



**Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)**  
**ONLINE BOARD BUSINESS SESSION**  
Beginning Wednesday, December 4, 2019  
**AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 2019 In Person Board Meeting Minutes

**(Please see: Attachment A – October 2019 In Person Board Meeting Minutes)**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

*None submitted*

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

*None submitted*

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

*None submitted*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*None submitted*

**REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS**

*None submitted*

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Proposal #1:** Conduct of Business

**Submitted by:** Dan Rode, President

Each year the Board must agree on the method to conduct Board Business as provided in the Bylaws which is in compliance with Alabama law related to conducting business without a meeting. In legalese there is a distinction between “meetings” and conducting business.

“Meetings” require that all in attendance **MUST** be able to see or hear everyone else so can only be accomplished in-person or by video or telephone conferencing.

**Article III, Section 4. Board Business.**

The Board of Directors may also conduct business by telephone conference call, mail, and fax provided it does not conflict with any other provision of these Bylaws. All Board members must agree upon the means of communication. Items voted upon by telephone conference call, mail, and fax must be confirmed in writing within seven days.

Since approximately 2002, the Board has “conducted business” by using a Forum or Bulletin Board for discussions with all voting being done by mail or fax. However, the Board has to approve this method of conducting business each year.

**Specific Board Action Requested:** The NSDTRC (USA) Officers and Board unanimously agree to continue to use the current on-line Forum for the conduct of business with all voting done by mail or fax during the next year (Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 – October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020).

**Proposal #2:** Step Up Award  
Submitted by: Rev. Elizabeth Meacham

**Description:** This is an award to recognize the continuing achievements of the Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retrievers who have previously received the Rusty Jones Award. This award is for Rusty Jones Award winners who have gone on to achieve a Grand Championship (AKC), CDX (AKC) & WCI (NSDTRC (USA)) not necessarily in the same year & tollers having met the requirements previous to the approval of this award. This is to honor my GCH CH Kylador’s Quick Step CDX WCI and all those brave enough to keep going after achieving the Rusty Jones. A plaque of similar design as the Rusty Jones would be awarded.

**Justification:** To encourage the continuing work & achievements of members & their tollers in all phases of work (to keep the “sporting” in our tollers).

**Administration:** This award would require reviewing Rusty Jones award winners each year to see if they now meet the new requirements. Presentation of this award will be at the National Specialty at the same time as the Rusty Jones Awards are announced.

**Financial Implications:** I will bear the financial responsibility for the design & creation of the new award. I’m not sure how the Rusty Jones awards are financed.

**Specific Board Action Requested:** Approve the Step Up Award.

**Proposal #3:** Apply to become Licensed to hold AKC Scent Work Trials  
Submitted by: Ann DiSilvestre

**Description:** Scent Work is the third most popular AKC sport and it has only been going on for two years! Club Members are involved in this sport and have expressed an interest in a Trial at the 2020 National Specialty.

**Justification:** There is a lot of interest and we have volunteers willing to help run a Trial at the 2020 National Specialty. This would also be another way to increase participation at the National Specialty.

**Administration:** An application will be submitted to the AKC to become licensed to hold Scent Work Trials.

**Financial Implications:** There is no fee to apply to become licensed. The fee to hold a Trial is \$35.00.

**Specific Board Action Requested:** Approve the Application to hold AKC Scent Work Trials.

**Proposal #4:** Appoint a Chair for the 2019 Meet the Breeds event at the AKC National Championship in Orlando, FL.

**Submitted by:** Ann DiSilvestre

**Description:** The BOD has already approved Club participation in this event as long as we have a Chair. Lauren LaPoint has volunteered to be the 2020 Chair.

**Administration:** Complete the AKC Meet the Breeds form and return to the AKC.

**Financial Implications:** Electricity for the booth is \$110.00.

**Specific Action Requested:** Approve Lauren LaPoint as the Chair for the 2019 Meet the Breeds event at the AKC National Championship.

**ADJOURNMENT**



**Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)  
IN PERSON BOARD MEETING  
Residence Inn, Loveland, CO  
October 16, 2019  
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 MST by President Dan Rode.

Roll call was taken. Voting Members present in the meeting room:

Vice President Terri Krause, Secretary Ann DiSilvestre, Region 1 Director Joy Annunziato, Region 2 Director Dan Kauzlarich, Region 3 Director Marcia Lyons, Region 4 Director Pam Durkee, Region 5 Director Wendy Shumway and Region 7 Director Francine Kaplan.

Non-voting Members present in the meeting room: Incoming Region 3 Director Danielle Winship.

Present on the Conference Call: Treasurer Carolyn Kurth, and Region 6 Director Alyson Casper.

**ACTION**

**Motion:** To change the order of new business to Proposal #7 first followed by Proposal #2, #1, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9.

Motion made by Francine Kaplan. Seconded by Marcia Lyons.

**APPROVE [ 5]:** C. Kurth, J. Annunziato, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan and P. Durkee.

**OPPOSE [ 6 ]:** A. Casper, T. Krause, D. Kauzlarich, A. DiSilvestre, W. Shumway and D. Rode,

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion not approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion:** To change the order of new business to Proposal #1, #3, #4, #5, #6, #8, #9, #7, #2.

Motion made by Francine Kaplan. Joy Annunziato seconded.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** C. Kurth, J. Annunziato, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, D. Kauzlarich, A. DiSilvestre, and W. Shumway.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

July 2019 Online Board Business Session Minutes

**Motion:** I move that the minutes of the June 2018 Online Board Business Session be accepted as written.

Motion made by Terri Krause. Francine Kaplan seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Motion:** To accept the Committee Reports as written.

Motion made by Joy Annunziato. Ann DiSilvestre seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion:** To note there was no action taken on the Specialty Committee Report.

Motion made by Ann DiSilvestre. Joy Annunziato seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

## **AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Motion:** To amend the Agenda to include Proposal 1 on the March 2018 Board Business Meeting agenda item to include it under OLD BUSINESS.

Motion made by Dan Kauzlarich. Francine Kaplan seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Proposal #1:** Club Specialties

**Submitted by:** Marile Waterstraat [waterstraat@rochester.rr.com](mailto:waterstraat@rochester.rr.com) 224 Wilkinson Road, Macedon, NY 14502 315-986-4077

**Motion:** To table this proposal until the Membership has an opportunity to review and comment on the Specialty Guidelines Committee report. Motion made by Ann DiSilvestre. Marcia Lyons seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Proposal #1: 2019 Backyard Classic Specialty**

**Submitted by:** Elizabeth Boryczka

**Motion:** I make a motion to approve the proposal as written.

Motion made by Ann DiSilvestre. Wendy Shumway seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 8 ]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, and A. DiSilvestre

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [2 ]:** C. Kurth and F. Kaplan.

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

### **Proposal #3: Discussion and/or action regarding Upland titles in field classes**

**Submitted by:** Rochelle Kurth

**Motion:** To table Proposal #3.

Motion made by Francine Kaplan. Joy Annunziato seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

### **Proposal #4: Amendment to Hunting and Working Retriever Classes.**

**Submitted By:** Dan Rode [dan@watersedgeretrievers.com](mailto:dan@watersedgeretrievers.com), Sue Dorscheid and Dan Kauzlarich.

**Motion:** To approve the Proposal as written.

Motion made by Marcia Lyons. Wendy Shumway seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

### **Proposal #3: Discussion and/or action regarding Upland titles in field classes**

**Submitted by:** Rochelle Kurth

**Motion:** To indefinitely postpone the Proposal. Minutes to reflect that we fully discussed Proposal #3 and Proposal #4 before we motioned on the Proposal.

Motion made by Ann DiSilvestre. Francine Kaplan seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN []:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #5:** Restructuring of the versatility categories & minor update to the program

**Submitted by:** Rochelle Kurth

**Motion:** Dan Kauzlarich moves to form a Committee to review the Versatility categories. Ann DiSilvestre to follow up with proposing Committee Members. Terri Krause seconds the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN []:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #6:** STUNT DOG

**Submitted by:** Lynn Berker

**Motion:** Marcia Lyons motions to include this Proposal in the discussion to be made by the Committee formed in Proposal #5. Dan Kauzlarich seconds the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #8:** Indemnification Agreement

**Submitted By:** Ann DiSilvestre

**Motion:** Joy Annunziato moves to approve the Proposal as written. Terri Krause seconds the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #9:** Funding the Roy'll Flush and Admiral Halsey HOT Dog Teamwork awards

**Submitted by:** Dan Kauzlarich

**Motion:** Dan Kauzlarich moves to approve the Proposal as written. Marcia Lyons seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10 ]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #7: Club Specialties**

**Submitted By:** Dan Rode [dan@watersedgeretrievers.com](mailto:dan@watersedgeretrievers.com), Ann DiSilvestre, Terri Krause

**Motion:** Francine Kaplan motions to table this Proposal and refer it to the Specialty Guidelines Committee. Marcia Lyons seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10 ]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth and A. DiSilvestre.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal #2: Proposal to Upgrade Maryland Sporting Association (#37) Supported Entry to a Designated Specialty.**

**Submitted by** Sherry Seibel DVM, NSDTRC Show Chair for MD Sporting Dog Association, Francine W Kaplan, as Region 7 Director, and committee members as follows:

Show Chair	Sherry	Seibel
Secretary	John	Cudahy
Treasurer	Francine	Kaplan
Trophy Chair	Cathy	Hamilton
Social Media Engagement	Julie	Rudisill
Fundraising Merchandise	Janis	Dibert
Hospitality	Jean	Gilroy
Hospitality	Leeann	Gleason
Breeder's show case	William	Burland
Grounds/Grooming	Carolyn	Ehle
Grounds/Grooming	Mike	Gaumer
Committee Member	Rebecca	Kirzner
Committee Member	Susan	Nepomuceno
Committee Member	Laura	Hamilton
Committee Member	Brenda	Dorman
Committee Member	Janna	Drof
Committee Member	Debra	Rhodes

**Motion:** Ann DiSilvestre motioned to postpone indefinitely the Proposal. Terri Krause seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 2 ]:** A. DiSilvestre and T. Krause.

**OPPOSE [ 8 ]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, J. Annunziato, C. Kurth

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion not approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Motion:** Marcia Lyons motioned to accept the proposal as written. Francine Kaplan seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 9]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, and C. Kurth.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

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

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**Proposal:** That the BOD does not entertain any new proposals on specialties until such time that the BOD adopts guidelines.

**Submitted by:** Ann DiSilvestre

**Motion:** Dan Kauzlarich motions to approve the Proposal as written. Joy Annunziato seconded.

**APPROVE [ 8 ]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, A. DiSilvestre

**OPPOSE [ 2 ]:** F. Kaplan and C. Kurth

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** I motion to adjourn the October 2019 BOD Business Session.

Motion made by Pam Durkee. Joy Annunziato seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, A. DiSilvestre, P. Durkee. A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, and C. Kurth.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*Motion approved by the Board of Directors.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

*No action taken.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** I motion to adjourn the October 2019 BOD Executive Session.

Motion made by Ann DiSilvestre. Pam Durkee seconded the motion.

**APPROVE [ 10]:** W. Shumway, D. Kauzlarich, M. Lyons, F. Kaplan, A. DiSilvestre, P. Durkee, A. Casper, T. Krause, J. Annunziato, and C. Kurth.

**OPPOSE [ ]:**

**ABSTAIN [ ]:**

*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,

Ann DiSilvestre, Secretary