

**American Toy Fox Terrier Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
June 20, 2018**

**Call To Order**

Called to order 8:35PM EST

**Roll Call**

<b>President</b>	Billy Hodges - present
<b>Vice President</b>	Rick Lilly - present
<b>Secretary</b>	Barb Kelley - present
<b>Treasurer</b>	Douglas King - present- present
<b>Directors</b>	

Dianne Clark - absent, Wendy Howard - present,  
Sheryl Irwin - absent, Carolyn Lichty - present,  
Susan Buckley Thibodeaux - present

**Approve Minutes**

- May Minutes – **MOTION** by Doug to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan – approved.
- eMail Meeting 6/10/18 – called to order by Billy 3:45PM pertaining to the Minnesota Breed Study  
6:55PM Barb made the motion we authorize the breed study in Minnesota with a budget not to exceed \$150 and that all dogs participating in the seminar have docked tails.  
7:14PM Wendy seconded the motion  
9:47PM President declared motion had passed (unanimously) and adjourned the meeting.

**Reports**

- **President**
- **Vice-President**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**  
May Financials have been submitted. Still wrapping up from National.
- **2018 Show Chair – Barb Kelley**  
Complete report will be submitted at July Meeting. Went well, good time had by all.
- **Sunshine – Susan Thibodeaux** – card to Billy for family loss.
- **Nominating Committee – Rick Lilly** – everything done.
- **Education Chair – Sheryl Irwin**  
June Education Report:

An email was sent to our ATFTC approved mentors reaching out for someone willing to present a Toy Fox Terrier Breed Study Seminar and Hands-On workshop for the AKC Advanced Judges Institute featuring the Hound and Toy breeds held in conjunction with the Orlando Cluster in December 2018. Lack of response and time sensitivity led me to approach Billy Hodges with the idea of asking Susan Thibodeaux since she had expressed an interest in becoming a presenter and we were confident in that she would be approved as such long before December. Moving forward, Susan was asked to present for this seminar/workshop and has agreed to do so. Thank you, Susan!

I would like to suggest that all of our ATFTC Approved Mentors and Presenters be reminded that, when conducting a Breed Study presentation, they MUST adhere to the Official AKC Breed Standard for the Toy Fox Terrier as dictated in our American Toy Fox Terrier Club Mentor/Presenter Requirements.

Dorothy Fisher is scheduled to present a Breed Study Seminar for the Tar Heel Cluster, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC, on September 25, 2018.

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To date I have not received any information from Jon regarding the Breed Study Seminar presented at our 2018 National.

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It has been an honor to serve the American Toy Fox Terrier Club as Judges Education Chair for the last fifteen months and I am thankful for the opportunity to have been instrumental in our growing education program. At this time, however, I am no longer able to serve in this capacity and hereby respectfully submit my resignation from this position.

Respectfully,  
Sheryl Irwin

- **Historian – Mary Redenbach**
- **Breeder Referral – Lila Fast**
- **Meet the Breeds – Susan Thibodeaux** – Staying with circus theme and enthusiasm is growing. May double size of booth for presenting to make bigger and better.
- **Gazette Columnist – Katherine LaRue**
- **Newsletter Editor – Joel White** – no big response to request for articles. Will try to send out small newsletter soon. Wendy will get something together about scentwork.
- **Constitution & By-Laws – Douglas King**
- **Performance – Wendy Howard**  
First night trial went great with about 80 in attendance. Action Dog Sports would like to hold some Scentwork trials and do the same thing we are doing with the Agility Trials. We would receive \$1.50 per dog and they use the ATFTC license. **MOTION** made by Wendy for club to sponsor 6 Scentwork trials, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick, motion passed.

- **Webmaster – Barb Kelley** – now the National is over, will get back to work on update of Website.
- **Membership Chair – Barb Kelley**  
Three applications to consider.
- **Event Coordinator – Carolyn Lichty**
  - **Lexington Designated Specialty 2018** – Cluster coordinator contacted us about trophy donations for premium list and Mary provided information. Mary has done a nice job and some great prizes.
  - **Lexington National 2019**
  - Wendy to send Carolyn Mission Circuit info for potential National Event in Southern California someday.

- **Correspondence**

Following is an email the secretary received from AKC regarding the “tail length” for our TFTs.

*Good Afternoon,*

*Your email inquiry was forwarded to my attention as I am the staff person who works with the Parent Clubs on breed standard revisions. The AKC Board of Directors would not approve a standard that made undocked tails a disqualification.*

*If I May be of assistance to you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me.*

*I am including the link to the procedures for a breed standard revision.*

*[http://images.akc.org/pdf/breeds/guidelines\\_breed\\_standards.pdf](http://images.akc.org/pdf/breeds/guidelines_breed_standards.pdf)*

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The secretary then phoned Mari-Beth to inquire if the members chose the tail length to be a fault, would that be approved and she replied it would not.

The only option we have regarding changing the breed standard in regards to tail length would be if we wanted to describe what the long tail is supposed to look like on the dog to be considered correct. Mari-Beth also indicated the Rottweiler club has been going through the same process for quite some time and it still has not been approved.

## Unfinished Business

- Contract for June 5<sup>th</sup> specialty in Orlando has been sent in to reserve our spot.
- **Lexington National 2019** – need show chairman, ballot for judges
- **Code of Ethics for Board Members - tabled**
- **Election Process** – tabled until determined there is a vote needed
- **2020 National - tabled**

## New Business

- **New Members**  
Carrie Fletcher – Anaheim, CA sponsored by Ed & Carol Fernandes – **MOTION** by Doug to accept Carrie into membership, no 2<sup>nd</sup> - tabled  
Caroline Hoffman – Los Angeles, CA sponsored by Gene Bellamy & Jon Rawleigh - **MOTION** by Wendy to accept Caroline, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolyn - passed  
Jeff Binse – Yuba City, CA sponsored by Cheryl Bohannon & Gene Bellamy - **MOTION** by Doug to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendy – motion passed
- **Washington NonProfit Handbook** – tabled to allow board more time to review
- **Breed Standard Regarding Tail** – tabled to consider possible committee to review
- **Federation Cynologique Internationale** – consider gaining recognized breed status to be able to show worldwide – Billy will look into.  
Even if we get recognized, we would not be able to participate with docked tails.  
Royal Canin will be a qualifying show for Crufts.

**Next Meeting:** July 11, 2018

**Adjournment** Adjourned 9:37PM