



Phone conference February 27, 2003 8:30PM EST

In attendance: Marilyn Polsfuss, Maureen Bardwell, Barbara O'Neill, Shen Smith, Valori Trantanella, Karen Mays, Kathryn Wright, Lydia Pruett, Prudence Hlatky, Christine Bradley, Kathleen Kapaun, Karen Staudt Cartabona

The meeting was called to order 8:36 EST

The Board expressed their thanks to K.C. Artley, outgoing Board member and welcomed Marilyn Polsfuss.

There were no additions or corrections to the 11/9/02 Board meeting minutes. A Motion to approve was made by Maureen Bardwell, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED.

Recording Secretary's Report -

Membership Applications:

1st Readings

Kerry & Joe Linert, 4933 W Craig Rd # 231, Lu Nevada 89130, sponsored by Edna Hanley & Bob Torquato, **Erich Hantsch**, 107 Kelly Dr, Peachtree City GA 30269, sponsored by Suzanne Newsom DVM & Sandra Moore, **Rebecca A. Neal**, 1610 Steele Lane , Bauxite AR 72011, sponsored by Sandra Moore & Paula Moore, **Virginia L. Bair**, 8728 Spring Lake Rd, Klamath Falls OR 97603, sponsored by Virginia Gudmundson & Robin Clifford, **Scott Doane**, 7041 NW 28th St, Ankeny IA 50021, sponsored by Chris Swilley & Cindi Gredys, **Michael McLain**, 14719 Huston St, Sherman Oaks CA 91403, sponsored by Laurie Kasowski & Nancy Nichols, **Ritva Vesterlund**, Amkroken 27, 922 75 Amsele, Sweden, sponsored by Monika Willman & Lize Edland, **Marie Rodriguez**, 1765 S Ogden Dr, Los Angeles CA 91019, sponsored by Bonnie Dalzell & Leslie Carroll.

Any correspondence regarding these applicants should be sent to the Recording Secretary.

2nd Readings

Jimmy & Janet Hudson, Teresa J. Burks, DVM, Deborah K. Meyer, Suzanne (Sunny) Grant, Stephanie Gibson-Legros.

Kathryn Wright made a motion to accept these applicants into membership, seconded by Christine Bradley. MOTION PASSED.

It was noted that applicants are missing the spot on the application to list their occupation. The way the application is formatted may be confusing. Barbara will make changes to the application to clarify it, and get the changes on the BCOA website

The following members paid their dues after 12/31/02 but prior to 3/1/03. A motion to reinstate these members was made by Valori Trantanella, seconded by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED.

Marcia Barss , Linda Barad. Sally Barron, Barbara Binder, Susan Booth, Kristen Boro, Todd & Toby Brandtman, Janet Browne, Jackie Browning, Pam Buffington, Robert Cartabona, Susan Caulkins, Joel & Camelle Chaney, Lisa Cole, Michael & Linda Day, Lize Edland, Mary Fogerty, Tony & Tammy Forbes, Jackie & Jeremy Freshwater, David Gordon, Leslie Henderson, Ulla Hjerling, Nancy Hopkins, Cherie Hunchak, Steve & Dianna Kassimatis, Dawn Kelly, Cindy Klein, Michael Koss, Joseph Lara, Donna Maharan, Susan Mallonee, Dr Richard Meen & Dr John Reeve-Newson, Anneene Miller, Drv William & Kathy Noreli, Kathleen Novotny, Phyllis Potter, Michelle & John Rowton, Pat Shaw, Alana Sisk, David & Joyce Skeldon, Barbara Skinner, Ann Stout, Carole Stuart, Susan Tintorri, Robert Torquato, John & Valori Trantanella, Marjory Whitehurst, Deborah Wilson, Marcella Zobel, Rex Allen, Jan & Allison Aul, Charles & Denise Hamilton, Bunny Kelley, Dawn Kelly, Patricia Brandt-Robuck, Kathi Lukens, Bruce & Cathy McDaniel, Joella Orr, Joyce Pualani , David Russell, Anita Squires, Robert & Barbara Scott, Beverly Taylor, Karen Their, Charles & Valerie Deneen, Mary McDonald, Diane & William Wevley, Robyn Davidson, Edward & Cathy Nasierowski, Mary Shoaf , Debra West, Mary Anne Rosenlund, Vic Harrison, Amy Sorbie, Bonnie Dalzell, Christine Kelsey, Pauline Eldred, Marjorie Bray, Susan Breaz, Joyce St Giermaine, Kanne & Don Bowers, Dr Howard & Karen Spey, Bonnie Lapham, Susie McNeely, Fred Thompson, Virginia Gundmundson, Dyane Roth, Elizabeth Tolley & David Nutting, Melissa Pearce, Michael Kurt & David White, Carol Stewart, Molly Webster, Marian McNeil, Lee Pryor, Shirri Peak, Harriett Grube, Lawrence Parent, Norma Scarlett, Carol Enz., Shirley Zindler, Pat Toy

A motion was made by Marilyn Polsfuss, and seconded by Prudence Hlatky, to institute a \$10.00 administrative fee for dues paid after 12/31 and prior to 3/1. Members can avoid the fee by paying on time. Dues received after 12/31 will not be considered to be paid if the fee is not included. The Treasurer will add this to the dues notice. MOTION PASSED.

The following people were dropped from membership for non-payment of dues:

Jessica Baker, Martin & Julie Bergen, Robert & Edna Black, Gerald & Sylvia Clark, Doreen & Gene Danyo, James Galsche, Dr Gregory Gomori & Carol Moore, Pat Grause, Olga Grovic, Lee Kemp, Pam Kilby, Susan Komsa, Debra Kourtz, Harold & Lisa Miller, Patrick Roach, Shirley & Spencer Rogers, Jane Reed, Alan & Robin Schemel, Jack Secrest, Sandra Swanson, Jan Swayze, Jack Vile, Julie Wassenaar, Michelle Weitzman, Lori Wentworth, Joy Windle

Resigned members: Kent Jones, Penny Keiffer, Paul Thompson.

Deceased members: Ray Ellis, Mary Horn, Margaret Jemison, Kitty Rogers, Lucy Garcia, Carolyn Mueller

Trophy Supported Entry requests were approved for:

Lake Minnetonka KC, Waconia Minnesota, 6/8/03

Judge Sharon Sakson, Sweeps K.C. Artley

A TSE request for the Cincinatti KC was withdrawn due to a conflict with a MBC supported show on that weekend.

A TSE request for the Canfield Ohio KC on 8/2/03 was verbally read into the minutes. The TSE chairman is Edna Hanley. Judge: John Cole, Sweeps: Anne Midgarten. A motion to approve this request was made by Prudence Hlatky, seconded by Kathryn Wright.

There was a discussion regarding the amount of TSE's in this region. Chris Bradley will review this and put this on the next meeting.

Wanted – If anyone is interested in maintaining the Coming Events section for the Borzoi Connection, please contact Shen Smith. Shen will write a letter to Dennis Williams regarding the need to have someone take over this task.

There was a motion to accept recording secretary's report by Maureen Bardwell, second by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

Corresponding Secretary's report – The change in bred by exhibitor's eligibility must be in the premium, per AKC. Our premium list is already in the mail and copies have been sent to AKC. The name of the owner has to be on the registration papers.

Ann Filetti sent in a suggestion that a book be created as a fundraiser for BCOA regarding all the influential breeders, photos, top dogs, stories of their lives etc. Karen Mays will check if she has someone in mind to put this together and request that she submit a full proposal with a budget.

Karen Miller sent a request to recognize a specific breeder at the Centennial for years of service and commitment to the breed. There was discussion regarding how we could pick out one person from the last 100 years, there have been many influential breeders over the years and we have never done this before. Karen Mays will suggest that this information be given to Karen Staudt Cartabona and Sue Vasick for the booklet they are creating for the Centennial.

Karen Mays gave a verbal list of other correspondence received since her report was submitted. There were 24 additional requests for breeder referrals. Karen looks through the membership list by state and tries to refer them. She was wondering if we should include something on the dues notice asking if members want to be contacted by prospective puppy buyers. Shen will update the dues notice to ask this question. We will continue this discussion at our face to face meeting.

Karen will send a note congratulating Linda Harbertson on the new tracking title earned by Belle, who is now Caerlin Belle Kalakirya Howff CD, JC, OAJ, NA, TD. She is the first borzoi in many years to achieve this. To our knowledge she is the first borzoi to earn the new AKC title Versatile Companion Dog, having her CD, NA and NAJ.

There was a motion to accept Corresponding Secretary's report made by Karen Staudt Cartabona, seconded by Christine Bradley. MOTION PASSED.

Treasurer's report (see attached): Shen recommended that we purchase a short term CD as that is a better interest option at 2 % for some of our funds instead of the low interest money market account. A motion was made by Lydia Pruet, seconded by Kathleen Kapaun, to put \$20,000 in a 6 month short term CD. MOTION PASSED.

There was a motion to accept treasurer's report – Kathryn Wright, seconded by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

Governor Reports (see attached):

Region 2 - Kathryn Wright indicated that the Heart of Florida Borzoi Club is now incorporated. A motion was made by Marilyn Polsfuss, seconded by Maureen Bardwell, to approve the Governor's reports. MOTION PASSED.

Shen reminded us that we "own" this conference line number and can use it if needed for committee conferences etc. Shen made a motion to budget \$2500 per year for the telephone

conference line. Board approval will be needed for conference calls. Approval by email is accepted. The motion was seconded by Chris. MOTION PASSED.

Committee Reports -

Annual Awards – In order to have time to make arrangements for the award, the deadline for submission of documentation for the annual Top Versatility Award to Karen Ackerman will be changed to January 15.

Club Inventory – The TSE guidelines were updated. Chris Bradley will write to Tom Carroll to let him know that the TSE application has been revised to include a spot for either the Trophy chair or where the BCOA medals are to be sent. Barbara is submitting these changes to be put on the BCOA website.

Judges Education – Kathleen will have a phone conference with Patti Neale to clarify some questions that were raised by the board.

Hearing Committee – The Board affirmed the committee's findings. A copy of the committee report will be sent to the Recording Secretary to be retained as a reference for the future. Chris will send a letter the protesters to let them know that their protest was sustained, Shen will return their fee.

Rescue – An Internet Auction for Florida started yesterday. Chris Bradley will attend the next hearing regarding the possible rescue situation in California

International Hospitality – This is a subcommittee of the national show committee. Communications should go to Barbara O'Neill in the future. Barbara will work with the committee to set a budget.

Lure Coursing – The board approved the request by KC Artley, that Susan Pennington be the delegate to represent BCOA at the ASFA Convention of Delegates March 29, 2003 in Atlanta. A motion was made by Christine Bradley to continue our membership in AFSA, seconded by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

National Specialty – Barbara reviewed a list of possible names for the 2004 Agility, Obedience, Coursing and Junior showmanship Judges. A Motion was made by Prudence Hlatky to approve the list that the committee chairs submitted, seconded by Karen Mays. MOTION PASSED.

Health - Ginger Jones requested blank BCOA note cards to be used for thank you cards. Karen Mays will send these to her. Dr Gary Nash will be the designated as the Nationals Seminar & Clinic chairman. Lydia will let Ginger know that the CHF will be tabled to the next meeting as there was not time on this agenda to discuss it in detail. This should still be enough time to make the 5/1/03 deadline for a decision. We also had to table the request to require clear heart checks on bitches nominated for the futurity.

ROM – We reviewed K.C.'s job description for the ROM Program. Lydia Pruett made a motion, seconded by Chris Bradley to accept the proposal as written. Chris will let K.C. know that it has been approved and can now be put on the BCOA website. Shen will create pdf files if needed.

Maureen Bardwell made a motion to approve the committee reports, seconded by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

The Board reviewed Barbara O'Neill's recommendations for the 2003 BCOA Standing Committees & Responsibilities.

A Color Committee requiring a written report was added, chairman – Valori Trantanella.

The Nominating Committee for the 2004 BCOA Board is – Shen Smith, Bill Norelli, Lorrie Scott, Ron Williams (alternate), Barbara Lord (alternate).

Christine Irujo will be the official BCOA Tabulator.

There was a motion to approve the 2003 committees by Lydia Pruett, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED.

AKC Delegate – There was a motion made by Karen Mays to recommend that the AKC delegate vote for the nominated slate for the AKC Board members, seconded by Valori Trantanella. MOTION PASSED.

Multiple Judges Opinion Survey Results –

There was a motion by Maureen Bardwell to approve the expansion of the judging panel to have multiple judges for the 2004 Centennial Specialty, seconded by Karen Staudt Cartabona. There were nine votes for, one against and two abstained. MOTION PASSED Barbara will check on the tentative availability of the next two judges in line. A decision regarding how the judging breakdown will occur will be on our next agenda.

New Business:

Centennial Artwork - We reviewed a sample of artwork that had been submitted for possible use for the Centennial. We would like to find a way of using the artwork with a few revisions.

Future of the Title medals – The current supply of medals is about gone. It will cost between \$4 and \$5 per medal to purchase more medals and mail them. BCOA currently sends out over 250 medals a year. The Board reviewed K.C. Artley's proposal to recognize the new title holders in the Borzoi Connection rather than sending out medals as this would save the club money and eliminate some of the administrative redtape. After a discussion, a motion to retain the medals for new titles was made by Prudence Hlatky and seconded by Karen Staudt Cartabona. MOTION PASSED.

Constitution – A motion was made by Prudence Hlatky and seconded by Valori Trantanella, to approve the final AKC revision. Lydia will send the final revisions to Barb who will get the new Constitutions printed. The Constitution will then be added to the BCOA website as well.

The next meeting will be a short phone conference on March 31, 2003 at 8:30 EST. Our face to face meeting will be on April 10th in Reno, in the evening (the time will depend on the final schedule of events).

A motion to adjourn was made by Karen Staudt Cartabona, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION PASSED. The meeting was adjourned at 12:36 EST.



Region 1 – Maureen Bardwell

The BCNE held their annual specialty in conjunction with the Springfield KC Show during the Thanksgiving Cluster in WSpringfield, MA in November. It was universally agreed that the show committee put on the best specialty the BCNE has ever held and plans for next year's show are already well underway. The BCDV closed its 25th anniversary year by a special Christmas party held in Decemeber. All past and present members of the Club were invited to attend the event.

Plans are now underway for the spring cluster of shows which includes the BCGNY Independent Specialty and the BCDV Specialty which are always held in early May. These two shows are always 2 of the most prestigious on the east coast and should be put on everyone's schedule. The BCNE is sponsoring its first coursing match on Memorial Day weekend, and it is planning a Supported Entry for the Yankee Classic Shows in West Springfield, MA in July. The BCCNJ continues to hold events which will complete its final AKC requirements to be able to hold its own specialty. Clearly, the Region is looking forward to a busy spring schedule.

Region 2 – Kathryn Wright

Nothing to report at this time.

Region 3 – Valori Trantanella

No report received.

Region 4 – Chris Bradley

No report received.

Region 5 – Kathleen Kapaun

No BCOA activity to report.

Region 6 – Prudence Hlatky

No report received.