

Announcement made by Vickie Jacobs, Convention Planner to welcome all the delegates to Region IV. She discussed the dinner plans for Saturday night and commented on the donation of homemade leashes for all the delegates.

The Annual Convention of Delegates (ACoD) was called to order by ASFA President, Ping Pirrung at 9:05 AM. A moment of silence was requested in memory of Richard Stilwell who had recently passed away.

#### A. ROLL CALL AND THE SEATING OF DELEGATES

Afghan Hound Club of America	James Hicks	Delegate	
Afghan Hound Club of America	Robert Jordan	Delegate	X
Albuquerque Whippet Fanciers Association	Philip Fullam	Observer	X
American Whippet Club, Inc.	Claudia Miller	Delegate	X
Apalachee Coursing Club	Sean McMichael	Delegate	X
Basenji Club of America	Russ Jacobs	Delegate	X
Borzo Club of America	Victor Whitlock	Delegate	X
California Coursing Association	Lydia Jorgenson	Delegate	X
California Coursing Association	Monica Moline	Delegate	X
Central Leatherstocking Area Sighthound Society	Denise Carvalho	Delegate	X
Central Leatherstocking Area Sighthound Society	Richard Whritenour	Delegate	X
Colorado Coursing Association	Tom Golcher	Delegate	X
District Area Sighthound Association	Jeffrey Lipps	Delegate	X
District Area Sighthound Association	Kathy Lipps	Delegate	
Evergreen Basenji Club, Inc.	Bill Bowlus-Root	Delegate	X
Gazehounds in Texas	Jack Downing	Delegate	X
Gazehounds in Texas	Teri Dickenson	Delegate	X
Gazehounds of New England	Benoit Brodeur, Jr.	Delegate	X
Gazehounds of New England	Clay Leslie	Delegate	X
Greyhound Association of North Georgia	Dale Parks	Delegate	X
Greyhound Association of North Georgia	Jerry Slattery	Delegate	X
Heartland Coursing Association	Carol Lear	Delegate	X
Heartland Coursing Association	Vickie Jacobs	Delegate	X
International Silken Windhound Society	Lola Stetson	Delegate	X
International Silken Windhound Society	Lori Silvestri	Delegate	X
Iowa Coursing Association	Jocelyn Peterson	Delegate	X
Iowa Coursing Association	Josie Haumont	Delegate	X
Irish Wolfhound Club of America	Michael Demeter	Delegate	X
Mason Dixon Ibizan Hound Club	Dean Wright	Delegate	X
Mason Dixon Ibizan Hound Club	Lori Coulson	Delegate	X
Michigan Gazehound Association	Joe Shoemaker	Delegate	X
Midwest Coursing Club	Gregory Breitbach	Delegate	X
Minnesota Coursing Association	Mike Leach	Delegate	X
Nebraska Coursing Association	Kent Standerford	Delegate	X
Nebraska Coursing Association	Marilyn Standerford	Delegate	X
Northwest Rhodesian Ridgeback Club	Jeff Falkner	Delegate	X
O.K.I. Gazehound Organization	Charles Denslow	Delegate	X
Pharaoh Hound Club of America	Thom Haig	Delegate	X
Pharaoh Hound Club of America	William Martin	Delegate	X
Pharaoh Hound Owners of the Northeast	Lynn Wall	Delegate	X

Pharaoh Hound Owners of the Northeast	Wayne Wall	Delegate	X
Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States	Ross Jones	Delegate	X
Rocky Mountain Irish Wolfhound Association	Tracey Luty	Delegate	X
Saluki Club of America	Tom Cigolle	Delegate	X
Scottish Deerhound Club of America	Debbie Narwold	Delegate	X
Sight Hound Organization of Tidewater	Evelyn Jones	Delegate	
Sight Hound Organization of Tidewater	Gary Roush	Delegate	X
Silken Windhounds of California	Donna Murphy	Delegate	X
Silken Windhounds of California	Rick Wolpin	Delegate	X
Southern Idaho Sighthound Field Association	Debb Meyer	Delegate	X
Southern Oregon Racing & Coursing Association	Karen Sanders	Delegate	X
Southern Oregon Racing & Coursing Association	Susan Van de Water	Delegate	X
St. Louis Area Sighthounds	Karen Frederick	Delegate	X
Tortoise and Hare Lure Coursers	Tim Frey	Delegate	X
Tortoise and Hare Lure Coursers	Vicki Frey	Delegate	X
Tri-State Sighthound Club	Ping Pirrung	Delegate	X
Tulsa Sighthound Association	Gary Runyan	Observer	X
Tulsa Sighthound Association	Kristal Couch	Observer	X
Upper Chesapeake Bay Saluki Club	Audrey Silverstein	Delegate	X
Upper Chesapeake Bay Saluki Club	Carman Day	Delegate	X

There were fifty-five (55) voting delegates present with three (3) observers: simple majority is twenty-eight (28) with thirty-seven needed for a two-thirds (2/3rd).

#### B. APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN, SERGEANTS AT ARMS, AND TELLERS

1. Parliamentarian: Ping Pirrung entertained a motion to appoint Russ Jacobs as the Parliamentarian. Motion, Seconded, and Passed.
2. Sergeants at Arms: Motion, Seconded and Passed to appoint Sean McMichael and Bob Jordan as Sergeants at Arms.
3. Tellers: Motion, Seconded and Passed to appoint Vickie Jacobs and Marilyn Standerford as Tellers.

C. MINUTES OF THE 2013 ANNUAL CONVENTION OF DELEGATES - Karen Frederick, Recording Secretary  
Karen addressed the delegate body and requested any corrections to the 2013 ACoD Minutes. No corrections were noted. Motion by Marilyn Standerford and seconded by Thom Haig to accept the 2013 ACoD Minutes as posted. Motion carried.

D. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT - Ping Pirrung - Ping welcomed everyone to the Annual Convention of Delegates in Dallas-Fort Worth. She reported the number of entries continued to drop but that the enthusiasm of the ASFA Clubs was still present.

E. REPORT OF THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT - Dean Wright - Dean reported that this would be his last report since his term would be finishing but he wanted to thank all those people who had helped him. He congratulated the following clubs for holding the most coursing trials in 2013: CLCA (19), GANG (14), MGA, OCLA, GTCWC, MCA, SLASH, and MGA. Dean challenged the ASFA clubs to add an additional weekend of trials.

REPORT OF THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT - Thom Haig - Thom reported that this was his last weekend as well.

F. REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY - Karen Frederick - Karen reported that this was her final meeting as the Recording Secretary. She reminded the delegates to please submit the motions for New Business as soon as possible should the ACoD conclude on Saturday.

G. REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY - Bill Bowlus-Root - Bill reported that he did not receive any Statements of Irregularity, Protests with Appeal, Protests with No Appeal, nor any Protests Upheld.

He noted that there were two individuals who remain suspended from the ASFA: Richard Erdmann for an indefinite period and Robbin Wiseman until 2031. These are posted on the ASFA Website.

Bill reminded the Delegates that the listing of motions were included in the packets that each received.

<b>Motion</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Results</b>
20130328	Approve a revised list of members for the Rules Evaluation Committee	Pass
20130731	Select the Holiday Inn South in Dallas, TX as the site for the 2014 Board of Directors Meeting and ACoD	Pass
20130805	Approve SEGC as host of the 2013 ASFA National Greyhound Specialty	Pass
20130810	Accept the PHONE application for full membership status	Pass
20130828	Revise rules to award points to Best in Field winners	Pass
20130829	Accept the Proposal for the 2014 International Invitational	Pass
20130918	New Operational Policy for awarding High Scoring Single in split stakes	Pass
20131029	Propose changes to Article VI Section 2(a) regarding notification dates for Officer Nominations	Pass
20131110	Authorize purchase of recording equipment for Board and ACoD meetings	Pass
20131206	Approve a new Administrative Policy clarifying the word 'club' in Article V, Section 5	Pass
20131213	Eliminate Administrative Policy A-BOD13 which deals with the duties of the Internal Audit Committee	Pass
20131215	Revise the rules to allow judges to not judge up to four years before their license lapses	Fail
20131221	Approve Debb Meyer as the Scheduling Chair	Pass
20131226	Approve a new Administrative Policy to allow expedited voting for RD Special Elections	Pass
20140102	Approve a new Administrative Policy allowing the Board to consider protests of judging decisions its online meetings	Pass
20140107	Update Administrative Policy A-BOW01 to refer to the Top Twenty System	Pass
20140112	Delete four obsolete policies	Pass
20140131	Revise the rules to increase the age for Saluki veterans to at least seven years of age	Pass
20140214	Authorize up to \$1500 for Invitational trophy repairs	Pass
20140220	Select the Marriott in Pittsburgh, PA as the site for the 2015 Board of Directors Meeting and ACoD.	Pass

1. **BALLOT TO EXTEND FULL RECOGNITION STATUS TO THE SILKEN WINDHOUND BREED**

The following is the voting record of the ASFA Active Member Clubs to accept Silken Windhounds, after a two-year period of Provisional Status. If there was not a seated delegate for the Member Club, the previously mailed ballot was entered into the record. Those Clubs without representation at the ACoD and that did not submit a ballot, will show a blank space.

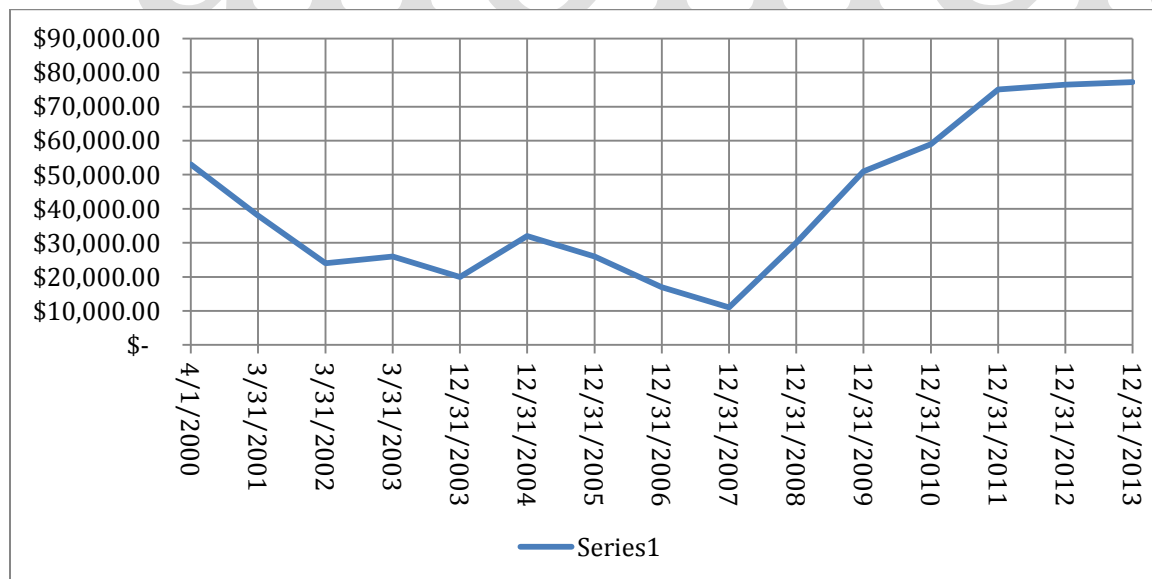
AHCA - <i>Afghan Hound Club of America</i>	YES
AAWC - <i>Alamo Area Whippet Club</i>	NO
ASA - <i>American Saluki Club</i>	
AWC - <i>American Whippet Club, Inc.</i>	NO
ACC - <i>Apalachee Coursing Club</i>	YES
BaCOA - <i>Basenji Club of America, Inc.</i>	YES
BCONC - <i>Basenji Club of Northern California, Inc.</i>	YES
BARRC - <i>Bay Area Rhodesian Ridgeback Club</i>	YES
BGCC - <i>Bluegrass Coursing Club</i>	
BCOA - <i>Borzoi Club of America</i>	YES
CCA - <i>California Coursing Association</i>	YES
CLCS - <i>Carolina Lure Coursing Society</i>	
CLASS - <i>Central Leatherstocking Area Sighthound Society</i>	YES

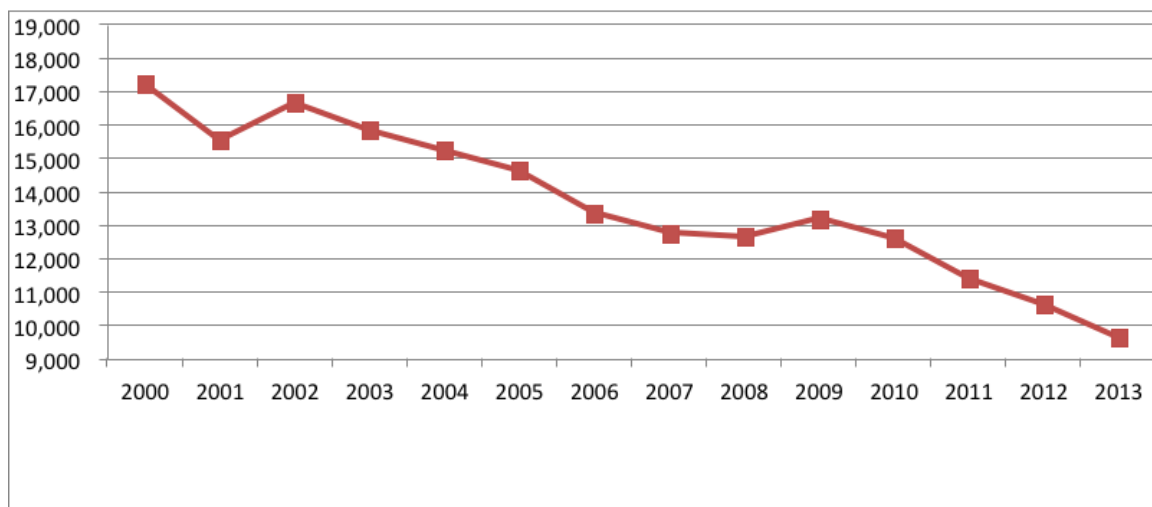
CSBLC - <i>Central States Basenji Lure Coursing</i>	
CLCA - <i>Colorado Lure Coursing Association</i>	YES
CHASE - <i>Coursing Hound Association of the South East</i>	
CHAMP - <i>Coursing Hounds of the Mid-Potomac</i>	YES
DFB - <i>Desert Fun Bunch</i>	YES
DASH - <i>District Area Sighthound Association</i>	YES
EBC - <i>Evergreen Basenji Club, Inc.</i>	YES
GBSC - <i>Galveston Bay Saluki Club</i>	
GIT - <i>Gazehounds in Texas</i>	YES
GONE - <i>Gazehounds of New England</i>	YES
GUNC - <i>Goin' Up North Coursing Club</i>	YES
GOGLC - <i>Greater Ocala Gainesville Lure Coursing Association</i>	
GTCWC - <i>Greater Twin Cities Whippet Club</i>	YES
GANG - <i>Greyhound Association of North Georgia</i>	YES
HCA - <i>Heartland Coursing Association</i>	NO
IHCUS - <i>Ibizan Hound Club of the United States</i>	YES
ILCC - <i>Indiana Lure Coursing Club</i>	YES
IGF - <i>Inland Gazehound Fanciers</i>	
ISWS - <i>International Silken Windhound Society</i>	YES
ICA - <i>Iowa Coursing Association</i>	YES
IWAWC - <i>Irish Wolfhound Association of the West Coast</i>	YES
IWCA - <i>Irish Wolfhound Club of America</i>	YES
JRRWA - <i>Jersey Rag Racers Whippet Association</i>	
LCLC - <i>Lake County Lure Coursers</i>	YES
LSWC - <i>Lone Star Whippet Club</i>	
LARK - <i>Loraine Area Racing Klub</i>	YES
LCLCA - <i>Lower Columbia Lure Coursing Association</i>	
MDIHC - <i>Mason Dixon Ibizan Hound Club</i>	YES
MAWA - <i>Metropolitan Atlanta Whippet Association</i>	YES
MGA - <i>Michigan Gazehound Association</i>	YES
MAHA - <i>Mid-Atlantic Hound Association</i>	YES
MBC - <i>Midwest Borzoi Club</i>	NO
MWCC - <i>Midwest Coursing Club</i>	NO
MCA - <i>Minnesota Coursing Association</i>	YES
MBCA - <i>Monterey Bay Coursing Association</i>	
NCA - <i>Nebraska Coursing Association</i>	YES
NCIWC - <i>Northern California Irish Wolfhound Club</i>	YES
NCWC - <i>Northern California Whippet Club</i>	
NWRRC - <i>Northwest Rhodesian Ridgeback Club</i>	YES
OKIGO - <i>Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Gazehound Organization</i>	YES
PHCA - <i>Pharaoh Hound Club of America</i>	YES
PHFNC - <i>Pharaoh Hound Fanciers of Northern California</i>	YES
PHONE - <i>Pharaoh Hound Owners of the Northeast</i>	YES
RRCUS - <i>Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States</i>	YES
RMCC - <i>Rocky Mountain Coursing Club</i>	

RMIWA - Rocky Mountain Irish Wolfhound Association	YES
SCOA - Saluki Club of America	NO
SDCA - Scottish Deerhound Club of America	YES
SSIH - Sierra Slopes Ibizan Hound Club	
SHOT - Sight Hound Organization of Tidewater	YES
SWC - Silken Windhounds of California	YES
SEGC - Southeastern Greyhound Club	
SISFA - Southern Idaho Sighthound Field Association	YES
SORCA - Southern Oregon Racing and Coursing Association	YES
SLASH - St. Louis Area Sighthounds	YES
THLC - Tortoise and Hare Lure Coursers	YES
TSSC - Tri-State Sighthound Club	YES
UCBSA - Upper Chesapeake Bay Saluki Club	YES
USRCC - Utah Sighthounds Racing and Coursing Club	
WWWA - Western Washington Whippet Association	YES
WCLCC - Windchasers Lure Coursing Club	NO

The final tally was fifty (50) in favor of full recognition for the Silken Windhounds with seven (7) votes against. A total of seventeen (17) clubs did not vote. Their new status begins on April 1, 2014.

H. REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - Jeff Lipps - Jeff reported that the number of entries continues to drop and has fallen below 10,000 entries, partly due to weather difficulties as well as continuing financial issues. However ASFA cash balances has continued to grow due to streamlining of expenses. The numbers show that new hounds are entering but don't seem to be competing in as many trials.





Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Entries	17,220	15,557	16,676	15,858	15,243	14,638	13,375	12,770	12,651	13,198	12,615	11,412	10,632	9,645
Change		-9.70%	7.20%	-4.90%	-3.90%	-4.00%	-8.60%	-4.50%	0.90%	4.30%	-4.40%	-9.50%	-7.30%	-9.28%

Jeff entertained a motion by Kent Standerford to accept the Financial Report. Seconded by Gary Roush and motion carried.

- I. REPORT OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTORS - Josie Haumont, Chairman - Josie reported that it had been a relatively calm year for the RDs this past year. She commented that the primary purpose of the RDs is to be the voice of ASFA at the local level as well as the voice to the Board from the local coursers.

REGION 1 REPORT - Jeff Falkner - Jeff reported on the entry numbers from his region that covers the Pacific Northwest states of Alaska, Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. He did report a loss of one club, Twin Peaks Ibizan Hound Club, but that the Irish Wolfhound Club of America had relocated into the region. His challenges include finding good fields and open weekends as well as getting 'outside' judges to come to the area.

REGION 2 REPORT - Rick Wolpin - Rick shared the disappointing news that the clubs in his region have not scheduled many trials for 2014 so far. He also reported that one club was lost to the AKC coursing program. Due to drought conditions, some available fields are not in good enough condition to use but he hopes to locate areas closer to the coastal areas instead.

REGION 3 REPORT - Tom Golcher - Tom reported that Region 3 had twenty-nine trials in 2013, which was slightly down from the year before but that entry levels remained relatively flat. The Regional Invitational will be the first weekend in October.

REGION 4 REPORT - Donna Murphy - Donna reported that there had been sixteen ASFA trials within Region 4 in 2013. Issues included venues, owner satisfaction, and competition from AKC coursing trials. Donna did report the recent death of longtime ASFA supporter, Richard Stillwell, a Basenji enthusiast from Oklahoma.

REGION 5 REPORT - Josie Haumont - Josie reported that her region consists of seven all-breed member clubs, three specialty breed clubs, and a single affiliate club. Entries had dropped by over 8% in 2013 even though there were more trials. The Nebraska Coursing Association will hold the Regional Invitational on November 1, 2014. Josie also reported that Region 5 will be looking for a new RD since her term will be ending at the end of the year.

REGION 6 REPORT - Greg Breitbach - Greg welcomed the Silken Windhounds to ASFA. He also commented on the 2013 International Invitational and how good the fields were at the site in Indiana. His region consists of fifteen

clubs including MWCC who is celebrating its 50th year in coursing. He reported that the club members are aging and that we need to work on welcoming younger participants into coursing.

REGION 7 REPORT - Dale Parks - Dale reported that his region ran 1825 hounds in 46 coursing trials in 2013. It was tough for GANG to lose Les Pekarski and Shirri Peake but people came together to run fourteen trials, which included the Regional Invitational and 650 hounds. He reported many new people had come out during the year and that the region had 59 hounds in their breeds' Top Twenty.

REGION 8 REPORT - Gary Roush - Gary offered to share some of the excess precipitation from his region with those from the western regions. Region 8 consists of eight member clubs, three affiliate, and two parent clubs. They had thirty-six ASFA trials with a total entry of 1699 hounds, which was down from 1769 in 2012. Gary discussed their Regional Meeting and highlighted their two-day Regional Invitational to be held on October 11/12.

REGION 9 REPORT - Richard Whritenour - Rich reported that Region 9 had held twelve trials in 2013 but that a total of seventeen were planned for 2014. GONE will be hosting the Regional Invitational in Griswold, CT.

REGION 10 REPORT - Keith Hicks - no report was given nor received.

- J. INVATIONALS COMMITTEE - Josie Haumont - Josie gave a report on the need of repairs to the perpetual trophies of the International Invitational and that Thomas Christ, 2014 II Trophy Chair, had been working diligently to have the repairs done before this years II.

Josie also commented that the Invitationals Committee have reviewed and discussed the Regional Invitation Guidelines.

Josie also commented on the need for bids for future International Invitations - 2016 for Central regions and 2017 for Eastern regions.

1. AWARDS COMMITTEE - Evelyn Jones - Evelyn awarded the plaques for all the Top Hounds of each breed in ASFA for 2013.

<i>breed</i>	<i>call name</i>	<i>registered name</i>	<i>owner</i>	<i>region</i>
<b>Afghan Hound</b>	Prince William	FC Kominek's Hand of the King, SFCh, Can FCh	J Martin	
<b>Azawakh</b>	Ahzi	Al Haras Wingo, FCh	E MacMillan	6
<b>Basenji</b>	Winter	FC New World Baridi Ngano, LCM2, SC	J Brader	8
<b>Borzoi</b>	Ru	SilkenSwift Midnite Rune, FCh	F Byrne/B Dalzell	8
<b>Cirneco</b>	Qina	Cy'Era Qina, FCh	D Baker/ML Prieto	4
<b>Greyhound</b>	Blueberry	GCH FC Lakilanni Blue Jeans Blues, FCh, RN	L Soutar	
<b>Ibizan Hound</b>	Dakota	Devillez A Lil Travlin Music, LCM3,vLCM3	C Gibbons	7
<b>Irish Wolfhound</b>	Noor	Rockhart Noor, LCM, SGRC, SC	S & T Hood	4
<b>Italian Greyhound</b>	Luca	Luca Omodeo, LCM, vFCh	S Ostrander	6
<b>Magyar Agar</b>	Gator	Betcha-Katcha Omlin	T & L Koler	2
<b>Pharaoh Hound</b>	Khudi	DC Jomara's Khamudi Taba Samu, FCh, SC	M & J Henke	6
<b>Portuguese Podengo</b>	Bella	Belle Chance, RA, BN, SC, CA, CD	J Miller	9
<b>Portuguese Pequeno</b>	Zoey	Vaidosa De Viamonte	K Burns	9
<b>Rhodesian Ridgeback</b>	PJ	FC Benridge's Peace of My Heart, LCM, SC	J Cramer/D Berlin	8
<b>Saluki</b>	Ranger	FC Windrush High Five, LCM, TCP, SC	K & J Lipps	6
<b>Silken Windhound</b>	Halle	Allagante Golden Highlights	K & P Sanders	1
<b>Scottish Deerhound</b>	Ra	FC Kyleakin Lahar, FCh, SC, CD	B Stephenson	6
<b>Sloughi</b>	Baha	Ocerico Baha Al-Din	A & D Bruhwiler	7
<b>Whippet</b>	Catori	FC Tadita Written in the Stars, LCM 10, SC	M & J Libersher	6
<b>Singles</b>	Raisen - Wh	Mia Comet Sun Maid	L Pekarski/P & T Haig	7

The Top Hound for 2013, having defeated 471 hounds, was the Whippet Catori.

Evelyn also distributed the plaques to be award at the Parent Clubs Specialty coursing trials.

K. EXCELLENCE IN PERFORMANCE AWARD - EPA - Rick Wolpin, Chairman. Rick reported that there had been a couple nominated clubs for the award. He then read the nomination and awarded the EPA to Michigan Gazehound Association

#### L. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

1. GUIDELINES COMMITTEE - Dean Wright - Dean reported that 90% of the guidelines have been reviewed although a few more need to be received from officers and several different committees.
2. ASFA ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT - Jeff Lipps presented the ASFA Annual Financial Report for 1 January - 31 December

Category	Income	Expense	Difference	Budgeted Income	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Difference
ACoD	\$ 4530.00	\$ 3,277.89	\$ 1,252.11	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 0.00
Forms	\$ 1924.10	\$ 1,498.39	\$ 425.71	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Interest	\$ 7.31	\$ 0.00	\$ 7.31	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Per Capita	\$35,131.35	\$ 414.50	\$ 34,716.85	\$ 47,100.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 44,100.00
Invitationals	\$ 4,265.00	\$ 414.50	\$ 3,850.50	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,600.00
Trials	\$30,866.35	\$ 0.00	\$ 30,866.35	\$ 40,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 40,500.00
Membership	\$ 6,142.03	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,142.03	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,600.00
Committees	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,901.10	<b>-\$ 5,901.10</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 19,000.00	<b>-\$ 19,000.00</b>
Computer	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,110.71	<b>-\$ 5,110.71</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,000.00	<b>-\$ 7,000.00</b>
Internet Initiative	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00	<b>-\$ 6,000.00</b>
Other	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,407.88	<b>-\$ 1,407.88</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00	<b>-\$ 6,000.00</b>
FAN	\$ 20.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 20.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Records	\$ 0.00	\$ 29,794.12	<b>-\$ 29,794.12</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 32,000.00	<b>-\$ 32,000.00</b>
Salary	\$ 0.00	\$ 24,224.28	<b>-\$ 24,224.28</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,282.06	<b>-\$ 3,282.06</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,287.78	<b>-\$ 2,287.78</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Historical Bool	\$ 183.97	\$ 0.00	\$ 183.97	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Regional Directors	\$ 0.00	\$ 437.15	\$ 437.15	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,500.00	<b>-\$ 1,500.00</b>
Board Meetings	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,723.98	<b>-\$ 7,723.98</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,000.00	<b>-\$ 8,000.00</b>
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,367.50	\$ 1,882.59	\$ 484.91	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	<b>-\$ 1,000.00</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$50,306.76</b>	<b>\$ 50,929.72</b>	<b>-\$ 622.96</b>	<b>\$ 64,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 72,000.00</b>	<b>-\$ 7,300.00</b>

**Starting Balance**      **1 January 2013**  
Checking                \$76,442.87

**Ending Balance**      **31 December 2013**  
\$77,234.63              Difference = \$791.76

**Projected for 2013 Year**  
Income                \$64,700  
Expense                \$72,000  
Net                      -\$7,300

**Actual**  
1 Jan - 31 Dec 2013 = \$51,721.03  
1 Jan - 31 Dec 2013 = \$50,929.27  
**\$791.76**

Then Jeff presented the proposed budget for 2014. Since he is uncertain as to the level of income due to per capitas, he's keeping the budget based on \$50 to \$60,000 annually. All other income is fixed and only the per capita is variable to ASFA. Some big expenses expected include website overhaul that has been deferred due to the records update. The expense of having an Access-Web base interface might be spread over two budget years.



**American Sighthound Field Association Budget Year Ending December 31, 2014**

	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>
ACoD	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500
Forms	2,500	2,000
Per Capita	37,000	-
Invitationals		
International	2,200	-
Regionals	3,000	1,000
Membership	6,100	-
Miscellaneous	2,500	2,000
Records Program Up-Keep		3,000
Web Site Up-Date		4,000
Internet Initiative		8,000
Board Meetings		8,000
Regional Directors		1,500
Records		30,000
Committees		6,000
II Trophy Refurbishment		1,500
 Totals	 <u>\$ 57,800</u>	 <u>\$ 71,500</u>

Recap:

Income	\$ 57,800
Expense	<u>(71,500)</u>
Net	<u>\$ (13,700)</u>

Jeff Lipps entertained a motion by Russ Jacobs, and seconded by Vickie Jacobs, to accept the budget as presented. Motion carried.

3. **CONTRACTS COMMITTEE** - Jeff Lipps - Jeff thanked his committee but reported that no contracts had been received for review in 2013.
  
4. **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE** - Scott Miller - His report focused on 2013 Club activity. There were 74 Member Clubs, 27 Affiliate Clubs, and no Fast Track nor Applied Clubs. There were two Affiliate clubs that were voted in as Full Member Clubs: PHONE and ISWS. Two Fast Track Clubs became regular Affiliate Clubs: NERRC and AHGA. One Applied Club is now in the Affiliate Status - R4COM.  
  
All but two clubs renewed for 2013: TPIHC (Region 1) and ESC (Region 9).
  
5. **SCHEDULING COMMITTEE** - Debb Meyer - Debb reported that she's been on the job for two months, having taken over for Denise Como. She commented that Denise was a tough act to follow. Debb was surprised at the number of late submissions of premiums but reported that she gets updates to the website monthly.
  
6. **RECORDS COORDINATOR** - Lori Coulson - Lori's report referred to the packet of information in each delegate's packet. The number of hounds increased in 2013. She stressed that people need to print legibly and that you can e-mail changes to her. Entry forms MUST be in 8 x 11 inch forms and need to have signatures. She wants people to review the Records 101.
  
7. **COMPUTER COMMITTEE** - Jeff Falkner - (IT COMMITTEE instead). Jeff reported that the ASFA records program was now loaded on a new laptop for Lori Coulson. Operation Leapfrog/Project Toad is no longer being pursued as web-based access due to the extremely high costs.
  
8. **WEBSITE LIAISON** - Marilyn Standerford referred to the information in the delegate packets. She reported that information is uploaded to the ASFA website as the information comes in. There was increased activity

due to the trial cancellations due to the weather conditions. She will be adding the information about the April 1 start of the Silken Windhounds. She emphasized that there is a Google Search feature for the ASFA website.

9. WEBSITE PUBLICATION COMMITTEE - Josie Haumont - Josie reported that her committee has been on hold waiting for the decision from the Computer Committee concerning Operation Leap Frog and a possible rebuild of the entire website. There was a change in website hosting from Apollo to GoDaddy.
10. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Rick Wolpin - Rick reminded the delegates that this Committee consists of all the Regional Directors. He did comment on the Facebook page developed for ASFA. Rick reported that a generic press release could be used to promote the sport of lure coursing. Then Rick began discussing the Awards Incentive program that would recognize those clubs holding multiple trials: six trials = Silver and eight trials = Gold level. The club with the most trials would be awarded the Platinum Award. The entry numbers would also be awarded: 300 = Silver, 400 = Gold, with the Platinum Award going to the Club with the most entries per year. Rick also announced a logo contest for the Award system itself that could be used on the certificates. A set of coursing blankets would be awarded for the best submission to the PR Committee within 45 days.
11. FORMS CREATION AND DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE - Marilyn Standerford - Marilyn commented on the inventory of official ASFA forms and reported she would be adding a dotted line down the center of the entry form to encourage the separation of sheets for entry submission. She reported that the Rules are updated early and that the ASFA Store contains forms, patches, and decals. There is a change in that the cost of postage is no longer included in the price of forms and that shipping costs will be calculated and added.
12. POLICIES COMMITTEE - Gary Roush - Gary thanked his committee members and reported that four were adopted, five were modified and six policies were deleted.
13. JUDGES COMMITTEE - Dean Wright for Ann Chamberlain - Dean reported that the Board did not accept the Committee's recommendation for Judges Discipline. He also discussed the Power Point presentation that would be an interactive symposium for judging education. He also reported that the committee hopes to find a way to assist apprentice and provisional judges getting licensed by the 2015 ACoD.
14. JUDGES LICENSING COMMITTEE - Dean Wright for Leigh Littleton - Dean reported that no problems had surfaced within the year and then announced the Top Twenty Judges for 2013.

20. Greg Ward	267
19. Tom Golcher	294
18. Larry Gahan	298
17. Lynn Sawyer	304
16. Don Ewing	316
15. Janet Lotz	322
14. Frances Byrne	328
13. Claudia Miller	332
12. Christie Beetz	335
11. Sandra Moore	353

10. Kathy Nelson	373
9. Paul Kytta	393
8. Todd Birchfield	409
6. Ian Davies	413
6. Elaine McMichael	413
4. Kathy Sanders	452
4. Laurie Soutar	452
3. Dean Wright	489
2. Scott Hulbert	538
1. Jeff Lipps	765

15. ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL COMMITTEE - Dean Wright - Dean reported that all the items stored in Russ Jacob's Kansas garage had been transferred to one eastern location. He does have it all inventoried but those are in multiple formats. He then passed out copies of the first three *Field Advisory News* that had been originally published in 1972.
16. FIELD TRIAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - Greg Breitbach - Greg thanked his committee and then referred to the survey results in which 168 responded. One suggestion that came from the survey dealt with changes to Best in Field that will be voted on later in REC.

17. LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE - Tom Golcher - Tom reported that the Committee was inactive and that there was nothing constructive to add.

#### M. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS (CRC) - Ping Pirrung

Motion by Russ Jacobs to limit the discussions to two minutes with alternating positions until no counter is offered. Seconded by Tom Cigolle. Motion to amend by Clay Leslie to change the length of discussion to four minutes. No second to the amendment so the original motion passed.

Per Article XI, Section 2 of the Constitution, Amendments require a two-thirds vote of the convention delegates present and voting at the ACoD. Those proposals receiving a favorable vote will be considered an Amendment to the ASFA Constitution and By-Laws. Such Amendments will be published on the ASFA website following the 2014 ACoD, and will go into effect on January 1, 2015.

CRC: Ping Pirrung, Chair; Russ Jacobs, Jeff Lipps, Leigh Littleton, Donna Murphy and Dean Wright.  
(underlined are additions, ~~strikethrough~~ removed.)

#### PROPOSAL #1

##### Article IV, CONVENTIONS, MEETINGS, DELEGATES and VOTING

Section 2. Annual Convention of Delegates. There shall be an Annual Convention of Delegates held in March or April of each year. The location ~~should~~ shall rotate across the country so that each section of the country will have the opportunity to host the convention once every three (3) years. Sections are:

West: Regions 1, 2, 3 and 10;

Central: Regions 4, 5 and 6;

East: Regions 7, 8 and 9

This rotation will be followed if reasonably possible, but if there appears not to be support for a Convention in a particular area, as of the time the Site Selection Committee solicits proposals, then the Committee may recommend an alternate location, with the decision to be made at the upcoming Convention.

The ACoD Site Selection Committee shall, during the year prior to each ACoD, determine the section of the country that will be the site for the ACoD ~~two three~~ years hence and shall solicit written proposals from clubs or other groups ~~from within that section.~~ The solicitation process will involve the Regional Directors, working together within a section, to put together proposals. Proposals will follow guidelines as set forth by the Site Selection Committee. The goal is to provide quality locations at a reasonable cost to attendees. The Site Selection Committee shall then recommend to the Board of Directors a list of sites for ACoD consideration from the submitted proposals. Such proposals shall specify the site, potential hotels for the ACoD, and information on accessibility, costs, and other relevant circumstances. The Site Selection Committee shall then recommend to the Board of Directors no more than four sites for ACoD consideration from the submitted proposals. The Board of Directors must select a site for the convention from the list recommended by the ACoD Site Selection Committee.

*Rationale: These changes further the purpose to allow leeway in the event a site in the stated rotation of the three regions of the country is not available then an alternate site can be sought. It also asks for involvement of the RDs. The aim is to keep the rotation but allows for flexibility so that we can have a quality ACoD while keeping the costs affordable for clubs and delegates.*

*The Committee recommends that the ACoD approves the proposal.*

Motion to approve Proposal #1 by Russ Jacobs, seconded by Jack Downing. Motion carried.

## PROPOSAL #2

### Article V, DIRECTORS and OFFICERS

Section 3. Regional Directors. The ten (10) Regional Directors shall be elected for two-year terms by the member clubs in the respective areas during the odd numbered years as provided in Article VI, and shall serve until their successors take office or are appointed by the Board. They shall represent the various regions of the country as defined below:

### Article VI, THE ASSOCIATION YEAR, NOMINATIONS, and ELECTIONS

Section 4. Regional Director Nominations. Candidates for Regional Directors shall be nominated by the club delegates from member clubs located in each respective region during the month of October of each even numbered year. Such nominations shall be sent to the Corresponding Secretary and shall be accompanied by written acceptance of the nominee. No person may be nominated or accept a nomination as Regional Director who has been elected to the position of Regional Director in each of the preceding two regularly-scheduled elections, or who has, within the preceding year, accepted a fee over and above expenses for handling a hound at a sanctioned lure field trial, or for performing or assisting in the performance of the duties of the officials of a sanctioned lure field trial. No club delegate may nominate more than one candidate for Regional Director. If no eligible person has been nominated by November 1<sup>st</sup> of the respective year in a Region, the Board of Directors shall appoint an Interim Director for that Region, to serve until an eligible person has been nominated and elected. Such Interim Director shall take office on January 15th, and need not reside within the Region he represents. Interim Regional Directors would not affect the eligibility of any person to serve as Regional Director.

Section 4. Regional Director Elections.

(c) If an Interim Director has been appointed under the provisions of Section 4 above, and a nomination for an eligible candidate is subsequently received by the Corresponding Secretary, the Corresponding Secretary shall then send each member club delegate a notice that a ballot will be sent on a specified date, approximately 45 days later. All eligible nominees whose nominations have been received at least seven days prior to the specified date for sending the ballot will be included on such ballot. The procedures specified in Section 5(a) above will be followed for such election, with dates modified as appropriate to the specified ballot mailing date.

*Rationale: To have a method by which a Region would not be without a Regional Director should there be no nominations forthcoming when the Corresponding Secretary solicits them. Additionally, this would provide that a nomination would be accepted later if none are received at the specified time.*

*The Committee recommends that the ACoD approves the proposal.*

Motion to accept Proposal #2 by Russ Jacobs, seconded by Kent Standerford. Motion carried.

## PROPOSAL #3

### Article V, DIRECTORS and OFFICERS

Section 5. Vacancies. Any vacancies occurring among the officers during the year shall be filled until the next Annual Convention of Delegates by an affirmative vote of a majority of the then members of the Board, except that a vacancy in the office of President shall be automatically filled by the First Vice President and the resulting vacancy in the office of First Vice President shall be automatically filled by the Second Vice President. Any vacancies occurring among the Regional Directors shall be filled by a majority of the votes by the member club delegates representing the respective region.

## **Article VI, THE ASSOCIATION YEAR, NOMINATIONS and ELECTIONS**

Section 5. Regional Director Elections. (a) The Corresponding Secretary shall send each member club delegate a ballot including all nominees by November 15 of each even numbered year. Each member club delegate shall then have until January 1 to return a marked ballot to the Corresponding Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary shall tally the ballots received by January 8 which were posted on or before January 1, and record the vote. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast in each region shall be declared elected. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, only the two candidates (more only if required by a tie) receiving the highest number of votes will be included on the re-ballot. Whenever such a re-ballot is necessary, within thirty (30) days of the preceding ballot deadline the Corresponding Secretary shall send each member club delegate a new ballot containing the remaining candidates. Each member club delegate will then have thirty (30) days following the postmark date of the ballot in which to return to the Corresponding Secretary a marked ballot. This process shall continue until the election is resolved or, in the event that two consecutive ballots produce neither an elected official nor any elimination of candidates, shall draw lots to determine who shall be elected to the office....

*Rationale: To make it clear in all parts of the Regional Director elections that it is only member clubs that are eligible to nominate and vote.*

*The Committee recommends that the ACoD approves the proposal.*

Motion by Jeff Lipps and seconded by Thom Haig. Motion carried.

### **PROPOSAL #4 (a)**

*The following are alternative proposals.*

#### **Article VI, Section 2 – Officer Nominations**

(a) The Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee at the time of each Annual Convention of Delegates held in an odd numbered year. The committee shall include one (1) member of the Board of Directors and two (2) representatives from member clubs. The committee shall submit a list of nominees for officers ~~to be published in the Field Advisory News at least 150 days prior to the next Annual Convention of Delegates.~~ to the Corresponding Secretary no later than October 1 to be distributed to the delegates of all member clubs and to the ASFA website no later than October 15 of the year prior to the next Annual Convention of Delegates. Each member club shall have ~~forty five (45) days following such publication until November 30~~ to submit additional nominees for officers which shall be circulated to each to the Corresponding Secretary for distribution to delegates of all member clubs and to the ASFA website no later than December 15 of the year prior to the next Annual Convention of Delegates. Such nominations must be agreed to by the nominee and carry the endorsement of the nominating member club, written copies of both of which shall be submitted to the Corresponding Secretary.

*Rationale: The existing method of publicizing the slate of candidates nominated for officer elections in the Field Advisory News is outdated. This proposed text preserves the intent of the original to provide timely notice of the slate to member clubs as well as sufficient time to nominate others they feel are worthy. Specifying key deadlines as calendar dates rather than a count of days before the ACoD makes it easier for everyone to know when nominations and notifications are due.*

*The committee recommends the ACoD reject the proposal.*

Motion by Marilyn Standerford and seconded by Tracey Luty to accept Proposal #4(a). After a discussion, the vote was nineteen (19) in favor and thirty-one (31) against. Motion failed.

## PROPOSAL #4 (b)

### Article VI, Section 2 – Officer Nominations

(a) The Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee at the time of each Annual Convention of Delegates held in an odd numbered year. The committee shall include one (1) member of the Board of Directors and two (2) representatives from member clubs. The committee shall submit a list of nominees for officers to the ASFA website and to the Corresponding Secretary to be published in the Field Advisory News at least 150 days prior to the next Annual Convention of Delegates. to be distributed to the delegates of all member clubs. Each member club shall have forty-five (45) days following such publication to submit additional nominees for officers which shall be circulated to each member club and to the ASFA website. Such nominations must be agreed to by the nominee and carry the endorsement of the nominating member club, written copies of both of which shall be submitted to the Corresponding Secretary.

*Rationale: This only changes Field Advisory News to the ASFA website and maintains the number of days prior to the ACoD because the ACoD dates can and do change.*

*The Committee recommends that the ACoD approves the proposal.*

Motion to accept Proposal #4(b) by Russ Jacobs, seconded by Gary Roush. The vote was thirty-eight (38) in favor with one vote against. Motion carried.

## N. AMENDMENTS TO THE RUNNING RULES AND FIELD PROCEDURES - LURE FIELD TRIALS (REC) - Russ Jacobs

The following Rule Change Proposals will be submitted for approval to the 2014 Annual Convention of Delegates. New wording is underlined; deleted wording is ~~struck out~~. Explanations for the proposal are included, along with REC recommendations. THESE ARE PROPOSALS ONLY; those that receive a favorable vote will be considered a change in the *Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials*. Such proposals will be published on the ASFA website after the 2014 ACoD and will go into effect on January 1, 2015.

Motion by Thom Haig to limit the discussions to two minutes with alternating pro/con until no counter is offered. Seconded by Gary Roush. Motion carried.

Motion by Kent Standerford and seconded by Mike Leach to add Silken Windhounds to the eligible breed listing in Chapter 4, Section 8 of the Rule Book. Motion carried.

### Proposal (1) Chapter XI, Section 2. General Requirements

(a) All of the following requirements must be met either prior to, or within 30 days following the first apprentice judging assignment that is to be counted toward the pre-licensing requirements of Section 3, below. When these initial requirements are met, the Judges Licensing Chair will publish the applicant's name in FAN or on the ASFA website, as may be appropriate:

1. must file appropriate application for apprentice judging;
2. must pay applicable fees;
3. ~~must have a general knowledge of the coursing abilities of purebred sighthound breeds recognized by the ASFA.~~
4. ~~will receive a free current copy of the ASFA's Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials along with a free current copy of the ASFA's Judges Handbook.~~

**Effect:** To end the practice of providing judges with free copies of the Rulebook and the Judges Handbook, and to match language originally proposed by the Judges Committee on eligibility for provisional judging.

**Reason:** For conformity and to save the ASFA money.

*The REC recommends that this proposal be REJECTED.* The Committee believes that judge applicants should have the specified general knowledge and that it is useful to specifically require it; and we believe that the Judges Handbook should continue to be circulated.

**THUS:** *If proposal (1) is rejected as we recommend, we propose as a substitute:*

**Proposal (1a) Chapter XI, Section 2. General Requirements**

(a) All of the following requirements must be met either prior to, or within 30 days following the first apprentice judging assignment that is to be counted toward the pre-licensing requirements of Section 3, below. When these initial requirements are met, the Judges Licensing Chair will publish the applicant's name in FAN or on the ASFA website, as may be appropriate:

1. must file appropriate application for apprentice judging;
2. must pay applicable fees;
3. must have a general knowledge of the coursing abilities of purebred sighthound breeds recognized by the ASFA.
4. will receive ~~a free current copy of the ASFA's Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials~~ along with a free current copy of the ASFA's Judges Handbook.

**Effect:** To end the practice of providing judges with free copies of the Rulebook, which is now available in the official version online.

**Reason:** This will save the ASFA money.

Motion by Jeff Lipps and seconded by Rich Whritenour to reject Proposal (1). Motion carried.  
Motion by Rich Whritenour to accept Proposal (1a). Teri Dickenson seconded the motion and Proposal (1a) passed.

**Proposal (2) Chapter I, Section 6.** The following clubs shall be considered national clubs: the ASFA, parent clubs as defined by AKC, the American Saluki Association (ASA) and the International Silken Windhound Society (ISWS.)

**Effect:** To recognize the ISWS as a national club.

**Reason:** Since the ISWS is not an AKC parent club, it must be listed specifically in order to be treated as a national club.

*The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.*

Motion by Rich Whritenour to accept Proposal (2) and seconded by Mike Leach. Motion carried.

**Proposal (3) New Chapter V, Section 12 (e):**

(e) ~~No ASFA championship points will be awarded; however,~~ The hound that wins Best in Field will be credited with a first placement in a stake. Additional ASFA championship points will be awarded to the hound winning Best in Field. The hound winning Best in Field shall win points equal to the greatest number of points earned by any dog competing in Best in Field that day. If the hound winning the BIF was from the breed that won the greatest number of points available that day, then that hound will earn an additional 10 beyond those it already earned. In order for a hound to be credited with a first placement and any additional championship points, there shall be at least two eligible hounds in BIF competition.

**Effect:** To award championship points for BIF wins.

**Reason:** Some dogs that run very well do not have strong competition in breed, and they must run much longer before they earn a title than do dogs of other breeds.

*The REC recommends that this proposal be REJECTED.* We believe that this proposal would put far too much weight on a single run, leading some owners to be pressured (both by the points and by other owners) to run a hound when it is not fit. It would also make it possible for a hound to finish a FCh in one weekend; and to finish that title without ever running against another hound of its own breed. And since points and placements would now be available through BIF, many clubs who do not offer it will be pressured to do so, incurring additional expense for a BIF rosette. Eventually, ASFA will probably have to require BIF. This rule would have the general effect of cheapening ASFA titles. It will also make it more difficult for owners to keep adequate records of their hound's points, making it more likely that they will enter in the wrong stake. It could also pose additional headaches for FTSS and the Records Coordinator. The rule, as written, also fails to anticipate problems and questions that will arise after the rule is in effect. (See below as an example.)

**THUS,** we propose that, if (3) above IS approved, the following language be approved in a separate action and added to the end of new Section 12 (e):

**(3b)** In the event of a two-day Best in Event (BIE) for a Regional or an International Invitational, the hound winning Best in Event (BIE) will only be awarded the points for the highest scoring hound who competed on the second day of the Best in Event (BIE) run and also competed in the Best in Event competition.

**Effect:** To clarify how points will be awarded for BIF wins in cases where BIF is a multi-day Best in Event.

**Reason:** To make it easier for owners and the Records Coordinator to calculate BIF points.

Motion by Marilyn Standerford and seconded by Vickie Jacobs to reject Proposal (3). Motion carried. Proposal (3b) was not necessary.

**(4) Chapter V, Section 5(c):**

(c) VETERAN STAKE: For any individual hounds whose age is at least six years, except Irish Wolfhounds whose age shall be at least five years, and Afghan Hounds, Whippets, ~~and~~ Rhodesian Ridgebacks and Salukis, whose age shall be at least seven years.

**Effect:** To raise the age of Veteran competition for Salukis to seven (7) years.

**Reason:** Requested by the Saluki Club of America.

*The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.*

Motion by Rich Whritenour and seconded by Jack Downing to accept Proposal (4). Motion carried.

O. NOMINATING COMMITTEE - Dean Wright

P. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominees:

President - Ping Pirrung  
1st Vice President - Tom Cigolle  
2nd Vice President - Gary Roush  
Recording Secretary - Bill Martin  
Corresponding Secretary - Bill Bowlus-Root  
Chief Financial Officer - Jeff Lipps



**President** - Motion by Marilyn Standerford to close additional nominations for the office of President. Vickie Jacobs seconded. Motion by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Gary Roush to pass the unanimous ballot for Ping Pirrung as President. Motion carried.

**1st Vice President** - There was an additional nomination made by Jeff Lipps for Rich Whritenour for the 1st Vice President position. Motion by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Mike Leach to close further nominations for the 1st Vice President. Motion carried.

**2nd Vice President** - Motion by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Thom Haig to cease additional nominations for 2nd Vice President. The original motion withdrawn by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Thom Haig to allow the person not being elected 1st Vice President the option to run for the other positions.

Motion by Bill Bowlus-Root and seconded by Tom Golcher to check the qualifications for 1st Vice President in Article 6, Sec 2. Motion passed and a break was taken to confer.

Motion by Ping Pirrung and seconded by Gary Roush to limit the speeches of both candidates for 1st Vice President to two minutes. Motion carried.

A secret ballot was then taken and when ballots were counted, Rich Whritenour was elected as the 1st Vice President.

**2nd Vice President** - Motion by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Thom Haig to cease nominations for the 2nd Vice President. Motion carried. Motion by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Thom Haig to pass the unanimous ballot for Gary Roush as 2nd Vice President. Motion carried.

**Recording Secretary** - Motion by Rich Whritenour and seconded by Gary Roush to close the floor to additional nominations for the Recording Secretary. Motion carried. Motion by Russ Jacobs and seconded by Rich Whritenour to pass the unanimous ballot for Bill Martin as the Recording Secretary. Motion carried.

**Corresponding Secretary** - Motion by Gary Roush and seconded by Russ Jacobs to close nominations for Corresponding Secretary. Motion carried. Motion by Gary Roush and seconded by Russ Jacobs to accept the unanimous ballot for Bill Bowlus-Root as the Corresponding Secretary. Motion carried.

**Chief Financial Officer** - Motion by Gary Roush and seconded by Russ Jacobs to close nominations for the CFO position. Motion carried. Motion by Gary Roush and seconded by Russ Jacobs to accept the unanimous ballot for Jeff Lipps as the Chief Financial Officer. Motion carried.

#### Q. AD HOC COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION

1. ACoD SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE - Vickie Jacobs - Vickie explained the process of planning the ACoDs.
2. ACoD PLANNING COMMITTEE - Vickie Jacobs - Vickie discussed that the ACoD is designed to break even financially and that a report is filed with the Board. There was a profit seen for both 2014 and 2013 due to the increased number of late registrations.
  - a) 2015 - Pittsburgh, PA area - Airport Marriott - March 21/22, 2015
  - b) 2016 - West (Regions 1, 2, 3, or 10) - possibly San Jose/Seattle
  - c) 2017 - Central (Regions 4, 5, or 6) - possibly Omaha, NE
3. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ANIMAL ISSUES - Vickie Jacobs - Vickie's purpose is to keep the various regions informed of any pertinent animal legislative issues in their area.
4. GARY FORRESTER AWARD COMMITTEE - Gary Roush - Gary thanked his committee for their work and announced that two awards were going to be given this year: Jill Bryson and Ann Chamberlain. This award is

given to memorialize Gary's exemplary contributions and dedication to the advancement of lure coursing and the ASFA.

5. LURE COURSING HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE - Dean Wright - After the delegates' ballots were counted the following were accepted in to the ASFA Hall of Fame: person - Sherrie Ecksmith and hounds - Borzoi G'Kar, Pharaoh Hound Luxor, and Rhodesian Ridgeback Silhouette.

6. AD HOC COMMITTEES - Ping Pirrung announced the following committees:

Hall of Fame	Dean Wright (Chair), Trisha Borland, Mike Hussey, Leigh Littleton, Kathy Sanders
ACoD Site Selection	Vickie Jacobs and Sean McMichael (co-chair), Rick Wolpin, Jeff Falkner
Advisory Committee for Animal Issues	Vickie Jacobs (Chair), Jeff Lipps, Donna Murphy
ACoD Planning Committee	Vickie Jacobs (Chair), Ping Pirrung, Meredith Willie
Gary Forrester Award	Gary Roush (Chair), Deann Britton, Kathy Nelson, Rick Wolpin, Sean McMichael
Constitution Revisions Committee	Ping Pirrung (Chair), Russ Jacobs, Jeff Lipps, Leigh Littleton, Donna Murphy, Dean Wright

Ping Pirrung entertained a motion by Thom Haig to accept the Ad Hoc committees as named and this was seconded by Tom Cigolle. Motion carried.

#### R. OLD BUSINESS - none

#### S. NEW BUSINESS

1. Donna Murphy entertained a motion by Marilyn Standerford that the ACoD direct the Invitational Committee to develop a policy for the enforcement of the Trophy Agreement. Seconded by Clay Leslie and motion carried.
2. Dean Wright motioned to modify ASFA Rules Chapter 11, Sec 4, Subsection B (*provisional status for judges*) to adjust the requirement of "seven or more hounds per trial in that breed" to "four or more hounds in a stake per breed". This was seconded by Greg Breitbach. After a discussion and a call for the question, the motion failed.
3. Motion by Tom Cigolle that the ACoD direct the Judges' Committee to incorporate either a rule, policy and/or guideline to require apprentice or provisional judges receive training in judging Best in Fields. This was seconded by Gary Roush and the motion carried.

- T. ADJOURNMENT - Ping Pirrung entertained a motion by Russ Jacobs to adjourn the 2014 ACoD. Seconded by Vickie Jacobs and the motion carried. The 2014 ACoD adjourned at 15:32.