

## September 20, 2009 AWDF Teleconference minutes

Meeting began @ 8:10pm CST

In attendance:

President - Albert Govednik	Vice Pres. - Lyle Roetemeyer
Treas. - Sean O'Kane	Secretary - Michelle Testa
Executive Directors. Vera Reeves, Glenn Stephenson, Dyan Harper	
Club Delegates:	
USBA - Tim Clothier	UDC - Wendy Schmidt, May Jacobson
USA -	WRSF - Vera Reeves, Tim Nyx
NAWBA -	USMA -
AWMA - Les Flores	FedAB - Paige Shriver John Bochenek
WPBTCA - Annetta Cheek	NAWATA - Marcia Govednik
AHNA - Barbara Baker	LV/DVG Amer. - Carole Patterson
SACCI -	BRT - Patty Bartley
NARA - Shannon Niewwkooke	

### Presidents Report:

AL G. Reviewed the FCI IPO trip and the 5 th place finishing saw the best team performance. AWDF was well represented, the group showed camaraderie supporting each other in all aspects of trial preparation at the event. As team Capt. It was a pleasure working with this group. The AWDF team received many compliments from other groups attending and competing at the event. FCI meeting

Al had the opportunity to speak with AWDF supporter Karl Reisinger ( FCI VP) Mr. Reisinger has a good understanding of the AWDF.

New to the FCI membership is the country of Turkey

FCI General Committee didn't approve Mondioring - The green party in Germany opposes it

FCI is working on a new Rule book and hopes that all member clubs will adopt it.

The goal is to have all countries on board by 2011

They are looking for standardized wording and asks that FCI member countries to send in Ideas

Working on a standard for the BH by 2010

In process is the Judges World Championship Rule Book to obtain a consistency in judging

There was a proposal in regards to cash awards and other extravagant prizes

Most FCI member representatives opposed the giving of cash as an award.

Al G. was asked to give a review of the 2009 FCI IPO FH Championship held in France

Score books were discussed and the wish is that each country have representation

A review of the submission of entries for the FCI Championship competition - The FCI sends invitations for entrance in to the world event, With out an invitation a country can not compete.

All team entries must be sent in by the member club Secretary.

The USA has a new Director of Judges - Nathaniel Roque We wish him the best in his new position

### Vice President Report

Lyle R. attended the WUSV meeting

The SchH 1 may be returning back to the old rules reinstating the attack on handler

David Landau was present and was unreceptive to the AKC recent decision to allow SchH titles on AKC pedigrees. Mr. Landau stated that the WDS program was not being discontinued Lyle was feeling the strong possibility that the AKC may try to draw in the AWDF in regards to the working sport. Al and Lyle are still investigating this situation.

#### Treasurer Report

Sean states \$8410.39 in the checking account and Income was above the goal. The donations supporting the AWDF IPO team help greatly and thank you to Carlos Rojas for his generous donation of apparel

Sean reviewed the 2009 AWDF Championship financials which showed that even with the lack of man power the event was successful

If any Delegates would like copies or have questions Sean asks them to contact him directly

Sean informed us that the current bank that the AWDF has been using has closed down he is in the process of switching banks. To handle the donations properly he is creating a separate account for each event so statements can be processed for proof of donations.

#### Secretary's Report

Michelle asked if there were any questions about the June minutes. Carole Patterson made the motion to accept the minutes. Dyan Harper seconded the motion . No one was opposed The June minutes were accepted in to record.

#### Old Business

##### USA's Score Books

Lyle states that with 30 yrs invested the USA club will continue to sell score books to USA members with breeds other than the GSD. This USA score book can be used for USA TRIALS ONLY and only to dogs with AKC pedigrees. Lyle continues that the USA- AWDF book will still be offered and members with breeds other than GSD who would like an AWDF book the designation of mix breed will be applied according to the regulation voted on by the board and delegates of AWDF.

Paige S. of Fed AB asked for confirmation of USA dogs with AKC pedigrees. Lyle stated that is correct, which puts Fed AB in a better position.

Glenn Stephenson asked exactly how this new book will be marked as a USA ONLY book

Lyle replied the book will be clearly marked USA ONLY

##### 2010 AWDF Championship

2010 logo is in process

Website is put together, Hotels are set and rooms blocked, park is rented and over 40 people in place as volunteers.

##### Copyright

Sean states it is \$500 + to process it Carole p. motioned for the monies to be approved for the expense. Dyan H. seconded it none opposed

##### RH Program - Al Govednik

IRO, SV and FCI are working out their differences. Karen MacIntire and Stephanie Dunion attended the meeting. Thank you to both.

## New Business

### Judges Request Policy

SV has strict rules on requesting Judges. All judges registered with the SV must receive permission from the SV in order to judge.

Al states there should be some sort of direct line from one organization in requesting judges. This way there is no error in clubs securing judges that are not eligible to judge in America  
Michelle mentioned that this process was discussed in March as well.

### AKC WDS

The AKC's new directive to allow the AKC working breed clubs to choose which organization they would like to officially verify working Schutzhund titles Al would rather the AWDF member clubs work together as a federation rather than individually branching out. He feels that this decision AKC made in November should be evaluated as to whether or not it is something beneficial to us. The FCI Working commission was positive.

Glenn asked about whether there was the letter from the FCI and Al said he would email it out.

### AKC -UDC- AWDF

The UDC has decided to work with their AKC counterpart

Wendy Schmidt discussed and explained the situation

AL stated that until concrete offers come from the AKC the UDC needs to choose between the AKC or the AWDF

Carole Patterson stated that the VDH has a new President; who is a working dog enthusiast

Al motioned for the meeting to adjourn

Lyle seconded

Meeting adjourned 10:20 cst