



BCOA BOARD MEETING MINUTES - FINAL
August 31, 2020 – Teleconference (Meeting continued from August 24, 2020)

1. **ROLL CALL** – taken and meeting commenced at: **8:07 pm (EST)**

OFFICERS/BOARD	IN ATTENDANCE
Ron Williams, President	Yes
Carol Enz, Vice President	Yes
Janis Leikam, Treasurer	Yes
Barbara Danieli, Corresponding Secretary and Acting Recording Secretary	Yes
Prudence Hlatky, AKC Delegate	Yes
Kari McCloskey, Region 1	Yes
Elizabeth Tolley, Region 2	Yes
Shirley McFadden, Region 3	Yes
Lorrie Scott, Region 4	Yes
Karen Ackerman, Region 5	Yes
Joyce Katona, Region 6	Yes

1. **REPORT OF THE TREASURER – Jan Leikam**

- Treasurer Report was discussed and reviewed by the BCOA board.
- Jan Leikam advised the board that BCOA had been provided with \$10k from a deceased member; designated for Borzoi Health and Welfare.

Motion to approve the Treasurer report: Prudence Hlatky

Second: Betsy Tolley

*Jan Leikam, Barbara Danieli, Kari McCloskey, Lorrie Scott, Shirley McFadden,
Karen Ackerman and Joyce Katona approved; Carol Enz opposed. Motion passed*

2. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

- BCOA Website – Helen Lee (report attached)

- Removed all cancelled events to date. Going forward it was suggested by Ron Williams that we assist Helen Lee when Specialities are cancelled by the Regional Governors reviewing the regional specialty page and notifying the Corresponding Secretary (Barbara Danieli) for any changes/updates. In turn, the Corresponding Secretary will advise Helen Lee and Barbara O'Neill.
- PDF files need to be reviewed that are linked to the website. Helen Lee has fixed some of the errors, however, she would like some assistance going forward. Ron Williams suggested assigning to one or two board members. Ron Williams will send an email with suggestions in the future so the board can discuss.
- Blast emails (some people are not receiving those blast emails). Email addresses are taken from the membership directory. At times, emails go into a person's SPAM or their email address has not been updated. Ron Williams asked that Regional Governors assist in this area.
- Prudence Hlatky mentioned the importance of having a proper backup for Helen Lee. Discussion ensued in designating an alternate backup. Ron Williams will take suggestions from the BCOA board as well as asking Helen Lee for suggestions. Karen Ackerman mentioned it was important to have a person who can be groomed to take Helen Lee's place eventually; proper skillset is essential and critical.

- Borzoi Welfare – Danielle Steenkamp (report attached)

- Rita Rice has sent in an application on behalf of the BHWF (Borzoi Health and Welfare Fund) requesting funding from Beverly Taylor Trust Fund for future use. The BTTF is reviewing the application and is pending. Suggestions will be made to the board to include them in annual disbursement.
- Jan Leikam reminded the BCOA board that if we distribute funds for welfare, BCOA cannot be reimbursed by Beverly Taylor Trust Fund.
- Discussion ensued regarding the BCOA Welfare Fund balance and options for immediate assistance for the BHWF. BHWF have spent over \$7,000 on medical bills and dogs are still in need of spaying, neutering, vaccinating, etc

Motion to approve the transfer of \$5,000 from the BCOA Welfare Fund to BHWF: Prudence Hlatky

Second: Shirley McFadden

Jan Leikam and Kari McCloskey in favor; CarolENZ, Barbara Danieli, Lorrie Scott, Betsy Tolly, Joyce Katona and Karen Ackerman opposed.

Motion did not pass.

- Additional discussion ensued among the BCOA board.

*Motion that BHWF continue to pursue the Beverly Taylor Trust donation and each year BHWF will apply to the Beverly Taylor Trust for monies. In doing so, BCOA Welfare Fund will provide \$4,000 to BHWF: Lorrie Scott
Second: Shirley McFadden
All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.*

- Jan Leikam will work with Shirley McFadden to provide the information so the monies can be forwarded to BHWF.

- **Championship Medals – Chris Danker (Conformation) – (report attached)**

- **Futurity Event – Joyce Katona (report attached)**

- **Health – Nancy Hopkins – (report attached)**

- Board discussed Borzoi Arrhythmia Project – Phase Two

*Motion to approve the Phase Two of the Borzoi Arrhythmia Project:
Prudence Hlatky
Second: Jan Leikam
All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed*

- **Health Foundation (Canine & Morris Animal) – Virginia Jones (report attached)**

- **Judges Education – Patti Neale (report attached)**

- BCOA board discussed the low supply of the “Visualization of Standard” booklet and discussed re-printing additional copies. Jan Leikam requested that Patti Neale provide the board with a quote on printing costs prior to printing. Prudence Hlatky will work with Patti Neale in getting the booklets out to judges and obtaining a re-printing quote.

*Motion to approve the re-printing of the “Visualization of Standard” booklet and send to judges: Prudence Hlatky
Second: Betsy Tolley
All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed*

- In the past, there was a \$400 stipend for judges’ education from BCOA. Patti Neale continues to incur costs on behalf of the club. According to the Standing Rules, Jan Leikam will send out the stipend to Patti Neale.

- **Keeping in Touch – Edna Ogata**

- Ron Williams discussed with Governors in reaching out to members to remind them to let the Governor or Edna know whenever another member is in need of a note of support.

- **Junior Showmanship – Barbara Tyler Lord (report attached)**
 - Jan Leikam mentioned that BCOA had a request for scholarship reimbursement and \$600 was sent. Check still uncashed and spoke to Barbara Tyler Lord to assist in getting the check cashed.
- **Legislative Issues – Lyn Hoflin (report attached)**
- **Meet the Breeds, New York – Ron Williams (report attached)**
 - Ron Williams contacted AKC representative to discuss Meet the Breeds. Betsy Tolley will also assist in following up with AKC representative to ascertain what is cancelled and what is not.
 - Shirley McFadden mentioned that Garnett Thompson has quite a bit of fabric when her dogs were in the opera. She is willing to donate to BCOA; Shirley McFadden to forward photos to Ron Williams for review and potential BCOA use.

- **Members Education – Prudence Hlatky (report attached)**

Motion to approve the judges in the order as presented for Obedience, Rally and Lure Coursing: Shirley McFadden

Second: Betsy Tolley

All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

- **Nominating Committee – Shirley McFadden (report attached)**

- *Nominating Committee – Chairman Shirley McFadden – The BCOA Nominating Committee of Barbara O’Neill, Lyn Hoflin, Shirley McFadden (Chair), Kristina Terra (alternate), and Leslie Walenta (alternate). Listed below is the BCOA’s Nominating Committees Proposed Slate of Officers and Regional Governors for the BCOA election for terms starting January 1, 2021:*

- *Region 2 Governor – Betsy Tolley*
- *Region 4 Governor – Kay Novotny*
- *Region 6 Governor – Kim Horn Janek*
- *Treasurer – Lyn Hoflin*
- *Recording Secretary – Joyce Katona*
- *AKC Delegate – Prudence Hlatky*

Remaining on the board with terms that expire January 1, 2022: Ron Williams (President) – Carol Enz (Vice President) – Barbara Danieli (Corresponding Secretary) – Kari McCloskey (Region 1 Governor) – Shirley McFadden (Region 3 Governor) – Karen Ackerman (Region 5 Governor).

- **Registry of Merit (ROM) – KC Artley (report attached)**
- **Standing Rules – Jan Leikam**
 - Ron Williams to schedule a Special Board meeting to review and discuss BCOA Standing Rules.

*Motion to approve the Standing Committee reports: Prudence Hlatky
Second: Karen Ackerman
All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed*

3. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** –

- **Side Committees** –
 - Mentor Guidelines (Conformation – Prudence Hlatky) Discussed the need to review the different regions to determine who would be good mentors going forward (a completed application is required). Governors need to assist in increasing our pool of mentors; many are inactive especially in Region 1. Prudence Hlatky discussed the need to review the wording on supporting documents so that it corresponds to the application.
 - 2020 Pedigree Book – Barbara O’Neill and Carol Enz provided an update the booklet has been printed.
- **Judges Compensation – Open Discussion**
 - Discussion ensued considering updating judge compensation amounts.
 - Prudence Hlatky has received feedback from some judges indicating they do not want to judge the National due to current compensation levels.
 - The board suggested that Ron Williams further discuss with Barbara O’Neill, gather her opinion on compensation (including foreign judges) and respond back to the board.
 - This topic will be discussed further when the BCOA board meets to review Standing Rules.
- **Borzoi Specialty Exchange – Open Discussion**
 - Have discussed in prior meetings; no further discussion deemed necessary.
- **AKC Sportsmanship Award**
 - Ron Williams has received six recorded votes to date. The board discussed potential recipients. Ron Williams requested the board cast their vote by end of day 9.1.20.

4. **NEW BUSINESS** –

- **Borzo Welfare** – Borzoi Health and Welfare Fund (BHWF) – refer to Standing Committee section (Borzoi Welfare) above.
- **2020 AKC Parent Club Medallion Sponsorship** – Supporting Document from Prudence Hlatky

Motion to support parent club medallions: Betsy Tolley

Second: Jan Leikam

All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed

- **Autumn Face to Face Options** – Ron Williams to send a summary of available dates and the board will consider potential locations.
- **Life Member Check-Up** – Kari McCloskey – refer to Kari McCloskey’s Governor report
- **Membership Involvement and Outreach** – Prudence Hlatky – Joy Windle was previously working on this topic. Additionally, Prudence Hlatky has sent various information to the board (ideas for membership inclusion). Prudence Hlatky also suggested in appointing a member responsible for sharing the large amount of information received by the AKC. Further discussion tabled for the next BCOA board meeting – unfinished business.
- **25 Year Members and 50 Year Member Awards** – Open Discussion – Barbara Danieli to provide information to the board on the information to be provided to these members.
- **Challenge Trophy in Nadine Johnson’s Memory** – Prudence Hlatky – Prudence Hlatky has been in correspondence with Nadine Johnson’s daughter – information pending. Tabled for next BCOA board meeting – unfinished business.
- **Annual Meeting** – Prudence Hlatky
BCOA will not be holding an annual meeting in 2020. Ron Williams will send an announcement to the membership.

Motion to close the board meeting: Jan Leikam

Second: Shirley McFadden

All in favor; none opposed. Motion passed

Meeting Adjourned at: 11:01 pm (EST)