



## Phone conference August 13, 2003 8:30PM EST

**In attendance:** Barbara O'Neill, Karen Mays, Marilyn Polsfuss, Maureen Bardwell, Kathleen Kapaun, Lydia Pruet, Kathy Wright, Shen Smith, Prudence Hlatky, Karen Staudt-Cartabona, Chris Bradley, Valori Trantanella. A quorum was established.

President Barbara O'Neill called the meeting to order at 8:38 EST.

There were no additions or corrections to the March 31, 2003 Board meeting minutes. A Motion to approve was made by Kathy Wright, a second by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED.

### **Recording Secretary's Report -**

#### *Membership Applications:*

##### *1<sup>st</sup> Readings*

**Diane Davis, RN:** 483 Suntargets Rd, Moxee WA 98936, sponsored by Jim & Laurie Anderson and Shirley Rhinehold

**William, Marilyn and Stuart McGraw:** 501 Burlingame Ave, Burlingame CA 94010-2851, sponsored by Chris Bradley and Suzanne Deghi.

**Peter Redding:** PO Box 235, Dorset VT 05251, sponsored by Virginia Jones and Karen Staudt-Cartabona

**Linda Schneider:** 3355 Las Huertas, Lafayette CA 94549, sponsored by Dee Jones and Stephanie Truelsen.

**Marie White:** 264 Carter Road, Becket MA, 01223, sponsored by Jane Maddox Bishop and Bonnie Lapham.

Chris Bradley will clarify if Stuart is a junior member. Any correspondence regarding these applicants should be sent to the Recording Secretary.

##### *2<sup>nd</sup> Readings*

#### **Mickey Cinollo**

Motion made to approve this membership application was made by Prudence Hlatky, second by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

#### *Trophy Supported Entry requests have been approved for:*

8/2/2003 – Beaver County KC (Canfield, OH)

TSE Chairman - Edna Hanley

Judge: Jon Cole, Sweeps: Anne Midgarden

10/18/03 - Upper Potomac Valley KC (Cumberland MD)

TSE Chairman - Donna Maharan

Judge: Jane Bishop, Sweeps: Susan Sills

10/19/03 - Upper Potomac Valley KC (Cumberland MD)

TSE Chairman - Donna Maharan

Judge: Karen Dumke, Sweeps: Robin Casey

10/19/2003 - Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore (Pleasanton CA)

TSE Chairman – Toby Brandtman

Judge: Barbara Binder, Sweeps: Kris Taylor

11/ 2/2003 Northeastern Indiana KC (Fort Wayne, IN)

TSE Chairman – Prudence Hlatky

Judge: Barbara Binder, Sweeps: Mary Childs

11/15/03 - Greater Gainesville Dog Fanciers Assoc (Gainesville, FL)

TSE Chairman - Tammy Smith

Judge: Karen Dumke, Sweeps: Caroline Coile

11/23/03 - Nebraska KC (Omaha NE)

TSE Chairman – Terry Doane

Judge: Helen Lee James, Sweeps: Jennifer Beach-Buda

3/21/2004 Detroit KC (Detroit, MI)

TSE Chairman – Shen Smith

Judge: Barbara Ewing, Sweeps: Joel Chaney

Information regarding these Trophy Supported Entries was sent to Margie Milne (Borzoi Connection website), Kathleen Kapaun (Borzoi Connection magazine) and to Tom Carroll (BCOA Medals Chairman).

A TSE request in conjunction with the Newnan KC in Newnan, Georgia on 3/27, 2004 was received. The TSE chairman is Susan Pennington, judge is Jane Bishop and sweeps judge is Jon Steele. A motion to approve the TSE request was made by Karen Staudt-Cartabona, second by Maureen Bardwell. MOTION PASSED.

### *National Specialties*

The top three vote getters for the 2004 Centennial Specialty were contacted regarding their preferences for judging assignments. Contracts were sent out to the three judges. Signed contracts were received back from Dr Gerda Kennedy (BOB and Non Regular), Jim Heard (Bitches) and Kent Delaney (Dogs).

Breakdown of final ballots for the 2005/6 National Specialty Judges were received from the BCOA Tabulator Chris Irujo. Contracts were sent to the winners and signed contracts were received back from Dr James Sillers (2005 National Judge), Carol Kubiak Zamora (2005 Sweeps Judge), Michael Canalizo (2006 National Judge) and Melanie Richards (2006 Sweeps Judge).

The Board clarified the 45 day rule for membership applications – This rule is only used in situations where the minutes with the 1<sup>st</sup> reading are not able to be sent to the membership on a timely basis. Once the minutes are sent out, the clock starts ticking. If no correspondence regarding the applicants is received within 45 days of the publication of the minutes, the membership application is approved. Lydia agreed to notify Karen Mays at the point that the memberships are approved so that Karen can send welcome notes to the new members.

A motion to approve the Recording Secretary's Report was made by Karen Mays, second Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

**Corresponding Secretary's report** – Reviewed correspondence received since the Corresponding Secretary's report was printed for the Board meeting packet. Laurie Kasowski would like to offer a bronze head casting as a challenge trophy for BOB, to commemorate the founders of BCOA. Karen Mays will respond to Laurie and let her know that we can have multiple BOB challenge trophies and that she will need to send a formal proposal. David Frye would like us to approve the wording for the Westminster KC telecast describing the breed. He requested that we provide a photo (not a show photo, no people in the photo, and the dog must not be currently being shown) and a short narrative about the breed. Karen Mays will contact Patti Neale to see if a paragraph and photo could be used from the JEC presentation.

A request for a donation was received from the Coursing Club of Cedar Rapids, to be used for lure equipment. The Board determined that we will pass. An inquiry was received asking if BCOA would be interested in donating money for the prize for best Borzoi art at Sun Flower Cluster art show. The Board determined that we will pass. Karen Mays will respond to these inquiries.

A complaint was received indicating that a BCOA member held a puppy deposit for a year, cashed the check and then refused to place a puppy with the person. The money was eventually returned. A motion was made by Karen Staudt-Cartabona, second by Chris Bradley, that Karen Mays will send a letter to the member reminding her of the BCOA Code of Ethics. MOTION PASSED

The Borzoi Club of Greater New York donated \$5000 to the donor advised fund. Maureen Bardwell will check with them to see if this was to our AKC Canine Health Foundation Borzoi Donor Advised Fund. If so, Karen Mays will send a letter of appreciation.

The Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey was approved by AKC. There was concern voiced by AKC that the club had approved their bylaws by a mail ballot, and that this is not allowed nor will be approved for use by local clubs. Balloting must be in person only.

A ballot was received from AKC regarding the life time achievement award. The nominees are Bill Bergum, Michelle Billings and Dorothy McDonald. A motion was made by Valori Trantanella, second by Marilyn Polsfuss, that we request the secretary to cast a vote for Michelle Billings. MOTION PASSED. Ballots were also received for the companion events award -abstained, and the performance award– abstained.

There was a motion to accept Corresponding Secretary's report by Chris Bradley, seconded by Maureen Bardwell. MOTION PASSED.

**Treasurer's report** (see attached)

A correction of \$10.00 needs to be added to the total for rescue and \$10 to the total balance. Clarified amount listed for the Borzoi Connection, which should have been listed for the October ballot. Shen will correct. Reno National made a profit!!

There was a motion to accept the treasurer's report by Marilyn Polsfuss, seconded by Valori Trantanella. MOTION PASSED.

### **AKC Delegate's report** (see attached)

Correction – Ron Menaker is the Chairman of the AKC Board, not the new CEO, Board members have been receiving emails from club members regarding AKC dropping ASFA titles. A dog with an ASFA title will not be honored in AKC events (needs to start with JC), non AKC events can not be held in conjunction with an AKC event. We will not be able to do JC and ASFA on the same day at the National. Our ASFA event is held prior to the official beginning of our specialty, so is still ok. The premium may have to be mailed separately. This is an old rule, which has not been enforced. Enforcement of this rule will be phased in by 2005. Karen Staudt-Cartabona will discuss this issue with the new HEC (Herding/Earthdog/Coursing) Committee.

Motion made to approve the Delegate's report was made by Kathleen Kapaun, second by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION APPROVED.

### **Governor Reports** (see attached):

Region 1 – Change Drill Team to “tentatively” appearing

Region 2 - Nothing additional

Region 3 – Val thought she had sent report but has been having computer problems so was not able to send it this week.

Region 4 – Nothing additional

Region 5 – Portland is no longer a consideration for the 2006 National, Jan Leikam is looking into a Doubletree Hotel at Seattle.

Region 6 – There are two groups in Region 6 that are discussing starting new clubs. One group, tentatively called the Borzoi Club of Central United States sent us a packet including their draft constitution, membership list and description of activities. Reference to a BCOA TSE being sponsored by this group should be corrected. This is a BCOA TSE sponsored by a BCOA member; it can not be sponsored by BCCUS. It is in conjunction with the Nebraska KC. We are not sure if their territory can be multiple states, the territory should be stated clearly. The BCCUS Board members are not clear. BCOA has to approve their constitution before the club can apply to put on AKC matches. The Board felt that it was not ready to be approved at this time. Karen Mays will send letter to BCCUS indicating that more work is needed.

Regional Governor Reports – A motion was made to approve the reports by Prudence Hlatky, second by Karen Staudt-Cartabona. MOTION PASSED.

### **Committee Reports -**

*Centennial Historical Book* – Karen SC said there was a misunderstanding about the nature of the book. She wanted to know what exactly does the board want, and what kind of budget there is? Pictorial history of the BCOA from 1904 – 2004, photos, descriptions, text etc. Approximately \$3500 for printing. Would rather have a nicer production that we charge for, rather than a cheaper version to give away. Karen SC should check with Laurie Kasowski regarding a packet of AKC's early history of Borzoi, given to BCOA by Gerry Hayes.

*Club Historian* – requests that we add a footer to the minutes – name, date etc for minutes etc for archives.

*Color Committee* – motion to approve the recommendation – Kathleen Kathleen, Chris Bradley. MOTION PASSED. Val will send list of colors and markings etc to Karen Mays for submission to AKC.

*2004 Futurity* – 32 new litters.

**ANNOUNCEMENT!!**

**THE BCOA HAS PURCHASED 11 CARAVAN POP-UP 10' x 10' CANOPIES, WITH SIDES, FOR USE THE WEEK OF THE 2004 CENTENNIAL SHOW. WE ARE OFFERING THEM TO THE MEMBERSHIP AT A MAJOR DISCOUNT, TO BE PICKED UP IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE NATIONAL. COST WILL BE \$150 ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS. YOU CAN RESERVE YOUR NEW CANOPY WITH A \$50 DEPOSIT SENT TO:**

**Barbara O'Neill, P.O. Box 80644, Seattle, WA 98108 – [sheyash@earthlink.net](mailto:sheyash@earthlink.net).  
Visa & MC accepted with # & exp. date. Fax: 206-439-7543 or 206-246-4413**

Prudence Hlatky proposed a "Good Guest" contest, with one of the canopies as a prize. She will be donating a generator as the main prize. The Board approved this proposal. A request was received from Carol Enz to keep 2 tents for future BCOA field events. She would bring them to all Nationals. The Board determined that we would prefer to rent tents for these events as then we do not have to maintain them. We have 1048 room nights reserved so far.

*Rescue* – BCOA sent \$500 to NBRF to help with spays/neuters. Chris Bradley reported that on the potential California rescue – They need to get down to accepted number of dogs by 9/3/03. Solano County will be paying for spay, neuter and micro chipping if necessary.

*Standardized Trophies* – Prudence Hlatky volunteered to talk to Jan Swayze now that Jan has moved closer. Prudence will try and get the remaining bronze trophy and have it sent to the Brandtman's to be polished and repaired prior to the Centennial. A proposal was received for a challenge trophy, offered by friends of Karen SC, Majenkir. The wording will need to be cleaned up a little to indicate that the trophy will be offered for BOB (not to the breeder). A motion to approve the challenge trophy was made by Maureen Bardwell, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made to approve the Committee Reports by Karen Mays, second by Valori Trantanella. MOTION APPROVED.

**Unfinished Business:**

*AKC Flyer* – Reviewed the draft of the flyer created by Alice Reese to be used as an insert with puppy registrations. Feedback from the Board is needed so that the flyer can be printed and used for the Meet the Breed booth at the Invitational show in California. It was requested that names of the Regional Governor's be removed from the flyer. Add the internet sites for BCOA, LGRA, ASFA, AKC etc. The subscription prices for the publications should be removed. Local breed club internet sites should be added. Expand the statement regarding the BCOA website. Add comments about keeping in touch with their breeder and using their breeder as a resource. Code of Ethics should be added as well. Kathy Wright will give feedback to Alice Reese. The flyer should be added to our website. Any additional feedback should be sent to Kathy Wright within the next month. Print 2000 copies to start. Karen Mays has some of the Borzoi Columns from the Gazette; she will send them to us to see if this is something we should print for the Breed Booth as well.

*Meet the Breed Booth* – The design for the booth is coming along. There will be costumed people with borzoi.

*Dog Fancy* – The big ad for the Borzoi issue was published. A small box ad for ongoing publication still needs to be done. The Borzoi Connection is going to be creating an online new magazine that can be used for website breeder referral. Table this discussion until next meeting.

*In Appreciation pins*: Barbara submitted draft designs for the Presidents “In Appreciation” pins. They will be cloisonné, done in red, white and blue.

*Constitution printing* – Barbara will have the revised version printed. Lydia will resend it to Barbara. It will also be put on the BCOA website.

*Membership Application and Ethics* – Reviewed the subcommittee’s drafts. The following feedback/discussion took place:

*Application* - Add a reference to the website for the Constitution and Bylaws and the AKC rules and regulations. Discussed dues amount for foreign members. Dues should be \$40 paid in US funds. Junior membership without a family membership is \$10; juniors with a family membership need no extra fees. Discussion about how people living in remote areas in the US may find sponsors if they do not know anyone. Current foreign members will be grand fathered in and will retain voting privileges. Add agility as an activity that can be done with Borzoi.

*Sponsor Form* – Add a question to determine that at least one sponsor (or sponsor's designated BCOA member in good standing) must have visited the applicant's home and/or kennel within the previous 2 years. A motion to accept revised application and sponsor form as amended, presented and corrected was made by Shen Smith, second by Karen Staudt-Cartabona. MOTION PASSED.

*TSE Approvals* – tabled until next meeting

### **New Business:**

*Ballot* – Kathy Wright proposed that we include an addressed envelope with the words BCOA Ballot stamped on them to make the return of ballots easier, as our last ballot had as many as 40 ballots that were not accepted due to being addressed incorrectly. A motion to approve this was made by Marilyn Polsfuss, second by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED

*ROM* – The ROM guidelines and application will be put on the website. Lydia Pruetz will get copies to Jennifer Beach-Buda for the website and to Shen to put in the Borzoi Connection. Hard copies can be sent out as needed, by either Secretary.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Marilyn Polsfuss, seconded by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED. The meeting was adjourned at 01:07 EST.

### **Future Agenda Items:**

Dog Fancy Ad

Review guidelines for TSE approvals by BCOA.