



## Meeting Minutes – March 17, 2012

### Meeting Called to order at 12:00pm by President Nancy Colson

Members present: Paula Carter, Nancy Colson, Elizabeth Ellis, Patricia Mims, Karen Murray, Nancy Pearson, Kellye Slatton, Kim Vidrine

Guests Present: Cathy Diely, Steve Garza

- **Approval of February Meeting Minutes** – Motion made by Elizabeth Ellis and seconded by Kellye Slatton to approve the minutes of the February meeting as published. Motion passed.
- **President's Report** - None
- **Secretary's Report** – No correspondence received this month
- **Treasurer's Report**
  - Account Balances Report –
- **Old Business**
  - Report of Field Trial Committee – Nancy Colson - None
  - Club Documentation Committee – Trish Mims
    - The only outstanding binder to be completed is the Secretaries Binder.
  - Trophy Chairman – Trish Mims
    - Nothing to report
  - Earthdog – Trish Mims
    - Approval received from the AKC to enter the Mentorship program. Due to the experience level of the club's membership we do not have to hold an A Match. We just have to successfully complete one test and we will be fully licensed for Earthdog Events.
    - Discussed options for offering tests with the DFWDC Earthdog committee at the Downsville Field Trial. They feel that we would get the best coverage of events if we considered taking their spring weekend, and offering two tests on Saturday and one on Sunday. We also discussed the possibility of us taking our SR tunnel to their test for use so that they could run all four tests at the same time. They would reciprocate by doing the same for our spring test.



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- Report of 2012 Show Committee – Trish Mims
  - March show complete – budgets and final income statement will be presented as soon as we get our statements from the Houston Combined Specialties. That will likely be in May or June.
  - Preparations for July show complete. Will contact judges about one month before the show to confirm and take care of anything that needs to be done.
  
- Report of 2013 Show Committee – Nancy Colson
  - Aubrey McMillian has been hired for March 2013
  - Ken Levison has been hired for July 2013
  - Applications for these shows will be made as soon as the July 2012 show is cleared and completed in the AKC system.
  
- President - appoint committee to review Club Constitution
  - Nancy Colson, Trish Mims, Kellye Slatton
  - Nothing to report. Will have some work done on this by our next meeting.
  
- **New Business**
  - Potential Meeting Location
    - Sosa Community Center, 1414 Wirt Rd, Houston, Tx 77055. This is where the Houston Combined Specialties hold their monthly meetings. They do not charge a rental fee, but request a \$100 deposit check which is not cashed. After the first reservation the check is returned. Facilities are very nice, easy to access, and have tables and chairs in the rooms. The membership discussed this possibility and the consensus was not to take action on a new meeting site at this time.
  
  - Report from Houston Combined Specialties Meeting
    - Notes from the Houston Combined Specialty Meeting – February 28, 2012 7:30pm
    - The Photographer for the Houston Combined Specialty will be Luis Sosa through 2013. After that the photographer will change to the one being used by Houston Kennel Club.



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- MARCH SPECIALTY:
- The Combined is in need of someone to collect parking # at the show site on Thursday Evening from 5 to 7pm. Our club has never volunteered to help out with this. If anyone is able to be at the site and collect the parking money from people who enter, please contact Larry Chu at [Chupak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Chupak@sbcglobal.net) as soon as possible. The funds collected benefit all the clubs in the combined – not just ours.
- We have requested a 1pm start time for our specialty with smooths, wires, then longs being the judging order. There is one 15 minute break between Sweepstakes and Regular Classes but no other breaks are scheduled.
- JULY SPECIALTY:
- First Proof of the Premium List was submitted last night. The second proof will be received in early May
- Volunteers are needed on Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 8am to tape off the grooming space. You should be done by Noon.
- Volunteers will be needed to sell catalogs & work the information booth on Thursday of the specialty.
- There will be NO DRIVE IN UNLOADING on Wednesday before the shows. Drive in unloading will be from 1pm Tuesday until 8pm Tuesday only.
- Catalog ads for our catalog are \$34 with a picture cost to our club. The club may sell the ads for whatever we wish, but anything over \$34 will be profit to the club.
- Next Combined Specialty Meeting is March 27, 2012.

- **Membership Applications** – None

- **Crys & Brags** - None

- **Motion to Adjourn** – Made by Elizabeth Ellis and seconded by Kelley Slatton. Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm



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**From:** Lisa Cecin [mailto:LMC@akc.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 28, 2012 2:06 PM  
**To:** phantomdach@earthlink.net  
**Cc:** Lisa Carroll  
**Subject:** Re: Houston Dachshund Club

Hello Ms. Mims,

This is to inform you that your club's request to hold a mentored earthdog event has been approved. Please visit our website at [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) under Downloadable Forms for applications, and Rules and Regulations for booklets. Please contact our Performance Events Department with any questions regarding the event at 919 816-3900.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email.

Sincerely,

**Lisa Cecin**

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