



Board Meeting Phone Conference, August 18, 2005

In attendance: Barbara O'Neill, Jim Gibson, Maureen Bardwell, Lydia Pruett, Shen Smith, Karen Staudt-Cartabona, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock, Irina Terra, Karen Mays and Kathleen Kapaun. A quorum was established.

Absent: Cynthia Gredys, Chris Bradley

President Barbara O'Neill called the meeting to order at 8:34 EST.

There were no additions or corrections to the 4/24/05 minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Maureen Bardwell with a second by Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED.

Recording Secretary's Report -

Membership Applications:

1st Readings

Sharon Ward: 804 Auburndale, Mansfield TX 76063, sponsored by Sandra Moore and Paula Moore.

Lorraine Harvey: Broxton Lodge, Bolesworth Hill Road, Broxton, Cheshire, CH3 9HN

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

2nd Readings

Lisa Durand: 5395 Hwy 93 S, Whitefish MT 59937, sponsored by Shirley McFadden and Pat Murphy.

Carol Backers: 7765 Kellogg Rd NW, Alden MI 49612, sponsored by Shen Smith and Mary Childs.

Dawn and Jeff Hall and Shannon Myers: 900 S East St, Weeping Water NE 68463, sponsored by Cindi Gredys and Chris Swilley.

Linda Beisswenger: 5370 Valley View Lane, St Louis MO 63128, sponsored by Kris Woddail and Pat Shaw.

Dr Kevin Shimel, DVM: 300 Monroe St #3, Hoboken NJ 07030, sponsored by Barbara Skinner and Dr Fred Edlin, MD.

Therese and John Healy: 310 Hill Road, Honey Brook PA 19344, sponsored by Jennifer Zucker and Karen Staudt-Cartabona.

Colleen Allen: 3306 Ben Hill St, Marietta GA 30008, sponsored by Katie Averill and Carol Kubiak-Zamora.

William Aaron Rowlette: 517 Columbian Ave, Columbus OH 43223, sponsored by Mary Childs and Dora McDonald.

As no correspondence was received regarding these applicants having their second reading, a motion to approve was made by Kathleen Kapaun, with a second by Irina Terra. MOTION PASSED.

Deceased members:

Dick Reese, Beverly Taylor, Dr Asa Mays

Trophy Supported Entry requests have been approved for:

10/23/05 The Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore, Pleasanton CA

Judge: Malcolm Fellows, Sweeps: Lynda Gillaspey.

Contact: Toby Brandtman

11/19/05 The Greater Ocala Dog Club, Ocala Florida.

Judge: Ron Spritzer, Sweep: Roy Silguero

Contact: Patti Neale

12/17/05 Richland County KC, Ashland Ohio

Judge: David Hyman, Sweeps judge: Lynne Bennett.

Contact: Joyce Katona

*Information regarding these Trophy Supported Entries were sent to Margie Milne (Borzoi Connection website), Kathleen Kapaun (Borzoi Connection magazine) and to Chris Bradley (BCOA Medals Chairman).

A motion to approve the Recording Secretary's report was made by R. Lynn Shell-Whitlock, with a second by Maureen Bardwell. MOTION PASSED.

Corresponding Secretary's report (see attached)

In addition to attached

Received request from Ann Filletti to have spay and neuter classes at the specialty.

We received our ballot from the AKC for the Lifetime Achievement Award. We will vote for:

Conformation – Dr Harry Smith

Companion events – we had no knowledge of any nominees so will not vote for this category.

Performance – Marshall Simon

There was a motion to vote as indicated by Karen Mays, with a second Kathleen Kapaun. MOTION PASSED

AKC is sponsoring a photographic celebration of the dog. Submit unframed original photos in color or black and white, by 12/1/05. The photos will be on display at dog museum in St Louis.

Contact from Bill Secord asking to exchange links from his website to all Breed clubs. We do not participate in link exchanges with commercial endeavors.

Received request from a new magazine, Performance Sighthound Journal. They are asking that we let our members know about this journal in exchange for discount on subscriptions. We will suggest that they put an ad in the Borzoi Connection.

Karen Mays asked if we are going to participate in the Eukanuba Challenge Meet the Breed booth again. Karen Mays will contact Tammy Forbes to see if the Florida group would be willing to do this again. We would like to pay their expenses and buy their lunch to thank them for their help. The Board approved sponsoring medallions and the BCOA catalog ad as we have done in the past.

Karen Mays asked Shen Smith to check to see if we sent AKC a check for payment to include the breed pamphlets in the registration packets. Need to determine when this might have been sent as Shen does not have the records from when K.C. Artley was Treasurer.

Barbara O'Neill asked if there was anything we could do to get the Crufts certificates in time for the National. Karen Mays stated that AKC did not receive them until the end of April so that is why they were not available this year.

Barbara O'Neill asked if Karen Mays received anything regarding the AKC Junior Showmanship scholarship for the 2005-6 academic years which was awarded to Wyatt Delfino. Karen Mays will send a card to Wyatt congratulating him.

Barbara O'Neill received an email from Borzoi Club of New England regarding a request for a date change for their specialty and wondering if there are any conflicts in their region. They would like to hold their specialty on 9/16-17. There does not appear to be a conflict. Maureen Bardwell will contact Karen Miller to see if they will check with the Borzoi Club of Greater New York and Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey to see if they have any objections to having another specialty so close to theirs.

A motion to approve the Corresponding Secretary's report was made by Lydia Pruet, with a second by Jim Gibson. MOTION PASSED.

Treasurer's report (see attached)

In addition to attached report:

We received a thank you note from the AKC health foundation for our pledge of \$2500 for the Osteosarcoma Grant.

Our accountant did not get the paperwork to the IRS until 4/12/05 even though we had our paperwork to him in January. We should be able to ask for our deposit back as he has not done anything except file our paperwork. We will have to pay higher taxes as paperwork was not filed timely. We have had to file extensions and now will have to file by September 15th. We will need to find a new CPA to handle our taxes. Kathleen Kapaun suggested that we

contact Jackie Browning for next year. We are not able to use the BCOA website for specialty sales in the meantime. Shen feels that we are healthy overall despite the higher taxes.

There was concern that the health clinics at National are not meeting the minimum required so we had to pay for slots that were not used. Is there something we can do about this?

Barbara O'Neill will send Lydia Pruett a corrected specialty expenses printout to send to the membership

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Kathleen Kapaun, with a second by R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock. MOTION PASSED.

AKC Delegate's Report

Karen Staudt-Cartabona was not able to attend the last delegate meeting in Chicago. She hopes to attend the September meeting.

A motion to approve the delegates report was made by Karen Mays, with a second by Jim Gibson. MOTION PASSED.

Governor Reports (see attached):

Region 1 – Borzoi Club of Greater New York is holding their specialty in October.

Region 2 - Nothing to add

Region 3 – Nothing to add

Region 4 – Nothing to add

Region 5 – Nothing to add

Region 6 – Nothing to add

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

Committee Reports- (see attached)

Annual Versatility Awards and Versatility Hall of Fame

A motion was made by Karen Staudt-Cartabona to approve Karen Ackerman's request to add Rally Obedience, with a second by Jim Gibson. MOTION PASSED

Aristocrat

Committee chair updates are not making it into the BC. Maureen Bardwell will make sure they get changed timely.

Health Committee

Below are the Board's responses to the Committee chairs requests.

A. b. Dinner seminar – there is no affordable dinner menu that can be added to the cost of a seminar. There is not a hospitality area that can be used to order pizza. Barbara O'Neill is faxing menus so that Ginger can plan a reception of some sorts instead. The Board would like to suggest that the speaker be informed that the presentation should not be too academic or dry. Karen Staudt-Cartabona suggested that the meal not be tied to the seminar as people do not want to wait until after the seminar to eat. She suggested that we offer cookies and drinks or something like that instead.

B. Maureen Bardwell made a motion to approve Ginger's proposal. There was a second by R. Lynn Shell-Whitlock. MOTION PASSED.

C. This study does not seem to be relevant at this point for Borzoi. At this point we would like to concentrate on health issues that are more pressing for the breed. Maureen Bardwell will let Ginger Jones know our decision.

D. Maureen Bardwell will check with Ginger Jones to see what kind of help she is looking for. Barbara O'Neill will send email to the membership if Ginger wants assistance.

E. We no longer need a release if the survey form from Dr Sue McGorray is not going to be used.

F. We would like clarification on this item. We did not think that the heart fund was ready to start research. Maureen Bardwell will ask Ginger Jones for clarification.

Maureen Bardwell will attend the Canine Health Conference as our Board representative.

2007 National Specialty

The dates are last week in April. There are additional costs for tenting, chairs, tables etc for outdoors. Futurity and obedience will be indoors. Lydia Pruett will send out the judges contracts now that the hotel contract has been signed.

Standardized Trophies – tabled to next meeting as Chris Bradley was not able to attend the meeting.

Trophy Supported Entries

Jim Gibson would like to put together a questionnaire, list the issues, options to help identify the issues. Regional Governors could poll their members. We would like the regional Governor's involvement. They should hold regional meetings in conjunction with TSEs to establish a BCOA presence. Does the TSE chairman do something extra to make the event special, other than just providing the BCOA medallions? Is ringside hospitality available; are there trophies other than the medallions?

2005 Yearbook

The profit was less than expected due to price break for member's ads. There were not a lot of ads from non-members.

National show committee

Barbara O'Neill indicated that It was very difficult to handle the member, non member discounts on the one-stop shopping form. Barbara O'Neill will bring this issue back to the board in the future.

Archives and photo project

Shen Smith reported that she received 40 CD's with all of the specialty photos on them. We have all the years on disk, they look wonderful. We need marked catalogs for the different years to make a list of the winners to go along with the CD's if we are going to make them into DVD's and sell them. Looking for a volunteer to do the research and type the lists! Maureen Bardwell will check with Barbara Yoon to see what years she has marked catalogs. What should we do with the hardcopies of the photos? Should all archives go to a climate controlled storage facility? Shen will put photos in a storage locker. Shen would like 3 additional sets made to ensure that we have a backup. The cost of replication is not known. Barbara O'Neill will check with the videographer that we used for the National to see what he would charge.

HELP WANTED!!

BCOA is looking for a volunteer to research marked catalogs in order to identify past Specialty winners. Please contact Shen Smith if you are interested in helping with this historic project.

ROM

Karen Staudt-Cartabona needs to communicate with Barbara Ewing regarding what needs to be done to verify the titles. The Board has already determined that someone needs to apply for the dog, but the champion books may be used for verification.

A motion to approve the new Sires and Dams as submitted by Barbara Ewing was made by Lydia Pruett, with a second by Irina Terra. MOTION PASSED.

Lure Coursing

R. Lynn Shell-Whitlock indicated that the ASFA and AKC Stats were sent to BC for publication.

A motion to approve the Committee Reports was made by Shen Smith, with a second by Karen Mays. MOTION PASSED.

Unfinished Business

Challenge Trophy Criteria tabled

Junior Showmanship Scholarship Fund tabled

Constitution & By-Laws Revision

Barbara O'Neill thought that most of the issues are clarifications, punctuation, spelling, wording changes or corrections (the intent has not been changed) so they will not need to be sent to the membership for a vote (per AKC). We will review each section at a time via email and identify issues that will need to go the membership for a vote. This will be continued to the next meeting if a vote is needed.

New Business

PAWS – Pet Animal Welfare Statute is coming to legislation.

AKC is in favor. A motion was made by Karen Staudt-Cartabona, that President Barbara O'Neill send a message to the BCOA membership indicating that BCOA Board does not support this. Individuals against this could write personal letters to their congressman. A second was made by Maureen Bardwell. MOTION PASSED.

R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock indicated that she received a note indicating that the AKC Gazette recently had a hound issue and the person was wondering why there was no borzoi representation in the magazine. Barbara O'Neill will check with Jennifer Beach-Buda to see what happened.

R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock received a note asking that only one of the lure coursing events at the 2006 National be used for the triathlon scoring. The person was concerned that if people can choose between AKC and ASFA, there will not be continuity in how competitors are scored. Lynn will check into it and give us an update for the next meeting.

Lydia Pruettt will send the membership list excel file to Maureen in January so that Maureen can make any changes needed to the BCOA email list that she is maintaining.

We will not have a face to face meeting in November due to too many conflicts by Board members. We will have a phone conference on November 9th instead and have a face to face in January or February. Barbara O'Neill will email the Board for input on the location.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Karen Mays, with a second by Jim Gibson. MOTION PASSED. The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 PM EST