



Phone conference February 4, 2004 8:30PM EST

In attendance: Barbara O'Neill, Karen Mays, Irina Terra, Maureen Bardwell, Nadine Johnson, Lydia Pruet, Kathy Wright, Shen Smith, Prudence Hlatky, Karen Staudt-Cartabona, Chris Bradley, R.Lynn Shell. A quorum was established.

President Barbara O'Neill called the meeting to order at 8:36 EST. Barbara welcomed the new Board members and reviewed the Board meeting guidelines.

There were no additions or corrections to the November 15, 2003 Board meeting minutes. A Motion to approve the minutes was made by Shen Smith, a second by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED.

Recording Secretary's Report -

Membership Applications:

1st Readings

Nitsa Traylor: 5 West Carlton Way K, Tracy CA 95376, sponsored by Sandra Holly and Susan Mallonee.

Dick and Marilyn Poole: 145 Briarwood Road, Unionville ONT Canada, L3R2X1, sponsored by Jane Schreiber and Anne Midgarden.

Joe & Maggie Michael: 22645 Loleta Ave, Corning CA 96021, sponsored by Todd & Toby Brandtman and Suzanne Deghi

Jackie Corsette: 808 Verhalen, Alvin TX 77577, sponsored by Sara Whittington and Margaret Lucia.

Adrienne Marcus: 79 Twin Oaks Ave, San Rafael CA, 94901-1915, sponsored by Dee Jones and Marcella Zobel.

Joyce Law: 1100 Harrison, Denver CO 80206, sponsored by Kim Plache and Amy Sorbie.

2nd Readings

Ralph and Marylee Jenko: 3205 Attleboro Road, Greensburg, PA 15601, sponsored by Sandra Moore and Paula Moore.

Mark and Kim Rice: 11415 Norby Rd, Kansas City MO 64137, sponsored by Cynthia Gredys and Kay McMillin

Elizabeth Bucholz: 16517 Hickory St, Omaha NE 68130, sponsored by Cynthia Gredys and Kay McMillin.

Jan Saab: 1325 Kirby Bridge Rd, Danville AL 35619, sponsored by Sandra Moore and Paula Moore.

Whitney Wright: 1331 Kirby Bridge Road, Danville AL 35619, sponsored by Sandra Moore and Paula Moore.

Rhea and Jasper Russo: 3606 Racquet Club Dr, Grand Prairie TX 75052, sponsored by Shirley McFadden and Terry Ann Doane.

A motion was made to approve these membership applications by Shen Smith, second by Maureen Bardwell. MOTION PASSED.

Reinstatement of members who paid dues after 1/1/04:

James and Lauri Anderson, Susan Aye, Kristin Boro, Randi Boysen-Carl, Patricia Brandt-Robuck, Jean Brauner (need \$5.00), Diane Brucato (need late fee), Teresa Burks (need late fee), Lesley Clifford (need \$10.00 plus late fee), Theresa Euser (need late fee), Tony Forbes & Tammy Hirstein-Forbes, Janine Gabel (need late fee), Bill Hemby, Ulla Hjerling, Carla Hofmann, Leilani Hughes, Nancy James, Sharon Johnson, Marilyn Kivela (need late fee), Cindy Klein, Dr Jack and Lind Lube, Donna Maharan, Wendy Merendini, Cathy and Ed Nasierowski (need late fee), Margie Paschall, Marina & Horace Pearce, Melissa Pearce, Margaret Picone, Mary Anne Rosenlund, Michelle and John Rowton (need late fee), Nolan and Melissa Rundquist, Alana Sisk, Kris Taylor, Tara Tobon and Robert Torquato, Dottie Trulock.

Virginia Scarbrough (submitted on time but need \$5.00).

Motion to reinstate the members that have paid their dues in full, was made by Maureen Bardwell, second by Nadine Johnson. MOTION APPROVED.

Resigned member:

Jackie Levin

Members who will be dropped March 1st for non-payment of dues:

Jane Andry, Jan & Allison Aul, Virginia Bair, Kanne Earl & Don Bowers, Majorie Bray, Helen Brettell, Paul & Sandra Cambreleng, Bob Cartabona, Susan Caulkins, Joel & Camelle Chaney, Lisa Cole, Robyn Davidson, Michael & Linda Day, Deborah Dine, Robert DiSanto, Yoriko Dixon, Nancy Dotsicas, Kalen & Karen Dumke, Jill Edmeades, Pauline Eldred, Tracy Fant, Norma Fitzgerald Scarlett, Mary Fogerty, Jennifer Frank, Jeremy and Jackie Freshwater, Harriet Grube, Virginia Gundmundson, Karen Haberkorn, Jimmy & Janet Hudson, Christine Kelsey, Cindy Klein, Jane Klorer, Joel Kmetz & Marcia Majors, Robert & Marie Koschade, Michael Koss, Bonnie Lapham, Joseph Lara, Leonard Laub & Bonnie Kohl, Susan Lewis, Paul & Jennifer Link, Susan Lundebjerg, Sherri Mangin, Lorriaine, Marchant, Lynn Marshall, Bruce & Cathy McDaniel, Mary McDonald, Laurette McKenny, Susie McNeely, Marian McNeil, Patricia Meeks, Cecill Meier & Susan Sills, Lori Metz, Deborah Meyer, Robert & Alicia Miller, Richard & June Mintchell, Joella Orr, Tonja Osborn, Genji & Kyoko Ozeki, Lawrence Parent, Shirri Peak, Lee Pryor, Mary Ann Radlinsky, Dell & Katherine Ratcliffe, Marie Rodriguez, David Russell, Michael & Vicki Savage, David & Joyce Skeldon, Howard & Karen Spey, Joyce St Germaine, Ann Stout, Fred Thompson, Rita Vesterlund, Susanna & Kristiina Voutilainen, Molly Webster, Megan Weller, Sandra Wenden & Gerald Honeck, Dan & Dale Williams.

Trophy Supported Entry requests have been approved for:

6/6/04

Lake Minnetonka KC, Waconia Minnesota
Judge: Helen Brettel, Sweeps: Virginia Jones
TSE Chairman: Marilyn Polsfuss

10/16/04

Upper Potomac Valley KC, Cumberland MD
Judge: Charles Tyson, Seeps: Ken Burton
TSE Chairman: Donna Maharan

10/17/04

Upper Potomac Valley KC, Cumberland MD
Judge: Pat Ellis, Sweeps: Kay Henderson
TSE Chairman: Donna Maharan

11/06/04

Cypress Creek KC, Houston TX
Judge: Barbara Binder, Sweeps: Katie Averill
TSE Chairman: Sandra Simmons

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 Greater Ocala Dog Club in Florida on 11/13/04 was received. Judge: Nadine Johnson, Sweeps: Caroline Coile Ph.D. TSE Chairman: Patti Widick Neale.

A motion to approve the TSE request was made by Lynn Shell, second by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED.

A motion to approve the Recording Secretary's Report was made by Kathryn Wright, a second by Chris Bradley. MOTION PASSED.

Corresponding Secretary's report – Reviewed correspondence received since the Corresponding Secretary's report was printed for the Board meeting packet. Barbara O'Neill clarified that we are no longer giving blanket approval to regional clubs for their specialties. Karen Mays indicated that she had already sent the approvals through but she can rescind them pending the receipt of the dates of their specialties and the names of the clubs officers. This information needs to be provided to us on a yearly basis. Karen Mays will approve these requests as they come in if the information is provided. Clarified that the judge approvals on 11/18 were for lure coursing, not the specialty classes. Karen Mays sent out invitations to the past presidents of BCOA to be our guests for dinner at the awards banquet at the Centennial. We compiled a list back to 1953. Karen has not been able to find an address for Dennis Jones. If anyone has kept in touch with him, please contact Karen Mays with his address. Chris Bradley asked for clarification of AKC's formation of 2004/2005 Coursing Advisory Committee; and if this was the same committee to which Karen S.C. was assigned last year. An explanation was provided that this is a new committee, and AKC has requested names of two individuals experienced in as many aspects of lure coursing as possible.

There was a motion to accept the Corresponding Secretary's report by Lynn Shell, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED.

Treasurer's report-

<u>General Accounts</u>	BCOA-CKA	\$1,978.93
	BCOA-SAV	\$10,650.91
	CDFUND-CD FUNDS	\$20,124.16
<u>Cash Accounts</u>		
	HEALTH ACCOUNT	\$6,080.56
	RESCUE ACCOUNT-BCOA Rescue	\$5,211.35
	TOTAL Bank Accounts	\$44,045.91

There was discussion regarding the Rescue Fundraisers. There was no profit from the sale of the stuffed animals. In the future, the Board will approve fund raising requests prior to implementation.

There was a motion to accept the treasurer's report by Maureen Bardwell, seconded by Nadine Johnson. MOTION PASSED.

AKC Delegate's Report-

No report was submitted. Karen Staudt-Cartabona was not able to attend the delegates meeting in December. Karen Staudt-Cartabona clarified that we can have ASFA trials at the National Specialty. Kathryn Wright asked if Karen Staudt-Cartabona had information about a potential change for AKC registration papers – new owners can change the name of the dog on the registration papers. As the AKC vote will not be until March, Karen Staudt-Cartabona will get more information for our next meeting so we recommend how the delegate should vote.

A motion to approve the verbal Delegates Report was made by Kathryn Wright, second by Chris Bradley MOTION APPROVED.

Governor Reports (see attached):

Region 1 –Nothing to add

Region 2 - Nothing to add

Region 3 –TSE request for Cypress Creek has now been approved.

Region 4 – Chris Bradley gave the Board more details regarding the rescue situation in California

Region 5 – TSE's are proposed for August 04 and January 05. There needs to be approval 6 months prior to the show so they are working to get these done timely. Irina had some questions regarding how to arrange JEC presentations in the area.

Region 6 –Nothing to add

A motion was made to approve the reports by Maureen Bardwell with a second by Karen Mays.
MOTION PASSED.

Committee Reports- (see attached)

Club Inventory and Medals – Discussion regarding the TSE posters. They are still coming crushed as they are mailed in weak USPS triangular tubes. Barbara O'Neill will talk to Tom Carroll to find out how many posters are left and what can be done to mail them in stronger round tubes. Barbara O'Neill indicated that the new TSE medals should be arriving soon.

Health Committee

Below are the requests for the Board from the Health Committee chair, with the Board responses.

- A. I need confirmation that the microchips were ordered through BCOA rescue for the Nationals chip clinic and how and when they will be delivered to the health committee.

Maureen will contact Ginger and let her know that she can order her own unless there is a specific reason that they need to be done through rescue.

- B. Request the board revisit their previous decision rejecting the request for another health survey. We cannot apply to the CHF to begin our heart research study without a more current breed survey. Barbara O'Neill contacted me with the name of an individual who had approached Maureen Bardwell about doing a breed survey. This is the same individual who I had several discussions with over the course of last year. When I approached her about doing our breed survey tabulations, she declined. As a biostatistician, she was looking for something more in the line of a research project. In order to get a significant response from our membership, the survey tabulator needs to be someone completely independent and outside our borzoi community. Request that the board approve funding for the cost to have an independent source tabulate all responses and provide us with complete statistical data charts. Please advise what the maximum approved fee for this service will be. Currently, I am unable to locate any statisticians willing to take on a project of this magnitude for under \$2000. Rlynn Shell has confirmed that she can create the online format for the survey, but we need to include the email account the data will be sent to once completed and submitted. This may reduce the statistician's fee somewhat, but I do not have a counter offer price at this time. Immediate attention to this is required if the health committee is to have hard copies of the survey available for the Nationals this year since they must include the address of where the completed forms are to be sent.

Maureen indicated there seems to be confusion regarding the willingness of the individual in Florida to tabulate the survey. At this time we have not designated what kind of research our CHF funds will be used for. A motion to do a breed specific general health survey for AKC and Canadian KC registered Borzoi in North America; to be tabulated by the individual in Florida, was made by Irina Terra, second by Lydia Pruett. MOTION APPROVED.

- C. Will projector equipment be available for the seminar speakers or do we need to rent it from the Kings Island Resort, or does the speaker need to bring it with them?

Ginger will need to contact the show chairman or facility coordinator to find out this information; this is not a Board issue.

Maureen Bardwell will be the Board liaison for the Health Committee. She will solicit the Board for suggestions for what should be included in the survey, and what parameters should be used, to forward to the Health Committee.

Ginger Jones will be the OFA liaison for BCOA and will receive reports from them.

Judges Education Committee – Kathryn Wright commented that it was a good idea to use judges that had attended JEC events for TSE sweeps assignments.

Keeping in Touch – This committee sends cards, etc to members when they are in need of BCOA support. Remind membership to contact Edna Ogata or Phyllis Brettell if you are aware of a member that may appreciate this gesture.

National Show Committee and Guidelines – less people are flying to the National. Is it still necessary to block out the dates 5/15-9/15, where the airlines have restrictions on shipping dogs when considering dates to hold the National. This question should go on the agenda for the general membership meeting.

2004 Specialty – 1700 room nights so far. Greater Twin Cities Borzoi Club, Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club and Midwest Borzoi Club have donated money to be used for hospitality. Crufts qualifying cards will be given to BOB, BOS, BOW and the 10 AOM's. AKC Gazette will be sending a photographer to the Centennial and will be doing a layout. Jennifer Beach-Buda will be coordinating this. This will probably be for their August issue. Prudence Hlatky asked about renting a golf cart for navigating the show site. Shen Smith indicated that our insurance company will no longer cover us for any vehicles. Suggested that Prudence Hlatky check with the rental company

2005 National Specialty –Lynn Shell said that ideas for the logo are due by the end of this month and will be forwarded to Barbara O'Neill. We have signed contracts with the Obedience, Junior Showmanship & Lure Coursing judges

Standardized Trophies – Barbara O'Neill followed up with Dannyquest to see if they had been given the missing/broken trophy as had been indicated by Jan Swayze. They have not heard from Jan, but Dannyquest donated a bronze trophy replacement, which is on its way to the Brandtman's. Karen Mays reported that Jan said the trophy will be given to Prudence Hlatky at the Louisville shows. Karen Staudt-Cartabona indicated that she received a check from Pat Hillyard for the repair of the Gillette trophy. She will forward the check to Shen Smith. Barbara O'Neill will find out what repairs are needed.

Junior Showmanship – Clarification that dues for junior members (that are not part of a household membership) are \$10.00.

A motion to approve the Committee Reports was made by Chris Bradley, second by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION APPROVED.

Committee Appointments –

Nominating Committee members – A motion to approve Lydia Pruett for Nominating Chair was made by Prudence Hlatky, a second from Chris Bradley. MOTION APPROVED. Committee members will be: Susan Pennington (Eastern US), Toby Brandtman (Western US).

BCOA members interested in running for a Board position for 2005 should contact a member of the Nominating Committee prior to August 1, 2004.

The Board reviewed the 2004 Committee Appointments. A complete list will be placed on the BCOA website and will be published in the Aristocrat section of the Borzoi Connection. A motion to accept the Committee Appointments was made by Maureen, a second by Prudence. MOTION APPROVED.

New Business:

Westminster Photo and script - Discussion regarding the picture and text that was submitted. Unsure if the text will be used for the TV broadcast or if it will be in print. If we want to use a different photo next year, we have plenty of time to make the change, though we are not sure if this will be an ongoing request. An email was received from Barbara Ewing regarding the use of the term "Russian Wolfhound" in the Westminster description. Lydia Pruett will respond to Barbara and let her know that we discussed her concerns.

Translation of Jim Sillers' historical material – Clarified that BCOA has not received a formal request to be involved in the translation of this material. No action needed at this point.

Breed Brochures – Should these be available for specialty clubs to reproduce as needed? Karen Mays will notify regional clubs that this brochure can be used by them for as a public relations tool. Kathy Wright has the left over brochures from the Meet the Breed. She will send some to Karen Mays to be sent to the clubs. They could also be put on the BCOA website. Shen Smith made a motion to approve the use of the brochures, a second by Irina Terra. MOTION APPROVED.

AKC Parent Club Committee – Shen Smith and Barbara O'Neill will represent the BCOA at the conference in October.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Karen Mays, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED. The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 EST.

Future Agenda Items:

Review of National Specialty Dates - General Membership meeting agenda
Constitution – Review committee's recommendations.