



BCOA Board Meeting via conference call
May 6, 2010

Meeting was called to order by president Pruet at 8:04PM EDT. Present were Lydia Pruet, Kelly Brunarski, Karen Mays, Jan Leikam, K C Artley, Barbara O'Neill, Ron Williams, Jane Schreiber, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock, Lorrie Scott, Robin Riel and Joyce Katona. Quorum was established.

Minutes of the last meeting

Jan Leikam corrected the minutes of the last meeting to include the first reading for membership of Amy & Don Sikula.

Karen Mays moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as corrected, Robin Riel second, Minutes approved.

Recording Secretary – Jan Leikam

Kudos are in order to Barbara Lord for her proactive encouragement of all Juniors showing Borzois in the past year to join BCOA as a Junior Member. Her effort has resulted in three candidates whose applications are presented at this meeting.

A second sponsor is needed to complete the application of Michelle Copeland. Jane Schreiber will contact Ms. Copeland and Ron Williams will contact co-sponsor Kevin Schimmel in order to obtain the necessary paperwork prior to our face-to-face meeting May 17, 2010 in Ft. Mitchell, KY.

Shirley McFadden has applied as an approved mentor and meets the published criteria. Barbara O'Neill moved to approve, KC Artley seconded. All approved with the exception of Robin Riel.

Jane Schreiber moved to approve the Recording Secretary's report, Joyce Katona second, report approved.

Corresponding Secretary – Karen Mays

AKC has been contacted with BCOA's position re: Deaf Dogs in Obedience. We have received a request for funding from the Dog Judges Educational Foundation, however the consensus of the Board is to financially support BCOA judges education program. It was noted that we have one aspiring judge signed up for the seminar at this National.

Approval has been sent to AKC for the second Specialty of Puget Sound Borzoi Club, Saturday August 28, 2010.

Ariel Duncan was nominated for the Lifetime Achievement Award from AKC in all three areas – Conformation, Obedience and Performance – based on her extensive participation in all aspects of the sport. Barbara O'Neill moved to approve, Ron Williams second, Nomination was approved for submittal to AKC.

Joyce Katona moved to accept the Corresponding Secretary report, Robin Riel seconded, report approved.

Treasurer's Report – KC Artley

Karen Mays moved to accept the Treasurer's report, Barbara O'Neill seconded, report accepted.

AKC Delegate – Barbara O'Neill

At the March Delegate meeting, the three Board positions up for election went to the incumbents. The AKC Board has postponed the question of Group realignment.

Barbara O'Neill attended both the Health Committee and Parent Club Committee meetings and submitted Janis McFerrin's request to add CHIC numbers to the list of titles for each dog.

R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock moved to approve the Delegate's report, Jane Schreiber seconded, report approved.

Regional Governors

Region 2 – TSE application received from Steve Sims for Decatur Kennel Club, Nov 13, 2010. Sweeps judge will be Ms. Sheila Smith who is also our lone Judges Education Seminar attendee this National. TSE approved.

Region 3 – R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock will send her report to the Recording Secretary via email.

Barbara O'Neill moved to approve the Regional Governors reports, Kelly Brunarski seconded, motion passed.

BTRC budget

The entire 2009 amount to be distributed in 2010 was split 75% to NBRF; 25% to Northern California rescue. This equaled \$8108.65 to BRNC and \$24325.98 to NBRF. This approach is a policy change in distribution; Jan Leikam moved to approve this change, KC Artley seconded. Change approved.

Jan Leikam moved to approve this distribution, Robin Riel seconded, motion passed.

Medals – Chris Danker

All Championship medals are current.

Health Committee – Ginger Jones

Report presentation and discussion is postponed until the face-to-face meeting May 17, 2010.

2010 National Specialty

Jane Schreiber is putting together a 'welcome committee' packet including 'Welcome' pins for each Board member in an effort to make our show more friendly to new exhibitors and spectators. It was noted that Jane should have been listed as "Welcome Committee Chair" in the premium.

Joyce Katona has found a local source for ring equipment. This was quoted as \$250-\$300 plus delivery of \$60.

Barbara O'Neill will present a proposal at the face-to-face meeting to purchase permanent ring equipment.

Barbara O'Neill has also set up an account with Fedex to pick up and deliver packages to/from the show site and her home.

2011 National Specialty

Barbara O'Neill reports that all is on track. Cindi Gredys requests \$2500 to front the expenses for the calendar fund raiser. Jan Leikam moved to approve this amount, with BCOA to be repaid first from the proceeds, Joyce Katona seconded, request approved.

2012 National Specialty

Proposal will be presented at the May 17 face-to-face meeting.

2013 National Specialty

This is slated for Region 1 and we are all delighted that Ron Williams is already working on this.

The face-to-face meeting will be Monday, May 17, 3PM in the Bedford room.

Robin Riel is unable to attend and R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock may be late. Lydia Pruett encouraged each Board member to assist in some way at this National.

ROM – Barbara Ewing

Barbara O'Neill moved to approve the Sires and Dams as reported by Ms. Ewing. KC Artley seconded. ROM's approved.

Challenge Trophies – Kelly Brunarski is having the award plates engraved in time for this year's National. The Region 3 members are transporting the trophies to next year's site. This will relieve the Trophy Chair from shipping costs.

Junior Showmanship – Barbara Lord

Barbara Lord requests that the Juniors be listed in a separate section of the Membership Booklet. Kelly Brunarski so moved, Robin Riel seconded, Motion passed.

The consensus of the Board was to sell the **2010 Yearbook** for \$50 plus shipping. Joyce Katona moved to approve this pricing, Robin Riel seconded, price approved.

Adjourn 9:29PM EDT

President Pruett reconvened the Board meeting at 3:11PM at the Drawbridge Inn, Monday May 17, 2010

Present were: Lydia Pruett, Kelly Brunarski, Karen Mays, Jan Leikam, KC Artley, Barbara O'Neill, Ron Williams, Jane Schreiber, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock, Lorrie Scott and Joyce Katona. Absent: Robin Riel
Quorum established.

Committee Reports

Health Committee – Ginger Jones

Ms Jones has requested an additional fee of \$1/entry to fund the Health clinics and educational seminars at the National Specialty. It was decided to not do this at this time, but to request that speaker/clinic presenter fees be negotiated more sharply and the attendee fee for the seminars be increased. Barbara O'Neill indicated that she will check her records and let Ms. Jones know whether or not the speaker fee from last year had been donated to CHF Donor Advised Fund.

The Health Committee is always welcome to host a Silent Auction with all proceeds to that cause with BCOA donating a table at the National Specialty for that purpose. The Health Committee is encouraged to coordinate with the BCOA regular auction so that the two offerings are not competing. Items donated with 50% Health, 50% BCOA proceeds are also welcome.

Per Ginger Jones's request the following monetary Health awards were adopted in memory of Dr. Asa Mays in addition to all other trophies and awards.

CHIC Awards

BOB will be awarded \$200 if that dog has a current CHIC number

Triathlon Winner will be awarded \$200 if that dog has a current CHIC number

Best in Futurity \$200 to winner if both sire & dam have a CHIC number

Best in Sweepstakes (Puppy) \$200 to winner if both sire & dam have a CHIC number

K.C.Artley moved to approve these awards, Ron Williams seconded, motion approved.

TSE

Region 2 currently has two TSE on the same day although approximately 6 hours apart. Jane Schreiber moved to disallow two TSE in same region on the same day, Jan Leikam 2nd, motion passed. Jane Schreiber also emphasized that the Regional Governor's approval of all TSE be required in an effort to avoid this situation in the future. Lydia Pruett will revise the TSE forms and present them to the Board for comment at the August board meeting.

WAYS AND MEANS

Barbara O'Neill reported she is working on the patch to be sold to our membership.

Jane Schreiber reported on the oversized wall photo project.

It was suggested that we have a blanket/tapestry art contest with entries from the general membership and prize for chosen design to be determined. Barbara O'Neill will head this project.

TRIATHLON

The Triathlon committee feels that adding an 'altered' class to the National judging schedule will increase not only the entry in general but also allow more entrants in the Triathlon competition. This additional Altered Class will be open to all Borzoi not just the Triathlon competitors and will encourage all those exhibitors who have a young animal who has been spayed or neutered to exhibit their dog and join in the National. This class will be intersex competition and will be judged by the Regular Class judge as any other class with placements 1-4 being awarded on the merit of the individual dog. There will be no further competition for the winner of this class

R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock moved to approve these recommendations regarding altered classes, Barbara O'Neill seconded, motion passed. Additionally it was decided to offer Rosettes and a cloisonné medallion for the placements.

"All Borzoi, including spayed bitches and neutered males, entered in the Triathlon, must enter a conformation class, a veteran conformation class or the altered conformation class"

Additionally, it was decided to review these rules each year following the completion of the Triathlon competition to determine any adjustments.

ON-LINE ADS

R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock will put the form for the introductory ads on the BCOA website by June 15th. These will be released Labor Day weekend with the following pricing:

\$75/year	Breeder	Full page
\$45/6-month	Litter Announcement	1/3 page
\$45/6-month	Stud Dog	1/3 page

There will be a link on the BCOA Home Page to these sites.

NEW BUSINESS

RESCUE – Dee Jones

Mrs. Jones requests we implement a 'Memorial' page on the BCOA website at the rate of \$40/year for members to honor dogs that have passed away. The proceeds from this activity will be split 50/50 between BCOA Rescue Fund and the BCOA General Fund.

Jane Schreiber moved to approve, Jan Leikam Seconded, motion approved.

AKC SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Jan Leikam nominated Barbara O'Neill to receive this award. Kelly Brunarski seconded. Motion passed. Barbara O'Neill reported that Barbara Yoon has shipped a number of old BCOA items to her including a supply of the 2004 Centennial Medallions. It was decided to address the disposition of these items at the August meeting.

AKC will again hold a Meet the Breed event in New York City and will publish a companion booklet for this event with pictures of all the breeds. BCOA has received a request for a candid photo of one adult and one puppy to be included. Photos are due back to AKC by May 28. The Board decided to have Patti Neale pick the photos to submit giving priority to the photos that are currently being used in our judge's education seminars. Lydia Pruett will speak to Patti regarding this program.

NOVEMBER Face-to-face meeting will be Saturday, November 6, 2010. Location is still to be determined.

2012 NATIONAL

Barbara O'Neill presented the proposal for the 2012 National Specialty at the Red Lion Hotel, Richland, WA. Facility Co-ordinator will be Robin Riel. KC Artley moved to accept this proposal, Jan Leikam seconded, motion approved.

Barbara O'Neill moved to adjourn, Joyce Katona seconded, meeting adjourned at 5:28PM