

# ESAA Board of Directors Videoconference July 17, 2023

In attendance: Kristen Apodaca, Colleen Bell, Julie Brimble, Leslie Crawford, Kathy Cunningham-Roy, Tannley Goldberg, Paula Helming, Judi Hunter, Susie Kerwin-Bush, Joanne Mistler, Anna Quigley, Julie Quirk, Coleen Raber, Cindy Rice, BJ Parsons. Guests Lynda Chase, Dave Mates, Linda Wozniak.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM.

\* An official motion was made by Joanne Mistler, seconded by Julie Brimble and passed unanimously to accept the following new Board members: Paula Helming - Treasurer (one year), Coleen Raber – Secretary, Kathy Cunningham-Roy and Julie Quirk - Vice Presidents At Large, Colleen Bell – Mid Atlantic Vice President, Kristen Apodaca – South East Vice President, John Fabelo – East Central Vice President, Cindy Rice – West Central Vice President, Judi Hunter – North Central Vice President, Leslie Crawford – South Central Vice President, Anna Quigley – South Pacific Vice President (one year).

#### Updated Breed cards

- A concern was expressed regarding the drawing.
- A Hunter/Brimble motion was passed to accept the language in the updated breed card.
- A Quirk/Hunter motion was made to accept the original drawing. Discussion followed. The motion was passed on an 11-2 vote. Date on the breed card should be 7/17/2023 to indicate it was updated on that date.
- A motion was passed to accept the Quick Study Card as revised. A copy of the revised card can be found in the Dropbox Approved Reports folder accessible in Members Only on the ESAA website.

#### Printing of the 2018-2019 Annual

- Walworth was recommended to print the 2018-2019 Annual.
- A Cunningham-Roy/Hunter motion was passed to accept the recommendation that Walsworth is awarded the contract for printing the 2018-2019 Annual.

There was some subsequent discussion and clarification of the logistics and procedure.

**2023 National options**: room block and grooming – guests Dave Mates and Linda Wozniak joining at 7:45 for this topic.

- \* **Grooming**: Current grooming space is insufficient compared to what was needed at prior locations in the East.
  - Add a room that is a distance from the Expo Center, resulting in a few more spaces, but not as many as were needed in 2022.
  - Add a grooming tent outside the Expo Center. Would need large generators and lighting. Could offer reduced rates for those bringing their own generators.
  - Use the Expo Center for grooming and move the show outdoors.
  - The recommended option was to keep things as they are with 57 spaces, and request members to work together with sharing space.
  - A Hunter/Mistler motion was made to keep the grooming and conformation plans as originally contracted. The motion passed unanimously.

### Adding to the room block

- If the room block is increased, the rates will be higher than the original block prices.
- Anyone currently reserving outside the room block will be paying a \$100 higher rate.
- A Goldberg/Cunningham-Roy motion was passed to have Coleen send a mass mailing regarding the following 2023 issues:
  - Explain the 2023 room night situation to see if ESAA needs to add to the room block. Anyone needing to reserve a room should contact Tannley by July 31.
  - Include notification on the limited grooming space and required sharing and stacking. There will be one space permitted per 4 entered dogs. Please do not delay in making your shared reservation. No unentered dogs will be permitted in the reserved grooming area due to the limitation of space. There is absolutely no grooming permitted in the hotel rooms!
  - Outdoor grooming with a person's own generator and shade canopy is permitted. This option will be added to an updated grooming reservation form.

# Logowear 2024

\* The Board would like the regional clubs holding the weekend specialties to be in charge of the logo and logowear for 2024. Tannley will talk to Sandy Miller about this. There will be several vendors recommended who have been great to work with in the past.

# **Revised Board meeting procedures**

- The Board recommends a Standing Rule be developed to provide guidance on the use of email by Board members to debate and discuss Board business.
- \* The Board recommends improving efficiency of its meetings through use of a Consent Agenda, and the distribution of a "Robert's Rules of Order cheat sheet" to all attendees.
- \* The Board recommends a review and update of Officer and Board position descriptions for distribution to the current Board and to accompany the next Call for Nominations.

# **President's Report**

- Susie gave an update on the progress of the website.
- Everyone was encouraged to add their dogs to the database on the website.
- Linda Lauby will have the 2020-2021 Annual ready for a platform decision at the August meeting.

#### Reports

- \* A Goldberg/Mistler motion was approved to accept the following reports in a consensus agenda: BAER, ESAA Hunt Test, Historian, Membership, Store.
- \* All approved reports can be found in Dropbox in the Approved Reports folder at the following link:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/dmi6oii4zbyy4m3/AAAJ\_PhjG\_FIXSnpTaJS23tca?dl=0

A Quirk/Bell motion to adjourn was passed at 9:18PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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