**Irish Setter Club of America**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**Blue Mountain Wildlife Demonstration Area**

**Booneville, Arkansas**

**November 3, 2018**

**8:30 am**

1. **Welcome, Roll Call, Check In**

The meeting was called to order by President Ziech at 8:30 am. All were welcomed to Arkansas.

Members present: Cassie Allen, Christine Boutwell, Debra Davis, Carolyn Dison, Pam Elsner, Bruce Foote, Mary Goeke, Catheryne Houston, Linda Kalmar, Anne Marie Kubacz, Heidi Laabs, Karolynne McAteer, Dawn Secord, Jeanine Wilson, Jan Ziech

Members absent: Anita Gage, Pam Gale, Debra Hamilton, Mary Lamphier

2. **Reports from the Committees received and read; call for additional agenda items**

Field Trial Executive Committee revisions/changes

3. **Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of minutes of June 3, 2018 Board meeting & Executive Session
2. Approval of New Members
3. Approval of Special Meeting December 6, 2018 to inspect and count ballots for the ISCA election for Region 1 Director
4. Approval of the minutes from the Conference Call meeting October 2, 2018
5. Approval of vote to purchase refreshments for the November 2, 2018 Field Awards Celebration ($200)

**Karolynne McAteer made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 3, 2018 Board meeting and Executive Session. Heidi Laabs seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Bruce Foote made a motion to approve the New Members, seconded by Mary Goeke.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Karolynne McAteer made a motion to approve the Special Meeting December 6, 2018 to inspect and count ballots for the ISCA election for Region 1 Director. Debra Davis seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Anne Marie Kubacz made a motion to approve the minutes for the Conference Call meeting October 2, 2018. Linda Kalmar seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Debra Davis made a motion to approve the vote to purchase refreshment for the November 2, 2018 Field Award Celebration ($200). Carolyn Dison seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

4. **Opportunities for ISCA Members to address the Board**- none present

5. **Report of the President**

Jan Ziech provided her report. Everything is going well.

**Pam Elsner made a motion for an Executive Session, seconded by Karolynne McAteer.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

An Executive Session was held from 8:37 am until 8:45 am.

6. **Report of the Recording Secretary**

Minutes from June 2018 meeting and Executive Session received. Minutes of October 2, 2018 Conference call were received.

7. **Report of the Treasurer**

Jeanine Wilson provided her report. Total assets $399,211.18 and we have no debts.

8. **Report of the Corresponding Secretary**

Anita Gage’s report was received. She has been accepting and dispersing correspondence, sending sympathy cards, and organizing the meeting for the election count.

9. **Report of the AKC Delegate**

Karolynne McAteer provided her report.

1. Please consider donations to AKC Political Action Committee (PAC)
2. Multiple candidates are running from the floor for the AKC Board
3. See full report in the Memo to Members

10. **Committee Reports**

1. **Constitution**

Bruce Foote’s report was received. The Constitution and Bylaws Committee is currently standby mode with no activities to report.

B. **Health Committee**

Anne Marie Kubacz’s report was received.

1. Honesty, transparency, open discussion, and forward thinking are vital to the health of our breed.
2. Continue to send in samples of affected dogs to support the Epilepsy Study. The only way we find answers is participation.
3. Health Clinic- another set of thyroid study samples will be drawn.

C. **Memo**

John Laabs’ report was received

1. Change in printers reduced costs by $13,250
2. Advertising revenues were down just under 7%

D. **Show Consents**

Catheryne Houston’s report was received.

1. The club submission form is part of an automated process that cannot be edited. Please be mindful of the date of the event and each show should have a form even if on the same day.
2. Clubs may offer Sweepstakes at both specialties if having two specialities in one day
3. Please call or email any questions prior to submission

E. **Field Trial Consents**- no report

F. **Field Trial Executive Committee**

Dave Tompkins provided his report.

1. Committee finances continue to maintain a positive cash flow
2. The Committee sponsored the 2nd Ken Ruff Quail Classic in Colorado in September
3. This year was the 40th running of our National Championship
4. Request for the ISCA Field Trial Advisory Committee list to be updated and reviewed yearly
5. Booneville, AR 2019 supplement bird release planned for Wednesday
6. 2019 Derby stake trial at 20 minutes instead of 30 minutes
7. 2019 will try a 30 minute gun dog stake provided 24 dogs or less in Amateur
8. Rotation of Executive Committee, reduce from 18 to 12 members with a term limit
9. Approved the Ken Ruff Quail Sponsorship
10. Futurity Nomination modifications- numbers fluctuate but the trend is going down. Performance standard has not changed at all. Proposed changes to nomination procedures
    1. Breeder can nominate the whole litter in first 12 months for $50
    2. Owner can nominate an individual dog up to 24 months for $50
    3. Nomination application has be to made by ISCA member or pending member
11. The Field Trial Advisory Committee was discussed. Previously this included every local club that had a representative. The eligibility list was complied. Options and further discussion prior to the February Board of Directors meeting

**Anne Marie Kubacz made a motion to accept the proposal by the Field Trial Executive Committee to change the nomination procedure for Futurity. Cassie Allen seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

G. **Walking Events, Executive Committee, 2019 National HT, WGD Championship, AKC Walking Championship**

Jeanne Wagner’s report was received.

1. 2019 National Walking Event will be March 22-24, 2019 at McFarlin Ingersoll Ranch Inola, Oklahoma
2. Irish Setter Club of Michigan and the Irish Setter Club of Ohio are working together on the 2020 National Walking Events and are securing the Ionia, Michigan Championship grounds with preferred date May 15-17, 2020

**Jeanine Wilson made a motion, seconded by Anne Marie Kubacz, for the 2020 National Walking Events to be May 15-17, 2020 in Ionia, Michigan.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

H. **Policies and Procedures**- no report

1. **Principles of Integrity**

Bruce Foote provided the report.

1. Plan to create proactive educational programs to educate membership about the Principles of Integrity
2. Plan to be a working document and take a mentorship approach

**Anne Marie Kubacz made a motion to have the Principles of Integrity printed on the inside front cover of the Membership Directory and Breeder’s Directory. Carolyn Dison seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

J. **National Events Committee**

Heidi Laabs’ report was received.

1. 2019 National Specialty will be in Asheville, NC May 6-12, 2019
2. 2020 National Specialty will be in Greeley, CO June 1-6, 2020

K.  **2018 National Specialty**

Jan Ziech’s report was received.

**Jeanine Wilson made a motion to approve the ISCA 2018 National Specialty financials as submitted. Heidi Laabs seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

L.  **2019 National Specialty**

Jeanine Wilson’s report was received.

1. Please consider preferred parking as there is very limited parking near the rooms and cones/saving space will not be permitted.

**Anne Marie Kubacz made a motion that beginning in the 2019 National Specialty as availability/space of the rings is known, there will be the option to have an Obedience and Rally Pay N Play. Catheryne Houston seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

M. **2020 National Specialty**

Debra Davis’ report was received.

A break was taken from 10:25 am until 10:38 am.

N. **Versatility Program**

Jeanine Wilson’s report was received.

1. VC Certificates through 10/10/2018- total VC titles 314, total VCA titles 2, total VCX titles 25
2. Please consider offering VC testing at your local specialty and event

O. **Foundation**

Sam Houston McDonald’s report was received.

1. Dr Bell’s Health Seminar presentation DVD will be for sale

P. **2018 Meet the Breeds**

Carmen Hufstetler’s report was received.

Q. **Judges Education**

Sam Houston McDonald’s report was received. The project is progressing.

R. **Rescue**

Linda Kalmar’s report was received.

1. Successful placement of a blind rescue in Kansas

S. **Legislation**

Debra Hamilton’s report was received.

1. Please sign up for AKC alerts in your area to keep abreast of the bills being considered in your state
2. We are being inundated with breeder restriction legislation. We need to be on the front lines educating gently and consistently

T. **New Memberships**

Mary Goeke provided her report. Everything is going well. They are working towards online application.

U. **Membership Renewals**

Jeanine Wilson provided her report. Online renewals are now active. Reminder dues are due December 31, 2018

V. **Website**

Jan Ziech’s report was received.

W. **Communications**

Jeanine Wilson provided her report. All is going well.

X. **Club Archives**- no report

Z. **Pictorial**

Heidi Laabs provided her report. Work is beginning on the next Pictorial.

AA. **Awards**

Debra Davis provided her report.

1. Mrs Davis thanked Ms Wilson on all her work on the Annual Awards
2. A survey was given regarding the Companion Awards banquet. The majority voted to continue separate luncheon

A break was taken from 11:25 am until 12:44 pm.

BB. **ROM Program**

Lorelei Windhorn provided her report. Nothing new at this time.

CC. **ISCA Title Certification**

Carolyn Dison provided her report.

**Debra Davis made a motion to cover the cost of a printer for the ISCA Title Certificates. Mary Goeke seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

DD. **2018 National Field Trial**

Stan Noble provided his report.

1. Very good Derby stake with 18 entries
2. Open championship ran without hitch. Bird work was good.
3. Futurity 9 dogs
4. Amateur Championship 3 placements

11. **Unfinished Business**

1. Donation to the AKC Museum of the Dog

**Anne Marie Kubacz made a motion to make a $2500 donation, payable over 5 years, to the AKC Museum of the Dog. Bruce Foote seconded the motion.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

12. **New** Business

a. Facebook comments about Rau

i. Anne Marie Kubacz discussed

b. Service dog policy ESAA

i. Debbie Davis discussed and suggested the Principles of Integrity review and consider adding

c. New Membership idea

i. Pam Seipkes idea received and read

d. AKC PAC donation

i. Please consider making individual donations to support the AKC Political Action Committee (PAC)

e. AKC Legislative Fund

**Anne Marie Kubacz made a motion, seconded by Bruce Foote, to have the ISCA donate $500 to the AKC Legislative Fund.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously**

f. AKC Canine College

i. ISCA is going to participate

g. Tirvelda Trophy duplicates for multiple owners

i. Discussed making copies of the individual Tirvelda Trophy available to co-owners of record as of the date of the show for purchase with no cost to the club. Further discussion at the next Board of Directors meeting

13. **Other Business**- none

14. **Adjourn**

**Bruce Foote made a motion for adjournment seconded by Mary Goeke.**

**A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

The meeting ended at 2:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine M Boutwell, MD

ISCA Recording Secretary

The next meeting of the ISCA Board of Directors will be February 9, 2019 at the Hilton Rye Brook Rye Brook, NY

**Policy Changes**

561 Futurity Litter Registration

*Board 11/03/2018- Effective 11/03/2018*

* 1. Breeder can nominate the whole litter in the first twelve months for $50 fee
  2. Owner can nominate an individual dog up to twenty-four months of age for $50 fee
  3. Nomination application has to be made by an ISCA member or pending member

*Board: 11/04/1995 – Effective: 11/04/1995*

1. Futurity litters must be owned/co-owned by ISCA members at the time of breeding.
2. Litters should be nominated at birth but must be nominated within six months of whelping.
3. No litters will be accepted for nomination after six months. Fee is $35.00 ($10.00 for fee and   
   $25.00 late fee penalty).