

Supporting Documents for 4/3/2023

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT JANUARY 15, 2023 THROUGH APRIL 3, 2023

- 1/15 Provided list of new members in 2022 for Dean Eelman for Obedience and Rally Stats.
- 1/17 Received the following files from Joyce that were requested on 12/27/2022:
- Nominating Committee form
 - Sweepstakes Judge Letter form
 - Dues Renewal/Life member form
 - Agenda and Minutes proforma
 - Election of Officers form
 - BCOA Breakdown Ballot for judges form
 - Membership App and Sponsor form
 - Master Membership file
 - Application and sponsor forms for Pamela Schwentner
 - Tracking file for new members/sponsors submitted – does not include any of the forms for the following: Heidi Scott app, sponsor forms from K. McCloskey & Renee McCartin. S. Francis Butler app, sponsor form from K. McCloskey & Renee McCartin. John Sazy app, sponsor form from A. Sorbie & S. Van de Water. Dues paid by all 3 members indicated on tracking file.
- 1/17 – 3/2 Updated membership file as reconciled with files/email provided by Lyn, Helen and the Regional Governors.
- 1/24 Attended Health Committee Meeting with R. Williams and A. Sorbie.
- 1/27 Received email notification from J. Katona to revert name change for Heather Bridges back to Heather Lukashin. Corrected Membership file.
- 1/27 Received request from P. Hlatky to forward AKC Scam inf message from Tom Davies to the Board.
- 1/27 Received sponsor form from Nancy Hopkins for Shay Alder.
- 1/28 Confirmed address request for C. Danker to Monica Stachon for conformation medals.
- 1/28 Sent email to Lynn Wall to confirm if she would like a membership application for Wayne.
- 1/29 Requested information for moderating Members IO list to J. Katona for clarification.
- 1/29 Had brief conference call with Karla Smith regarding BCOA Health Committee
- 1/30 Forwarded AKC Scam note to the board from P. Hlatky.

- 1/30 Received response from Karla Smith that both BCOA HC holters are in Leslie Walenta's position. None are currently out on rental.
- 1/30 Sent an email to J. Katona requesting the files for new members, Heidi Scott, S. Francis Butler and John Sazy.
- 1/31 Received access to and info from J. Katona for BIO members group and BIO board group
- 2/1 Received membership app and some sponsor forms from J. Katona for Heidi Scott, S. Francis Butler and John Sazy through US Postal mail.
- 2/1 Sent email to Susanne Cecere asking her to include last name of member applicant, Patricia "O'Hara" on her sponsor form. Received confirmation from Susanne this was correct. (note: Cecere replaces Sandra Moore-Doby as sponsor)
- 2/1 Worked with R. Williams to transfer DialPad ownership from J. Katona to me and tested meeting notices to confirm they worked.
- 2/1 Reviewed B.Tolley proposed health survey and provided input back.
- 2/2 Attended Executive Board meeting re: Health committee concerns.
- 2/4 Provided additional input to B.Tolley for Health Survey.
- 2/4 Asked H. Lee to correct the recsec email account to remove J.Katona – both our names currently on same account not working.
- 2/4 – 4/2 Review and approve/reject BIO Members group posts.
- 2/6 Received new member application for Erin and Tom O'Brian.
- 2/7 Received another sponsor form from Nancy Hopkins for Shay Alder.
- 2/17 Added Wendy Wilkenson and Hillary Tregillus to Members IO group per K. Terra request.
- 2/18 Received emailed membership application from Deneen Cone and Amanda Hunter.
- 2/19 Sent Draft meeting minutes of Feb. 6th to the board for review.
- 2/20 Sent invite and info to Sonya Wesselowski for an online seminar for National.
- 2/21 Sent HC inventory list of HC items returned by N. Hopkins.
- 2/21 Sent email to the BOD requesting approval for K. Arnquist as a HC committee member.
- 2/21 Received inquiry from Pam Schwentner regarding status of her membership relative to points her dog is accumulating this year and explained the process and timeline for her new membership.
- 2/27 Sent draft meeting minutes of Feb. 20th to the board for review.

- 2/28 Received email from S. Wesselowski indicating that she would not be interested in providing a seminar to the membership and that she will not be resubmitting a revised grant proposal to the CHF and is seeking funding elsewhere.
- 3/2 Received email inquiry from R. Williams about Life Star and Diamond members.
- 3/3 Received call from John Sazy inquiring about status of his membership application.
- 3/4 Sent follow up email to John Sazy and copied sponsors A. Sorbie and S. Van de Water who had not submitted their forms yet.
- 3/4 Mailed initial dues payment to L. Snyder Hoflin from new applicant Erin and Tom O'Brian.
- 3/4 Sent invite to S. McFadden for members IO group.
- 3/4 Sent Dialpad meeting notice for new HC meeting with the Board.
- 3/4 Received inquiry from L. Snyder Hoflin regarding status of Erin and Tom O'Brian's application and responded that sponsor form from Janice Haldi is missing.
- 3/5 Sent follow up email to Heidi Scott regarding her application for membership. Application is missing signature and sponsor forms from K. McCloskey and R. McCartin and cc'd both sponsors.
- 3/5 Sent follow up email to T. Doane regarding her sponsorship form for Troy Lyons as I have not received an application for him.
- 3/5 Sent follow up email to A. Hoffman regarding her sponsorship form for Mia Gabrielle Palleta as I have not received an application for her.
- 3/5 Received email from L. Snyder Hoflin indicating that Janice Haldi had mailed her sponsor form 2 weeks ago.
- 3/6 Sent email to J. Katona to inquire if she had received Janice Haldi's sponsorship form and copied L. Snyder Hoflin. J. Katona confirmed that she had not received this.
- 3/6 Sent S. McFadden another invitation to the Members IO group. Issue still unresolved and may be related to the cloud server email address provided.
- 3/6 Attended special board meeting introduction with the new Health Committee.
- 3/6 Sent Master Membership list to B. Tolley for the Borzoi Health survey.
- 3/6 Received email from K. Frary regarding timing for the transfer of membership files and information required for her to begin working as the Membership Chairman.
- 3/7 Sent email to K. Frary that I would set up a meeting with B. Danieli, Lyn Hoflin and I to cover the details that need to be finalized for a smooth transition.
- 3/7 Received membership application from Troy Lyons.

- 3/7 Received email from Prudence Hlatky inquiring why she hadn't seen new applicants first readings on the Members IO list.
- 3/8 Received sponsor form from S. Van de Water for John Sazy.
- 3/8 Sent email to P. Hlatky indicating I would support trophy donations for the Houston TSE event for BOB.
- 3/9 Sent email to Deneen Cone to resubmit membership application as attachment was not included with her email.
- 3/9 Received email request from B. Tolley to send her National Specialty information out as an email blast on the Members IO group. Information posted.
- 3/9 Received confirmation from S. McFadden that she received members IO invite and was able to subscribe.
- 3/9 Forwarded info from P. Hlatky to J. Katona for clarification on new members first readings being posted to Members IO list. J. Katona confirmed that standing rules have not been updated to incorporate this but the process for posting to the Members section of the website was voted and approved at November 5th Board meeting.
- 3/10 Sent master membership file to H. Lee to format for printing.
- 3/10 Received sponsor form from A. Sorbie for John Sazy.
- 3/11 Sent minutes, supporting reports and documents to H. Lee to publish on BCOA website.
- 3/11 Sent follow up email to Janice Haldi asking her to resubmit her sponsor form to either my email or postal address.
- 3/11 Sent follow up email to K. McCloskey requesting her sponsor forms for Shay Alder and Heidi Scott.
- 3/11 Sent follow up email to Renee McCartin requesting her sponsor form for Heidi Scott.
- 3/13 Printed, addressed and mailed approved Winter minutes to members who requested them mailed.
- 3/14 Received corrected contact information from L. Snyder Hoflin for Karla Grabowski and updated the Master Directory file.
- 3/15 Sent info to L. Snyder Hoflin from Dialpad account regarding payment concerns with Silicon Valley Bank Account.
- 3/15 Sent email to K. McCloskey letting her know that her Reg Gov 1 mailbox was full and that she may not receive the meeting notice for the board meeting on April 3rd.
- 3/15 Received request from K. McCloskey to change her email address in Dialpad to her personal email. Request completed.

- 3/15 Received email from B. Tolley regarding bounced emails for some of the survey recipients. Forwarded to H. Lee and L. Snyder Hoflin to confirm if they had any updates.
- 3/18 Mailed receipts to L. Snyder Hoflin for postage, envelope and printing expenses for Winter Minutes.
- 3/20 Received email forwarded from Lyn Snyder regarding member Trestina Gilbert concerned that she was not included in the membership list to receive the health survey. Responded to her that she was included in the directory.
- 3/20 Sent copy of Master Membership file to B. Danieli for BCOA puppy referral list.
- 3/25 Sent email notification to K. Horn Janek requesting her sponsor form for Troy Lyons.
- 3/25 Sent email notification to new member applicants Daneen Cone and Amanda Hunter that I did not receive their attachments for membership.
- 3/26 Sent follow up email to Francis Butler requesting his complete address for his membership application. Information received.
- 3/26 Sent follow up email to Shay Butler and copied L. Snyder Hoflin, indicating that she had not paid her application fee. Application fee paid.
- 3/28 Received email request from Trestina Gilbert to be added to the Members IO group and added her.
- 3/28 Attended Membership Chairman meeting to review roles and responsibilities with K. Frary, R. Williams, S. McFadden and B. Danieli
- 3/29 Sent list of New Life Members as of 2023 to Ron for their notification.
- 3/30 Sent email to Melanie Richards to obtain her full address information for the Master Membership file. Info was not included on her membership application. Received her info and updated file.
- 3/30 Received response from R. McCartin regarding Heidi Scott's application indicating that she needed her home visit completed first.
- 3/31 Sent email to Janice Haldi inquiring if she would like her email address include in the Membership directory and she replied yes she would.
- 3/31 Received a copy of the Standing Rules spreadsheet 2022 v7 from R. Williams.
- 4/1 Sent K. Frary Master Membership file.
- 4/2 Sent list of Star, Diamond, Gold members for 2023 to R. Williams.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

1.23.23 – 3.31.23

Various	Meetings with 2023 BCOA National Specialty Committees (Hotel, Scheduling, Sales, Coursing, Contracts, Judge Communications, Contract Reviews, etc.)
Various	Correspondence with other National Parent Breed Clubs
Various	Special Committee Meetings as assigned
1.24.23	Received from AKC Event Plans – Processing Complete for Borzoi Club of America 2023 National Specialty Events (various).
1.26.23	Attended a BCOA Board meeting via conference call
1.26.23	Received email from C. Danker with member contact information question. Referred her to G. Jones as the BCOA Membership was in process of updating.
1.26.23	Received from AKC – Dogs You Might Meet at AKC Meet the Breeds
1.26.23	Received from AKC Event Plans – Processing Complete for Borzoi Club of America 2023 National Specialty Events (various).
1.27.23	Received from AKC – Update to Clubs – January 2023
1.28.23	Received request from H. Lee to resend regional specialty information for the Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club and Borzoi Club of Delaware Valley
1.29.23	Sent email to the BCOA Board requesting vote regarding the Houston Kennel Club TSE (unanimous approval)
1.30.23	Sent thank you notes to members who supported the 2023 BCOA National Specialty with large trophy donations.
1.30.23	Sent AKC Events approval (with supporting paperwork) for the BCOA TSE in conjunction with the Houston Kennel Club.
2.1.23	Received from AKC – Specialty Show Site Locator and Checklist
2.2.23	Attended a BCOA Board meeting via conference call
2.3.23	Received from AKC Communications – AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence (ACE) Nominations Open
2.5.23	Sent to AKC Events – Special Attractions Application for the Borzoi Club of America 2023 National Specialty
2.5.23	Sent to AKC Events approval for the Greater Twin Cities Borzoi Club Regional Specialty for 8.25.23 and 8.26.23, respectively.
2.5.23	Sent to AKC Events approval for the Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha Regional Specialty for 10.7.23 and 10.8.23, respectively.
2.6.23	Responded to Puppy Referral inquiry by requesting additional information.
2.6.23	Sent AKC Events a request for an update on the Houston Kennel Club (BCO TSE)
2.6.23	Received from AKC Companion Events – Rally Choice: New Rally Class Effective 6.29.23
2.6.23	Attended a BCOA Board meeting via conference call
2.7.23	Received from AKC – Special Attractions Application approval for Borzoi Club of America 2023 National Specialty
2.7.23	Received from AKC Breeder of Merit – Verifying Membership and Member in Good Standing
2.10.23	Received from AKC Communications – ESPN and ESPN2 to Host AKC Programming on Super Bowl Sunday
2.15.23	Received from AKC Judging Operations – Recent Conformation Judge Approvals
2.16.23	Received from AKC Communications – Calling All Clubs! Promote Your Event!
2.17.23	Received from AKC Communications – Host Your Own RDO Day Club Event
2.17.23	Received from AKC Communications – 15 Popular Presidents and Their Dogs
2.20.23	Attended a BCOA Board meeting via conference call

- 2.21.23 Received from AKC (Dennis Sprung) – To the Core: Updates from the American Kennel Club
- 2.23.23 Received from AKC – How Do I Get My Dog Started in Dog Shows?
- 2.24.23 Received from AKC Communications – AKC.tv Joins Forces with Wurt to Bring FAST Channel to New Streamers
- 2.27.23 Received from AKC – Update to Clubs – February 2023
- 2.28.23 Requested from AKC Events the 2023 Good Sportsman Award (medal) to be handed out at the 2023 BCOA National Specialty
- 3.1.23 Received from AKC – Special Promotion for AKC Clubs
- 3.1.23 Received from AKC Performance Events – Lure Coursing Regulation Updates
- 3.2.23 Received 2023 AKC Good Sportsman Award medal from AKC
- 3.3.23 Received from AKC – Canine Partners in Junior Showmanship Pilot Program Update
- 3.3.23 Received from AKC Communications – AKC Reunite Board Announces Appointment of Daniel J. Smyth
- 3.3.23 Sent “Urgent” request to AKC Events approval for the Borzoi Club of California Regional Specialty for 4.15.23 (received the application on 3.3.23).
- 3.6.23 Received from AKC – 2023 AKC Outstanding Sportsman Award Program
- 3.6.23 Attended a meeting with the new BCOA Health Committee
- 3.7.23 Received from AKC – Support American Kennel Club
- 3.7.23 Received from AKC (Dennis Sprung) – Warning: Email Phishing Scam
- 3.7.23 Received from AKC Meet the Breeds – Represent Your Breed at AKC Meet the Breeds Chicago and Columbus
- 3.8.23 Received from AKC (Don James) – Updated Webinar Presentations
- 3.8.23 Received from AKC – 2022 AKC Lifetime Achievement Award Winners – Watch the Video Tribute
- 3.8.23 Received from AKC Government Relations – APHIS Extends Environmental Enrichment Comment Period to 4.10.23
- 3.10.23 Sent second request to AKC Events inquiring about the Houston Kennel Club (BCOA TSE) approval.
- 3.10.23 Received from AKC Communications – 2023 AKC National Championship Judging Panel Now Available
- 3.16.23 Received from AKC Meet the Breeds – Represent Your Breed at AKC Meet the Breeds Chicago and Columbus
- 3.17.23 Received from AKC Communications – America’s Most Popular Breeds for 2022 Announced!
- 3.20.23 Received from AKC Government Relations – Urgent Michigan Update: Public Forum Tonight (3/20) on Potential 2024 Animal Cruelty Ballot
- 3.21.23 Received from AKC Judging Operations – Recent Conformation Judge Approvals
- 3.22.23 Received from AKC Judging Operations – Breeder Judges
- 3.24.23 Received from AKC Communications – THE AKC Crowns 2023 National Agility Champions
- 3.27.23 Received from AKC – AKC Parent Club Registration Stats Final 2022
- 3.27.23 Posted the Final 2022 AKC Parent Club Registration Stats on the BCOA IO Group for BCOA members
- 3.28.23 Received from AKC – Update to Clubs – March 2023
- 3.28.23 Received from AKC Club Development – AKC 101 Show Chair Seminar – Birmingham Kennel Club
- 3.28.23 Attended an introductory meeting with new BCOA Membership Chairperson
- 3.30.23 Received from AKC – Response on lure coursing judging for the 2023 BCOA National Specialty

- 3.31.23 Sent to AKC Events third reminder that the Houston Kennel Club (BCOA TSE) has not received approval from AKC
- 3.31.23 Received from AKC DNA Program – AKC DNA Kit – 60% Off
- 3.31.23 Received from AKC Communications – AKC Agility League Announces First National Championship
- 3.31.23 Received from AKC DNA Program – Update on DNA Promotions
- 3.31.23 Received response from AKC Events regarding the Houston Kennel Club (BCOA TSE) indicating the Houston Kennel Club had not sent approval of the TSE to AKC. Paperwork was retrieved from P. Hlatky and submitted to AKC Events.

AKC DELEGATE REPORT

April 2023

This report will cover the March 2023 Delegates Meeting and the items of interest for the March 2023 meetings. The minutes from both the March Delegate meeting and the AKC Board of Directors meetings are available on the AKC site. Please take time to read the AKC Secretary's page in the Gazette to see what changes may have been made in your areas of interest.

Delegate Meeting (March)

Election results

The number of ballots cast 256. Number of invalid ballots was 1. The number required to elect is 129. Here are the results: Eduardo Fugiwara, 114; Dr. Charles Garvin, 198; Steven Hamblin, 183; Daniel J. Smyth, 167.

Amendments to be Voted on at the June Delegate Meeting:

A proposed amendment to the Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club, **Article VI, Section 6**.

This amendment is to the Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club, Article VI, Section 6, removes the reference to professional judges (one who charges a fee in excess of expenses) as it relates to Delegate occupational eligibility.

Delegate Committee Meetings

AKC Parent Club (PC) Items of Interest for BCOA BOD review

Independent Specialty RW 3pt Major (See Backup Materials):

3 pt Reserve winners at regional specialties. Criteria 2x number needed for a 5pt major.

If two opportunities for championship points exist, even at these heightened requirements, it might encourage people to enter more shows. And as others have noted, it is my understanding that the regional clubs would still need permission from the parent club to offer points to RWD under these circumstances.

Breeder Judges: – AKC List (See Backup Materials):

Judging Operations is formulating a list of breeder-judges for all AKC recognized breeds. The list of breeder-judges for each breed will be published on the AKC website, available for users to print and/or download.

Junior Showmanship

The Canine Partners Program has been discontinued due to lack of interest. The Canine Partner's program was the allowing of Junior exhibitors to show All-American dogs in Juniors competition.

Superintendents and Specialties (See Backup Materials) - A statement AKC obtained from superintendents stating that, going forward, they will continue to fulfill existing contracts for National Specialties but will no longer service them.

Parent Club Best Practices (See Backup Materials) – A series of webinars highlighting some of the important elements of each of the subjects the Best Practices committee has been created. These have proven to be excellent seminars and are open to everyone. BCOA members were sent information and reminders of these webinars. When available the links to the presentations will be shared. Webinar dates are in the backup materials.

Parent Club Breeder's Development:

EDDY Award: The first EDDY Awards will be presented in December 2023. The deadline for applying for this award is September 1, 2023. AKC will begin accepting application forms on June 1, 2023. The link is: www.akc.org/breeder-programs/breeder-education/akc-eddy-award/

Breeder Education Coordinator: Committee still working on the Suggested Guidelines for Establishing a Breeder Education Coordinator. These will be sent out to all PC in the near future.

AKC Purebred Preservation Bank: A survey will be sent out asking Parent Clubs their opinions about this project and why or why not they will support/use it.

The AKC Parent Club Health Conference will be held both live and virtually in St. Louis between August 11-13, 2023. Registration is not yet open.

Donation documents are almost complete. They will be available via a downloadable pdf. The form will require the following information:

There will be three levels of information that donors will be asked to submit:

- 1) Donor Application and Semen Profile, which contains generic demographic information about the sire and semen
- 2) Genetic Material Donation Agreement – released the PPB from liability
- 3) Breed specific information determined in consultation with Parent Clubs

Should a breed have any known genetic issues, the PPB can ask potential donors if the donation might be from a dog who has such genetic issues. It's cautioned that when the PPB begins accepting donations, there will be some donations that meet all of the current testing criteria specified by the club but the older donated straws oftentimes will not have the complete battery of required tests completed because they didn't exist when the sample was originally taken.

Semen that is unfit for breeding may be donated if the straws contain known genetic issues that can make them useful for other (not breeding) scientific research.

Referred Delegates to the FAQ available on the PPB website (<http://akcppb.org>).

AKC Board Purebred Preservation Bank action

Following a motion by Mr. Hamblin, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend the Board Policy on Purebred Preservation Banks to read: The AKC encourages all Parent Clubs concerned with preserving and protecting their breeds to collaborate with the AKC Purebred Preservation Bank (AKCPPB) and/or establish their own Parent Club sponsored frozen semen bank. The signatories of the AKCPPB may sign as semen owner on all relevant AKC Registration documents and applications, including litter applications. A Parent Club sponsored, breed specific, frozen semen bank may, with AKC Board approval, also be allowed to sign as semen owner on all relevant AKC Registration documents and applications, including litter applications. The degree and manner to which Parent Clubs collaborate with the AKCPPB is solely the decision of each Parent Club. However, Parent Clubs seeking to establish their own such entity must petition the AKC Board via letter signed by the club's current president. The letter should explain the club's purpose for establishing the bank and acceptably document its incorporation and organizational relationship to the petitioning Parent Club. Upon Board approval, the bank must provide AKC with a listing of signatories for use in AKC Registration matters.

All-Breed Committee – good news, bad news: Once again Group realignment is being considered. Group Realignment Subcommittee report. Laurie Maulucci advised that since the Subcommittee had been formed by the Coordinating Committee, and key members Subcommittee Chair Rita Biddle and Coordinating Committee Chair Cindy Miller were not able to attend, the report will be presented in June.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,
Prudence Hlatky
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Soyara@aol.com

Back-up materials:

Independent Specialty RW 3pt Major

Please see the attached memo regarding the 3 pt major reserve. As Red described this has been a topic of discussion at the Board. We are asking for your committee to review and let us know their thoughts and opinions on this topic as the original proposal of the option of a 3 pt major reserve at National Specialties that met the entry requirement came from the PC Committee.

We realize your committee's time has been shortened but hopefully you can share this memo with your board members and open up the discussion and provide feedback to Michael and I.

Any questions please us know.

Thank you,
Ann and Michael
AKC Board Liaisons Parent Club Committee

The Board has received a request from an independent specialty to club to grant them permission to award a three point major to their Reserve Winners Dog/Bitch since their class entry normally exceeds two times the number required for a five point major in their division. While the board is still contemplating this request the discussion has led to an alternative for consideration.

The alternative to granting this to just a single specialty club is to consider changing the rule so that it would apply to all specialties where the class entry is equivalent to two times the required number for a five point major. Staff took a look at the events in 2022 (excluding any National Specialties) to determine how many times there was an entry of two times the number needed for a five point major. From January 1 to November 11, 2022 there were 125,796 exhibits awarded Reserve Winners at all events. Of those, 416 instances (0.3%) were in entries of two times the five point major number. 121 different breeds made up these instances with 45 (37%) being low entry breeds. The instances were distributed across 144 all-breed shows, 33 group shows, 143 parent specialties and 96 specialties. 60% of the time it was an event in conjunction with a National Specialty. So the net occurrences for specialties would be 239 times.

The Board would like you to seek the opinion and comments from the DSR committee at the March meeting, if possible. Since this potential change also affects the Parent Clubs I am forwarding this letter on to the Parent Club Liaisons so that they can seek comment from the Parent Club committee as well.

I hope this finds you well and look forward to the March meeting in Newark.

Breeder Judges: – AKC List

Dear Parent Club,

Judging Operations is writing to inform you of an initiative it shared with the AKC Board of Directors at a recent meeting and at the March 2023 Delegate Parent Club Committee meeting. Utilizing AKC's registration and judging data, Judging Operations is formulating a list of breeder-judges for all AKC recognized breeds. The list of breeder-judges for each breed will be published on the AKC website, available for users to print and/or download.

Our hope is for clubs to utilize this information to assist in their selection of judges, and when determining specific breed assignments. Use of breed specialists on judging panels is one of the ways clubs can explore to enhance their events and draw additional entries.

To identify breeder-judges, criteria which parallels the requirements for an individual applying for conformation judging approval as a New Breed applicant (1st time) in that breed is being utilized (litters bred and champions produced). Once finalized, AKC conformation clubs will be informed of the availability of the list of breeder-judges for all breeds and educated on the benefit of using breed specialists on their judging panels. Staff will periodically revise the listings based on new judge approvals and updated registration data.

We are writing to each parent club asking them to share any list of breeder-judges they may maintain for its breed as we recognize some individual's experience may pre-date AKC's electronic records. The parent club list will also assist in mitigating the omission of

qualified individuals. If your club does have a list of breeder judges to share, that list may be forwarded to the Judging Operations Department at judgingops@akc.org.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in this endeavor.

Best regards,



Tim Thomas
VP of Conformation

Parent Club: Specialties and Superintends

Peter Piusz for Karen Burgess – Peter read a statement AKC obtained from superintendents stating that, going forward, they will continue to fulfill existing contracts for National Specialties but will no longer service them. Many of the clubs are extending their shows over several days which removes the licensed superintendents from being able to service sometimes as many as two other shows. It is not economically feasible for superintendents to continue servicing these multi day Nationals when more lucrative all breed events are available. This problem is exacerbated by parent clubs continuing to schedule non-standard events that take additional programming time for the superintendents. In addition, they are now seeing an influx of newly minted show chairs who have received no training from their predecessors and are left adrift without the basic knowledge necessary to successfully run their event. They turn to the superintendents for help which makes it more difficult for them because of the additional time required to teach them their jobs. It's to the point where they spend more time and resources on smaller National Specialties than any more lucrative all breed shows. Harvey Wooding indicated that he and Karen will be putting together some informational papers for distribution to parent clubs which will lend some clarity to the situation and discuss some possible solutions. A letter reprising the issues Peter discussed will be sent to the PSD email group. Connie Butherus said it was her understanding that the superintendents will still continue to do packaged shows.

Parent Club Committee Best Practices Webinar Schedule:

- 1/10/23 Club Organization – Cindy Stansell
- 1/24/23 Governance & Elections – Jim Cheskawich
- 2/7/23 Club Finances – Cindy Stansell
- 2/21/23 Membership – Alyson Casper
- 3/7/23 Committees – Richard Rohrbacher
- 3/21/23 Breeder Education & Mentoring & Juniors – Mari-Beth
- 4/4/23 Health – Susanne Burgess
- 4/18/23 Club Websites – Don James
- 5/2/23 Club Publications & Social Media – Don James
- 5/16/23 Public Education / Judge's Education – Don Hanson
- 6/30/23 Staging the National Specialty – Karen Burgess

AKC Lifetime Achievement Award (Conformation, Performance and Companion)

In its endless pursuit to recognize outstanding members of the fancy, The American Kennel Club Lifetime Achievement Awards were created and first awarded in 1999 to honor our best. The purpose of the awards is to celebrate those individuals whose many years of dedication have led to significant contributions to our sport. Recipients have greatly advanced the sport of purebred dogs through their dedication including breeding, exhibiting, judging, teaching and club involvement.

Nominees are selected by AKC Parent clubs who cast their votes for one nominee in each of three categories: Conformation, Companion Events, and Performance. The three submitted club nominees receiving the most votes in each category were selected as finalists. Member clubs are then asked to cast their vote for one nominee in each of the three categories.

Borzoi Club of America submits our nominee for each category. Since our nominees seem to not have a chance to be selected, we thought it would be appropriate to publically honor them. This award celebrates the distinction, integrity and commitment of the recipients.

Standing Rule AWD2: Each Regional Governor will contact their area members asking for suggestions and a letter of recommendation detailing why that person should be considered for this honor. The Governors will forward these recommendations to the Recording Secretary in time for the first Board meeting of each year. These areas of nomination will cover Conformation, Companion and Performance. It was noted that the BCOA nominees are from the ranks of BCOA members only. The Board will decide on no more than one nominee for each area, and does not have to make any recommendation. The corresponding secretary will forward the names to the AKC.

Starting in 2016, a gift of a silver Borzoi pin, sponsored by Kyoko Ozeki, Japan, to the yearly Board selected nominees.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CONFORMATION</u>	<u>PERFORMANCE</u>	<u>COMPANION</u>
2015	Nadine Johnson	Roy Silguero	June Mintchell
2016	Lorrie Scott	Tom & KC Golcher	Linda Beisswenger
2017	?	?	?

2018	Chris & Patti Neale	Bonnie Dalzell	Lou Avant
2019	Richard Meen	Sandra Moore-Doby	Janet Brown
2020	Due to COVID19 no award was given out!		
2021	Karen Staudt-Cartabona	Tom & KC Golcher	June Mintchell
2022	Lynne Bennett	Anna Midgarden	Karen Haberkorn