

## **ECSCA FTC MINUTES – January 15, 2013 – 7:30 p.m. CST**

Present: Kim Wiley (Chair/Mid-West), Joe DeMarkis (At-Large), Buck Grabowski (South), Barbara Defalco(West), John Dartt (At-Large), Robert Griffin (At-Large), Terry Oliver (East).  
Guests – Rod Beck and Buzz Bensen

Absent: Sue Rose (guest)

The agenda was reviewed. The agenda was approved and the meeting began.

### **New Secretary:**

Barbara agreed to take on this position for 2013. Thank you Barbara!

### **Unfinished Business**

- A. NCC 2013 update – We had a good discussion concerning entry fees and expenses. All are in agreement that entry fees will need to increase to help cover rising costs and a lack of sponsors. The budget that was presented is built on an entry fee of \$275 per dog. Kim Wiley sent out some ideas to reduce expenses prior to the meeting and is hopeful that they will consider some of these cost saving ideas.

It was agreed that Rod and Buzz will go back and review the budget for opportunities to reduce expenses and come next month with a realistic budget and a proposed entry fee.

- B. NCC 2014 – Joe Demarkis is working on a proposal and what it would cost to host the 2014 NCC in Tyrone, PA. Joe will bring more information for discussion at next month's meeting. This group has hosted several Springer nationals on these grounds previously.
- C. Springer/Cocker combined trial survey – final draft presented and approved. This will be posted on fieldcocks.com and results will be shared in March.

### **New Business**

- A. ECSCA Board meeting update – The new FTC slate was approved ( Kim Wiley (Chair/Mid-West), Joe DeMarkis (At-Large), Buck Grabowski (South), Barbara Defalco(West), John Dartt (At-Large), Robert Griffin (At-Large), Terry Oliver (East).)

The proposal for 25% of profits from the NCC to go to the AKC spaniel host club was approved. It is hoped that this will partially compensate clubs for lost revenue if they cannot hold their local events due to hosting the NCC.

- B. 2013 FTC Committee calendar was approved – this will be posted on fieldcocks.com

- C. Terry Oliver raised a question about existing gun policy – The policy has not changed since its inception and is posted on fieldcocks.com. Terry asked for clarification on how to become a cocker gun captain. The procedure is spelled out in the policy and does not require a person to be a Springer gun captain in order to be a cocker gun captain.
  
- D. 2013 Projects – will be added to future agendas as time permits
  - 1. Update photography protocol in the “How to run an NCC” document
  - 2. NCC payment/receipt protocol from the ECSCA in “How to run an NCC”
  - 3. Update FTC Mission Statement with revision to voting protocol
  - 4. Reprint the Green Book
  - 5. Update NCC Judges agreement

**Adjourn** – about 8:50 p.m. CST

Respectfully submitted by,  
Kim Wiley