

# American Toy Fox Terrier Club

## Board Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2025

Call To Order 5:32pm PST

Roll Call:

Susan Thibodeaux – Present

Denise Monette – Present

Lea Ann Boles – Present

Carrie Fletcher – Present

Tabitha Dvorak – Present

Pam Cox – Present

Chris Bowker – Present

Teresa Watson – Present

Laura Johnson (Delegate & Board Member) – Absent

### Approve Minutes –

May Board Meeting Minutes reviewed and change requested by Susan to President's Report. **MOTION:** Approve May Meeting Minutes with modification requested – Tabs, Seconded by Pam, all approved and motion carried.

#### 1. Reports of Officers

- a. President – Susan Thibodeaux – Items will be covered during meeting.
- b. Vice President – Denise Monette – No report
- c. Secretary – Carrie Fletcher – 2 messages received: 1) Request from Canine College for Breed Education Video, 2) Request from Terrie Cowan regarding Brooksville, FL specialties for Central Florida TFT Club. Both items to be addressed as new business. No new membership applications received.
- d. Treasurer – Lea Ann Boles – May Treasurer report submitted. **MOTION:** Approve May Financials as submitted – Teresa, Seconded by Tabs, all approved and motion carried.

#### 2. Committee Reports

- a. Sunshine Committee – sent one card out.
- b. Education - Susan Thibodeaux – nothing new still on the agenda to participate in Toy Judges Seminar in Puyallup, WA in July.
- c. Historian – Chris Bowker – No new updates **ACTION ITEM:** Create a “To Do List” including specific goals and the specific support and information needed from other sources.
- d. Breeder Referral – Continuing encourage all members to participate in breeder referral for the breed.

- e. Gazette Columnist – Susan Thibodeaux – June’s column will be a reprint from the past.
- f. Newsletter Editor- Chris Bowker – Next issue targeted for July. Need ads and articles
- g. Performance- Chris Bowker(Coordinator)
  - i. Wendy Howard(Agility & Scent Work) – 6/30 last qualify day for Agility invitationals to be held in Orlando at Royal Canine in December. No new reports for scent work
  - ii. Luana Ball/Jennifer Baerresen(Fast CAT) – Fast CAT invitationals to be held in Ohio on October 15-18.
  - iii. Mary Bowlan(Barn Hunt) – no report
- h. Webmaster- Steve Thibodeaux – New Flashing ICON added to members section. This gives everyone the ability to search AKC TFT title records. Requested board members to take a look and provide feedback.
- i. Junior Coordinator – Regional coordinators:
  - i. Tabs Dvorak(AKC Jr. Coordinator/Midwest) – Receiving more inquires about TFT’s and Juniors. Some new juniors have become ranked with TFTs. It was suggested that Allie or Tabs write an article about retired show dogs and juniors.
  - ii. Susan Thibodeaux(Southeast) – Supporting juniors in 4H with retired TFTs. Several were at their first show with a TFT.
  - iii. Laura Johnson(Northeast) – no report
  - iv. Cheryl Bohannon(West) - no report
- j. Membership Chair- Carrie Fletcher – no new membership requests submitted for June meeting
- k. Health committee – Mandy Halsey – no new updates
- l. Awards Committee – TBD notes in new business below
- m. AKC Delegate updates – Laura Johnson – No updates

### 3. Old Business

- a. 2024 Tax filings – Filed extension for 2024 taxes while continuing to look for CPA to file club taxes. Suggested to inquire with AKC – Guy Fisher.
- b. Awards Committee – Susan wants to reach out to the membership to find members interested in participating on an Awards Committee.
- c. Final Accounting and Close out 2025 National – Still pending closing bills from host club and a few outstanding issues with Onofrio. **PRIOR ACTION ITEM:** Carrie with Lea Ann’s support and concurrence, Provide final financial assessment of the 2025 National. **PRIOR ACTION ITEM:** Carrie to write up National Show Chair guidelines to document what has been learned.
- d. 2026 National Activities

- i. Planned new event – Stud Showcase projected cost \$10. Opportunity to showcase kennel stud dogs with various points of information including pedigree, health testing and off-spring
  - ii. Judges committee had 44 members vote. Top voted judges are being contacted by Dottie Klien and/or Mark Threlfall for schedule availability and interest in judging TFT National. Those with availability and interest will be included in second round of voting. Top 2 will judge 2026 & 2027 Nationals.
- e. 2026 Election Nominating Committee – Members from each area of the country were identified to be included on the nominating committee. The following were suggested and agreed upon pending acceptance West – Rebeka Rivera, Middle – Mary Bowlan, East – Judy Threlfall, Alternate #1 – Teresa Watson, and Alternate #2 – Rick Litchy. Prior to selecting the Nominating committee chairperson, Susan is to reach out to these identified members to verify they are interested in participating on the committee.

#### 4. New Business

- a. Form a By Laws Committee – To limit the scope, Susan asked each board member to review the Constitution and By-Laws to identify the areas that require updating either due to change in the way the club does business, correction to minor grammatical errors or to make corrections stemming from the version issues created when the clubs parent status was approved.
- b. Central Florida Toy Fox Terrier Club request approval for regional specialties in Brooksville, FL on 1/12/2026 and 1/18/2026 **Motion:** approve events as requested – Tabs, Seconded by Lea Ann, all approved and motion carried.
- c. Canine College Breed Education Video request by AKC Carrie Thurber – request was made and concerns brought up that previously the quality of the videos by Canine College was poor for toy dogs. Susan to request some complete samples of toy breed for review prior to additional consideration.

#### 5. Upcoming Events

- a. 2026 – Topeka, Kansas – Capital City Cluster, August 2026 – Show Chair Pamela Cox
- b. 2027- Greenville, South Carolina – July 2027.
- c. 2028 - Greenly, CO - 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Show Chair Rebeka Rivera
- d. Woofstock Regional Show, Vallejo, CA June 7, 2025 – Denise Monette Coordinating – Event Completed and will be removed next agenda. Entry 2-3-1-2

- e. June 27, 2025 - Designated Specialty – Central Oklahoma Toy Dog Club, Oklahoma City, OK – Mary Bowlan Coordinating
- f. August 14, 2025 – 2 Regional Specialties - Puget Sound Toy Fox Terrier Club, Enumclaw, WA - Show Chair Terrie Cowan
- g. September 5-7, 2025 - Regional & Supported Entry Bridgewater, NJ – Chris Houchin coordinating
- h. October 1, 2025 - Supported Entry - Morris & Essex, Colonial Park, NJ – Susan Thibodeaux coordinating
- i. January 12 & 18, 2026 – Regional Specialties – Central Florida Toy Fox Terrier Club, Brooksville, FL – Show chair Terrie Cowan

6. Annual Due Dates:

- a. Membership List to AKC 2/1 – **Completed 2025**
- b. Board Member to AKC 2/1 – **Completed 2025**
- c. Website Hosting DATAREALM 2/14 – **Completed 2025**
- d. Taxes 4/15, Extension final for 2024 Taxes new due date 10/15
- e. Nonprofit State of Washington 8/31,
- f. Insurance Payment 7/15
- g. Annual Election Due Dates:
  - i. Nominating Committee Seated 8/1
  - ii. Nominating Slate Mailed to Members 9/1
  - iii. Floor Nominations Due 10/1
  - iv. If nominations from the floor:
    - 1. Ballots Mailed 10/15
    - 2. Balloting Closed 11/15
- h. Membership Renewal Notice
- i. Website Domain Name (Registry Date) every 5 years due 4/2030

7. Adjournment **MOTION:** To adjourn – Tabs, seconded by Denise, all approved and motion carried – meeting adjourned 7:00pm PST