

Bracco Italiano Club of America Board Meeting

Monday May 24, 2021 7:00pm EST

Attendees: Jennifer Caban, Amanda Inman, Courtney Bastian, Gary Lewis, John Kavalier, Bobbi Benson

Meeting called to order 7:13pm

1. Report of Treasurer - John Kavalier: Current account balance is \$21,643.97 this information is after payments for the Nationals as well as income due to the event.
Courtney asked if the National Specialty was a profit or a loss. John has not finished putting all the figures into the Quick books program so does not yet have an exact figure, but the event was profitable.
Jennifer mentioned we had 1 outstanding income payment for Nationals as of the meeting date. Once received we should be able to do a complete analysis of the event.
2. Further Discussion on Board opening- Current opening in BOD due to April Burchfield's resignation. Bobbi asked how long the bylaws give us to fill the position, perhaps we could leave the seat open for a while to give Lance Olson time to determine if he can serve. Jennifer read the passage in the bylaws which states the opening should be filled at the next meeting of the BOD.
Gary asked if there were suggestions on who we would like to serve. Jennifer suggested asking Kim Caudill if she would be interested since she has a history on the BOD and is still membership secretary. Amanda suggested Jeff Lemmenes or Jody Kirtley. Courtney also suggested Lisa Moller. All have experiences in other breeds and hopefully would have experience in boards and procedures that could be good on the BICA board.
Bobbi suggested we reach out to all three of these folks and if interested have them provide a bio so that the current board can then vote on the most appropriate candidate. If no one is interested, we can open it up to the membership for suggestions.
Courtney agreed to reach out to Jeff and Lisa and Amanda will reach out to Jody.
-Post call note- Amanda spoke with Jody and she is unavailable at this time due to a busy schedule but may be interested in serving in the future.
3. Update on a post Nationals survey-Courtney Bastian- Courtney is still working on developing the survey. She hopes to have it completed soon and can provide the list of questions to the board for review. Gary mentioned one of the questions to

include should be days of the week/duration of the event. Courtney will include that question.

4. Social Media Update- Gary Lewis- Gary has been posting on the Facebook group trying to increase views and provide educational info to members. The statistics are up on number of views, like etc. over the past few weeks. Gary will continue to make posts, but we need to have additional information and stories, pictures to provide to him. If anyone has things, we could share please provide them. We would like to increase the education posts to help new owners and people looking at the breed for the first time as well as continue to educate the current membership on all aspects of the breed. Gary will also create an Instagram account for BICA.
5. Potential Open Show- Jennifer Caban- The local Vizsla club who allowed BICA to host an open show last fall has asked if BICA wants to host another show this September. Jennifer would be the only local club member, although there is a good number of FSS/Misc. dogs in the area. Unless the club wants to host another show, Jennifer was not planning on running another one this year. It was done last year to fulfill the need for AKC recognition this year would just be for fun. At this time, we probably will not move forward with another Open Show in Columbia SC.

Meeting Adjourned 8:02 pm Est

Post Call Note:

Via email the following memberships were voted on 6-1-21

Susanna Anderson for Associate membership- unanimous vote for approval

David & Helen Hayek for Full Status membership- unanimous vote for approval