

BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT 04/25/15 – 08/07/15

- 04/25/15 Received a request from Maria Lasso, mamechelasso@hotmail.com for breeders in the Southeast. Sent.
- 04/26/15 Sent updated list of officers to AKC.
- 05/03/15 Received a request from Jerry Smrcka, jerrysmrcka@hotmail.com, for breeders in Minnesota. Sent.
- 05/04/15 Received a request from Eugene Barban, barban.eugene@gmail.com, for breeders in the Carolinas or Georgia. Sent.
- 05/05/14 Received a request from Hillary Blackman, zooty-dog@hotmail.com, for information regarding a breeder in Kentucky. Sent.
- 05/05/15 Received another request from Christy Shaw requesting BCOA sponsorship of a trophy for the Tulsa Sighthound Association Lure Coursing Championship event on November 7-8 in Edmond, OK. Notified her that we had already contributed this.
- 05/30/15 Received a request from Lena Tamboer for a Borzoi Club of Greater New York Specialty on October 11, 2015 in conjunction with the Ramapo Kennel Club Show at the Sussex County Fairgrounds in Augusta NJ. Conformation Judge: Mr. Del Richards. Sweepstakes Judge: To Be Determined. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Lena. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendar.
- 05/30/15 Received a request from Laurie Bradshaw for a Borzoi Club of Northern California Specialty to be held on Saturday, October 17, 2015 in conjunction with the Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore Show at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, CA. Conformation Judge: Barbara Binder. Sweepstakes Judge: Janet Fairchild Adams. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Laurie. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendar.
- 05/30/15 Received an updated list of officers for the Borzoi Club of Northern California from Laurie Bradshaw.
- 06/01/15 Received a request from Austin Reed, areed15@vt.edu, for breeders close to Harrisonburg, VA. Sent.
- 06/02/15 Received the Close Out Event Information for the National from AKC. Sent to Barbara O'Neill.
- 06/16/15 Received a request from Stephanie Weil, stephdaniel@comcast.net, for information on Borzoi and Borzoi breeders in Washington. Sent.
- 06/09/15 Received notice of a change in the judging panels for the Greater Omaha Borzoi Club back to back specialties from Show Chairman, Paula Steenson. Saturday, November 21: Regular Classes – Meghan Lord-Fenn, Sweepstakes Classes – Barbara Tyler Lord. Sunday, November 22: Regular Classes – Helen Lee, Sweepstakes Classes – R. Bunny Kelley.

- 06/10/15 Received AKC approval for a Sweepstakes event on 04/13/16 in Lawrence, Kansas. Sweepstakes Judge: Jon Reimer.
- 06/17/15 Received AKC approval for a Rally Event to be held Tuesday, April 12 in Lawrence, Kansas.
- 06/15/15 Received a request from AKC to sponsor the five special conformation medallions at the AKC/Eukanuba Championship Show to be held in Orlando on December 12 & 13, 2015 (Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Best Bred-By-Exhibitor, Select Dog and Select Bitch) at a cost of \$125.00.
- 06/15/15 Received a request from AKC to participate in the Meet the Breeds Booth on December 12 & 13 in Orlando, Florida. They will offer complimentary booth space with draped tables, chairs, lunch and complimentary daytime passes for four and individual signage custom made with our club's logo and breed name. Electricity will be available at a cost of \$110.00 for the weekend.
- 06/18/15 Received AKC Canine Health Foundation Newsletter.
- 07/02/15 Received a request from Melissa Eelman for breeders in Georgia. Sent.
- 07/07/15 Received a notice from the AKC Canine Health Foundation regarding the appointment of Diane Brown, DVM, PHD, DACVP as their new Chief Scientific Officer.
- 07/08/15 Received a request from Leanne Knutson, lrknutson@yahoo.com, for breeders in California. Sent.
- 07/09/15 Received a request from Fallon Gemar, fallonkgemar1@yahoo.com, for breeders in and near Oklahoma. Sent.
- 07/15/15 Received the 2015 Research Portfolio from the AKC Canine Health Foundation.
- 07/16/15 Received the Summer Issue of the Theriogenology Foundation Newsletter.
- 07/27/15 Sent sympathy card from club to Linda & Dave McConnell on the passing of Marcia Barss.
- 08/01/15 Sent list of BCOA Approved Mentors to Neil Singer at AKC to be placed on the Borzoi section of the AKC Web site.
- 08/09/15 Received a request from Ann Brake, ann.brake@yahoo.com, for breeders in and near northwest Ohio. Sent.

Treasurer (Rita Rice): Please contact Rita Rice <rita@ariaborzoi.com> for an accounting of BCOA finances.

**AKC Delegate (Barbara O'Neill)
July 17, 2015**

The AKC Delegate meeting was held Monday, June 8, 2015. I did not attend. The AKC and Delegates honored Mike Liosis, Club Relations, for his 45 years of service. There was a great deal of discussion on all-breed club territory. The recommendation from the Dog Show Rules Delegate Committee on club territories was sent back to committee for language restructuring.

At the June Board meeting, the final revisions to the Judging Approval Process were approved by the AKC Board of Directors. The revised policy becomes effective September 2015.

In addition, the Board has voted to modify the Grand Champion program so that the additional achievement levels are recognized as titles. The designations will be GCHB (Bronze), GCHS (Silver), GCHG (Gold), and GCHP (Platinum). It will be read at the September Delegate meeting and voted at the December Delegates meeting. If

approved by the Delegates, it will become effective on January 1, 2016. The change will be retroactive to the beginning of the Grand Champion program and the dog's titled name will be modified to reflect the highest GCH title they have earned.

In September there will be a vote on an amendment to Rules Applying to Dog Shows. The amendment would allow for the awarding of CM points in the regular puppy classes. Dogs that earn a CM title will be awarded one point toward its championship title under this proposed amendment. The entire proposal reads:

CHAPTER 16 Comments SECTION 1. Dogs placing first in each of the individual Puppy Classes (as defined in Chapter 3, Section 4) in each of the individual breed/varieties and sexes will be awarded points towards the Certificate of Merit (CM) title based on the total number of dogs of their sex that competed in the individual class according to the schedule of points established by the Board of Directors. Upon completion of the CM title a dog may continue to compete in the regular classes so long as they are eligible. The CM suffix title is an introductory title to AKC conformation events and will be superseded by the CH title when it is earned. The Certificate of Merit title requires 15 points awarded in accordance with the following point structure. Points earned in the Puppy Classes, Miscellaneous Class competition, Four-to-Six Month Competition, and FSS Open Shows will also count towards the CM title. CM Schedule of Points, effective January 1, 2016. The CM title initials will be followed by a numerical designation indicating the quantity of times the dog has met the requirements of the CM title as defined above, e.g., 30 CM points = CM2. Any dog earning a CM title will also be awarded one (1) Championship point. Only one Championship point will be awarded to a dog for earning the CM title.

The next Delegate Meeting will be held Saturday, September 12, 2015, Newark, New Jersey. An agenda has not been determined.

Nominating Committee

Joy Windle, Chair

Committee: Lynne Bennett & Tom Golcher

Teleconference: Thursday, 30 July 2015

Per <http://www.borzoiclubofamerica.org/pdf/BCOACConstitution.pdf>

"Section 3. Nominations and Ballots

No person who has not been nominated according to this Constitution and By-Laws and who is not a resident of the United States of America may be a candidate in a Club election. ... Committee members shall confer with each other for the purpose of selecting from the list of eligible names, nominees for the upcoming available Officer and Governor positions to be voted on at the annual election. ...

(a) The Nominating Committee shall nominate from among the qualified members of the Club as stated in Article III, Section 3. They will check with the Recording Secretary on the eligibility of nominees. The Nominating Committee shall nominate one candidate for each office which is to be placed on the ballot for the upcoming election and shall obtain acceptance of each candidate in writing. Members wishing to serve may contact the Committee themselves. The Nominating Committee report must be received by the Recording Secretary no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of September. The Committee must consider the geographical representation of the six Regional Governors and select one from each of the following regions/locations:

Region 1 - Atlantic Northeast: To include Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Region 2 - Atlantic Southeast: To include Alabama, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Region 3 - South Central: To include Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Region 4 - Pacific Southwest: To include Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah

Region 5 - Pacific Northwest: To include Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming.

Region 6 - North Central: To include Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The Recording Secretary shall check the status of each candidate to see if he/she meets the qualifications as set forth in this Constitution and By-Laws and is a member in good standing at the time of his/her nomination. "

The terms shall be staggered with the President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, and Governors of Region 1, 3, and 5 elected in even years. (Election is in January)

All of the candidates are qualified to serve in the positions for which they are nominated. Our slate for election to office 1 January 2016 in **bold**

President: Rebecca Peters-Campbell
Vice-president: Carol Enz
Recording Secretary: Joy Windle
Corresponding Secretary: Karen Mays
Treasurer: Rita Rice
AKC Delegate: Barbara O'Neill

Governors:

Region 1: Ron Williams
Region 2: Kasey Parks
Region 3: Prudence Hlatky
Region 4: Marcella Zobel
Region 5: Karen Ackerman
Region 6: Joyce Katona