



Ralph Stadter – Ragmagic Ragdolls

Candidate for the Ragdoll Breed Committee 2021-2023

Dear fellow Ragdoll Breeders,

I have been a Ragdoll breeder and exhibitor for the last 23 years, and I am asking for your support in becoming a member of the Ragdoll Breed Committee.

If I am elected to be part of the breed committee, my main goals are to:

1. Further improve our breed standard, mainly by adding drawings and making some other small clarifications.
2. Create a new breed seminar presentation.
3. Make education a priority (I would like to create a series of educational opportunities on various aspects of breeding in general and Ragdolls in particular).
4. Keep the Ragdoll a blue-eyed, pointed cat.

That's it in a nutshell. If you would like to know some more details – keep reading 😊

I think that the last revision of our breed standard took some important steps in the right direction. I feel it describes more clearly what a perfect example of our breed should look like. The standard revision did not take our breed in a new direction – it made clearer what “trends” we do not want to see rewarded in the show ring. When discussing the new version with judges and exhibitors, a few things have been pointed out that could still be improved. One important aspect is that we need to **add illustrations** for some of the features – basically some drawings of what we want to see and possibly some examples of what is not correct. These drawings would also be important in a **new breed seminar presentation**.

Our association is full of **amazing knowledge** – but we do not make it easily accessible to new breeders or the general public. I would like to have a **series of videos** and possibly some “**learning games**” (platforms like Kahoot) to help in that effort. This would include some basic things that are just fun for people who want to **get to know our fantastic breed** as well as some more detailed topics like **color genetics**.

Thank you for reading my statement. I hope you vote for me in this ballot – but please be sure to vote and be part of the decision 😊

Ralph