

## August 14, 2024: ARC General Board Meeting

RSG: Robert Galusha, President

KC: Kimberly Cardona, Vice President

AG: Ann Glynn, Secretary

ANG: Adam Gray, Treasurer

RCG: Randi Garske, Director

SM: Sherma Miles, Director

KP: Kate Player, Director

JS: Jeff Shaver, Director

MT: Michelle Tribble, Director

**Date:** August 14, 2024. **Start Time:** 8:04 PM EDT **End Time:** 9:55 PM EDT

Ann Glynn recorded minutes and the meeting duration was 1 hour and 51 minutes.

**Roll Call:** RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Motion to excuse Sherma Miles from the meeting.

Motion: Robert Garske. Second: Kim Cardona.

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

Minutes for the July 10th meeting have been posted on the members-only section of the ARC website.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Randi Garske

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

### Presidents Report:

Donation of (20) USB Flash Drive's to the ARC Judges Education Committee for the purpose of JE participants can take them home after an event. They will be downloaded with the PowerPoint presentation and other ARC Judges Ed material which will eliminate the need of printing materials.

Sarah Janner has been added to the AKC Junior Coordinator on behalf of the American Rottweiler Club.

Sarah is also planning on doing the stewards of children course through AKC.

Sponsorship – Oliver Carson with Rottweiler Coffee Company. Denise Carew Shaver has agreed to be the point of contact to work with this sponsorship.

See's Candy fundraiser for the 2025 ARC National Specialty.

### \*Sherma Miles has Joined the meeting at 8:09

MTB – Jacob J Javits Center, New York City January 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Pledge made - 2024 Parent Club Medallions for the AKC National Championship, (conformation, agility, obedience, Juniors Invationals, RACH Invitational)

**Secretary's Report:** 1 Self Report

### Treasurer's Report:

July 31, 2024, Treasurer's Report  
Conference call 08/14/24

Account	This Month
US Bank - General Checking	\$4,261.23
US Bank – General Savings	\$85,444.52
US Bank - National Account	\$1,907.75
Huntington Bank - Membership	\$200.00
US Bank Investment Account (fenced for tracking only)	\$128,169.71
Total Account Balances:	\$219,983.21

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<b>ARC Operating Balance (less Tracking Designated Only Fund)</b>	<b>\$91,813.50</b>
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*Interest Earned on the General Savings account July 31, 2024: \$15.36*

Interest earned on the US Bank Investment Account (Patricia DeMarzo Memorial Tracking Fund) July 2024; \$12.19. Qualified Dividends received in July 2024 \$173.58, Realized capital gain(loss) in July 2024 -\$145.41, Advisor fees (applied quarterly) June 2024 \$336.87.

**Note:** *The US Bank Investment Account balance reflects the value of the stocks held in the account on the statement date, plus interest and dividends earned less Foreign Tax Paid, less expenditures on tracking events and seminars.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Adam Gray, ARC Treasurer

### Committee Reports:

#### Website Development - July:

- Supported member login activities
- Uploaded Q2 New ARC Members and gave web access
- Updated plug-ins/performed weekly server maintenance
- Posted BOD Minutes
- Updated Committee List
- Updated General & National Standing Rules
- Approved/posted ARC Events
- Updated Sieger page with BSE List & Rotties earning BSE
- Updated BOD page
- Met with Robert about the Sieger page and posted updates

### New Business:

**7.6 Motion** to release Erdem Aksakal (FCI – Turkey) for the Texas Arkansas Rottweiler Klub. This event will be held in Searcy, Texas. 03/14/25 – 03/15/25. The Texas Arkansas Rottweiler Klub belongs to the United Rottweiler Klub of America.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Randi Garske. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**7.7 Motion** add to the Standing Rules: During the selection of a nominating committee for officers and directors per the bylaws, the board may not seat as a member or alternate on the nominating committee any club member that served in the preceding calendar year as an alternate or regular member of the nominating committee.

Motion: Jeff Shaver. Second: Randi Garske. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, ANG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Disapprove: KC, AG

Passed 8/14/2024

**7.8 Motion** to approve to the Standing Rules a Membership Sunshine Fund. This fund is to provide membership renewal assistance for those in need. The Board of Directors will review applications for approval.

The member must have been part of the club for a minimum of 10 continuous years. This can be for Regular, Senior, or Associate members. Members must be in good standing with the club and if approved, will maintain full member benefits. Members would make a request to the Membership Renewal Chair that their dues be paid through this fund. Applicants must demonstrate hardship and need for club assistance in maintaining Membership.

Requests received will be held in confidentiality and requires approval by the majority of the Board of Directors at the next meeting. If approved, the assistance is for 1 year only, and resubmittal the following year if needed. ARC Members can contribute to this fund during Membership Renewal or throughout the year.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Jeff Shaver. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Disapprove :ANG

Passed 8/14/2024

**7.9 Motion** to approve the Hoosier Rottweiler Club to hold two specialties in conjunction with the Indy Winter Classic cluster. This cluster is held at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, 1202 E. 38th St., Indianapolis.

January 31, 2025, Designated Specialty to include Puppy and Veteran Sweeps. Conformation classes: Judge Karen

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McFarlane and Sweeps Judge: Brian Beard. Feb. 1, 2025, Concurrent Specialty, Judge: Grace Fritz  
Contact: Mary Stalzer mjsbelle@aol.com

Motion: Ann Glynn. Second: Jeff Shaver. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**7.10 Motion** to approve the following members for the 2025 Nominating Committee: Janet Fletcher (Chair), Tonya Williamson, and Lin Beenen. Alternates: Caitlin Noblin (first), Cindy Simon (second).

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Jeff Shaver. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**7.11 Motion** to approve the American Rottweiler Club Heroism award to members of the Butte County Sheriff's Office and Search and Rescue (BCSO SAR), specifically Pilot Connor Smith and Trevor Skaggs, for their heroic efforts in rescuing a family of Rottweilers left behind during the devastating Park Fire near Campbellville, California in July 2024.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Jeff Shaver. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.1 Motion** to release Claudia Meixner (ADRK – Germany) for the Mountaineer Working Rottweiler Klub. This event will be held in San Antonio, Texas. 03/28/25 – 03/30/25. The Mountaineer Working Rottweiler Klub belongs to the United States Rottweiler Club (USRC).

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Randi Garske. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.2 Motion** Subject to approval by the Membership as required by the bylaws, motion is made to increase annual membership dues by \$10 for each category of membership, to offset the rising cost of expenses required of the club on a yearly basis and to be able to continue to provide services to members as required by the bylaws. If ratified by the membership the changes would take effect the next fiscal year.

Motion: Jeff Shaver. Second: Robert Galusha. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SM, KP, JS, MT.

Disapprove: RCG

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.3 Motion** In order to limit club cost overruns for the national specialty, future Armetale purchases by the American Rottweiler club will be limited to enough pieces to continue to provide 12 inch Armetale plates for the following wins at the national specialty: Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, Best of Breed, and Best of Opposite, Awards of Merit, Select Dog, Select Bitch, Best Veteran Dog, Best Veteran Bitch, Best Junior/Senior in Sweepstakes, and Best of Opposite in Junior/Senior Sweepstakes, Best Veteran and Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes, High in Trial for the following events: Barn Hunt, Obedience, Agility, Dock Diving, Rally, Herding, and any other major separate events offered at a specific national specialty. Tracking will continue to be governed separately as it is funded separately by donations to the club. Other prizes for class wins or class placements or other awards or titles earned at the national may be offered if within the budget for the national specialty or specific individual donations. Passage of this motion shall be reflected in changes to the National standing rules related to Armetale awards where the current rules conflict with these changes.

Motion: Jeff Shaver. Second: Robert Galusha. Discussion:

### **\*Motion to Table Motion 8.3**

**Motion: Kim Cardona. Second: Ann Glynn.**

Approve KC, AG, RCG, KP, MT  
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Disapprove: RSG, ANG, SM, JS

Passed

Sherma Miles has left the meeting 8:49 PM EDT.

**8.4 Motion** [New National Specialty Standing Rule] In order to avoid cost overruns related to the national specialty, and to ensure the ability of the club to be able to support the national specialty, the American Rottweiler club budget related to the cost for national specialty trophies in a given year will be capped at \$15,000. This cap does not limit expenditures on trophies for trophies covered by individual grants, donations or otherwise paid for from funds contributed directly from the national specialty or general funds.

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Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

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**8.5 Motion:** [New National Specialty Standing Rule] To guard against significant cost overruns related to the national specialty, the Board of Directors of the American Rottweiler club shall, no later than one year prior to the date of the next scheduled national specialty, develop a budget outlining specific costs and expenses related to the upcoming national specialty. For budgeting purposes, the previous year's specialty income shall be considered as a baseline .

Motion: Jeff Shaver. Second: Robert Galusha. Discussion:  
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.6 Motion** [New General Specialty Standing Rule] Whereas the Patricia DeMarzo tracking fund was created to be used solely for tracking related activities through a generous donation from her estate, and whereas those funds have been invested and generated significant interest and or dividends, motion to transfer to the American Rottweiler Club General fund 80% of the revenue earned from the DeMarzo tracking fund from the date those funds were first invested to the present and continuing with a transfer each year to the general fund equal to the amount of 80% of the interest and/or dividends earned from the original investment for that calendar year. This motion is to ensure that there remains an ample amount of funds available for tracking-related purposes to honor the wishes and intent of Ms. DeMarzo and to use the remainder of the 80% investment return for the general betterment of the club.

Motion: Jeff Shaver. Second: Robert Galusha. Discussion:  
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.7 Motion** To approve updated content and the use of the "Breed at a Glance" card. This was originally approved by the board in 2016. The Judges Education Committee updated the content and would use these to give all judges attending the JE seminar and others that request one. This would be 5.5 x 8.5 so it could be used as an insert in the AKC breed book.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Ann Glynn. Discussion:  
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.8 Motion** to approve the revised document on "How to Correctly Approach and Examine the Rottweiler" from the Judges Education Committee. This document will be included in the Judges Education folder and placed on the ARC Website.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Kimberly Cardona. Discussion:  
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.9 Motion** to approve an Independent ARC Region I Regional Specialty to be hosted by the Evergreen Rottweiler Club. The show will be held on Friday January 12, 2024, at the Puyallup Fairgrounds Puyallup Washington. Events offered: Conformation 4-6 Puppy Competition and Junior Showmanship to be judged by Mrs. Nancy Simmons(AKC#6639), Puppy, Veteran Sweepstakes, to be judged by Terri Erickson (AKC#112073). The ARC will donate \$450.00 toward trophies.

Show Chair: Ashley Cummings

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Motion: Ann Glynn. Second: Robert Galusha. Discussion:

**\*Motion to Tabled: Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Jeff Shaver:**

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.10 Motion** to pay Brohl Tax & Associates (BT&A) \$371 for the ARC QuickBooks Online account. This is a bi-annual payment and will be paid out of the general fund.

Motion: Adam Gray. Second: Robert Galusha. Discussion:  
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, RCG, KP, JS, MT.

Passed 8/14/2024

**8.11 Motion** to hold an ARC Judges Education Seminar on Saturday, November 2 with Ringside Mentoring to be offered on Saturday & Sunday, November 2 & 3, 2024 during Rottweiler judging of the ARC Region IV Specialty in Doswell, VA. Presenter will be George Chamberlin and assisted by Sarah Janner.

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Motion to move meeting into executive session at 9:23 PM EDT  
Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Randi Garske

Return to the regular meeting at 9:50 PM EDT

Next meeting September 11, 2024, 8:00 PM EDT.

Motion to adjourn: Robert Galusha. Second: Ann Glynn

Unanimous. Adjourned at 9:55 PM EDT.

Respectfully Submitted

*Ann Glynn*