

Bracco Italiano Club of America

September 11, 2023 BOD Meeting

Attendees: Jennifer Caban, David Hayek, Bobbi Benson, Gary Lewis

Absent: Amanda Inman, John Kavalier, Lisa Moller

Called to order 7:35pm EST

Report of Treasurer: John is absent on the call (out of country) and Jennifer has not been able to access the account through her online banking app. Jennifer will follow up with John upon his return for balance, but feels that the club should still be in good standing as there have not been any major expenditures recently.

2023 National Specialty final wrap up- everything was pretty much settled with accounting as of the last meeting. David has one final expense to have reimbursed around \$100. Closed out this event.

2024 National Specialty Updates- Jennifer and the committee have been meeting regularly to discuss the processes and timelines. So far things are on track. The applications for AKC are being completed, judge surveys are out to membership, Italian judge is contracted and is pending AKC approval. The hunt test site is still being worked on and so far has been the biggest challenge. There is a site available however it is not as close to the show site as anyone would like. SCOA and BICA still working to find possible locations closer to Charlotte, NC. Jennifer stated expenses will start to come in from now until the event as we put in apps to AKC, start ribbon orders etc. Jennifer will work with John on tracking those associated costs. David asked if there was anywhere near the show venue to shoot clays etc. Jennifer will research this item.

The planning committee have been talking about doing a gun raffle to raise funds. Jennifer is looking into the logistics and legalities of this. Board threw out a few ideas for guns. Possible checking with Courtney on a Siren if we want to go that fancy or David mentioned Yildz as a nice lower cost gun. Jennifer found and submitted a proposed gun for approval of funds, an Italian Fire Arms Group 20 gauge over under. The gun would be raffled off, reimbursing the club for the cost then any proceeds go towards the nationals week planning. Board approved \$1550 via emails for this project.

It was brought up that we are very close to the timeline set forth in the bylaws to create the nominating committee for the upcoming elections. The positions up for re-election are President-currently Amanda Inman, Treasurer- currently John Kavalier, and 2 board members at large #1 currently Bobbi Benson and #2 currently Lisa Moller. Gary Lewis agreed to pull together the committee which will comprise Gary,

Bob Gross, Charlie Calisto and Deb Periera if they are all willing to be on this committee. They will have their meeting by October 1st and will report their nominations to the Secretary by October 15th.

The board was sent an email by Bob Gross requesting consideration of Supported entry at 2025 Morris & Essex. The club would be able to choose the sweepstakes judge if held and the Morris & Essex judge would be selected by their committee for Bracchi. They provide additional awards for breeds with supported entry. Gary made the motion to approve this, Bobbi 2nd all on the call in agreement. Jennifer responded to Bob and the M&E chair with approval of supported entry.

Meeting Adjourned 8:45pm

Additional post call notes: Several associate members approved via email vote of the board

Amy March, Stormy Carr and Sandra Baxter-Carr, Raquel Colaco (international) and Ayanna Coleman.

Also done via email: a request was made to host a concurrent specialty for the Bracco along with the Heart of the Desert Classic show weekend Feb 1- 4 2024. No additional expenses to the club they will do awards through donations. This was approved by a majority vote of the board.