lisa Geller

United States Rottweiler Club – Chuck Wilson, Amanda Hoskinson

Working Black Russian Terrier Club of America – Anne Marie Chaffin, Patty Bartley

LV/DVG America – Carole Patterson

Working Dutch Shepherd Association – Les Flores

United States Boxer Association – Mark Chase

Cane Corso Assoc. of America (Guest status) – Annie Wildmoser

American Herding Breed Assoc. (Guest status) – Linda Rorem

Absent

Federation American Bulldog – Paige Shriver

Working Pit Bull Terrier Club of America – Annetta Cheek, Howard Burgess

Hovawart Club

Budget

The president reviewed past dues and voting structure.

Bill Bimrose asked if there were any particular line items in the presented budget that need to be explained

Charlie Porter asked for clarification on the amounts set aside for the score books

The clarification that the books are not something that is purchased every year but does provide income. Both the expense and income must be documented.

Al suggested the removal of one trip to Europe and the uniforms is already proposed.

Wendy Schmitt suggested that both trips to Europe as well as the uniforms be omitted from the proposed budget.

Dyan Harper stated that it may not be a good time to decrease our presence in Europe.

The Vice President felt we may be able to cancel the trips for 1 year in order to provide a more financial balance.

Vera Reeves asked the group to move forward. That this path is appearing to look like stalling tactics

She continued by stating that the AWDF can't slack its representation at the FCI. The small list of supposed sponsors with \$100 investments in advertising are not going to help.

We need real money to keep this organization running.

The Treasurer asked the call attendees to consider the current proposed budget.

Frank Phillips stated he sent out an email with an idea of a budget that omitted both trips leaving the budget with a surplus and bringing the dues down to an affordable amount.

If the trips are omitted then it gives 9 months for the federation to work on increasing revenue to acquire the fees to put the trips back in.

The Treasurer stated she appreciated Franks Idea but had no faith that there would any work to really raise the monies needed.

Charlie Porter, Mark Chase both suggested the concept of having separate budgets for the general workings of the Federation and a Championship budget.

The president reminded everyone that this is the first year the Federation is hosting its own event. Monies will be coming back to the AWDF.

Mark Chase and Les Flores both stated that Championship events should make some sort of profit.

There has to be an effort from all of us

Delegates have to pick up tasks

Tim Nyx stated that we have to come to an agreement

It is not fair if we never raise dues and it is not fair to raise dues too high.

Patty Bartley stated that nobody wants to lose any organizations but any increase would require that to make up the balance it would have to come out of her personal account to meet the payment for the Black Russian Terriers.

Frank's proposal takes out both trips to Europe and will make the dues payment \$450.

So member clubs would all pay the same and all clubs would have 1 vote.

Mark Chase made the motion to accept the presented budget adjustments with Frank Phillip's suggestion of the removal of both trips to Europe. Dues would be \$450. Per club for this fiscal year and votes will stay at 1 vote per club.

Les Flores seconded the motion.

Vote results:

President: Al Govednik

Vice President: Bill Bimrose **YES**

Secretary: Michelle Testa **YES**

Treasurer Chantal Young **YES**

Dyan Harper **YES**

Dan Williams **YES**

Vera Reeves **YES**

United Doberman Club **YES**

Working Riesenschнауzer Federation **YES**

United Schutzhund Clubs of America **YES**

American Working Malinois Association **YES**

North American Working Bouvier Association **YES**

United States Mondioring Association **YES**

United States Rottweiler Club **YES**

Working Black Russian Terrier Club of America **YES**

LV/DVG America - **not present at time of vote**

Working Dutch Shepherd Association **YES**

United States Boxer Association **YES**

Federation American Bulldog – **not on the call**

Working Pit Bull Terrier Club of America – **not on the call**

Hovawart Club of America (Guest) – **not on call**

Cane Corso Assoc. of America (Guest status) – **no vote**

American Herding Breed Assoc. (Guest status) – **no vote**

Anne Camper asked the treasurer when dues notices will be sent.

The treasurer will send out the notices along with a copy of the new budget.

Dan Williams stated that our treasurer will be updating the finance software with Quick Books.

2014 AWDF Championship

Dan asked if the member clubs would be interested in having a club banner to display at the event.

Mark Chase stated that 3' x 6' banners can be purchased for \$34.00

2014 IPOFH team update

Andres Aportela will be sponsoring our IPOFH team with uniforms and some financing when they head to Germany to compete in April.

He will be the team captain as well.

The Secretary made the motion to adjourn

Dan Williams seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned 10:04pm est