The NSDTRC (USA) Board of Directors met on October 10, 2002, at the Best Western Diamond Inn in Villa Ridge, MO. All motions were voted by voice vote, passing without any opposition.

Board Members who participated and voted in the meeting:
Sue Dorscheid, President   Julie Hanson, Vice President   Susan Wright, Secretary   Eric Johnson, Treasurer
Jane Young, Region 1 Director   Jody Petry, Region 2 Director   Cindy Richardson, Region 3 Director
Kim Simons, Region 4 Director   Deb Gibbs, Region 5 Director   Dee Nichols, Region 6 Director
Melissa Savage, Region 7 Director

Approval of Minutes
Jody Petry moved to accept the minutes of the January through April 2002 Board Business as corrected.
MOTION PASSED

Jody Petry moved to accept the minutes of the July through August 2002 Board Business as corrected.
MOTION PASSED

Guidelines for Forming Local NSDTR Clubs
Julie Hanson provided the Board with proposed Guidelines for Forming Local NSDTR Clubs. Jody Petry moved to approve the guidelines as submitted.
MOTION PASSED

Position Descriptions for Appointed and Elected Positions
Revised Position Descriptions were reviewed. General changes were made to all Position Descriptions, and specific changes were made to some. Eric Johnson moved that the Position Descriptions as changed in discussion be adopted, effective November 1, 2002.
MOTION PASSED

Best Veteran Trophy
Dee Nichols informed the Board that Dee and Kerry Nichols, and Laura and Don White would like to sponsor a permanent trophy for Best Veteran at National Specialties. Dee Nichols moved that Dee and Kerry Nichols, and Laura and Don White be approved to offer a Best Veteran Perpetual Trophy, to begin at the National Specialty held in conjunction with the 2004 Annual Meeting. The sponsors will supply keeper trophies.
MOTION PASSED

Breed Video Conversion
Kim Simons moved that the Board authorize Great Lakes Media Facility to convert the Breed video to mpeg format at a cost of no more than $500, and that it will be held in the possession of the Public Education Coordinator for educational purposes.
MOTION PASSED

Field Handlers Seminar in Region 2
Susan Wright moved that Paul Kartes’ proposed Field Handler Seminar be approved as a prototype of educational events to be held under the auspices of NSDTRC (USA). The Club will request a budget, minimum number of participants and cut off date for entries to show expected profit.
MOTION PASSED

Committee to Review Event Procedures
Events Coordinator Julie Hanson proposed forming an ad hoc committee to address Pre-Event Packets sent to Show Committees, Pre-Event Packets sent to Field Committees, and to prepare an outline of additional responsibilities for the Annual Meeting/National Specialty weekend. Sue Dorscheid moved that a committee be formed to review information sent out consisting of Julie Hanson, Betty King, Kate Dugger, Susan Wright, and Deb Gibbs.
MOTION PASSED
Field Events
The Board reviewed Field Events Chair Kate Dugger's proposed changes and clarifications to the NSDTRC (USA) Field Events Rules and Regulations. Sue Dorscheid moved to change, “Application must be made at least 60 days prior to the date of the event,” to “Application must be made at least 90 days prior to the date of the event.”
*MOTION PASSED*
Jody Petry moved to strike the regulation that allowed day of test entries.
*MOTION PASSED*
Jody Petry moved that we adopt AKC policy on prohibiting training on grounds 24 hours prior to test.
*MOTION PASSED*
The revisions become effective January 1, 2003.

Records
Records Chair Susan Wright presented proposed revisions to the NSDTRC (USA) Conformation Rules & Regulations. Sue Dorscheid moved that dogs owners be allowed to show their dogs whose title is unconfirmed as Specials for a 90 day period, instead of a 60 day period, pending receipt of title.
*MOTION PASSED*
Sue Dorscheid moved that the reference to dogs registered with NSDTRC (USA) in our definition of the Bred-by-Exhibitor class be changed to AKC FSS, and that AKC be added to the list of organizations from which a dog entered in a Hunting Retriever class may have earned a title.
*MOTION PASSED*
Sue Dorscheid moved that for points to be awarded, the judge must be AKC Licensed, AKC Provisional, or Canadian Kennel Club licensed for a Sporting, Herding or Working breed.
*MOTION PASSED*
The revisions become effective January 1, 2003.

Health & Genetics
Eric Johnson moved that the Board reaffirm their support of the Toller Health Coalition, and encourage the Health & Genetics Committee to get a report on the status of the THC and to ask how we can help.
*MOTION PASSED*

Merchandising
Merchandising Chair Kelly Barry presented a proposal to sell Alpine Press books, separately, and combined with the Breed video. Julie Hanson moved that the Board approve purchase and sale of the Toller book and video.
*MOTION PASSED*

Rescue
National Rescue Coordinator Don White updated the Board on the status of the Rescue program since he had taken on the position on August 25, 2002. Melissa Savage moved that all rescue dogs be micro-chipped, with the Club registered as owner.
*MOTION PASSED*

Rescue Merchandise
Rescue Merchandise Chair Laura Smith presented the graphic for the mouse pad for approval, a proposal for a key rack, and revised rules for the 2004 Toller Rescue Calendar Contest. Julie Hanson moved that the Board approve the graphic for the Rescue Merchandise mouse pad.
*MOTION PASSED*
Kim Simons moved that the Board approve the key rack for sale through Rescue Merchandise.
*MOTION PASSED*
Jody Petry moved that the Board approve the 2004 Toller Rescue Calendar rules.
*MOTION PASSED*

Evelyn A Williams Award
Evelyn A Williams Award of Excellence Chair Julie Hanson presented suggested revisions to the rules for this award. Sue Dorscheid moved that the proposed revisions to the Evelyn A Williams Award of Excellence rules be approved, effective immediately.
*MOTION PASSED*
Club Year for Titles and Awards
Susan Wright moved that Club year for all titles and awards be changed to July 1 through June 30.  
MOTION PASSED

Review of Standing Committees
Kim Simons was named to the new position of National Trophy Chair.

The position of Statistician was created. The position will be advertised in Quackers and on the club's website.

Peggy Park was named Chair of the Judges Education Committee. Marile Waterstraat and Gretchen Botner will serve on the Committee.

Sherry Seibel has been named Chair of the Health & Genetics Committee. Committee members are Liz Corey, Ray Corey, Cheryl Linder, and Dana Wertenberger. Sue Van Sloun, Jane Folkman, and Liz Corey will serve on Health & Genetics' PRA Sub-Committee.

Betty King informed the Board that she would like to resign as Show Trial Coordinator. She will stay on until a replacement is found. The position will be advertised in Quackers and on the Club's website.

Sara Berry McLoudrey (Region 7), Mary Palkowski (Region 2), and Betty King (Region 5) were named to the 2003 Nominating Committee, with Ritu Bala (Region 6) and Tish Hancy (Region 1) named as alternates. Sara Berry McLoudrey will chair the committee.

Regional Annual Meetings
The possibility of holding regional annual meetings was discussed. The Board declined at this time.

2003 and 2004 Annual Meetings
Melissa Savage announced that Region 7 would host the 2003 Annual Meeting and Specialty.

Eric Johnson announced that Region 6 would host the 2004 Annual Meeting and National Specialty.

Adjournment
Susan Wright moved to adjourn.  
MOTION PASSED

Any club member with questions or comments on specific items should contact their Regional Director or an Officer of the club. Any club member who wishes to receive a copy of a specific proposal or report should contact the Secretary. Contact information is available in Quackers and on the club's website at www.nsdtrc-usa.org.