



**Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)**  
**2015 In Person BOARD MEETING**  
Riverwalk Hotel, Neenah, Wisconsin  
Monday September 14, 2015  
**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 9:23 CST by President Kim Simons.  
Roll call was taken. Voting Members present in the meeting room: President Kim Simons, Secretary Kim Adams, and Region 2 Director Dan Rode.  
Ex-Officio Non-Voting Members present in the meeting room: Outgoing President Sue Dorscheid, AKC Delegate Marile Waterstraat  
Present on the Conference Call: Vice President Betsy Fogg, Treasurer Brad Sherlag, Region 1 Director Elizabeth Meacham, Region 3 Director Terri Krause, Region 4 Director Lia Raitt, and Region 6 Director Ann DiSilvestre

Absent: Region 5 Director Max Hamilton, Region 7 Director Jenn Hollis.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** Betsy Fogg moved to accept the corrected minutes for the April 2014 General and Executive Session Minutes. Dan Rode seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Motion:** Betsy Fogg moved to approve the Treasurer Report as presented. Ann DiSilvestre seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

#### **REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS**

*No action taken on the Regional Director Reports*

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*No action taken on the Committee Reports*

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## AGENDA ITEMS:

### NEW BUSINESS

**Proposal #1:** Meet the Breeds – Eukanuba National Championship December 12-13, 2015  
Submitted by: Ann DiSilvestre, Region 6 Director and Alyson Casper

**Motion:** Liz Meacham moved to approve the funding for the booth. Terri Krause seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion:** Brad Sherlag moves to approve Alyson Casper as the chair of the Eukanuba National Championship Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Meet the Breeds Booth. Terri Krause second the motion

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #2:** Clarification of wording for the NSDTRC field tests

**Submitted by:** Danika Bannasch, NSDTRC USA field chair

**Motion 1:** Betsy Fogg moved to accept both as written. Liz Meacham seconded the motion.

1. WCI

Rules:

1) “the dog may come to the line off leash and leave off leash **at the handlers discretion.** No English style slip leads may be used.”

2. WCI/WCX

Rules:

I propose to change the wording for both the WCI and the WCX line 21) to:

21) The handler may not touch the dog once the handler has signaled to the judge he/she is ready. **The handler may speak softly to the dog during the test.** Failure may result from excessive noise at the line by the retriever or the handler.

**Approve [6]:** B. Fogg, B. Sherlag, L. Meacham, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre

**Oppose [1]:** D. Rode

**Abstain [1]:** K. Adams

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**Motion 2:** Dan Rode moved that the Board returns to Danika to review the rules of a controlled break and possibly define a controlled break. Kim Adams seconded the motion.

**Approve [6]:** K. Adams, B. Sherlag, L. Meacham, D. Rode, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre

**Abstain [2]:** B. Fogg, T. Krause

**Proposal #3:** Club Field Medallion Award

**Submitted by:** Cindy Lindemer [manitouduckdogs@msn.com](mailto:manitouduckdogs@msn.com)

**Motion 1:** Ann DiSilvestre moved to approve the proposal as written. Dan Rode seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion 2:** Dan Rode moved to create a Field Medallion Award committee appoint Cindy Lindemer as chair and Liz Meacham and Pat Romeiro as a committee members pending acceptance. Betsy Fogg seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #4:** New NSDTRC-USA Award: Meredith Noreen Memorial Award

**Submitted by:** Linda Fitzmaurice, Region 4 (by way of Kim Simons, Trophy Chair)

**Motion 1:** Betsy Fogg moved to accept the proposal as written. Brad Sherlag seconded the motion.

**Approve [4]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, D. Rode

**Oppose [1]:** A. DiSilvestre

**Abstain [3]:** E. Meacham, T. Krause, L. Raitt

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion 2:** Kim Simons moved to amend the language of the “1# Toller Meredith Noreen Memorial Award” to award the award through 2014 – 2019. Marile Waterstraat seconded the motion.

**Approve [2]:** K. Adams, A. DiSilvestre

**Oppose [6]:** B. Fogg, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt

*Motion was not approved by the Board of Directors*

**Proposal #5:** Expansion of Judges Education Committee

Submitted by: Jean Gilroy

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**Motion 1:** Marile Waterstraat moved to send Proposal #5 to Deb Gibbs as the Judges Education Committee Chair for review. Kim Adams seconded the motion.

**Approve [5]:** K. Adams, B. Sherlag, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre

**Oppose [3]:** B. Fogg, L. Meacham, D. Rode

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion 2:** Dan Rode moved to form a committee outside of the JEC and Mentoring to review the current structure and offer recommendations. Kim Simons seconded the motion.

**Approve [6]:** B. Fogg, B. Sherlag, L. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt

**Oppose [2]:** K. Adams, A. DiSilvestre

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #6:** Review of the Travel Policy

Submitted by: Deb Gibbs

Brad Sherlag moved to amend the travel policy to \$150 per night and \$50 for meals per day and Board approval for expenses for over \$500. Additionally, policy #7 will be removed. Dan Rode seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #7:** Approval of new Webmaster Position Description

Submitted by: Amanda Crane, Webmaster

Kim Simons moved to ask Amanda Crane to return to the Board with bids for at least 2 web firms for the board review. Following review of the bids the Board will review the Position Description. Brad Sherlag seconded the motion.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:05 PM Central Kim Simons moved to adjourn the General Session.

**Approve [8]:** B. Fogg, K. Adams, B. Sherlag, E. Meacham, D. Rode, T. Krause, L. Raitt, A. DiSilvestre.

**Oppose [0]:**

**Abstain [0]:**

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Kim Simons called the Executive Session to order at 3:06**

**CONFIDENTIAL**

**Executive Session:**

**Proposal #1:** Review and approve standing and ad hoc committees

**Proposal #2:** Scholarship Candidate

**Proposal #3:** Appoint a new Membership Chair

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:45 PM Central Brad Sherlag moved to adjourn the Executive Session.

*Motion Approved by the Board of Directors.*

NOTE: President's vote was cast for all motions, but only counted in the case of a tie.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Adams, Secretary