



Icelandic Sheepdog International Cooperation

25th ISIC seminar

Web-seminar (chairman meeting)

Saturday 24th of October 2020

Notes

Present on Skype:

Denmark:	Louise Roer
Finland:	Riika Kirvirinta
Iceland:	Stefania Sigurdardóttir Helga Andrésdóttir
Norway:	Jimmy Brastad
Sweden:	Hans-Åke Sperne
The Netherlands:	Natasja Hagemer
USA:	Tina Carney
ISIC Executive:	Gudridur Thorbjörg Valgeirsdóttir, Katariina Jarkko, Svend Brandt Jensen, Ingbritt Sannel

All countries had been invited but not all attended the chairmen meeting. We were not informed why.

We started at 13.35 after some technical problems but finally we were all on Skype. Natasja Hagemer was appointed Chairman and Ingbritt Sannel secretary.

Katariina Jarkko showed us the economic figures on the screen, see added power points! The question from Iceland as to why there are two payments from Iceland was explained. It is due to a late payment from the year before.

Katariina explained that it is hard to make a proper budget because we do not know what will happen in the future with the pandemic and possibilities to travel. However, one meeting face to face for the executive group was approved and the rest of the meetings will be on Messenger or possibly Zoom.

Katariina showed us a copy of the auditors' report and Jan Erikson says everything is in order. Jan Eriksson has one more year to serve as our auditor. The meeting all agree that the accounts are in particularly good order and we leave this past year to rest.

The meeting decided to stay with four members in the Executive committee, Ingbritt Sannel was reappointed for a new period and Helga Andresdóttir was welcomed as a new member since Katariina is leaving us this year.

The meeting decided that annual fees will be payed with the same amounts as the past years and according to the same principles as we have used for some years now. Every country should send the number of members on the 31 st of December each passed year to the treasurer in ISIC executive.



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We talked about finding a new webmaster for the Website and we got a suggestion from Natasja to ask Martine Jaspers-Versluijs.

The meeting decided that the seminar 2021 will be in Lillehammer and we sincerely hope it will be possible for us all to travel then, and then we are invited to Finland for 2022.

The meeting then continued with the Dogs global issue. Svend reminded us what was decided in Skálholt last year. That the whole idea was that ISIC delivers data to Dogs Global. He also said that communication has not been clear between the different parties involved in this. Svend reminded us that if we only have data in DogsGlobal we cannot easily get it and to make sure we get it we need to reformulate the contract.

Denmark wants to keep the ISIC database because you cannot do for free in Dogs Global what you can in ISIC.

Norway informs us that we need the ISIC database. It was decided last year only to update from the ISIC database to DG but this has not been followed. The number of dogs is not the same in the two databases. Jimmy points to the fact that the letter sent out from Wilma Roem in the summer asking all to enter litters directly into Dogs Global, was a breach of contract. Svend then tells us we must sort this out and start anew.

Natasja tells us that the ISIC database has not worked as it should have and is not developing so she thinks we only need Dogs Global.

Jimmy points to the fact that the ISIC database is done without costs and Dogs Global is giving us costs.

Hans Åke points to the importance of having free possibilities when checking mating. But also, that this is something that needs serious discussions between the people concerned. The USA informed us of having problems with updating data due mostly to change of people responsible for doing this.

At 15.00 we are joined by other people from the breeding group (Anne Vaskio could not continue this part) To find out who were the other participants in the breeding group you will need to check their notes.

Natasja made a short summary of what was talked and decided in the chairman group.

Wilma Roem informs us of the breeding group discussions. In their group the annual reports were discussed and there were suggestions for new things be added to the report form and that the updated report form should be sent well in advance of next seminar.

They had also discussed if there should be one or two databases- costs- work etc. They had also looked at a presentation of Dogs Global that will be shared with all of us.



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Then a common discussion started and Jimmy repeats his point that if we had followed the contract we would not have had the problems we have now , Jimmy shares a file with the

different number of dogs in the two databases, see added copy! We must correct the numbers to get the mean kinship figures right.

Jimmy also talks about missing ancestors, causing green dogs and a founder born 1980. And that these faults and odd things needs to be corrected if we are to be able to trust what we learn from Dogs Global.

Wilma explained why she thinks it is hard to maintain two databases and told us that the problem with “very new” founders is one of the things that need further work. She also pointed to the costs.

Jimmy remarked that if we had followed the contract and used only one entry that is, from the ISIC database, we would not be in this jam now.

At this time the participants realised that we were running short of time. We decided that we need to have a new meeting about this with Dogs Global as the main if not the only issue on the agenda.

Helga strongly emphasized the importance of keeping the ISIC database. She does not like to trust only a commercial company. We should have our own database that we control were her exact words.

Denmark and Finland also spoke up for keeping two databases, Denmark points to the importance of free access to test mating.

Stefania asks who is entering only in Dog Global and got no real answer but there have been difficulties with updating in the USA and other countries.

Natasja was forced to end our meeting here as we were pressed for time and she concluded that we need to have a new meeting with Pieter and the other persons concerned.

The meeting finished with the decision that all countries need to be asked their opinion before we make any decisions as we always do in the ISIC cooperation, we make decisions together unanimously. So even if this first digital seminar ends here it is

To be continued....

Ingbritt Sannel/ secretary
22th of November 2020