

Conference call minutes - November 24, 2015 Call began at 9:05pm EST

Attendance AWDF Executive Board President- Anne Camper Vice President Secretary- Michelle Testa, Treasurer- Tracy Klopp, Executive Directors at Large – Tim Karchnak, Amanda Hoskinson, Dave Kroyer

Member Clubs and Delegates

United States Boxer Assoc. –Mark Chase United Doberman Club- **ABSENT** United States Rottweiler Club – Dan Williams United Schutzhund Club of America – Jim Alloway, Frank Phillips Working Riesenschнауzer Federation – Tim Nyx North America Working Bouvier Assoc. Margaret Teitelbaum United States Mondioring Assoc.- **ABSENT** America Working Malinois Assoc.- Waine Singelton, Christopher Smith Federation American Bulldog – **ABSENT** Working Pitbull Terrier Club of America – **ABSENT** LV/DVG America – Annetta Cheek, Scott Bakkala Working Dutch Shepherd Assoc.- **ABSENT** American Herding Breed Association – Linda Rorem Cane Corso Association- Annie Wildemoser

President report/ VP report - Anne Camper informed the call attendees that Bill Bimrose sent a letter to her resigning from the presidency. The Secretary will send a thank you letter to Bill from the Federation. Anne asked that anyone interested in being considered for Vice president to please submit their name to the Secretary. Any interested persons need to understand there will be a lot of work, and proactivity is needed. There will be a lot to accomplish over the next few months. Submission is due by December 4th 2015

Secretary report- None at this time. **Treasurer Report-** Tracy submitted a report/ outline of the expenses from January 1, thru November 2015 for review. The transition from the old treasurer to her is still in process.

Old Business

Website update - we have access to the current website. The Secretary suggested the AWDF hire John Wilkins of Global Live Inc. to revamp and update the site. She will get a proposal from him and submit it to the board for review.

2016 AWDF Championship Update Things are moving along, website is up. Tim Karchnak asked if the “leaving before closing ceremonies rule” would be enforced. Waine said it wouldn’t, there are always extenuating circumstances and they will do their best and are prepared to have scorebooks ready to be returned to handlers as quickly as they can. Tracking will be on dirt Entry form is up So far only 3 helpers have submitted to work the event. Waine expects to receive a submission from 1 more person. As soon as he can he will submit the list to the event committee for approval. They are looking at national level helpers only. Dan Williams asked about whether they had qualified track layers. Waine responded that all tracklayers have experience and have also titled dogs in IPO. Trophy Sponsorship- Breed/ Sport Clubs will have first choice to sponsor their trophies. A dead line will be posted. Once the deadline is passed then those trophies will be open for anyone to sponsor.

New Business

2015 Survey results - review and discuss Clubs attending the call had an opportunity to share their thoughts on the synopsis. It was very clear that the attending clubs do not want to stay where we are. Anne stated it is going to take the organization as a whole to put some of the suggestions through. Anne asked that each club now submit a priority list to her by December 4th 2015

Seeking bids for 2017 IPO and IPOFH Championships Anne will meet with the Events committee to discuss putting together a contract for the championship. A contract needs to be developed before we begin to reach out for bids for 2017. Frank Phillips asked if the contract will be between the AWDF and the host club. Anne replied yes.

The Secretary made the motion to adjourn Dan Williams 2nd the motion. None opposed Meeting adjourned 10:19 pm est