



**ESAA Board of Directors  
Meeting – Via Teleconference  
August 30, 2016**

**In attendance:** Colleen Bell, Julie Brimble, Kathy Cunningham-Roy, Jane Flynn, Janet Gray, Judi Hunter, Donna Jordan, Susie Kerwin-Bush, Dave Mates, Carl Necker, John Nielsen, BJ Parsons, Anna Quigley, Julie Quirk, Coleen Raber, Ross Rice.

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

This is the third meeting to continue reviewing committee reports.

**Annual Awards:**

- ✿ Judy Mates is retiring as the Annual Awards chair following the 2017 National, but is willing to serve as tabulator following that for a few years to help with the transition. Peggy Dunsmuir, our current tabulator, is also retiring after the 2017 National.
- ✿ Anyone interested in this position has to be able to attend the National every year, be willing to bring the awards, as well as organizing them in preparation for the banquet.
- ✿ Regional VP's were encouraged to see if anyone in their region is willing to fill some of ESAA's vacancies.
- ✿ There was a problem last year with some of the award winners not taking their awards home with them from the National. We will publicize that it is the responsibility of the winner to take care of the trophy until the following year. The Board will discuss this issue further at a future meeting.
- ✿ A Cunningham-Roy/Kerwin-Bush motion was passed unanimously to accept the report.

**Health and Genetics**

- ✿ This report summarizes the distribution of ESAA funds to various grants and studies.
- ✿ The Board would like to ask Michelle Raisor to contact Jean Dodds to investigate her analysis and conclusions regarding English Setter breed specific thyroid issues.
- ✿ Michigan State would like to advance their thyroid study specific to English Setters, which was started last year. We are hoping the Michigan State research team will write up a specific proposal so ESAA is able to contribute toward this advanced study.
- ✿ A Parsons/Hunter motion to approve was passed without objection.

**Medallions/ESAA Bowls**

- ✿ There will be two extra bowls needed this year's for the specialties following the 2016 National.
- ✿ A Mates/Cunningham-Roy motion was passed without objection.

**Web Site**

- ✿ Dave reviewed the specifics of the web site report. He stressed the updated e-mail addresses for all Board members and Regional Vice Presidents. Dave also thanked Julie Quirk for her work on the ESAA privacy policy which has been in use for the past few months.
- ✿ The web site committee is investigating the possibility of creating a venue on the web site for paid ads.

- ✿ Julie and Dave have been working on updating the Web Site Guidelines. Several copies were presented that need Board discussion so they can move forward with the guidelines. This will be discussed at a future meeting. Coleen will send the various copies of the edited guidelines to the Board as new versions are created. Dave sent the latest edited copy to the Board today, August 30, 2016.
- ✿ The rescue referral link is not working, but Dave has been in contact with ESAART, and is waiting to hear from them to resolve this issue.
- ✿ Carl Necker made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Judi Hunter and passed.

### **2017 National**

- ✿ Things are moving forward nicely.
- ✿ There is a question regarding whether Bill Shelton will be able to judge Junior Showmanship. Coleen will check into this and get back to the 2017 committee as soon as she has the answer.
- ✿ At their next meeting, WESC will have a name for submission to the BOD for Veteran Sweeps.
- ✿ A Brimble/Cunningham-Roy motion was passed unanimously to accept the report.

### **Facebook**

- ✿ Lisa Leaville has done a great job with the ESAA facebook page.
- ✿ A Mates/Kerwin-Bush motion to create this as a standing committee was passed without objection.
- ✿ The report was passed on a Mates/Flynn motion.
- ✿ Janet suggested Lisa Leaville as chair of this committee, which was passed on a Mates/Kerwin-Bush motion.
- ✿ Janet will ask Lisa to submit Facebook Committee guidelines.

### **AKC Delegate**

- ✿ AKC has seen a modest increase in registrations recently.
- ✿ John reported that the specific list of litters and registrations for each breed per year is no longer published. John will check into this issue again.
- ✿ The on-line event management system is still not easy to navigate.
- ✿ The AKC Delegate report was passed on a Mates/Kerwin-Bush motion.

A Quirk/Mates motion to adjourn was made at 9:22 PM EDT.

Janet informed the Board before we disconnected that the face-to-face meeting in Portland will begin at 8 am PT. Coleen will request that breakfast be ready in the conference room by 7:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

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