

ESAA Board of Directors Videoconference October 24, 2022

In attendance: Kristen Apodaca, Rachel Barnes, Colleen Bell, Julie Brimble, Leslie Crawford, Judi Hunter, Susie Kerwin-Bush, Joanne Mistler, Anna Quigley, Julie Quirk, Coleen Raber.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM EDT.

The purpose of the meeting is to continue to review reports and to introduce some business topics.

President's Report

- Susie reviewed the new initiatives she has launched.
- New Membership Ambassador, Rebecca Lloyd.
- Website Exploration recommendation of Dirigible Studios to create a new website for ESAA. This will include a pedigree database.
- Exploring ways to give back to our members and keep them involved.
- Increase research in health and genetics, especially regarding issues that affect English Setters
- Future of the National and making it more affordable.
- Restructuring the Treasurer's position.
- * A Hunter/Goldberg motion was passed to accept the report.

Treasurer's Report

- Profit and Loss The profits and losses were listed and reviewed for a variety of categories from January 1 through October 10, 2022.
- Balance sheet The overall balance sheet was reviewed. ESAA continues to be in good financial shape.
- The Treasurer's report was passed on a Quigley/Bell motion.

Treasurer's Transition

- Lynda outlined the first phase of the plan to reduce the workload of the Treasurer, particularly regarding the work revolving around the National.
- * A specific representative from the show committee will be collecting all income envelopes and securing them overnight in the hotel safe. Each envelope with have the total double verified with two signatures. The final tallying by Lynda will be a third verification.
- Another step has the show chairs working more closely with the finance chair and National Coordinator for the National resolution.
- Lynda will reevaluate future steps in February.

Futurity/Maturity

- The 2022 futurity registered litters were the lowest in many years. Only 41% of puppies completed their futurity registration.
- The percent of entries for 2022 is on par with other years.
- Maturity entries for 2022 are lower than average for an East Coast National.
- The report was passes on a Chase/Fabelo motion.

Discussed the interpretation of Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution.

- The latest version of the Constitution and By-laws dated 2013 was sent to each Board member.
- Coleen will be sure the updated version gets on the website.

Annual

- There were only 30 ads submitted for the Annual.
- * Frustration has been expressed due to the changing blocks of dates for the Annual.
- Verification of receipt of payment for ads has not been forthcoming.
- Members were not receiving proofs of their ads.
- Multiple requests have been made before getting any kind of response.
- Communication seems to be a concern.
- * We need to reach out to those members who placed the 30 ads to see what their preference is regarding an annual.
- Tannley will review and advise on the current contract.
- Once we know what our obligations are regarding the contract, we will create a committee for recommendations moving forward.

A Quirk/Bell motion to adjourn was passed at 9:41 EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

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