

ISAA Board of Directors Transition Meeting

1/4/2017

Present: Terry Warnock, Peg Johnson, Judi Vittetoe, Shellie Greyhavens, Jennifer Sanders, Loren Dribinsky, Kathy Birnie, Spike Williamson, Amber Jessop, Pat Putnam

Meeting called to order at 7:03 EST.

1. To facilitate the transition, Loren needs to speak with Kathy, Amber with Jennifer, Spike with Peg, and Shellie with Loren.
2. Terry has received the signed codes of Conduct from Jennifer and probably from Kathy.
3. Terry then reviewed the Guidelines as outlined in the Constitution, focusing on the code of conduct and ethics of the BOD. She clarified that we are not always able to do what we might wish to do.
BOD decisions are made at BOD meetings, the annual meeting and by the BOD via email.
4. Board Members are expected to follow the breeding guidelines, although there is a recognition that mistakes can happen, but also there is a presumption that we try to do our best.
Discussion among board members is confidential. Particulars are not discussed outside of the Board, to insure that Board members feel comfortable expressing their opinions. Details about membership and breeding are confidential. In the past, someone did send out an email list without the permission of an ISAA member. Before our use of Zooza, there was a line item on signed member forms for permission to share emails, but now most members do not receive this.
4. Terry discussed our relationship to AKC. Pat Putnam brought up that some AKC conformation judges were questioning the judging of the breed on the floor, but as the parent club of Icelandic Sheepdogs within AKC, we are the only ones who can change the way our dogs are judged.
5. Terry then discussed our relationship to the International Community. It took a lot of work to be accepted into ISIC. Within FCI countries, breeders are not allowed to have a litter without the consent of the parent club- this is not true in the United States. The ISIC relationships allow sharing of the gene pool through a common database, and hopefully the difficulties with recording the US pedigrees that contain Canadian dogs will be resolved. The ISIC will meet in the US for the first time in October, 2017 in a Pacific Northwest location to be determined.

NUTS AND BOLTS

1. Terry suggested that Spike remain on our Yahoo BOD email since he is still working on our Budget and the 20th anniversary pins.
2. Terry asked that we all check BOD email once/day. If we are out of range of email, please advise the board of this. If there is a vote on a policy, we need responses from 5 people for a majority vote.
3. Membership Vote Sheets- Print the sheet and then mail it back by Snail mail. Voting should be anonymous.
4. Regarding Discussion Venues: Yahoo Group, ISAA Member Chat and Facebook groups and Personal: Terry reviewed the expectation that Board Members will show respectful behavior, be supportive of AKC, follow the confidentiality guidelines and the ethics statement on the website.
5. The BOD email address is isaabod@gmail.com Terry will take primary responsibility for this address and then funnel the bulk of information through the yahoo group.
6. Shellie reviewed the division of website and database responsibilities between Craig White, David Burrell and Rob Connelly. Kim Carestia may take over responsibility for management of the website as she tries to design a new website.
7. The post office box is located near Spike, who has offered to monitor it until April. Discussion to move it from that site will be tabled until the next board meeting.
8. The various Committees were reviewed briefly.
9. Reimbursement- The board votes on the expense, and after approval, the board member submits a check reimbursement form to our Treasurer, Judi Vittetoe.
10. Budget- Spike has graciously volunteered to submit a budget for 2017 and it has been submitted.
11. Discussion Group- if memberships are not renewed, these members will be purged from the discussion group after February 1st.
12. Insurance- Renewal is due in February. Judi will handle this.
13. AKC Gazette- Jamie has completed a comprehensive cycle of articles, and now the question is should we continue to present articles. Many breed clubs do not submit articles.
14. Peg volunteered to send out the updated BOD contact list, which is also saved in the Yahoo group files.