

# The English Setter Association of America Board of Directors Videoconference August 13, 2024

In attendance: Kristen Apodaca, Colleen Bell, Julie Brimble, Lynda Chase, Leslie Crawford, Kathy Cunningham-Roy, John Fabelo, Rachel Fraser, Judi Hunter, Joanne Mistler, Anna Quigley, Coleen Raber, Cindy Rice, Roxanne Seale, BJ Parsons. Guest Dave Mates.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM ET.

### **Finance Committee Report**

- Board members were asked to send any questions to Dave by Sunday so he could adequately prepare answers.
- \* The Finance Committee report was passed on a Hunter/Cunningham-Roy motion.

2024 National Field Trial Budget (shows a profit)

\* A Raber/Mistler motion to approve the NFT budget was passed without objection

#### 2024 Top Twenty Budget (shows a profit)

\* A motion was made by Anna Quigley, seconded by Kathy Cunningham-Roy, and passed unanimously to approve the Top 20 budget.

Regional VP Reports (Reports are in Dropbox)

\* A consensus motion by Raber/Cunningham-Roy was passed to approve all Regional Vice Presidents' reports.

# **AKC Delegate Report - June**

- Very good reporting by BJ in her Delegate Report of June 2024.
- \* Julie Quirk commented on several items in her report that can be explored:
  - First, is the Purebred Preservation Bank (PPB). Tammy Vann has been involved with the Lagotto club this year in drafting a program acceptable to members and AKC for participation in the program. She volunteered to draft a program for ESAA's consideration that is based on the Lagotto template.
  - Second, the new AKC+ Health program is something we may want to offer at future Health Clinics. Paula Spiering will give a look at the logistics and cost and report back to the Board with recommendations.
  - Finally, AKC has requested tht each parent club look at their breed brochure to see if it needs to be updated. Since Sandi McCue is the original author, and it is under the purview of the Public

Ed committee, Julie Q will ask Sandi and Denise Parker to collaborate on any changes that might be necessary and submit it to the Board for approval.

• There was some discussion regarding shipping of puppies between then US and Canada. BJ did not think there would be any change to that procedure in the near future.

### Central Carolina English Setter Club Request

- The Board has been asked to waive the ESAA distance requirement between regional specialties held the same weekend to allow Central Carolina to hold its specialties in Greenville, SC July 24-27, 2025 which is the same weekend as the Kettle Moraine specialties.
- \* The Kettle moraine membership has given their approval for 2025.
- \* For each subsequent year Central Carolina will need to seek permission from Kettle Moraine annually
- CCESC would also like approval to hold an ESAA Regional Specialty in conjunction with their specialty in Greenville.
- Greenville, SC is considered out of CCESC's territory so ESAA Board approval will be needed annually for this location.
- Approval of Central Carolina's request to hold a regional ESAA specialty and two CCESC Specialties in Greenville, SC July 24 – 27, 2025 was passed on a Cunninham-Roy/Fabelo motion. The vote was 13 approved, 1 opposed, and I abstain.

### Courage Award

- This award was retired by the sponsor effective July 6, 2024. Susie asked that the balance of the funds in the account be sent to her for donation elsewhere.
- Since this would be a taxable event, Roxanne and Lynda were looking into IRS reporting requirements that ESAA would have to follow.
- In the meantime, Susie decided to ask ESAA to transfer the funds to the Health and Genetics account in memory of Jan Borchardt. This is not a taxable event and can be done easily.

#### AKC Eddy Award

- This award is to reward Parent Clubs that demonstrate a breeder awareness effort that provides information beyond the expected in an interesting and unique manner.
- The announcement was dated July 24th with a deadline of September 1. Joan Savage manages the breeder resource page in the members-only section of our website. She does not feel like ESAA is in a strong position to apply for the award at this time because our page has generated only three questions since it was launched.
- She will elaborate more on the subject in her year-end report and include suggestions to raise awareness of this resource and increase use.
- \* Joan Savage will be asked to include an explanation of the committee's process in her year-end report.

# Here are the current balances for our bank accounts:

| General Account     | \$23,875.93        |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Money Market        | \$76,955.95        |
| Futurity & Maturity | \$15,452.35        |
| Memorial Account    | \$ 4,120.40        |
| Wells Fargo         | <u>\$ 5,410.00</u> |
| Total:              | \$145,814.63       |

A Raber/Quigley motion was passed to adjourn at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Coleen M. Raber ESAA Secretary

### NEXT MEETING: Annual Board Meeting in Wilmington, OH, Mondy, September 23. Wilmington Board Room Breakfast at 8:00 am Meeting to begin at 8:30 am