



BCOA Conference Call, Tuesday March 31, 2003 8:30 PM EST

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

Absent – Karen Staudt Cartabona.

The President called the meeting was called to order at 8:36 PM EST

A motion to approve the minutes from the 2/27/03 conference call was made by Karen Mays, second by Maureen Bardwell. MOTION PASSED.

Recording Secretary - Dues that had been sent to a former Treasurer by accident were received from Jack Secrest and Pam Kilby. The dues were received prior to 3/1/03. A motion to reinstate was made by Prudence Hlatky, second by Kathryn Wright. MOTION PASSED. There was discussion regarding when an applicant becomes a member. We will discuss in Reno and will add this information to the membership application when we confirm the timeframe. A motion was made to approve the Recording Secretary's report by Karen Mays, second Chris Bradley. MOTION PASSED.

Corresponding Secretary – We received a letter from Linda Harbertson thanking us for recognizing her dog's Versatile Companion Dog award. AKC sent confirmation that this was the first time a Borzoi had received this award. Karen Mays received an invitation for BCOA to submit names for the AKC hall of fame award. We will discuss this in Reno. Karen Mays received a letter from Ann Filleti regarding her fund raising idea for the Centennial. She will write to Ann and thank her for response but we are not in a position to take on this project at this time. The AKC Delegate Parent Club committee asked for our response regarding the proposal to award 3 point majors for reserves at National Specialties. Our agreement was already submitted. Karen Mays will let them know our position. AKC is not in favor of this but the Parent Club Committee would like them to reconsider. AKC is proposing an increase to \$3.00 for recording fees. Our entry fees are currently the same or less than most other National Specialties. Richland County KC sent a check for their borzoi entry at their TSE. Request received from AKC for list of BCOA Officers. Karen Mays will send to this to AKC. A motion to approve the Corresponding Secretary's report was made by Maureen Bardwell, seconded by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

Treasurer's Report – A 6 month term CD with 1.7% interest was purchased for \$20,000. \$7584.03 should be added to balance of Shen Smith's report as that is the balance in the account K.C. Artley still has open until all checks have cleared. Shen received a \$250.00 check from the MBC for donation to osteosarcoma research. A motion to accept Treasurer's report was made by Prudence Hlatky, second by Kathryn Wright. MOTION PASSED.

Governor reports: Region 4 – Chris Bradley will be attending the Board of Supervisors meeting regarding the Lockrem hearing. Region 5 – Kathleen Kapaun reported that 3 people from the region requested information for hosting the national in 2006. Barbara O'Neill sent them the National site

guidelines and worksheet. A motion to approve the Governors reports was made by Karen Mays, a second by Lydia Pruett. MOTION PASSED.

Committee reports –

Annual awards – Barbara O'Neill will check with Nancy Reimer to see how the awards are getting to Reno.

Aristocrat – The 2003 Standing Committees list will be in the next issue.

Education – Jennifer Beach-Buda has tentative plans for a breeder panel discussion for 2004.

Club Inventory – Barbara O'Neill ordered medals and they are to be shipped to Tom Carroll.

Judges Education – Kathleen Kapaun received a letter from Patti Neale indicating that 10 judges will be attending the judges' education in Reno. Patti indicated that she needs help getting the approved mentors to participate with the judges' education during the National. We should look at the mentor application again and see if it needs to be revised so that we can recruit more mentors. Kathleen Kapaun, Marilyn Polsfuss, Kathryn Wright and Patti and will review the guidelines and make recommendations for changes. The forms should be added to the BCOA website when updated. There was discussion regarding how to get releases for permission to use photos of dogs used in the JEC presentation.

National Specialty – Barbara O'Neill reported on the last minute details for Reno Barbara will be going to Cincinnati on 4/18/03 and will meet with local members to do a site visit of the hotel for the Centennial Specialty, and talk to the caterers etc. Prudence Hlatky reported that the Rottweiler Specialty is going to be 2 weeks earlier than the Centennial, not 1 week as we thought. This will give the grounds some time to recover.

Futurity – Barbara Yoon and Cynthia Gredys have accepted the ring stewarding assignment for the Futurity. Rhanda Glenn has purchased the trophies and will send them to Kathleen Kapaun.

Standardized Trophies – We still do not have the three perpetual bronze trophies (The David Breaz, the Rancho Gabriel and the Triathlon) from the Atlanta Specialty. Karen Mays will call Jan Swayze to see if she can pick them up and have them sent to Reno.

A motion to approve the committee reports was made by Prudence Hlatky, second by Chris Bradley. MOTION PASSED.

AKC or ASFA Lure Trial for the Centennial - We will continue to have an ASFA trial at the Centennial and we will hold AKC JC tests. It is too hard on the dogs and there is not enough time available to hold both AKC and ASFA trials. A motion to approve was made by Chris Bradley, second by Lydia Pruett. MOTION PASSED.

Judging breakdown for 2004 – Barbara O'Neill contacted both second and third place judges, Jim Heard and Kent Delaney. They are both available. Lydia Pruett will send a letter to Gerda Kennedy stating that as the number one vote getter she has her choice of judging BOB, dogs or bitches. The 2nd place judge will get second choice and the 3rd place judge will be assigned the remaining sex to judge. The non-regular classes will be divided between the judges. Prudence Hlatky will have a flyer created to hand out at Reno.

Color Committee – Valori Trantanella reported that the committee met and has come up with a preliminary proposal regarding colors and markings for AKC registrations. They would like to run it by the membership at the annual meeting for feedback.

Fund raiser for 2004 Centennial – Reviewed a proposal that had been received. The Board has declined the offer and our thanks go to the artist for her time and to Sharon Robinson for doing the research.

New Business –

Prudence Hlatky indicated that we are almost out of the Growing Borzoi mugs and would like to order more to have on hand for fund raisers. Barbara O'Neill will contact Barbara Yoon and ask her to order more.

Alice Reese sent Barbara O'Neill the first draft of the AKC Borzoi flyer to be included with registration papers when they are mailed out. Barbara will bring it to Reno for our comments.

Valori Trantanella made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM EST.

Reno board meeting will be on Thursday, April 10th at 3:30 in the Coral Reef Room.

Agenda Items –

- Clarification of Judges Contracts
- Site Proposal for 2005 National Specialty
- TSE's in Region 6
- Review draft of AKC flyer
- Health Committee – CHF Contributions
- Health Clearances for Futurity Nominations
- Centennial Booklet
- Standing Rules – how do we record them?
- Membership application – official date someone becomes a member, review and update application for membership and code of ethics.
- Update dues notice with question regarding contact for puppy referrals and membership categories approved in the new constitution.
- BCOA ad in Dog Fancy and/or another multi breed publication.

**BCOA Board Meeting
April 10, 2003 Reno, Nevada 4:25 PM**

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

The meeting of March 31, 2003 was reconvened at 4:25 PM.

The Board discussed a presentation by Joe Rogers for holding the National Specialty in Mesquite Texas in April, 2005. Kathryn Wright made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED.

Recording Secretary's Report -

Membership Applications:

1st Reading

Mickey Cinollo, PO Box 154, Geyserville, CA 95441, sponsored by Chris Bradley & Suzanne Deghi. Any correspondence regarding this applicant should be sent to the Recording Secretary.

An application for a BCOA Trophy Supported Entry was received from Jane Schreiber, for the Middleburg Kennel Club in Leesburg, VA on 10/24/03. The judge is Jay Cunningham, sweeps judge is Rebecca Peters Campbell. Valori Trantanella made a motion to approve this TSE, seconded by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED.

A letter was received regarding the membership application procedure. After reviewing the Constitution, it was reaffirmed that a 2/3 majority vote is necessary to elect a member. A motion was made by Kathryn Wright, that when an applicant is sponsored by a Board members, the sponsoring Board member shall reclude themselves from the vote for approval. Approval will be 2/3's of the eligible Board members. The motion was seconded by Lydia Pruet. MOTION PASSED.

Corresponding Secretary's report:

Karen Mays received a request from the Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club to hold a specialty in Denver, Colorado on 9/1/03. The judge will be Gwen Post, sweeps judge will be Rebecca Peters Campbell. We received an invitation from AKC to participate in the AKC Invitational on 12/3/03 in Long Beach, California. They requested that we participate with a Meet the Breed Booth, sponsor 3 medallions at the cost of \$75.00 each and place a full page ad in the catalog at a cost of \$150.00. Karen Mays will request a second catalog for our archives. Karen Staudt Cartabona made a motion to approve the catalog ad and 3 medallions, seconded by Prudence Hlatky. MOTION APPROVED. Maureen made a motion to approve \$150.00 to meet the expenses of the Meet the Breed booth. Valori Trantanella seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. Chris Bradley will chair the Meet the Breed event.

Color Committee:

Patti Neale and Valori Trantanella submitted the recommendations of the Color Committee to the Board. Prudence Hlatky made a motion, seconded by Marilyn Polsfuss, to approve the committee's recommendations. MOTION PASSED. The committee will present this at the annual membership meeting.

Judges Education Committee:

The Judges Education presentation has been converted to Power Point. There has been little response from the membership to the request for new photos for the presentation. Patti purchased a projector for \$2500. Renting a projector for use at the health seminar was \$400. This projector will be able to be used at Nationals or JEC events. Shen Smith will need to contact our insurance company to get a rider for this equipment.

2004 Futurity:

Barbara reported that there are 21 litter nominations to forward to the 2004 Futurity, 17 new Bitch nominations and 10 new litter nominations.

Health Committee:

The Board reviewed the BCOA Health Committee chairman's recommendation to sponsor CHF Grant 2629 for Clinical and Immunological Outcomes in Dogs with Osteosarcoma Treated with Intratumoral Interleukin-Microspheres. . Marilyn made a motion to contribute \$6000 over a 2 year period. The motion was seconded by Valori Trantanella. MOTION PASSED.

The Board reviewed the proposal submitted by Ginger Jones to require OFA Heart Certification for the stud dog and brood bitch in futurity nominations. Karen Staudt Cartabona made a motion to deny

the health committees' proposal as health testing should not be a requirement for entering events at the National. The motion was seconded by Kathryn Wright. MOTION PASSED.

Membership Application:

A subcommittee was formed to review the Code of Ethics and membership application. Kathryn Wright, Maureen Bardwell and Kathleen Kapaun will submit a draft of their recommendations to the Board for the August meeting. Barbara O'Neill will email the Board with an explanation for the 45 day pending after the 2nd reading, so that the subcommittee can include it on the application.

Centennial Booklet:

It was clarified that this booklet should be about the history of BCOA, not the history of Borzoi. The history of Borzoi is a separate project that should be done later, as a hardcover. Funds from the Centennial booklet can go towards the hardcover history.

Ad in Dog Fancy:

A motion was made by Marilyn Polsfuss and seconded by Prudence Hlatky, that we place an informational ad in Dog Fancy that includes the BCOA website address and Karen Mays as a contact for breeder referrals. MOTION PASSED. Karen will research the cost and email the Board with recommendations.

Marilyn Polsfuss will put together a recommendation for breeder referral information for the BCOA website. She will email the Board with her proposal. Barbara O'Neill will photocopy Alice Reese's draft of the informational leaflet for inclusion with AKC registrations, and send it to the Board for feedback.

National Specialty Judging Criteria:

A motion was made by Prudence Hlatky, and seconded by Kathleen Kapaun, to restrict judging of borzoi for one year prior to the National, to be effective in 2005. MOTION PASSED. The judges contract will be amended to add the wording "The assignment will be withdrawn in the event you are unable to meet the terms of this contract".

Dues Notices:

Shen will need to update the dues notices to include the information regarding the late fee, the new membership categories and if the member would like to be contacted for puppy referrals.

Centennial:

Barbara passed around the artwork for use for the Centennial. The official logo will be the Double Eagle and the BCOA logo.

President's Awards:

A motion was made by Lydia Pruett, seconded by Valori Trantanella, to have "In Appreciation" cloisonné pins made that can be awarded by the President (in addition to certificates) at the annual membership meeting, as appropriate. MOTION PASSED.

It was suggested that a volunteer page be added to the Aristocrat section of the BC. Photos of the volunteers could be included.

A motion was made by Prudence Hlatky to adjourn the meeting, second by Marilyn Polsfuss. MOTION PASSED. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

