

UNITED SCHUTZHUND CLUBS OF AMERICA
GENERAL BOARD MEETING/EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 3, 2011
Kansas City, Kansas
REVISED

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The General Board meeting was called to order by President Lyle Roetemeyer at 8:30 A.M. Roll call was conducted with 13 Executive Board members and 33 club delegates for a total of 46 voting delegates. There were not enough club delegates present for a quorum. President Roetemeyer called for a 20-minute break.

Roll call was conducted at 9:15 A.M. with 13 Executive Board members and 37 club delegates for a total of 50 voting delegates. There were not enough club delegates present for a quorum.

President Lyle Roetemeyer called meeting to an Executive Session at 9:35 A.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the General Board meeting on November 4, 2010 were tabled.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT – LYLE ROETEMEYER

Congratulations to our USCA dog handler teams that represented us at the 2011 WUSV Championship in Kiev, Ukraine. Representing us was Chuck vom Dorneburger and USA Team Captain Dymtro Dovgan. I offer my sincere condolences to Kevin Lanouette who qualified for the team but was not able to participate because of an unfortunate injury to his dog Wum. The AWDF Team finished in tenth place at the FCI Championship in Germany. USCA members were Horan and Cholo and Team Captain Dave Kroyer and Assistant Team Captain David Greene. Congratulations to all for your efforts in representing the United Schutzhund Clubs of America, the American Working Dog Federation, and the United States of America at this year's World championships!

I also ask that you join me in thanking Debbie Whitfield and the Tornado Alley Schutzhund Club and all USCA members for their hard work and efforts co-hosting this 2011 USCA German Shepherd Dog National Championship!

As an organization, we should be very proud of our accomplishments over the past thirty-five years. I am pleased to say that we continue to have excellent relations with the SV as a full member of the WUSV. I look forward to continuing our working relationship between the SV and the United Schutzhund Clubs of America in the months and years to come. The most recent WUSV *Aktuelle* (with Tim Burke on the cover at the WUSV Universal Sieger Show) has an excellent article on the structure of the German shepherd dog. This lengthy but very informative article by the SV's Head Breed Judge Rheinhardt Meyer gives credence to the direction of the WUSV to focus importance upon

the need for working ability in our breed when assisting WUSV members new and old alike.

During the past year, I have continued my work to establish stronger relations for the United Schutzhund Clubs of America on both a national and world level. I was reelected to serve as Vice President of the AWDF at this year's AWDF annual meeting, even though I have dealt with some health and work issues over the past couple of years and was unable to travel to the WUSV meetings in Nuremberg, Germany and Kiev, Ukraine. USCA National Breed Warden Tim Burke attended the WUSV meeting in Nuremberg along with our SV Judge Liaison Stephanie Dunion. Tim Burke will have a report on the WUSV Meeting.

I was able to make the trip to the FCI Working Commission meeting in Rheine, Germany where I was welcomed by many friends from around the world as well as our USA AWDF Team members.

I was informed prior to the meeting that Belgium has developed a new system for procuring judges and the AWDF is now the official contact in the United States for procuring Belgian judges. The AKC is no longer the official contact of the VDDH for request of Belgian Judges to officiate at events in the United States. Alfons van den Bosch will have more information on contact in Belgium.

The FCI has approved the AWDF as the authorizing body for FCI judges to judge working dog trials in the United States. All of this has helped to establish the United Schutzhund Clubs of America as a strong leader and protector of the German shepherd dog and all working dogs in the United States and in the world scene. Our relationships with national and world organizations are on good terms.

The strategy to build strength within the AWDF for the common good of all member clubs of the Federation has brought us closer to our goals to protect the working German shepherd dog, as well as all working dogs, in our country. Our strength as an organization and as a member of the AWDF have also given us greater opportunities and strengthened our relationships throughout the world. We will continue open discussions with all North American German shepherd dog organizations that recognize and adhere to the FCI and SV standard for the breed for structure, health and temperament.

Our USCA IT Committee will report today on our positive moves forward for our new website and new capabilities. I wish to thank Dale Franz and Craig Groh for all of their efforts to bring this closer to reality. I also wish to thank Scott Boedecker, Chris Duffy and Ravi Iyer for their contributions to the committee.

The need to develop a new office facility or office/event showplace remains a real need. Our current monthly lease will be much higher when it comes time to renew in 2½ years. I visited our USCA Office in early October and found the office and the entire staff to be very clean, organized and busy. The building itself has some structural issues that have been neglected by the landlord for several years, and there seems to be no concern on their part to address these issues. Before closing on the topic of our office, I must thank the entire office staff: our USCA Office Manager Pam Niccum, Debbie and Jodi for all of the improvements and cost saving measures they have helped implement at the office.

We have received a bid from a firm that is in the business of sponsorship procurement. The Executive Board will be looking closely at this proposal in the next few weeks.

I have received some questions from members that have concerns about membership and our yearly net profits. I am sure that Sean will also touch on these issues and others in his Treasurers Report. Membership numbers for fiscal year 2011 vs. 2010 were down 757; however, our net assets after taxes had been paid were \$8,529 more. I am also encouraged by the news I received at the office in early October that since August of 2011 we had an increase of 200 new members. I also continue to listen to the concerns of some of our senior members that are on fixed incomes, and I suggest that our by-law committee propose a senior membership to be voted upon at next year's GBM in an effort to address their needs.

There have been several organizations that have fought the good fight to help all of us to stave off ill-conceived legislation. Thanks to all who have taken the time to educate the public on our rights as dog owners. To those of you that **have not taken an active part**, I ask you to engage yourself in this very noble act. An excellent place to start is with an educational program for your local governments. Education is the right way to win this battle. We have come together to join the fight against anti-dog legislation and understand the necessity to educate those whose bias is based upon ignorance.

As we enter the holiday season, I would like for each of you to take the time to be thankful for what we have accomplished over the past few years as an organization. If all of us were to put forth the positive and selfless effort, on even the smallest scale, that is exhibited by many of our members in our local clubs many more would become successful.

As always, I wish to express my sincere thanks to each and every member for their continued support and their spirit of camaraderie in furthering the goals of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America. For more than thirty-four years, the efforts of our membership to protect and preserve the German shepherd dog through the use of our breed evaluations have continued to ensure that our future generations will be able to

experience the joy of owning a German shepherd dog with true working temperament.

I wish each of you happiness and success with your dogs in all walks of your life.

VICE-PRESIDENT – CRAIG GROH

I want to thank the Tornado Alley Schutzhund Club and all of the volunteers for helping us host event.

I say this at the beginning of every speech I make as Vice President but it always bears repeating. The Vice Presidents number one responsibility is to assume the office of the President if it should become necessary for any reason. This past year I actually had to fulfill this responsibility, for 5 days while Lyle underwent double knee replacement surgery. It was a brutal experience but I survived, and thankfully so did Lyle. Thank you Lyle.

This past year, due to resource constraints, my efforts in support of the organization as Vice President have been pretty narrowly focused.

During the past year I have continued working closely with our President to try to alleviate some of the burden the President position has to deal with by assisting him with some of his duties.

- I serve on his behalf on the GEC to help provide guidance to this committee to further develop our Training & Education programs. As you will hear later in the GEC report they are pursuing and completing various projects to meet the needs of the organization.
- I have also represented the organization on behalf of the president at various events and functions throughout the year.
- I serve as a voting representative for USCA on the AWDF board.
- I continue to serve as the Treasurer of the Schutzhund USA Youth Scholarship fund.

But the project that I have been spending most of my time on this past year has been the effort to create a new Web Site for the organization.

It continues to be a pleasure to work with the office staff, the executive board and all of the volunteers within the entire organization. The USCA continues to thrive, grow and be the premier working dog organization representing the German Shepherd dog in this country and around the world.

I would like to remind all of you that this is a volunteer organization, and our process is just that: a process. Everyone is entitled to their opinion. Voice yours, be passionate, be honest and open, but above all be respectful. In the end, when the decisions have been made by the majority, let's all accept them, support them, and move forward together.

SECRETARY – NANCY BRIGHAM

It has been a very challenging year. I want to thank everyone for all their support and guidance, especially Sara Wallick.

I also want to remind everyone that we need to continue fighting anti-dog and breed specific

legislation. Earlier this year I spent six months fighting breed specific legislation in my own city. We did not win, but concessions were made. I now have to register my dog because he is a GSD and is one of the five breeds my city has deemed dangerous. I must also post a city issued sign on my property – Dog on Premises per HB Ordinance 94.11-94.17 to alert everyone that I own a “dangerous breed” just because my city council does not understand the problem is the irresponsible dog owners. Your town or city could be next.

TREASURER – SEAN O’KANE

Total income is up this year from last. 2010 Income was \$313,942.00 and in 2011 income was \$369,927 for an increase of income of \$55,985.

Total operating expenses for 2010 were \$277,250 and for this year were \$253,651 for a decrease in expenses of \$23,599. Last year we had a decrease of \$91,000. I would like to thank Pam, Debbie and Jody for continually looking for ways to cut down expenses and save us money so those dollars go back to the membership.

DIRECTOR OF JUDGES – NATHANIEL ROQUE

I’d like to express my thanks to the Tornado Alley SchH Club for their efforts making this year’s National Championship happen. I look forward to an excellent weekend event.

For 2011 from January to November USCA has authorized 404 events, this included working trials, shows and breed surveys. The statistics for July 2010 to June 2011 were a total of 251 events so it appears that for calendar year 2011 we will be above last year’s total. Of the already completed 2010–2011 events, 190 were judged by USCA judges and 61 by SV, FCI judges. Notable statics are 399 AD, 1,001 BH, 497 IPO/SchH1, 343 IPO/SchH2, 819 IPO/SchH3, 93 FH, 26 FH2 and 13 HGH titles. Total of all titles attempted including STp, TR, OB, RH, etc was 3,471. My thanks to Loni and Johannes Grewe for compiling this information for our Judges College.

We currently have 17 fully licensed working trial judges, 2 probationary working trials judges, 3 breed judges and breed masters for a total of 22 USCA judges. Twelve of our working judges are also licensed SV judges. USCA continues to be offering more events and more recognized judges than any other organization in the United States.

In our Apprentice Program we have 2 breed apprentices (Carla Griffith and Jeff Lund) and in our Working Judges Program there are currently 5 apprentices actively working towards completion of the program, Arthur Collis, Bill Bimrose, Jeff Lund, Chris Thompson and Lyle Roetemeyer restarting the program this December. On leave from the program are working judge Jim Elder, who has recently contacted me regarding becoming active again, and apprentices Alvin Collins and Jeff Lawless on leave from the program but I hope will restart soon. Additionally, we have a fully licensed FCI judge from a WUSV member club who

has moved to the United States and is interested in becoming a USCA working judge. The FCI judges guidelines do not allow a judge to maintain licensure if they no longer reside in the country that issued the license, so this individual has contacted me to see about moving ahead to become a USCA judge.

Through the new policies that have been implemented for the past few months regarding the use of USCA judges, Judges College attendance and apprentice fees for non-USCA organizations, we have collected a total of \$3,160.57 in fees for providing these USCA resources to other AWDF member clubs. These fees help offset the cost of maintaining your Judges College, and in the past were completely funded by the membership and often provided at no fee to other organizations. There are many benefits to being a USCA member and one of them is our Judges College, the ability for our membership to have access to 22 judges within the United States that can award titles that are internationally recognized.

This has been and continues to be a very busy year for our organization and our Judges College. With the upcoming rule changes and integration of Schutzhund and IPO to one working dog sport or trial called IPO (WUSV trial regulations adopted by the FCI/AZG). There is a mountain of work on the table, starting with clarifying the new rules and communicating with the WUSV and the FCI to do our best to provide a clean, concise and correct translation of the new rules for our organization. There is also the education of our judges and membership on the new rules and then the administrative work to create new rule books, judges score sheets and trial paperwork.

1. This process started last year with the announcement of the new rules and since that time I have had communication with the FCI, WUSV and SV to try to maintain good communication with these organizations.
2. With Al Govednik's help we had Mr. Frans Jensen, head of the FCI Working Committee, as a guest speaker at the 2011 Judges College. Mr. Jensen was also the chairman of the new rules committee. Because of the effect of the rules change to the entire AWDF member organizations we also issued an open invitation to all AWDF clubs to attend our college this year. The purpose of this was to help bring all working judges in the United States up to speed on the changes and new rules together and help promote more uniformity. The college was a great success and I received positive feedback from many in attendance. Through our work at the college we were also able to present Mr. Jensen with information on translation issues as well as inconsistencies in the new rules. Many of these things have since been addressed on the FCI website for the download of the new rules. It’s important to again address that the USCA is a WUSV member club, not a FCI member club, and that in fact there are no FCI member clubs in the

United States at this time. The final version of all IPO rules that we will follow will be the interpretation of the IPO rules that we receive from the WUSV/SV as approved by the AZG. So until that is officially released there may be subtle differences in the new rules. All USCA Working judges have also been issued a copy of the working DVD from the SV on the new rules for their reference.

3. At this time all existing USCA variances to the rules will stand in effect for the new rules.
4. I will be working with the USA Office to provide trial paperwork as soon as possible. But at this time the SV has told us that it is not a priority. There is a lot of work to develop new paperwork for the new titles that will be offered, as well as condensing the variances and printing a new rulebook.
5. USCA Judge Michael Caputo has worked with Al Govednik and me to condense and highlight the changes to the new rules and create a power point presentation for member education. We will be presenting this on Saturday night at the host hotel and then it will be made available to all USCA Judges to aid them in educating our membership.
6. I have and will continue to share any and all information possible with the organization through the use of our magazine and website.

The USCA Judges Committee is currently involved in an investigation regarding a complaint and will make its recommendations to the EB and possibly the BOI as soon as possible. During the past 18 months we have had an increase in dog bite or dog fight incidents at USCA events. Notably, a very serious injury at the 2011 WDC where we had an aggressive dog bite incident that required disciplinary action involving a suspension of both the dog and handler. This incident made us aware that we needed to make some adjustments and add clarity to our current "Aggression Policy," and with the help of PNW RD Warren Jones a motion was presented to the EB and passed that tightened up our policy regarding aggressive dogs, bites, and dangerous situations.

I will be moving ahead to establish the use of a long down judge at all of our national events in the future as well as motions to improve the score book bond process, and to ease the selection process for our qualification to the world teams.

The USCA Judges College has again selected a very deserving recipient for our Judges Memorial Award, and I'm proud to have our Committee Chair Judge Michael Caputo present it later in our meeting.

In closing, thank you for supporting the United Schutzhund Clubs of America, our USCA Judges College, and me as the Director of Judges. It has been, and still is, a position of responsibility I am proud to serve.

NATIONAL BREED WARDEN – TIM BURKE

The 2011 USCA Sieger Show was hosted by USCA

and the Sieger Show Committee in Irvin, Texas with 228 entries. The judges were USCA Karen MacIntyre, SV Judge Bernd Weber, and USCA Judge Nathaniel Roque. The helpers were Don Yelle and Charles Ottesen.

Hosting a USCA event is always a challenge to the members that put on the event. Every USCA event is hosted by members who volunteer their time to USCA. A big thank you to our show secretary, Mary Dygert, who works all year on setting up the event, and to our USCA Office staff Pam and Jodie.

In 2010 we added a planner to our staff, Jorry Hendricks-Rhodes, and she has been outstanding in helping us secure venues and hotels.

Nathaniel did a great job judging the protection and let our members know that he expected correct obedience and dogs willing to engage the helper with enthusiasm and sound temperament. He will continue to ask more from the dogs each year.

The SV implemented a five-point system this year at the German Sieger Show. This system is similar to the ten-point system we have been evaluating these last two years.

The highlight for me was the youth class. Our SV judge was outstanding at encouraging our youth members.

USCA Sieger was Utah Bullinger, USCA Siegren was Paola Vom Gottwollshausen Tol, and USCA LC Sieger was Franz Stendebach.

The Texas venue was outstanding and everyone agreed that it would be a great location for other USCA events. The host hotel had a couple of glitches, but overall it was a great place for our members to stay. We received great support from the Irvin Convention and Visitors Bureau and they want us back!

The 2012 show is set for May 18–20 in Indianapolis, Indiana co-hosted by O.G. Indianapolis Schutzhund and Polizie. USCA Judge Johannes Grewe is judging the female classes, assisted by Ricardo Carbajal, and SV Judge Frank Goldlust is judging the female classes. The show website is: www.siegershowusa.com

For future venues it is the goal of the committee to rotate them so all members have an opportunity to enter and attend the Sieger Show. We would like to go to the western US in 2013. We are currently considering two locations, the Los Angeles area and Las Vegas. We have received an offer from Purina Farms to host the 2014 show in St. Louis. We would like to be in the eastern US in 2015, but we have an open offer to return to Texas.

In June the WUSV held the first Universal Sieger event in Austria. A joint team with members from USCA and WDA represented the United States. USCA was represented by members Ivana Karlsen and Kevin Nance. I would like to thank them for their efforts representing our organization.

In September I attended the WUSV meeting representing USCA. The WUSV is currently evaluating

an international standard that all WUSV member clubs would have to adhere to. Member clubs of the WUSV need to accept entries from fellow WUSV member clubs (reaffirming the 2009 regulation). USCA implemented this rule prior to the 2010 Sieger Show.

Long stock coats with undercoat have been approved by the FCI. Proper designation is long stock coat with undercoat. We implemented this change in 2009. The SV had many entries in the LC classes and they were judged by well-known SV Judge Wilfred Scheld.

Breed specific spay and neuter legislation continues to be enacted throughout the USA; recently legislation was enacted in California. We will continue to see state and local governments push for this legislation, which is driven by special interest groups. We must all be involved in this fight. Get involved with your local politicians and educate them on our sport and our respective breeds.

AWDF – LYLE ROETEMEYER

FCI Working Dog Commission meeting 9/12/2011: Frans offered his thanks to Wilfried Schapermeier and Christa Bremer for the excellent organization of the event.

September 19, 2011 will be the final version of the FCI-IPO rules (99% will be grammatical changes). They will be posted on the FCI website.

Reports on the organization and success of the event were given by Wilfried Schapermeier, Robert Markschlager, the tracking supervisor Ruedi Krauer, and Christa Bremer.

We need to make sure that all paperwork is taken care of appropriately. It is the responsibility of the nations to make sure that all paperwork is filled out correctly. The kennel club knows who is responsible and they must get it correct.

Report on Phase A from Simon Kwak: excellent fields and tracklayers; plenty of space for tracking. Report on Phase B from Jos Mondot: thanked the organization; there were only 3 V's; start position was incorrect in 80% of the participants, as was the about turns. The turns must be straight. A report will be sent to each delegate to share with their country's participants as to why the point deductions were taken. Report on Phase C from Pierre Wahlstrom: thanks for the super organization of the event 5 V's; 30 SG's; 92 pronounced, 9 vorhonden. He feels that many countries qualification processes are too easy and that this must be addressed for future events. Four excellent helpers, but sleeve positions are not always correct, stop positions are not consistent, and attack positions are not consistent. The sleeves and the positions must be consistent. One of the sleeves was round not structured with a bite bar. It is impossible for a smaller dog to properly bite this type of sleeve.

The Nordic Program will be presented to the FCI General Committee for international approval.

The proposal will be made to the FCI General Committee to make the AWDF the official approving body for foreign FCI Judges to judge in the United States. This was approved by 100% of the FCI Working Commission.

Michele Boussiou gave a report on Mondio Ring; all of the information is on the website.

2012 FH Championship will be in Velten, Germany 4/17–21/2012 with grass tracking. The fields are in a nature reserve area in eastern Germany. Judges: Ober Judge Eberhard Uekotter Slovakia; Judges Spain - Perez and Slovenia.

2012 FCI-IPO Championship to be held in Hungary 9/20–23/2012. Judges: Tracking–Swiss judge, Obedience–Slovakia Igor Lengvasky, Protection–Austria Robert Markschlager, Ober Judge–Tracking Uekotter, Ober Judge–Obedience and Protection Wilfried Schapermeier

Proposal from Austria to give more attention to the other breeds by adding the champions of the international breed clubs with FCI contracts like the Reischenschauzners, AtiBox, etc. as wild cards of the FCI-IPO Championship.

Proposal from Austria to keep a list of the dog/handler teams in each country and their trial scores. Like a world ranking. Scores must come from a CACIT trial. To have a CACIT trial it must be approved by the FCI Working Commission. A CACIT trial must have an approved international judge.

Both proposals were approved and forwarded to the FCI General Committee for a vote.

FCI IPO Weltmeisterschaft:

2012 – Hungary

2013 – Czech Republic

2014 or 2015 – Sweden (southern Sweden not far from Copenhagen, Denmark)

2014 or 2015 – Rottweil, Germany

FCI FH Championship:

2012 – Velten, Germany

2013 – Denmark

Meeting in Hungary March 17–18, 2012.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STANDING COMMITTEES

AUDITING COMMITTEE – RAYE LYNN ACKERMAN
(Read by Lyle Roetemeyer)

The Audit Committee consists of Raye Lynn Ackerman (Chair), Kris Taves, and Beth Shea. Beth Shea is no longer a member of USCA, as verified by the USCA Office on October 10, 2011 and again October 31, 2011.

I conducted telephone calls and emails with Sean O'Kane and Debbie Sweeney. They answered all questions I had regarding procedures of the Office and the Treasurer.

I forwarded to Kris Taves a copy of the financial report. Kris reviewed the financial report and found without any comment.

The Audit Committee has determined sound controls are in place and have no findings at this time. Procedures and standard accounting methods are being maintained accurately and thoroughly as given to the Audit Committee.

BOARD OF INQUIRY – BILL BIMROSE (Read by Lyle Roetemeyer)

Two cases have been presented to the BOI during the past year. The BOI determined the first case was not relevant. The second case is currently pending.

BREED ADVISORY COMMITTEE – TIM BURKE

We have a couple changes: Heidi Theis and Kandi Jacapino are no longer serving on the committee. I would like to thank them for serving the past two years. New committee members elected are Mary Dygert and Ivanna Karlsen.

During the past year we have made rule changes to the USCA Breed Survey, accepting FCI-recognized hip evaluations. The committee has approved changes to the Universal Sieger selection process and to the Universal Sieger Team selection process.

The Breed Advisory Committee is currently evaluating changes to the breed judges program requiring attendance by the breed judges at the Sieger Show.

JUDGES COMMITTEE – NATHANIEL ROQUE

No report.

NATIONAL EVENTS COMMITTEE – HAL LYMUS

On behalf of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America and the National Events Committee (NEC), I wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to the clubs that co-hosted this year's Working Dog Championships, Sieger Show, and GSD National Championship. We travelled to Davenport, IA where the Machtig Strom Schutzhund Verein co-hosted the Working Dog Championships, then off to Dallas, TX where USCA hosted this year's Sieger Show and now we are gathered in Kansas City, KS for this year's grand finale, the USCA GSD National Championship co-hosted by the Tornado Alley Schutzhund Club. We also would like to remind the competitors to thank these hosting clubs for making it possible to compete at the national level.

We appreciate the efforts and sacrifices needed to host these major events and thank you for providing the opportunity for our members to showcase their accomplishments from many hours of hard training, financial, social and family sacrifices to reach these milestones in their dog handling careers.

The NEC is always looking for regions/clubs to host these major events. We fully understand what it means to take on the responsibilities and tasks required to host a major event. Many hours of planning, research, coordinating activities, traveling, and financial burdens along the way; but the outcome is that you have provided the ultimate opportunity for your peers to compete and support each other's commitment to our great sport. We encourage you to consider hosting a

major event as a contribution of your willingness to support your peers and to welcome them to your hometown areas where we can celebrate our accomplishments in our breeding and training programs together in harmony. We seek those who are willing to support knowledge and growth for the breed Max von Stephanitz provided us to undertake towards its breeding standards, training disciplines, and working applications in today's society.

We are currently accepting bids for major events for 2013. Bids already have been submitted for 2012. I can say now that the Working Dog Championships for 2012 will be hosted by the Mid-Ohio Schutzhund Club of Columbus, Ohio. We wish to thank Jim Alloway and his club for their willingness to co-host this important event. We have also received a bid to co-host next year's Nationals which will be submitted to the Executive Board for their review and approval after this year's Nationals are completed. Hopefully, we will see more entries in the coming years than we have seen in the past few.

As most of you may be aware, there is now a WUSV qualifier competition that USCA will be hosting every other year for the selection of teams to represent the United States at the World Championship. This year was the inaugural year for that competition and the next time USCA will host the World Qualifier will be 2013. That same year the WUSV will be hosted in Philadelphia.

I would like to wish everyone good training and success in all your endeavors related to our sport and breed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – RIFKY MACKEEN (Read by Marie Weller)

The Nominating Committee is now mature and effective and able to complete their role using procedures established over the years. Monthly calls are held to fill in the vacancies which are liberally advertised so that all USCA members can seek any position that falls vacant.

This odd year we had only a few positions to be filled and the committee accomplished this successfully. We were able to not only find new members to take on some roles for the vacant slots, but also ensure that some of the incumbents continued for another term. This allows new ideas to be introduced while ensuring that experience and seniority prevailed.

My thanks to all members of the Nominating Committee for their participation and independent views freely expressed and exchanged at these calls. In particular, my thanks to Marie Weller for having been on the Nominating Committee for several years and being a really valuable member contributing her knowledge and network to the process. She is not continuing for personal reasons.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE – MIKE DIEHL
(Given by Sean O'Kane and Dennis Vander Linde)
The WUSV Team Packet was presented (attached).

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

BYLAWS COMMITTEE – NIA COTTRELL

No report.

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE – CRAIG GROH

No report.

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE – RIFKY

MACKEEN (Read by Marie Weller)

The GEC has continued its monthly calls and has progressed with several projects. Some, like the Regional Directors & Presidents Award, were terminated due to lack of member response. This made perfect sense. If the USCA membership did not value the initiative there was little purpose in continuing. Several other projects are in the pipeline.

The GEC needs new members to shoulder responsibility. Current members have been continually tasked with various projects and initiatives, but some new blood is vital if this committee is to continue to function effectively. I remain hopeful that the President and Executive Board will find ways to populate the GEC with new members if they wish it to be an integral and useful part of the USCA structure.

My sincere thanks to all GEC members for carrying the load year in year out.

HELPER COMMITTEE – DENNIS VANDER LINDE

Our United Schutzhund Clubs of America Helper Program is now entering its eighth year as an approved program of this organization. We continue to recruit more members into the program, both as helpers and teaching helpers. The USCA Helper Program continues to lead the way in helper education for all working dog organizations in the United States, through an education program that is focused on knowledge, safety, and performance in trial helper work.

During the past year we have held 45 seminars and evaluations (up from 28 last year), including the 2010 National Helper College. There are currently:

- 103 Entry Level Helpers (up from 93 last year)
- 415 Basic Level Helpers (up from 392 last year)
- 118 Club Level Helpers (up from 114 last year)
- 39 Regional Level Helpers (down from 55 last year)
- 22 National Level Helpers (up from 21 last year)
- 37 Teaching Helpers (up from 35 last year)
- 3 Apprentice Teaching Helpers

Totalling 744 active USCA members participating in the Helper Program. This is up 31 from 2010.

We had one apprentice complete his apprenticeship this past year and become a USCA Teaching Helper. Please welcome USCA member Curtis Johnson. We currently have one (1) active Apprentice Teaching Helper, Richard Tom.

I personally wish to thank Charlie Snyder for all his assistance in helping me query the records in the Helper Program database to obtain the above information.

Helpers with expired classifications are moved to an “inactive” state in the Helper Program database and this state prevents the helper from showing up in the Helper List on the USCA website. If a helper does not find their name on the Helper List, he/she should contact me to rectify this situation and provide a copy of their Trial Helper Record Book for review. My contact information is on the USCA website.

The Helper Committee is continuing our work with the IT/Website Committee to merge the Helper Program database with the membership database. In the future, if a helper’s USCA membership expires their Helper Classification will also expire and that state will be reflected in the Helper List on the USCA website. I want to take this opportunity to thank Craig Groh and Dale Franz for their efforts in this regard.

The Helper Committee is developing guidelines for Teaching Helpers, and those who assist Teaching Helpers with paperwork completion, to help facilitate execution of Helper Seminars and Evaluations. I would like to thank Helper Committee member Scott Boedecker for leading this activity look forward to its completion in the first quarter of 2012.

Our Schutzhund trial paperwork has an area to record information about the helpers that performed the helper work in a USCA event. For the most part, trial secretaries and judges have been completing the trial paperwork correctly. However, there have been four instances in 2011 where the trial secretary and judge did not verify that the helper’s USCA membership and/or helper classification were current on the day of the event. The USCA Office took appropriate action and did not process the trial paperwork until the helper renewed his/her USCA membership and/or helper classification. I am conveying this to you so you can get the word out to our helpers, trial secretaries and judges to help avoid these circumstances. It is ultimately the responsibility of the helper to pay attention to his/her USCA membership and/or helper classification expiration dates.

The Helper Committee has prepared a message to regional and national level helpers soliciting their participation in the helper pre-selection process for national events. The message will recur in the *Schutzhund USA* magazine, is posted on the USCA website under Helper Program and has been added to the National Events Manual. I encourage all regional and national levels to read this message if they have interest in being considered for pre-selection.

The Helper Committee would like to congratulate the helpers that were selected to work our national events in 2011:

- Working Dog Championship: Marcus Hampton, Kevin Coombs and Don Yelle.
- Sieger Show: Don Yelle and Charles Ottesen.
- USCA (USCA-GSDCA) WUSV Selection Trial: Steve Romard.

The helper tryouts for the 2011 National Championship were held yesterday; the final selection

was Don Yelle (front half), Sean Murphy (front half alternate), Marcus Hampton (back half) and Kevin Coombs (back half alternate).

To all the helpers in the program, thank you for your sportsmanship, hard work, time and support of the Helper Program.

The 2011 National Helper College was held yesterday with a turnout of 36 helpers, 16 teaching helpers and five (5) Helper Committee members. This year the organization of the College was split up with Scott Boedecker, James Laney, Danny Grayson and Mark Scarberry leading the practical portion; and me heading up the administrative duties and fielding suggestions on how to improve the Helper Program from our USCA Teaching Helpers that were in attendance. Help with the administrative work was provided by USCA members Julia Grayson and Dena McGowen, and USCA Teaching Helper Charles Ottesen helped with getting the helper hats made. Thank you for all your efforts.

The College went extremely well despite the weather! As always, given the time and resources available the National College it is an entry stepping stone for new helpers and an opportunity for committee members and teaching helpers to exchange information and insure that we are all on the same page regarding the current Helper Program. Thanks to the members that attended, to Tornado Alley Schutzhund Club for hosting the event, and special thanks to the handlers that supplied dogs for the college and helper tryouts. We hope everyone enjoys your helper hats. Please see Julia Grayson to purchase a Helper Program hat for \$15.

The Helper Program is undergoing a revision to incorporate changes to the protection phase shown in the 2012 FCI IPO rules and several other minor improvements, “tweaks” per se, based on feedback received from our helpers and teaching helpers. Some of the changes to the Helper Program are a result of the rules changes already outlined by Helper Committee member and Director of Judges, Nathaniel Roque, in the magazine.

Look for the next version of the Helper Program to be posted on the USCA website by year’s end assuming the EB approves the changes.

The Helper Committee is committed to getting information out to the membership both on the USCA website and in the magazine, and we will continue to do our best to have articles or updates regarding the Helper Program available to the membership in a timely manner. We would like to hear from the membership questions or articles that they want to address.

In closing, I want to thank our general members, helpers and teaching helpers for supporting the Helper Program, as it is their support that has made the Helper Program so successful.

I also want to thank my wife, Lynn, and children Addison, Ryan and Griffin for allowing me to take time

from them to serve USCA so I can administer the Helper Program.

Lastly, I want to thank my fellow committee members Danny Grayson, James Laney, Mark Scarberry, Scott Boedecker, Nathaniel Roque and Lyle Roetemeyer for all of the commitment, support and hard work they have given to the Helper Program this year and in supporting me as Helper Program Director and Committee Chair. I look forward to continuing to work with them in the coming year as we maintain our focus on achieving our collective mission: knowledge, safety, and performance of trial helper work.

K-9 COMMITTEE – SCOTT HEDGER

No report.

MAGAZINE COMMITTEE – JENNIFER ACEVEDO

(Given by Lyle Roetemeyer)

This committee works tirelessly, especially Jennifer and Cheryl. They are currently making sure past magazines are in pdf files offsite and at the office so we can have our online magazine.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE – DALE FRANZ

Committee approach for redesign of

www.germanshepherddog.com

- Reviewed legacy documentation (2008-10)
- Interviewed key stakeholders
 - Requirements identification
 - “Use Case” definition
- Prioritization/scope refinement/“phase” definition
- Created RFI
 - Submitted to multiple mid-tier web development organizations
 - Reviewed and selected responses
 - Determined finalist list
 - Current State - Vendor
- Recommended partner – Gravitare
 - An interactive agency focused on delivering compelling visual experiences to small- to medium-sized businesses.
 - All design and development work performed in-house by Gravitare employees.
 - Firm offers a complete range of high-quality marketing services including web design, branding, strategy, and a core focus on Search Engine Marketing.
 - Since founding in 1999, Gravitare has successfully launched over 600 websites.
 - The complexity of these sites has ranged from small marketing sites to highly complex eCommerce applications responsible for processing millions of dollars of revenue annually.
 - Their client list includes a broad range of companies from start-up firms to Fortune 500 companies such as Microsoft, Philips Van Heusen, and JP Morgan Chase.
- Functionality Obtained
- Membership eCommerce

- Immediate front page notifications
- Online magazine access
- Content management tool
- Enhanced search
- Secure database mapping and NRT updates
- Segmented “regional” design
- Secured “profiled” access
- Foundational “future phase” infrastructure
- Next Steps
- Obtained Executive Board approval
- Refine deliverables and SOW
- Finalize contract
 - Secure resources
 - Staff internal PM for implementation
 - Create existing site map
 - Define “To be” outline
 - Content cleanup volunteers
 - Document required “best practices” to ensure site remains current and correct
- Vendor kickoff

YOUTH COMMITTEE – MICHELE SCARBERRY (Read by Craig Groh)

The 2011 Youth Scholarship was awarded to Kayla Weller from Riverside, California. Kayla is a member of Golden State SchH Club. She is a graduate of LaSierra HS, and will attend California State University in San Bernardino. She plans to become a physical therapist. Kayla was a member of the high school varsity swim team, and National Honor Society. Her community service work included volunteering for the Department of Animal Services and fostering dogs.

I would like to thank everyone who donated toward the scholarship fund this year, and give special thanks to the Mid Eastern Region members and clubs for their substantial contributions during the regional championship.

The Schutzhund Youth Committee is currently seeking candidates for our 2012 Scholarship Award. All eligible graduates from the class of 2012 should complete the application found on our website. We have extended the deadline for applications to June 1, 2012.

Reminder: Recognition for academic achievements will be awarded during the 2012 Working Dog Championships. I will be working closely with the host club to make this a very special event. Eligible youth should plan on participating; applications for this award can be found on our website.

Criteria for scholarships:

1. Attach a letter of recommendation from any of the following: AWFDF member club president, regional director, regional breed warden, line officer, Director of Judges, or National Breed Warden.
2. Attach high school transcript 10th, 11th, 12th grades.
3. Attach copies of your USA Youth Sport Book and/or dog sport resume/biography.

4. Attach an official acceptance letter from an accredited four-year college, university, or technical school.
5. Attach a short essay on one of the following subjects:
 - Explain how being a member of a Schutzhund club has impacted your life.
 - What lessons have you learned through spending time training your dog?
 - Define character and tell about a time when you exhibited outstanding character.
 - The future of dog sport in the United States and suggestions on how it can grow.
 - How I have incorporated dog sport into my life.
6. Attach a letter of recommendation from any of the following references: principal, instructor, counselor, or other.
7. Send your application and attachments to: Youth Director, Michele Scarberry.

I don't always receive updates regarding youth participations. However, I would like to congratulate all of our youth handlers who have competed this year, and remind the clubs to please send me your youth updates! The 2011 achievements (which I have been made aware of) include:

- WUSV Team Qualification trial participants: Andrea Hashimoto and Haley Bogner. Both girls did an excellent job.
- Opening ceremonies at our 2011 Sieger Show began with Tessa Martinez singing the National Anthem. Tessa is a very gifted show handler with an amazing voice, who maintains high academic standards.
- Eleven youth participated as handlers at our Sieger Show, and attended a youth handling seminar instructed by Abhai and Yvonne Kaul.
- Youth members of O.G. Buckeye: Dominic Scarberry (age 17) handled working class males at the MER Conformation Championship, MER Youth Champion, and 5th place overall SchH3. Sydney Wagner (age 16) achieved 2nd place MER Youth Champion. Sydney is an excellent soccer player, maintains 4.0+, and volunteers for the Medina County Animal Shelter.
- Youth members of OG West Penn SchH Club: Veronica Adams (age 13), Destinee Napolitano (age 14), Chad Klinedinst (age 14), and Linsey Stewart (age 16). On April 23 all West Penn youth participated in Paws for Cancer–Relay for Life Event. The youth assisted with the preparation of the regional show, along with handling dogs in the show ring and for breed surveys.

I have received numerous comments regarding the comradely and sportsmanship displayed among our youth. As parents and sport enthusiasts, you should be very proud of these up and coming handlers!

I would like to remind our clubs the committee will provide educational reimbursement to our youth who

attend any sanctioned educational seminars regarding our sport. Educational seminars must meet the committee requirement. The regulations and reimbursement form can be obtained on the website.

Finally, please remember that we have once again established another year-end fund raiser through Malley's Candy. Please utilize the website to order your holiday candy which will go to support our scholarship fund. Our organization code is: ID# 411115 and the website is: www.malleys.com

WEBSITE COMMITTEE – USCA OFFICE MANAGER
No report.

Roll call was conducted at 2:00 P.M. with 12 Executive Board members and 30 club delegates for a total of 42 voting delegates. There were not enough club delegates present for a quorum.

President Lyle Roetemeyer called meeting to a closed Executive Session at 2:53 P.M.

ELECTIONS

JUDGES COMMITTEE (2 positions)

Appointed by President Lyle Roetemeyer:

Mike Gardner, Debbie Zappia

NATIONAL EVENTS COMMITTEE (4 positions)

Appointed by President Lyle Roetemeyer:

Susan Dooling, Mary Dygert, Hal Lymus, Claudia Romard

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (5 positions)

Appointed by President Lyle Roetemeyer:

Ravi Iyer, Rifky Mackeen, Kevin Nance, Michelle Scarberry, Betty Thomas

NEW BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORTS

1. World Championship Eligibility Requirements

Motion by Tim Burke for World Championship eligibility a handler must be a USCA member in good standing one year prior to the closing date of declaration of the event.

Motion carried unanimously.

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS (Attachment)

Tabled

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

1. Judges College Memorial Award – Michael Caputo

This award is presented annually to a member who has made outstanding contributions to our breed.

This year's Judges College Memorial Award is being awarded to Mark Chaffin.

2. SchH3 Club

Motion by Kristen Boentgen to amend the rules for inclusion in the SchH 3 Club to allow titles earned

under any FCI-recognized performance judge at a USCA-sanctioned event. This rule shall apply to all applicants, regardless of when the titles were earned.

Motion carried unanimously.

Background: Currently the rules for membership in the SchH3 Club only allow titles that would be recognized for an SV breed survey—those earned under SV and USCA judges. Membership in the SchH3 Club has no bearing on breeding regulations, and in fact is open to all breeds. Therefore, there is no reason why titles earned under any FCI-recognized performance judge shouldn't be eligible for inclusion in the SchH3 Club.

3. Amend Regional Policy Requirement for Regional Waiver

Motion by Patty Garcia that in order for a member to receive a waiver, the member must enter the regionals. In the event they cannot compete the member must present acceptable proof to the Regional Director and there can't be any opportunity to attend a regional from a nearby region. The Executive Board will make the decision to grant waiver.

Motion amended to delete "and there can't be any opportunity to attend a regional from a nearby region."

Amended motion: In order for a member to receive a waiver, the member must enter the regionals. In the event they cannot compete the member must present acceptable proof to the Regional Director. The Executive Board will make the decision to grant waiver.

Amended motion carried unanimously.

4. Amend USCA Breed Survey Regulations Section 3.6 Hip Requirement

Motion by Mary Dygert to amend USCA Breed Survey Regulation Section 3.6 Hip Requirement to 3.6 Hip Certification and Elbow Certification. Dogs must have a USCA/WUSV recognized hip and elbow certification with tattoo number or microchip identification. Effective January 1, 2012. Note: Check with the USCA Office for a current list of recognized hip and elbow certifications.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dena McGowan to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 P.M.

Nancy Brigham, Secretary

Attachments: Proposed Bylaws Amendments–2011
WUSV Team Packet

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS 2011

1. Article IV, Section 2.e. (Rules for Individual Membership) - Submitted by Nia Cottrell

From:

e. USCA members may not be members of, or be affiliated with, any competing German Shepherd Dog organization in the United States.

To:

e. USCA officers, members of the Executive Board, USCA judges, or USCA committee chairs, voting delegates shall not be members of, or be affiliated with, any competing German Shepherd Dog organization in the United States.

Tabled

2. Article IV Section 2 (Rules for animal cruelty, abuse or dogfighting) – Submitted by Nia Cottrell

Add new subparagraph (f):

Any individual who has been convicted of, or found to have been involved in, any activities involving animal cruelty, animal abuse and/or dogfighting is prohibited from membership in USCA. Such individuals shall not be accepted as members of USCA, or any affiliated club(s).

Tabled

3. Change Article X, Section 1 (g) National Events Committee – Submitted by Mark Scarberry

From:

It is the duty of this committee to oversee national championship events as determined by the Board. It shall establish rules and procedures for use by the host clubs which conduct such events. The committee consists of four (4) members and the President of USCA, and the committee will be elected every odd year by the General Board of Directors.

To:

It is the duty of this committee to oversee all national championship events. It shall establish rules and procedures for use by the host clubs which conduct such events. The committee consists of four (4) members and the President of USCA, and the committee will be elected every odd year by the General Board of Directors.

Tabled

USCA WUSV WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM DECLARATION PACKET

USCA thanks you for your interest in the WUSV team process! Please feel free to contact anyone on the World Championship Committee if you have any questions/issues/concerns.

This packet includes all information/documentation necessary to declare for WUSV team consideration.

Included:

- Eligibility requirements
- Qualification process
- Team member/captain expectations
- All necessary forms

ELIGIBILITY

PREREQUISITES

Candidates who qualify to represent the United Schutzhund Clubs of America (USCA) in the WUSV World Championship must demonstrate the following.

1. Conduct that exemplifies good sportsmanship and self-discipline.
2. A strong desire to attend the WUSV World Championship and represent the United Schutzhund Clubs of America in international competition.

OVERVIEW

1. Teams representing USCA at the WUSV World Championship are restricted to German Shepherd Dogs.
2. Declared dogs must have an IPO 3 title.
3. Dogs declared must have a USCA scorebook.
4. Any dog that has ever been disqualified by a Judge in a trial due to temperament cannot be declared.
5. The deadline to declare for the WUSV World Championship Team is March 1 of the same year the WUSV World Championship is held (Ex. March 1, 2013 for the 2013 WUSV Championship).
6. Competition is restricted to one dog per handler.
7. The scorebook of a declared dog must have been recorded with the USCA Office by January 1 of the same year the WUSV World Championship is held (Ex. January 1, 2013 for the 2013 WUSV Championship).
8. Declared dogs must be registered with the USCA Breed Registry or USCA/SV Breed Registry no later than the declaration deadline.

HANDLER

1. The handler must be a member in good standing of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America (USCA) for one (1) year prior to the declaration deadline.
2. The handler must be a member in good standing of a full-member USCA club.
3. The handler must be a United States citizen OR a permanent resident of the United States.
4. The handler / dog team must remain the same throughout the qualification process and the WUSV championship.
5. The handler is not required to be the owner of the declared dog.

REQUIRED FORMS/PAYMENT

FAILURE TO SUBMIT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING IN) BY THE DECLARATION DEADLINE WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE APPLICATION.

Candidates aspiring to be on the WUSV World Championship Team must submit the *following declarant packet to the USCA Office* (3810 Paule Ave. / St. Louis, MO / 63125-1718) postmarked no later than declaration deadline even though all of the qualifying events have not yet been held. ***This deadline will be strictly enforced.***

- a. A completed USCA WUSV World Championship Team Candidate Information Form (ATTACHED)
- b. A declaration of consideration (ATTACHED)
- c. A declaration of club membership (ATTACHED)
- d. A copy of the dog's registration papers

USCA WUSV WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM DECLARATION PACKET

- e. A declaration fee of \$250 must be submitted with the declarant packet. The fee will be returned if the candidate does not make the team. The fee will be refunded after the declarant completes participation in the WUSV World Championship. The fee will be forfeited if the candidate makes the WUSV team and chooses not to participate as a team member in the WUSV World Championship.

REVIEW

The USCA Office will notify a candidate in writing (i.e., letter or email) if the candidate does not meet the necessary requirements. The notification will contain the reasons for the decision. The candidate may appeal this decision to the World Championship Committee.

QUALIFICATION PROCESS

The following process will be used to select the 10 dog-handler teams to compete for USCA at the USCA-GSDCA WUSV Qualification Trial.

1. The top 5 dog/handler teams at the USCA German Shepherd Dog National Championship, who receive at least 270 points and at least 80 points in protection, will earn an automatic bid to compete in the Qualification Trial.
2. The top 3 German Shepherd Dog dog/handler teams at the USCA Working Dog Championship, who receive at least 270 points and at least 80 points in protection, will earn an automatic bid to compete in the Qualification Trial.
3. The remaining 2 (or more should 1 or more of the above 8 decide not to attend) spots will go to the dog/handler teams that have competed in the USCA German Shepherd Dog National Championship and USCA Working Dog Championship. The spots will go to the teams with the highest average, calculated by using the scores from those 2 trials.
4. If positions remain to be filled after completing 1 through 3 above, the World Championship Committee may select additional dog/handler teams, giving consideration to teams that placed 6th or lower in the USCA German Shepherd Dog National Championship.
5. If positions remain to be filled after completing 1 through 4 above, the World Championship Committee may select additional dog/handler teams, giving consideration to German Shepherd Dog dog/handler teams that placed 4th or lower in the USCA Working Dog Championship.

Announcement of the team members will be made as soon as practical to the team members.

TEAM MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

1. All USCA members of the WUSV World Championship Team are representatives of USCA and shall strive to conduct themselves in an exemplary manner both on and off the field.
2. The USCA team members will be required to arrive at their event destination three (3) days prior to competition. Team members who want to arrive earlier must make their own arrangements.
3. All team members, including the alternate, shall wear their team uniforms during competition and at all official events such as draw night, opening ceremonies, and closing ceremonies.
4. Any member of the team who conducts him or herself in an unsportsmanlike manner shall be subject to disciplinary action, including dismissal from the team. The decision to dismiss a team member shall lie solely with the team captain.
5. Any disciplinary action taken against USCA team members for detrimental conduct shall be filed in an Exception Report with the World Championship Committee no later than 30 days after the WUSV World Championship, or within 30 days after the action became known to the filer. The World Championship Committee shall decide if further action is to be taken by filing charges with the Board of Inquiry, if necessary.

USCA TEAM CAPTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

The USCA Team Captain for the WUSV World Championship Team shall be responsible for:

1. Assisting dog and handler teams in preparation for international competition.
2. Organizing and managing a training program in the host country of the WUSV World Championship.

USCA WUSV WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM DECLARATION PACKET

3. Advising all team members in all matters pertaining to their well-being and the well-being of their dogs pertaining to and at the event.
4. Acting as spokesperson for the USCA team in all matters pertaining to the USCA team's participation in the WUSV World Championship.
5. Making advance preparations for the WUSV team's visit to the host country and arrangements for competition in the championship. This shall include air travel reservations, ground transportation, lodging, uniforms, correspondence, etc.

USCA WUSV WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM DECLARATION PACKET

DECLARATION OF CONSIDERATION / CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Date: _____

Name of Declarant: _____

Name of Dog: _____

Scorebook Number: _____

Name of Full Member club that declarant belongs to: _____

1. I express with this documentation, my declaration to participate in the WUSV selection process for _____ (Year).
2. I am a full member of _____, which is a full member club of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America.
3. I have read the Team Member Expectations above and will be able to fully comply with those expectations should I be selected for the WUSV team.

Name of Declarant

Signature Date

Club officer #1 / Position (May not be declarant)

Signature Date

Club officer #2 / Position (May not be declarant)

Signature Date

USCA WUSV WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM DECLARATION PACKET

WUSV WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP USCA TEAM CANDIDATE INFORMATION FORM

SECTION 1. CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Name _____ USCA Member # _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Telephone: Home _____ Mobile _____
Email Address _____ Club Affiliation _____

SECTION 2. DOG REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name of Dog _____
Titles _____ Reg # _____ USCA Score Book # _____
Birth Date _____ Sex _____
Breed Surveyed: Yes _____ No _____ KKL1 _____ KKL2 _____
Name of Sire _____
Titles _____ Reg # _____
Name of Dam _____
Titles _____ Reg # _____

SECTION 3. PRELIMINARY TRAVEL INFORMATION

Airport of Departure _____
Number in Party _____
Travel Class Desired: 1st _____ Business _____ Coach _____
Rental Vehicle Required: Car _____ Station Wagon _____ Mini Van _____
Hotel Accommodations:
Number in Party _____ Single _____ Double _____
Dog Crate Dimensions: L _____ W _____ H _____
Weight of Crate Including Dog _____ Lbs.

SECTION 4. UNIFORM INFORMATION

(Please indicate all women's clothing in both ladies and unisex sizes.)

Jacket _____ Sport Coat _____ Sweater _____
Shirt/Blouse Size _____ Sleeve Length _____
Slacks: Waist _____ Length _____
Ladies Size _____

Please note:

Although some of the information is preliminary, this form must be completed and submitted with your declaration of candidacy.