

**COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 13, 2023**

I. Establish Quorum

A quorum was established with the following Board of Directors participating.

- Annette Rawlings – President
- Jane Clymer – Secretary
- Mike Esch - Treasurer
- Candy Ardizzone – Director
- Jackie Caruso – Director
- Katie Skilton-Rendina – Director
- Isabel Ososki – Director
- Susan Kaelin – Director
- Paula Ford – Director
- Kate Long - Director
- Patrick Wentworth – Director
- Ann Ferguson – Director
- Ed Degner – Director
- Nancy Anstruther – Director

The Following Board of Directors were absent from the meeting:

- Kathy Drabik – First Vice President
- Roxann Heit – Second Vice President
- Erin Blaisure – Director
- Erin Gorney – Director
- Pat Jung – Director
- John Strassner – Director

Guests: None Present

II. Call to Order:

The December 13, 2023, meeting of the Collie Club of America Board of Directors was called to order at 9:58 PM EST via teleconference by President, Annette Rawlings.

III. Adoption of Agenda

Annette Rawlings called for discussion of any changes to the agenda as distributed prior to the meeting. Mike Esch made a motion, seconded by Nancy Anstruther to add a report from the National Trophy Committee to the Discussion and Committee Report Section. Annette made a motion and Candy Ardizzone seconded to adopt the amended agenda. The motion **passed** unanimously.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Annette Rawlings called for discussion of any changes required to the minutes of the November 15, 2023, Board meeting as distributed prior to the meeting. Mike Esch made a motion and Isabel Ososki

seconded to approve the November 15, 2023, minutes. The motion to approve the November 15, 2023, Board minutes **passed** unanimously.

V. Financial Reports

- A. Annette Rawlings called for discussion of any changes required to the October 2023 financial report. Mike Esch discussed changes sent to the Board in advance of the meeting and agreed to send the Board an amended October 2023 financial report. Mike Esch made a motion and Patrick Wentworth seconded to approve the amended October 2023 financial report. The motion **passed** unanimously.
- B. Annette Rawlings called for discussion of any changes required to the 2023 National financial report. Mike Esch discussed and reviewed information on the hotel penalty and there were discussions on how to prevent this in the future. Patrick Wentworth discussed the herding results and Mike Esch indicated he had not had a chance to review but felt it would not change the bottom-line results of the total show. Mike Esch agreed to send an amended final report of the show. Mike Esch made a motion and Isabel Osocki seconded to approve the amended 2023 National financial report. The motion **passed** unanimously.

VI. Committee Discussion items

- A. **Annette Rawlings** read aloud the following results from the December 13, 2023, Executive Session.
 - a. **Approved – New members Debra Devan Leaven, Violet Arteaga, Richard Q. Opler and John and Susi Czarnek**
 - b. **Approved – Reinstate members Joy M. Surkland and Marie Bromley**
 - c. **Approved – Appoint Roxane Jourdain as Scent Co-Chair for the 2024 National**
 - d. **Approved – Appoint Donna Darland as Performance Dinner Coordinator for 2024 National**
 - e. **Approved – Appoint new members Julianna Falk, Debbie Ferguson, and Linda Tefelski to the ROM Committee**
- B. **All** – There was a general discussion on the Hawkins report as Lauren Falk was not able to attend. Items included cost of quarterly report and the possibility of automating the report.
- C. **Mike Esch** reviewed the results of the 2023 Eastern and Western Regional Herding Trials.
- D. **Mike Esch** read a proposal from the National Trophy Committee to cease allowing the three major National Perpetual Trophies (The Morgan Trophy, The Hunter Memorial Cup, and The Shotwell Trophy) to go home with the winners. The proposal includes the idea of taking a show win picture. The Board was generally supportive of this proposal. It will be included in the next Board meeting for a vote.

VII. Board Voting – Open Session

There were no items up for vote in the open session.

VIII. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

X. Adjournment

Since there was no further business brought before the Board, Annette Rawlings entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:33pm EST. Patrick Wentworth made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Nancy Anstruther seconded. The motion **passed** unanimously.