



### **Minutes of the Feb 17, 2011 Board**

Present were:

Lydia Pruett  
Kelly Brunarski  
Karen Mays  
Jan Leikam  
Barbara O'Neill  
Ron Williams  
Jane Schreiber  
R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock  
Joyce Katona  
Lorrie Scott  
KC Artley

Robin Riel joined the meeting in progress at 9PM, EST

Quorum established. President Pruett called the meeting to order at 8:38 PM EST.

#### **Membership Applications**

Additions and corrections to the November 6, 2010 meeting were made adding Juliet and Dale Rigtrup, Jamie Lynn Bobrowski & Karla Smith, DVM as 1<sup>st</sup> reading of membership application. KC Artley moved to approve the corrected November 2010 minutes, Karen Mays seconded, minutes approved.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading for:

Ralph Jamison, 214 E Evesham RD, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 sponsored by Angela San Paolo and Joy Windle

Linda Harbertson, 150 Orchard Heights Lane, Corralitos CA 95076, sponsored by Marcella Zobel and June Mintchell

2<sup>nd</sup> reading for:

Jamie Bobrowski, Juliet and Dale Rigtrup, Karla Smith and Gwen Little.

KC Artley moved to approve these new members, Kelly Brunarski seconded, memberships approved.

As we do not have a second sponsor form for Barbara Simpson we are unable to proceed with her application at this time

#### **Members dropped March 1 for non-payment of dues:**

Edward & Linda Bourne, Mickey Cinollo, Diane Davis, Wendy Francis, Chris Halverson, Patricia Horne, Vanessa Johnson, Diana Kass, Tomomi Kikawa, Nancy Nichols & Carl Reinhart, Kerry Pettit, Margaret Picone, Tammy Smith (resigned), Kay Sneath, Suzanna Holmberg & Stefan Soderberg, Karen Thier, Nitsa Trayler and Sharon Ward.

#### **Mentor Applications**

Barbara O'Neill moved to approve the applications for Sandra Simmons-Gamble, Jennifer Steele and Fred Vogel, Jan Leikam seconded, applications approved.

Jan Leikam will send an updated Mentor contact list to R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock for the BCOA website.

Karen Mays moved to approve the Recording Secretary's report, Barbara O'Neill seconded, motion passed.

#### **Corresponding Secretary – Karen Mays**

Additional applications for Specialties were received from:  
PSBC for August 26, 2011, Sweeps Yvonne McGhee, Regular classes Helen Brettell  
PSBC for August 27, 2011, Sweeps Priscilla White-Linaker, Regular classes Jon Steele  
RMBC for September 5, 2011, Sweeps Veni Harlan, Regular Classes Kent Delaney

Karen Mays reported that we have not yet received the \$50 refund from AKC for the medal not awarded at the last Eukanuba Classic. Karen will inquire about this.

Lifetime Achievement Award Nominations are due to AKC by May 6. Karen Mays will send out the notice to each Regional Governor by March 31 asking for Nominees and will bring those to the April 4 meeting at the National Specialty.

Barbara O'Neill moved to approve the Corresponding Secretary's report, Jane Schreiber seconded, Report approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report – KC Artley**

Lydia Pruett requested KC Artley send to her a list of contributors to BCOA to be published on the BCOA website to acknowledge their support and generosity.

Jan Leikam moved to accept the Treasurer's report, Barbara O'Neill seconded – report accepted.

#### **AKC Delegate – Barbara O'Neill**

Notice was received from AKC that Lure Coursing will now be open to all breeds with titles to be awarded. The current lure coursing clubs have the option to include non-sighthound breeds. Patti Neale sent correspondence concerning the inclusion of the Norbottenspets in the Hound Group and the breed gaining AKC lure coursing titles. Lydia Pruett will reply to her concerns.

Barbara O'Neill stated that she will not be able to attend the March AKC Delegates meeting due to the conflict with closing of entries for the National Specialty.

Karen Mays moved to approve the Delegate's report, Jan Leikam seconded, report approved.

#### **Regional Governors**

Reports from Region 3, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock and Region 6, Joyce Katona were added.

Kelly Brunarski moved to approved the Governors reports, Karen Mays seconded, reports approved.

#### **Committee Reports**

2011 Standing Committees were presented by President Pruett. Lydia Pruett acknowledged Edna Ogata's work as Membership Chair. We are sorry that she is unable to continue in this position. Patricia Paris has volunteered to be the new Membership Chair. The application and sponsor forms will be updated with her name and address. Barbara O'Neill is stepping down as Chair of the BTRC; Shen Smith has accepted this position, with Ron Williams taking Barbara O'Neill position as the third Board member on the committee. We are in need of a backup tabulator – the Board was asked to submit suggestions at the April meeting.

Jane Schreiber moved to approve the Standing Committee roster, Ron Williams seconded, report approved.

**Aristocrat – Helen Lee**

If the proposed on-line reports are formatted as they were for the Borzoi Connection, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock will post the publication on the BCOA website. Joyce Katona will provide the statistics to Helen Lee on the schedule that Helen provides. Discussion of advertising in the Aristocrat, do we want to do this? It was agreed that at this time we will not accept ads. Lydia Pruett will contact Helen Lee to see if the Aristocrat can be formatted in a pdf so that members can download the issues. The Aristocrat will continue to include the various statistics, results from Specialties and TSE's, recipients and photos of BCOA annual awards, New Titles and potentially articles from the various committee chairs.

**BCOA website – R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock**

Currently we have no on-line ads on the BCOA website.

**Health – Ginger Jones**

Ms. Jones requested \$1000 to the Canine Health Foundation to help fund a study on laryngeal paralysis.

KC Artley moved to allocate the funds, Joyce Katona seconded, motion approved.

**BCOA logo patch – Barbara O'Neill**

There have been 2 of these sold to date and Carol Enz will have them for sale at the National Specialty for \$8.

**Shelter Flyer – Dee Jones and Jane Schreiber**

Jane Schreiber requested this be put on the BCOA website and the PDF sent to each regional governor for distribution to the membership. Jane will have these available at the National Specialty.

**BCOA Rescue – Dee Jones**

Lydia Pruett will contact Dee Jones to discuss options for donating to rescue situations not covered by the BTRC.

**ROM – Barbara Ewing**

Barbara O'Neill moved to approve these applications, KC Artley seconded, motion passed.

**Ways and Means**

Joyce Katona asked if the 'Growing Borzoi' mugs could be reordered. Barbara O'Neill will try to find a supplier to resupply them.

Joyce Katona moved to approve the Committee Reports, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock seconded. Reports approved.

**Unfinished Business**

**BTRC overview – Kelly Brunarski**

Kelly Brunarski prepared an extensive explanation of the investment philosophy and implementation of the BTRC. After review and discussion Kelly was asked to edit her report and explain the difference between the BTRC and Borzoi Rescue supported programs and funds. We will revisit this at the April Board meeting with an eye to putting this on the BCOA website.

**Meet the Breeds**

Volunteers are needed for both the October NYC and December Tampa AKC events.

## **Membership/Volunteer Development**

We need people to assist in this extremely important endeavor.

## **New Business**

### **2011 Board Meeting Dates**

These will be April 4 in conjunction with the National Specialty, August 11 and a face-to-face meeting on November 12 with location to be decided.

### **Artistocrat**

Helen Lee will be responsible for compiling information and will send to R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock for posting to the BCOA website

### **Stipends for specific travel expenses**

In the past, expenses have been borne by individual members. As the economy has changed and costs have skyrocketed, it was suggested that we revisit the decision that these expenses are the responsibility of the individuals involved which has greatly restricted membership involvement in activities. For example, BCOA did not have a representative at the AKC Parent Club Conference this year as no one was able to afford the travel expense.

Previously the Board voted to allocate \$400 to defray expenses incurred by the Judges Education committee. KC Artley will send this year's distribution to Patti Neale as Committee Chair as requests for presentation have increased.

Additionally the Board approved a maximum of \$500 per meeting to the AKC Delegate to offset hotel and airfare, \$500 for travel expenses to attend the AKC Parent Club Conference, confirmed the distribution of \$400 per year for the Judges Education Committee and \$300 per year to the Health Committee to attend the AKC Health Conference. Conference registration fees have routinely been approved when requested. This amount will be reviewed each year and adjusted accordingly.

Jane Schreiber moved to implement the above plan with review each year. Robin Riel seconded, motion passed.

### **AKC Sportsmanship Award**

To be discussed further at the April Board meeting

### **Ring equipment purchase – Barbara O'Neill**

As we have been renting equipment for the ring(s) at the National Specialty for the past years at a cost of \$300-\$500 per year, Barbara O'Neill proposed that BCOA purchase equipment at a one-time cost of \$900 plus shipping. The pieces will be stored in large plastic storage boxes with Cindi Gredys and she will transport them along with the Challenge Trophies.

### **ASFA ACoD**

Josie Haumont will serve temporarily as BCOA delegate as neither R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock or Victor Whitlock is able to attend the meeting. After much discussion of the proposed rule changes it was decided to instruct Josie to vote the following:

#1 – Vote NO to allowing disqualified dogs and dogs with breed disqualifications to compete for ASFA titles in the Singles Stake.

#2 – leave as is, which will be, in effect, a 'No' vote.

KC Artley moved to approve these voting directions, Jane Schreiber seconded, motion passed.

### **LGRA plaque**

Carol Enz requested that the top LGRA Racer be awarded annually as Borzoi are the most numerous participants in the event. Kelly Brunarski moved to award a 'Top LGRA Racer' plaque each year, Jan Leikam seconded, motion passed. Lydia Pruett will contact Nancy Katsarelas so that she can order an additional plaque for presentation this year.

**New Banners**

Discuss in April

**TSE's – minimum entry requirement**

Discuss in April

**Offer from Borzoi Connection**

Shen Smith has offered to sell the inventory of past issues with the income going to Borzoi Health Fund. Borzoi Connection will store, ship and collect the proceeds and forward monies to BCOA.

Jan Leikam moved to accept this very generous offer, Jane Schreiber seconded. Motion passed.

**Jan Leikam moved to adjourn, Barbara O'Neill seconded.** Meeting adjourned at 12:11AM EST.