

Meeting Minutes

Papillon Club of America, Inc. – Board Meeting 12/15/2015

The meeting was called to order by President, Anita Wright at 9:04 PM EST.

Members Present: Anita Wright, Jane Sirkoch, Lori Landis, Nikki Berthold-Illias, Charlotte McGowan, Nicholas Forbes, Tammy Tackett, Donna Clas

A quorum was present.

The meeting agenda was distributed by email prior to the meeting. Agenda adopted by unanimous consent.

The minutes for the 11/24/2015 board meeting were distributed to all board members and approved via email.

Officers Reports

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jane Sirkoch distributed a treasurer's report via email prior to the meeting. The report may be found at the end of these minutes.

Committee Reports

None

Unfinished Business

The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss and approve the proposed amendments to the PCA C&BLs. The below motions all address this subject.

Tammy Tackett moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #2 that advises a change in PCA's Constitution, Article I, Section 2(d) to be changed from "To advance and protect the interests of the Breed, and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and obedience trials."

To read as

"To advance and protect the interests of the Breed, and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at all AKC sanctioned events." **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #3 that advises a change in Constitution, Article I, Section 2(e) to be changed from "To conduct sanctioned matches, specialty shows and obedience trials and all American Kennel Club events for which the Club is eligible under the Rules and Regulations of The American Kennel Club."

To read as

"To comply with all Rules and Regulations as governed by the AKC for all dog Clubs." **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously defeated.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #4 that advises a change in Constitution, Article I, Section 2(f) to be changed from "To cooperate with other dog clubs, humane organizations and veterinary research organizations, and to offer prizes to be competed for by representatives of the Breed and their owners and exhibitors."

To read as

"To cooperate with the AKC recognized dog clubs, Breed rescue groups, and veterinary research organizations, and to offer prizes to be competed for by representatives of the Breed, their owners, and exhibitors." **Seconded.**

Jane Sirkoch moved to remove breed rescue groups from the wording. **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

New wording reads

"To cooperate with the AKC recognized dog clubs and veterinary research organizations, and to offer prizes to be competed for by representatives of the Breed, their owners, and exhibitors."

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #5 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article I, Members, Section 1-A, Application for Membership to be changed from

"Applications for membership shall be made in writing to the Recording Secretary, who will provide blank forms for such applications. Any such applications when made must be signed by two sponsoring members who are not related or reside in the same household and shall be accompanied by the initiation fee plus dues for one year. No person may sponsor a candidate for membership until that person has been a member in good standing for at least one year immediately preceding the date the application is submitted to the Recording Secretary. No person may sponsor more than (2) two candidates for membership within a calendar year."

To read as

"Applications for membership shall be submitted to the Corresponding Secretary on an approved Club form. Applications must have signatures of two sponsoring members in good standing, who are not related and do not cohabitate with the applicant or each other. Sponsors must have been members in good standing for at least one year prior to the applicant's submission. The application must be accompanied by a check for the first year's dues and an initiation fee. No person may sponsor more than (2) two candidates for membership within a calendar year." **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #17 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article II, Officers, Section 2-D. Duties, Corresponding Secretary to be changed from

"D, The Corresponding Secretary shall have charge of all general correspondence not otherwise assigned in these By-Laws. The Board in its sole discretion may assign correspondence to either the Corresponding Secretary or the Recording Secretary."

To read as

“D, The Corresponding Secretary shall have charge of all general correspondence not otherwise assigned in these By-Laws. The Board in its sole discretion may assign correspondence to either the Corresponding Secretary or the Recording Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry out such other duties as may be assigned by the Board or prescribed in these By-Laws.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #25 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article II, Section 5-C, Officers, Ballots to be changed from “5-C-The Recording Secretary shall furnish to the selected agency a list of all Members in good standing (excluding Junior Members) together with his certification that the list is true, correct, and complete to the best of his knowledge and belief.”

To read as

“5-C- The Recording Secretary shall furnish to the selected agent or agency a list of all Members eligible to vote together with his certification that the list is true, correct, and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #26 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article II, Officers, Section 5-E to be changed from “5-E.-The selected agency shall check all returns against the list of Members in good standing prior to opening the outer envelopes and removing the blank envelopes containing the ballots. After opening the blank envelopes, the votes shall be counted. Votes for persons not nominated in accordance with the procedures detailed in these By-Laws shall not be counted. The selected agency shall certify the eligibility of the voters according to the list supplied by the Recording Secretary, as well as the results of the voting.”

To read as

“5-E.-The selected agent or agency shall check all returns against the certified list of members eligible to vote prior to opening the outer envelopes and removing the blank envelopes containing the ballots. After opening the blank envelopes, the votes shall be counted. Votes for persons not nominated in accordance with the procedures detailed in these By-Laws, shall not be counted. The selected agent or agency shall certify the eligibility of the voters according to the certified list supplied by the Recording Secretary, as well as the results of the voting.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #27 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article III, Section 1, Annual Meeting to be changed from “The Annual Meeting of the Club shall, whenever possible, be held in conjunction with the Club's specialty show. Otherwise, the date for the meeting shall be set by the Board of Directors. Nominations for election to the Board shall not be accepted at the Annual Meeting. Election of officers and Directors is held apart from the Annual Meeting, by mail, as detailed in Article II of these By-Laws. At the Annual Meeting or at a Special Meeting, voting shall be limited to those members in good standing who are present at the meeting. Proxy voting shall not be allowed at any meeting of the Club or of the Board of Directors.”

To read as

"The Annual Meeting of the Club shall, whenever possible, be held in conjunction with the Club's specialty show. Otherwise, the date for the meeting shall be set by the Board. Nominations for election to the Board shall not be accepted at the Annual Meeting. Election of officers and Directors is held apart from the Annual Meeting, by mail, as detailed in Article II of these By-Laws. At the Annual Meeting or at a Special Meeting, voting shall be limited to those members eligible to vote who are present at the meeting. Proxy voting shall not be allowed at any meeting of the Club or of the Board." **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #28 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article III, Meetings, Section 2, Notice and Quorum to be changed from

"Written notice of the Annual Meeting shall be sent to each member by the Corresponding Secretary no later than one month prior to the date of the meeting. Alternately, the notice may be contained in the Club's newsletter if sent at least one month prior to the meeting. The quorum for the Annual Meeting is 10% of the members in good standing residing in the United States."

To read as

"Written notice of the Annual Meeting shall be sent to each member by the Recording Secretary no later than one month prior to the date of the meeting. Alternately, the notice may be contained in the Club's newsletter if sent at least one month prior to the meeting. The quorum for the Annual Meeting is 10% of the members eligible to vote."

Seconded.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #6 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article I, Section 1-B, Application of Membership to be changed from

"The name and address of each applicant for membership shall be published in the two consecutive issues of the Club's newsletter which follow receipt of the application, thus allowing Club members to comment in writing to the Recording Secretary if any so desire. In the event of failure to publish the newsletter in regular monthly sequence, the notice of new applicants will be sent to all members by first class mail. No sooner than three weeks nor later than five weeks following the second publication, the Recording Secretary shall prepare a ballot and mail it to each member of the Board, together with copies of all comments received from members relevant to the applicants."

To read as

"The name and address of each applicant for membership shall be published for two consecutive months following receipt of the application, thus allowing Club members to comment in writing to the Corresponding Secretary. No sooner than ~~five~~ three weeks nor later than ~~seven~~ five weeks following the second publication, the Corresponding Secretary shall prepare a ballot and send it to each member of the Board, together with copies of all comments received from members relevant to the applicants." **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #7 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article I, Members Section 2. Classes of Membership- Junior Members to be changed from

“Junior Members. Any person under 18 years of age is eligible for junior membership. Junior members shall not be entitled to vote or hold elective office. Application for membership, election to membership and termination of membership are the same for Members and Junior Members.”

To read as

“B-Junior Members, Any person who is at least nine years of age and who is under 18 years of age, who is in good standing with the AKC, and who agrees to adhere to the Club's Code of Ethics, is eligible to be a Junior member. Junior Members shall not be entitled to vote, hold elective or appointive office, or be counted in determining a quorum, but shall otherwise be entitled to participate in all other Club activities, including being eligible to be selected to serve on a committee. Upon reaching their 18th birthday a Junior Member may convert, without re-application, to such other membership class that the Junior member may be eligible for at that time.” **Seconded.**

Charlotte McGowan moved that we amend to adopt the AKC sample wording related to Juniors. “Junior – open to children under 18 years of age; a non-voting/non-office holding membership, which may automatically convert to regular membership at age 18.” **Seconded.**

Vote on amended version:

Yeas: Charlotte McGowan

Nays: Nikki Illias, Lori Landis, Jane Sirkoch, Nicholas Forbes, Tammy Tackett, Donna Clas

Motion defeated.

Vote on original version:

Yeas: Nikki Illias, Lori Landis, Jane Sirkoch, Nicholas Forbes, Tammy Tackett, Donna Clas

Nays: Charlotte McGowan

Motion adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #8 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article I, Members, Section 2, Classes of Membership- Honorary Life Members to be changed from

“Honorary Life Members - Any person who has rendered significant service to the Club and to the Breed, and has been a Member for twenty years is eligible to become an Honorary Life Member. Examples of this service include, but are not limited to, serving as an officer or member of the Board, working as the principal organizer of a major club event, serving as the editor of a club publication, and/or making a significant contribution to the health and welfare of the breed. Honorary Life Members shall be entitled to vote and to hold elective office and shall be "members in good standing". Candidates for Honorary Life Membership may be nominated by any member. Such nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Recording Secretary. Upon receipt of such nomination, the Board of Directors shall investigate the qualifications of the nominee and ballot thereon, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the full Board being required. No member may be made an Honorary Life Member without his written consent.”

To read as

“Honorary Life Members - There shall be two classes of membership for Honorary Life Members. One shall pay dues and the other shall not pay dues. All current and new Honorary Life Members shall have the choice of which one they prefer. This is a one-time option, which must be submitted in writing to the Corresponding Secretary no later than the due date for the payment of dues. Any person who has rendered significant service to the Club and to the Breed, and has been a

Member for twenty years is eligible to become an Honorary Life Member. Examples of this service include, but are not limited to, serving as an officer or member of the Board, working as the principal organizer of a major club event, serving as the editor of a club publication, and/or making a significant contribution to the health and welfare of the breed.

Candidates for Honorary Life Membership may be nominated by any member. Such nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Corresponding Secretary. Upon receipt of such nomination, the Board shall investigate the qualifications of the nominee and ballot thereon, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the full Board being required. No member may be made an Honorary Life Member without his written consent.

(i) Honorary Life Members-Paying Dues

Honorary Life Members paying dues shall be "members in good standing", shall be entitled to vote and to hold elective or appointive office and be counted in determining the quorum for all voting matters. Any Honorary Member who does not pay their dues in a timely manner, shall automatically be transferred to the Not Paying Dues class of membership.

(ii) Honorary Life Members-Not Paying Dues

Honorary Life Members not paying dues shall be "members in good standing", but shall not be entitled to vote, hold elective or appointive office, shall not be counted in determining the quorum for all voting matters. but shall otherwise be entitled to participate in all activities of the Club, including being eligible to be selected to serve on a committee."

Seconded.

Tammy Tackett moved to amend to change Corresponding to Recording secretary. **Seconded.**

Amendment unanimously adopted.

Amended motion reads as

"Honorary Life Members - There shall be two classes of membership for Honorary Life Members. One shall pay dues and the other shall not pay dues. All current and new Honorary Life Members shall have the choice of which one they prefer. This is a one-time option, which must be submitted in writing to the Recording Secretary no later than the due date for the payment of dues. Any person who has rendered significant service to the Club and to the Breed, and has been a Member for twenty years is eligible to become an Honorary Life Member. Examples of this service include, but are not limited to, serving as an officer or member of the Board, working as the principal organizer of a major club event, serving as the editor of a club publication, and/or making a significant contribution to the health and welfare of the breed. Candidates for Honorary Life Membership may be nominated by any member. Such nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Recording Secretary. Upon receipt of such nomination, the Board shall investigate the qualifications of the nominee and ballot thereon, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the full Board being required. No member may be made an Honorary Life Member without his written consent.

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Honorary Life Members not paying dues shall be "members in good standing", but shall not be entitled to vote, hold elective or appointive office, shall not be counted in determining the quorum for all voting matters. but shall otherwise be entitled to participate in all activities of the Club, including being eligible to be selected to serve on a committee."

Yeas: Lori Landis, Nicholas Forbes, Charlotte McGowan, Tammy Tackett, Donna Clas, Anita Wright

Nays: Nikki Illias, Jane Sirkoch

Amended motion adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #10 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article I, Section 3-A, Election of Members to be changed from

"A-1,-If the applicant is elected, the Recording Secretary shall promptly notify the successful applicant of his election and place his name upon the membership roll of the Club.

A-2,-An application not elected by the Board may be presented by one of the applicant's sponsors at the next meeting of the Club, and the applicant may then be elected to membership by an affirmative vote of 75% of the members present and voting. Applicants not elected to membership by the Board may renew their application only after six months have passed from the time at which their application was voted on."

To read as

"A-1,-If the applicant is elected, the Corresponding Secretary shall promptly notify the successful applicant of his election and place his name upon the membership roll of the Club.

A-2,-An application not elected by the Board may be presented by one of the applicant's sponsors at the next meeting of the Club, and the applicant may then be elected to membership by an affirmative vote of 75% of the members present and voting. Applicants not elected to membership by the Board may renew their application only after six months have passed from the time at which their application was voted on." **Seconded.**

Nicholas Forbes moved to amend "place his name upon the membership roll" to "and order his name to be placed upon the membership roll". **Seconded.**

Amendment unanimously adopted.

Nikki Illias moved to amend "renew their application" to reapply for membership". **Seconded.**

Amendment unanimously adopted.

Amended motion reads as

"A-1,-If the applicant is elected, the Corresponding Secretary shall promptly notify the successful applicant of his election and order his name be placed upon the membership roll of the Club.

A-2,-An application not elected by the Board may be presented by one of the applicant's sponsors at the next meeting of the Club, and the applicant may then be elected to membership by an affirmative vote of 75% of the members present and voting. Applicants not elected to membership by the Board may reapply for membership only after six months have passed from the time at which their application was voted on."

Amended motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #11 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article I, Section 4-A, Dues to be changed from

"The Club's official, fiscal, and dues year begin on the first day of March and ends on the last day of the following February.

A. Membership dues shall be in such amount per year as shall be determined by a majority vote at the annual meeting of the membership or by written ballot cast by mail. Recommendations and rationale for changes in the annual amount of the dues shall be sent by the Board either in the Club newsletter or by mail at least one month prior to the annual meeting at which the change is to be voted on, or in the mailing of the written ballot to the membership. Junior members shall be required to pay annual dues not in excess of the initiation fee.

B. During the month of January, the Recording Secretary shall send a notice to all members stating that annual dues are due on March first. As an alternate procedure, the notice may be published in the Club newsletter published during the months of January and February. All Club memberships are individual memberships.

C. New members notified after July first of their election to membership shall not be required to pay dues for the fiscal year to follow, but thereafter will pay the required annual dues.”

To read as

“The Club's dues year begins on January 1st and ends on December 31st.

A. Membership dues shall be in such amount per year as shall be determined by a majority vote at the annual meeting of the membership or by written ballot cast by mail. Recommendations and rationale for changes in the annual amount of the dues shall be sent by the Board either in the Club newsletter or by mail at least one month prior to the annual meeting at which the change is to be voted on, or in the mailing of the written ballot to the membership. Junior members shall be required to pay annual dues not in excess of the initiation fee.

B. During the month of November, the Treasurer shall send a notice to all members stating that annual dues are due on January 1st, Payable to the Club and to be sent to the Treasurer. As an alternate procedure, the notice may be published in the Club newsletter published during the months of November and December. All Club memberships are individual memberships.

C. New members notified after October 1st of their election to membership shall not be required to pay dues for the dues year to follow, but thereafter will pay the required annual dues.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to change the following language regarding lapsing from

“A membership is lapsed and automatically terminated if such member’s dues remain unpaid by April 15th of each year. In no case may a person, other than an Honorary Life Member, be entitled to vote at any Club meeting if his dues are unpaid as of the date of that meeting.”

To read as

“A membership is lapsed and automatically terminated if such member’s dues remain unpaid by February 15th of each year. In no case may a person be entitled to vote at any Club meeting if his dues are unpaid as of the date of that meeting.” **Seconded.**

Motion adopted unanimously.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #16 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article II, Officers, Section 2, Duties (E) Recording Secretary to be changed from

“Duties-E-The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Club and of the Board of Directors, of all votes taken by mail or by telephone, and of all matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Club or by the Board of Directors. He shall notify new members of their election to membership, notify officers and directors of their election, keep roll of the members of the Club with their addresses, and carry out such other duties as may be assigned by the Board or prescribed in these By-Laws.”

To read as

“Duties-E-The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Club and the Board, of all votes taken by mail or by telephone, and of all matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Club or by the Board. The minutes of all meetings of the Board shall be available for inspection by any member at a reasonable time and place. The Club shall retain these minutes for a period of not less than seven years or as otherwise required by law, whichever is longer. These approved minutes, except for Executive Sessions, minutes are to be posted on the Club's website as well as in the Club's newsletter. The Corresponding Secretary shall notify new members of their election to membership, notify

officers and directors of their election, keep a membership roll of the members of the Club with their address, and carry out such other duties as may be assigned by the Board or prescribed in these By-Laws.” **Seconded.**

Tammy Tackett moved to table this item to be reworked. **Seconded.**

Motion to table unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #29 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article III, Section 3, Special Meetings to be changed from “Special Meetings of the Club may be called by the President or by a majority vote of the Board of Directors who are present at a Board Meeting, or shall be called by the Recording Secretary upon receipt of a petition signed by 5% of the members of the Club who are in good standing. Such meeting shall be held at such place, date and hour as may be set by the Board of Directors. In case the Board fails to set such time within one month after receipt of a valid petition, the place, date and hour shall be set by the Recording Secretary. Notice of such meeting shall be sent by the Recording Secretary at least 14 days and not more than 30 days prior to the meeting. The notice of the meeting shall state the purpose thereof and no other business shall be transacted thereat. The quorum for such meeting is 10% of the members in good standing residing in the United States.”

To read as

“Special Meetings of the Club may be called by the President or by a majority vote of the Board who are present at a Board Meeting, or shall be called by the Recording Secretary upon receipt of a petition signed by 5% of the members of the Club who are eligible to vote. Such meeting shall be held at such place, date and hour as may be set by the Board. In case the Board fails to set such time within one month after receipt of a valid petition, the place, date and hour shall be set by the Recording Secretary. Notice of such meeting shall be sent by the Recording Secretary at least 14 days and not more than 30 days prior to the meeting. The notice of the meeting shall state the purpose thereof and no other business shall be transacted thereat. The quorum for such meeting is 10% of the members eligible to vote.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #41 that advises a change in By-Laws, Article X, Amendments, Section 1, Proposals to be changed from

“Amendments to the Constitution, to the By-Laws, and to the Standard for the Breed may be proposed by the Board of Directors or by written petition addressed to the Recording Secretary signed by 20% of the membership in good standing. Amendments proposed by such petition shall be promptly considered by the Board of Directors and must be submitted to the members with recommendations of the Board by the Recording Secretary for a vote within three months of the date when the petition was received by the Secretary.”

To read as

“Amendments to the Constitution, these By-Laws, and to the Standard for the Breed may be proposed by the Board or by written petition addressed to the Recording Secretary signed by 20% of the membership eligible to vote. Amendments proposed by such petition shall be promptly considered by the Board for their recommendation and shall be submitted to the members eligible to vote with recommendations of the Board by the Recording Secretary for a vote within three months of the date when the petition was received by the Recording Secretary.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Nicholas Forbes moved to authorize the C&BL Committee to begin negotiations with AKC and report back to the Board regarding their proposal #42 that advises a change in Article X, Amendments, Section 2, Voting on Amendments to be changed from

“The Constitution, these By-Laws, or the Standard for the Breed may be amended at any time provided a copy of the proposed amendment has been mailed by the Recording Secretary to each member in good standing on the date of the mailing, accompanied by a ballot on which the member may indicate his choice for or against the action to be taken. Voting will be in the same fashion as specified for the election of officers and directors. The notice shall specify a date not less than 30 days after the date of the mailing by which date the ballots must be returned to the person or agency selected by the Board to receive and count the ballots. The affirmative vote of two-thirds of full members in good standing who return valid ballots within the time limit shall be required to adopt any such amendment of the Bylaws and the Breed Standard, except, that it shall require a three-fourths vote in the affirmative to adopt any such amendment of the Constitution”

To read as

“The Constitution, these By-Laws, or the Standard for the Breed may be amended at any time provided a copy of the proposed amendment has been mailed by the Recording Secretary to each member eligible to vote on the date of the mailing, accompanied by a ballot on which the member eligible to vote may indicate his choice for or against the action to be taken. Voting will be in the same fashion as specified for the election of Officers and Directors. The notice shall specify a date not less than 30 days after the date of the mailing by which date the ballots must be returned to the independent agent or agency selected by the Board to receive and count the ballots. The affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of members who are eligible to vote who return valid ballots within the time limit shall be required to adopt any such amendment of the By-laws and the Breed Standard, except, that it shall require a three-fourths (3/4) vote in the affirmative to adopt any such amendment of the Constitution.” **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

New Business

Tammy Tackett moved that we approve two specialties to be given by the Papillon Club of Southern California to be held on April 16, 2016 in conjunction with the Orange Empire Kennel club show in Bloomington, CA. **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

Jane Sirkoch moved that we pay Jane Swanson a settlement of \$200 in regards to the complaint of copyright infringement having to do with an advertisement placed in Pap Talk. **Seconded.**

Motion unanimously adopted.

The next board meeting is scheduled for 01/04/2016 at 9:00 PM EST.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 PM EST.

Treasurer's Report

12/15/2015

Bank Accounts:

Checking-Operating	\$ 2,391.01
National Specialty Checking	17,769.36
Savings	111,659.17
Total	<u>\$ 131,819.54</u>

Fund Balances:

Genetics (Restricted)	\$ 23,400.41
Benevolent (Restricted)	812.65
Special Projects (Restricted)	14,929.52
General	92,676.96
Total	<u>\$ 131,819.54</u>

Operating Account Income: \$ 1,567.45

Operating Account Expenses:

Judge's Ed printing	342.64
AKC	164.50
AKC dues	25.00
Genetics	283.53
Website	<u>\$ 206.69</u>
Total Expense	<u>\$ 1,022.36</u>

National Specialty Income: \$ 924.13

National Specialty Expenses:

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Total Expense	<u>\$ -</u>
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