

# 1998 BCOA BALLOTS AS PUBLISHED IN THE *BULLETIN BOARD NEWSLETTER*

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**BALLOT 98 - 1: APPROVED****SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

Postmarked: January 5, 1998

Effective: January 23, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please mark your vote on approving the following administrative procedures for the 1998 Club year:

1. Unless otherwise indicated on the ballot, all Board ballots must be in the hands of the President and Secretary within eighteen (18) days of the postmarked date on the ballot envelope.

2. Ballots must IN ALL CASES be presented to the President for circulation through the office of the Secretary.

3. An affirmative vote shall require a majority of those voting, except where otherwise specified in the By-Laws. A vote “WITHHELD” shall not be included in the ballot count.

4. The President will cast her ballot only in the case of a tie.

5. If four (4) or more Board members disapprove a ballot or indicate that more discussion is necessary, that ballot will automatically be reconsidered and subsequently resubmitted to the Board for another vote. The initial vote will thus be considered “discussion” and all comments will be published with the final vote.

6. Votes submitted by FAX or ELECTRONIC MAIL will be acceptable.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 2: APPROVED****SUBJECT: BULLETIN EDITOR & PUBLISHER**

Postmarked: January 15, 1998

Effective: February 2, 1998

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Please mark your vote on approving Carmella Troisi-Hoerr (CA) to serve as editor and publisher (as the representative of the Basenji Club of America, Inc.) of the *Bulletin* for the 1998 Club year.

**APPROVED:** Bolté { *“We are most fortunate to have her!”* }; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Schreiber

**BALLOT 98 - 3: APPROVED****SUBJECT: BULLETIN BOARD EDITOR & PUBLISHER**

Postmarked: January 15, 1998

Effective: February 2, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please mark your vote on approving Sally Ann Smith (GA) to serve as editor and publisher (as the representative of the Basenji Club of America, Inc.) of the *Bulletin Board* for the 1998 Club year.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Schreiber

**BALLOT 98 - 4: APPROVED****SUBJECT: ROSTER EDITOR & PUBLISHER**

Postmarked: January 15, 1998

Effective: February 2, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please mark your vote on approving Wanda Pooley (IL) to serve as editor and publisher (as the representative of the Basenji Club of America, Inc.) of the *Roster* for the 1998 Club year.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Schreiber

**BALLOT 98 - 5: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: JUDGE OF AFRICAN STOCK EXHIBITION**

Postmarked: January 15, 1998

Effective: February 2, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the National Specialty Guidelines.

Marianne Klinkowski has agreed to judge the African Stock Exhibition at the 1999 National Specialty in Phoenix, AZ. She asks for travel expenses of \$200.00 and one night's lodging at the host hotel, according with the Guidelines' specification that the compensation be "within the host group's budget and...limited to reasonable expenses" (Section IV C 6).

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Schreiber

**BALLOT 98 - 6: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Postmarked: March 4, 1998

Effective: March 22, 1998

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You are requested to approve the following to serve as chairpersons of the stated committees for the 1998 Club year.

AFRICAN STOCK PROJECT: L. Jane Williams and Susan Coe

AKC DELEGATE: Jon Curby

AKC LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: Vickie Jacobs

BREEDER REFERRALS: Melody Russell

BREED STANDARD: Damara Bolté and Shirley Jones

BY-LAWS: Iris Craven

CONFORMATION TALLIER: Patrick Allison

EVENT COORDINATOR: Mary Woodcock

GENETIC HEALTH REGISTRY: Kirsten Sigrist

HEALTH AND RESEARCH: Lisa Auerbach and Kirsten Sigrist

HISTORIAN: Andie Paysinger

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP: Lisa Marshall

LURE COURSING: Russ Jacobs

MEMBERSHIP: Pat Bright

NATIONAL SPECIALTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Pat Bird with Sally Wuornos, Susan Coe and Iris Craven

OBEDIENCE TALLIER: Cindy Griswold

PUBLIC EDUCATION COORDINATOR: Chris Danker

RESCUE COORDINATORS: Judith Holiday and Janine Peters

STUD DOG/BROOD BITCH TALLIERS:

Conformation and Obedience: Laura Pond

AKC Lure and ASFA: Mary Lou Kenworthy

SUNSHINE: Linda Pence

WEBSITE: George Woodard

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 7: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**

Postmarked: March 4, 1998

Effective: March 22, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the January or February 1998 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please mark your vote on accepting these applicants as members of BCOA.

Penny Lynn Adams (Canada); JaNell and Farron Brown (IN); Robert U. Barone and Wes Dickson (NV); Patricia A. Cranmer (PA); Steve and Mary Ann Crowder (IN); Eugene Dane (FL); Daniel P. DeFlorio, M.D. (MA); Denise Doyle (Australia); Susan P. Dye (FL); Michael Jones (MO); Thomas and JeanMarie Krygowski (GA); Ann Modahl and Nina Modahl (Norway); Lenny Nichols (TX); Joseph Payez (VA); Bob and Terry Reed (CA); Jan Robert (Australia); Jayne Rowland (England); Terry Westberg (CA); Tina and Robert Durham (AZ); Alvaro Gonzalez and Franklin Zaydman (Columbia); Marilyn Hakes (WI); LoAnne Miller (GA); Marie Sinimets (Sweden)

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 9: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW CLUB AFFILIATION**

Postmarked: March 4, 1998

Effective: March 22, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

The Rip Van Wrinkle Basenji Club of the tri-state New York, New Jersey and Connecticut has asked to be affiliated with BCOA. Enclosed is a copy of the request, the club's Constitution and By-Laws and a list of members as of 11/30/97. (If you would like to see the club's Code of Recommended Practices, please notify the Secretary.)

Please mark your vote on accepting this club as affiliated with BCOA.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Craven; Graves; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos;

**Coe** { "*Perhaps we should ask our new Events Coordinator to set up some very simple guideline for affiliation of new clubs which the Board would approve?*" }; **Grundman** { "*In the future, will this club have conformation shows, agility, etc? If so, will the AKC allow this club to be accepted without an area designation such as 'of New York' etc.*" }

**BALLOT 98 - 10: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

Postmarked: April 9, 1998

Effective: April 27, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

The following persons are proposed as chairpersons of the named committees:

CODE OF ETHICS: Sandra Bridges and Patricia Bright

JUDGES' EDUCATION: Lu Dye

Please mark your vote on approving them to serve.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 11: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: DONATION OF VARVA BOOKS**

Postmarked: April 9, 1998

Effective: April 27, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

*The Basenji* magazine is organizing a fundraiser for the Health Foundation Fund to take place in June. Susan Coe asks for donation of some of the Robert Varva *Canis Basenji* books to be premiums for a sixty dollar (\$60.00) gift to the Fund. The number of copies donated obviously cannot be determined until after the money gifts are made.

Please mark your vote below.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 12: APPROVED: Option A**

**SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF 2001 NATIONAL SPECIALTY PROPOSAL**

Postmarked: April 28, 1998

Effective: May 16, 1998

Editor's note: This proposal was submitted by the Indian Nations Basenji Club of Oklahoma and the Show Me Basenji Club of Missouri.

Dates: August 21, 2001 through August 26, 2001.

Location: Western Hills Guest Ranch located in Wagoner, Oklahoma.

Circulated in accordance with National Specialty Guidelines.

Enclosed is a copy of the one proposal received from any group in the central region, whose turn it is to host the 2001 specialty. It was received two weeks after April 1, the date specified for the deadline.

There are two options:

1. to accept the proposal submitted two weeks late; or
2. to move the specialty to the next region in the sequence as prescribed in Guidelines Section VII B

Please mark your vote below.

**Option A:** To accept the proposal submitted.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Paysinger; Russell; Wuornos;

**Coe** { "*Gosh, this sounds like a really nice place but one right away begins to wonder if they should come without dogs because of the lack of concern for the safety of the dogs who must travel by air during the worst heat of the summer.*" }; **Craven** { "*I am voting for this proposal but am truly concerned about the temperatures that we are encountering at the summer specialties. Perhaps we should give more thought to the comfort and concern of our Basenjies and the situations we are asked to put them in when traveling in the summer heat by car and by plane when selecting specialty dates.*" }; **Graves** { "*In my opinion, there would be far more disorder in moving the bids to the next region than there would be in accepting a slightly late proposal. Furthermore, concerning the heat concerns, those who live in the states south of the midline of the national borders are subject to very high summer temperatures from May through September. None of us can submit proposals if daytime temperatures in the 90's and nighttime one in the 70's are ruled as unacceptable. That's the way it is down here.*" }; **Grundman** { "*Sounds like fun*" }; **Schreiber** { "*Even though this proposal is late, I think it is in the best interests of the BCOA – given the fact that two regional clubs with experienced members are willing to take the laboring or – to deem it timely. However, I also think that the lack of proposals received points up a troubling issue. Our National Specialty has become a different event than it was in years gone by. Putting on an event as large as the National requires a tremendous amount of effort on the part of the volunteer staff. Additionally the 'expectations' of those who attend the National Specialty have risen to a level where many clubs are actually LOATHE to put on the event. No one wants to fail – or even to disappoint – their peers. When an event this large is planned and put on by a group of volunteers – many of whom have family obligations as well as full-time jobs – the likelihood of everything going off 'without a hitch' is slim! I'd suggest that the BCOA consider ways of routinizing the process on the National (this goes beyond having a set of written Guidelines) in order to take the burden off our volunteers. One idea is for the National Club to fund the cost of hiring an 'events coordinator' to assist the host club(s) with all aspects of organization (the services of a good special events coordinator in the Chicago area run approximately \$1200-\$1800). Another is to select one, or possibly several, regional 'permanent' sites for the National so that at least lodging, transportation and food preparation issues would be minimized. Again, my concern is that the 'event' has outstripped the ability of*" }

*our volunteers to keep pace, and that in the future it may become increasingly difficult to convince regional clubs or groups of BCOA members to take on the task... ”*}; (ellipses are original punctuation and do not indicate omission-ALG)

**Option B:** To move the specialty to the next region in the sequence.

NO VOTES

**BALLOT 98 - 13: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: SITE/JUDGE TALLIER 2001 SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: May 7, 1998

Effective: May 25, 1998

Circulated in accordance with National Specialty Guidelines.

Please mark your vote below on accepting June Weedy (MD) as Site/Judge Tallier for the 2001 National Specialty.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 14: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**

Postmarked: May 11, 1998

Effective: May 29, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the April 1998 issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

(Because of the delay in the postal service's delivery of the April newsletter, the Secretary allowed an extra two weeks for comments to arrive.)

\* indicates Junior membership.

Please mark your vote on accepting these applicants as members of BCOA.

Sandy Beaudoin and Peggy Welker (OK); \* Chelsea Brandenburg (MI); Jo Dean (CA); Jeffery and Pamela DeGrange (MO); T.A. Gillespielli (TN); Janice and David Kahl (MO); Renee Kudry (NY); Joe & Kim Martine (NV); Debra Lee and Gregg Marty (MI); Barbara Quast (CA); Sharon Schmidgall (MI); Patrick C. Smith (OH); Heidi York (CO)

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Craven; Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 15: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

(Telephone ballot conducted by the President May 17, 1998 – May 21, 1998, effective immediately.)

Please indicate your vote for the following persons to serve on the Nominating Committee for BCOA Officers and Board of Directors for 1999:

Shirley Jones (OK) Chairperson; Patricia Bird (CO); Ken Linberg (CA); Kirsten Sigrist (IL); Elaine Sykes (FL)

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 16: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**

Postmarked: June 4, 1998

Effective: June 22, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the May 1998 issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

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Please mark your vote on accepting these applicants as members of BCOA.

Vicki Bongovanni (VA); Stephani Cheng (Canada); Charles A. Denslow (OH); Julie Dilick (NC); Ruth and Clark Gable (OK); Laura B. Jenkins (OH); Theodore and Joan Lansing (NV); Jeannine & Ron Lieber (NV); Donna J. Lubbe (OR); Karen K.L. Luke and Gary L. Schwichtenberg (HI); Michael and Pamela McMillan, \*Deborah, \*Hannah, \*Leah, \*Marylou (TN); Eva Meleones (NC); Nancy Ann Mitchell (CT); Karen Ann Pharaoh (NE); Wendy Schiesser (CA); David G. Shellie (MI); Judy Stuart (CA); Susan C. Wilcox (Canada); Todd Williamson and Kerry Rodeghero (IL)

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 17: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**

Postmarked: July 31, 1998

Effective: August 18, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the July 1998 issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

\* indicates Junior membership.

Please mark your vote on accepting these applicants as members of BCOA.

John & Joyce Anderson (FL); Suzanne Benson (NY); Kimberly J. Benz (SC); Lonnell Brewer (MO); Sharon and Ronald Cain (NV); Nancy Ann Craigie (MN); Ray DeMayo and Denise Hartig (NY); Julie A. Dikeman (NY); Jennifer Dumont (NE); Raquel Flores (CA); Sheila Ann Frost (WA); James E. Johannes (WA); Tina LeBlanc (TX); \*Gavin Perino (NY); Erin Roycroft and Robert DeNeau (TX); Shane Smithson and Jill Palmer (TX); Tiina Taavitsainen (Finland); Mary L. Wilson (IN)

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 18: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: CHAIR FOR 2001 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: July 31, 1998

Effective: August 18, 1998

The Indian Nations Basenji Club and the Show Me Basenji Club have nominated Elda Rae Cross (OK) as Chair of the 2001 National Specialty.

Please mark your vote on this nomination.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 19: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: TREASURER FOR 2001 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: July 31, 1998

Effective: August 18, 1998

Circulated in accordance with BCOA National Specialty Guidelines.

The Indian Nations Basenji Club and the Show Me Basenji Club have nominated Kathy Boyd (OK) as Treasurer of the 2001 National Specialty.

Please mark your vote on this nomination.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos  
**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 20: APPROVED**  
**SUBJECT: BOARD MEETING 1998**

Postmarked: July 31, 1998

Effective: August 18, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

Please mark your vote on holding the 1998 meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, September 23, 1998 at the Inn at the Crossings, Warwick, RI.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos  
**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 21: APPROVED**  
**SUBJECT: BCOA ANNUAL MEETING**

Postmarked: July 31, 1998

Effective: August 18, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

Please mark your vote on holding the Annual Meeting of BCOA at 7:00 PM on September 25, 1998 at the Inn at the Crossings, Warwick, RI.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos  
**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 22: APPROVED**  
**SUBJECT: JUDGE FOR 2001 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: August 13, 1998

Effective: August 31, 1998

Circulated in accordance with BCOA National Specialty Guidelines.

Jeraldeen Crandall has received the largest number of votes to judge the conformation classes at the 2001 National Specialty to be held in Wagoner, OK. She has agreed to judge for her lodging during the event and the nights before and after it, her meals and economy airfare. She waives any fee for this assignment. She has agreed to abide by the restriction not to judge Basenjis within six months prior to the BCOA Specialty. Please mark your vote on issuing a contract with her.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos  
**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 23: APPROVED**  
**SUBJECT: SWEEPSTAKES JUDGE FOR 2001 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: August 13, 1998

Effective: August 31, 1998

Circulated in accordance with BCOA National Specialty Guidelines.

Carol Webb (WA) has received the largest number of votes to judge the Sweepstakes classes at the 2001 National Specialty to be held in Wagoner, OK. She has agreed to judge for two nights' lodging, banquet and economy airfare. She waives any fee for this assignment. She has agreed to abide by the restriction not to judge a Basenji Sweepstakes for one year prior to the BCOA Specialty.



Please mark your vote on issuing a contract with her.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Schreiber; Wuornos  
**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Russell

**BALLOT 98 - 24: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**

Postmarked: August 31, 1998

Effective: September 18, 1998

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Please mark your vote on accepting these applicants as members of BCOA.

Cheryl Lorenz (NY); Suzanne and Lee Pintar (WA); Thomas and Tonda Wright, \*Ric Wright (TN)

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 25: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS**

Postmarked: August 31, 1998

Effective: September 18, 1998

Please mark your vote below on hiring the firm of Elizabeth P. Miller, CPA, as Inspectors of Election for the 1999 Officers and Board of Directors. The firm has agreed to a fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 28: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: LURE COURSING JUDGE 1999 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: October 5, 1998

Effective: October 23, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the National Specialty Guidelines.

Please mark you vote on issuing a contract with Dixie Hirsch (Silverado, CO) to judge the lure coursing events for the 1999 National Specialty in Arizona. She has agreed to a fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for this assignment.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger { "*Dixie has been involved with the 'Turkey Run' in Southern California many times and has done an admirable job*" }; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 29: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: LURE COURSING JUDGE 1999 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: October 5, 1998

Effective: October 23, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the National Specialty Guidelines.

Please mark you vote on issuing a contract with Dianne Hill (Dallas, TX) to judge the lure coursing events for the 1999 National Specialty in Arizona. She has agreed to a fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for this assignment.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 30: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: OBEDIENCE AND JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE 1999 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Postmarked: October 5, 1998

Effective: October 23, 1998

Circulated in accordance with the National Specialty Guidelines.

Please mark your vote on issuing a contract with Marilyn Little (Mesa, AZ) to judge both the Obedience and the Junior Showmanship events for the 1999 National Specialty in Arizona. She has agreed to a fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for this assignment.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 31: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**

Postmarked: November 9, 1998

Effective: November 27, 1998

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The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the October 1998 issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

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Please mark your vote on accepting these applicants as members of BCOA.

Mary and Dennis Cronin Doyle (MO); Bonnie L. and Betty L. Getman (PA); Debbie Hauri (NH); Sharron Hurlbut (WA); Kristin King (CT); Andrew Logan (CA); Veronica and \*Monica Perrine (OH); Gary R. Pickler (NC); Catherine and Alan Rowe (NC); Marilyn Sterling (TX); Alta L. Thompson (CA); Curtiss Vaughn (FL); Melba J. Williams (GA)

**APPROVED:** Bolté{ “Glad to see some ‘old faces’ ” }; Carter; Coe; Craven; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Schreiber; Wuornos

**BALLOT 98 - 32: DISAPPROVED\***

**SUBJECT: AFFIRMATION OF BCOA CODE OF RECOMMENDED PRACTICES**

Postmarked: November 9, 1998

Effective: November 27, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President following the majority vote of the general membership at the 1998 Annual Meeting of BCOA in Rhode Island:

Shall the BCOA add a line to the current membership applications stating: “I have read and choose to abide by the BCOA Code of Recommended Practices.” The same line shall be included in the next renewal notices to be mailed, should there be an affirmative vote on this ballot. The only further outcome of the adoption of this ballot is to be an unobtrusive symbol of some sort (for instance, an asterisk) to appear in all future membership rosters preceding the names of those members who have so chosen. It is to be understood that this is in NO WAY an attempt to “legislate morality”; this does NOT require a change in the By-Laws; there will be NO restriction on those who do not choose to abide by the Code, and there will be NO special consideration given to those who do. This is a simple matter of information and identification.

Please mark your vote on approving the actions described in the ballot.

\*Note: Ballot 98 – 1 on Administrative Procedures states: “If four (4) or more members disapprove a ballot or indicate that more discussion is necessary, that ballot will automatically be reconsidered and subsequently resubmitted to the Board for another vote. The initial vote will thus be considered ‘discussion’ and all comments will be published with the final vote.

**APPROVED:** Carter; Paysinger;

**Coe** { “The line added should probably identify the year of the ‘Code’ – the 19\_\_ Code of Recommended Practices – in case of later changes which one might disagree with.” }; **Schreiber** { “I am voting to approve Ballot 98 – 32 with a couple of caveats. If this ballot is approved, I suggest that an additional disclaimer be added to the Roster. The disclaimer should provide that the BCOA, and in particular Roster editor/publisher and printer are not responsible for errors or omissions with respect the placing the ‘unobtrusive symbol’ next to a member’s name. Corrections can be duly published in the Bulletin Board and/or Bulletin, but the Club should not have to pay for any republications or special mailings to correct errors concerning the ode of Recommended Practices designation. While it would be frustrating, as a BCOA member, to have a roster published without the designation (by virtue of an oversight), there should be no more liability for the Club or for the folks who put together the Roster than if an error had been made with the respect to a name, address etc. For the record, I am concerned that just about EVERYONE will check the ‘I agree’ box except for those who fail to do so in error. Having one’s name appear in the Roster for a full year WITHOUT the designation (even if the error is rectified in the Bulletin Board and Bulletin) seems a heavy price to pay for forgetting to check a box. Our efforts to ‘record’ morality may prove nearly as difficult as legislating it! I’m voting for Ballot 98 - 32 because it may have the positive effect of encouraging BCOA members to review the Code of Recommended Practices (to see if they agree or disagree). However, the Ballot does add a new layer of intricacy to publishing the Roster. Time will tell whether the effort has been worthwhile, or whether problems outweigh benefits.” }

**DISAPPROVED: Bolté** { “I do not feel that we are ready for this decision. What is the difference between a code of ethics and signing on that you adhere to the Code of Recommended Practices? If there’s no mark by one’s name, that person will probably be excoriated on the internet.” }; **Craven** { “I believe the BCOA Code of Recommended Practices is a learning tool for both experienced (breeders) as well as the newcomer to our breed and sets forth guidelines that we should all be proud of. I do not feel we need to require BCOA members to indicate that they are following the recommendations that are set forth in this document. If they are responsible Basenji owners, I am sure they are trying to live up to this standard. On the other hand, if they are not responsible, what would stop them from indicating that they would abide by the recommendations and continue as they have done in the past. I think it would be better to continue to build a national breed club where members have a dialogue and the ability to bring education to fellow Basenji owners in the many areas that are noted in the Code of Page 3 BCOA Ballots 98 – 31, 32 Recommended Practices, as well as using this document as a guide in their own actions. I feel very strongly that it is far better to educate them to try and legislate responsible members for the dog world.” }; **Graves** { “I feel that this ballot needs more discussion and comments from the general membership. Because of the extra layer of record-keeping and the possibility of errors in it – and because of the paradox of having a liability disclaimer on recommendations of individual breeders next to a list of those claiming adherence to a special set of practices, we should not make a hasty decision. It does seem good to say that BCOA is solidly behind the commonsense, ethical practices listed in the Code of Recommended Practices and that all (or 90%, 80% or whatever) of the members will at least say that they subscribe to them. However, without a highly undesirable change in the By-Laws to make some kind of penalty for saying one thing and doing another (a process which would be divisive and perhaps destructive to the club), these words will remain words – only as good as the person who says them.” }; **Grundman** { “A yes vote would make our disclaimer notice in the Roster invalid and useless.” }; **Russell** { “I don’t see a necessity for this at all.” }; **Wuornos** { “I vote that it need more discussion. I think that the Code of Recommended Practices is a good thing, but I am more interested in knowing who, in the Roster, is testing the eyes of their breeding stock, the hips and doing regular sugar stripping, not who picks up poop or who is a good sport at ringside. When I get an inquiry, I want to be able to recommend breeders in other parts of the country that do the testing, so I can refer potential puppy buyers to a breeder that is testing the adults – that’s why I need the information. I don’t need to recommend a puppy buyer to someone that’s a good sport; that’s a nice extra, but not critical information for someone to buy the puppy.” }

## **BALLOT 98 - 33: TALLIED SUBJECT**

### **SUBJECT: AKC LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Postmarked: December 4, 1998

Effective: December 22, 1998

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please mark your votes for persons to receive the inaugural AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards, as described on the reverse of this page. After tallying the votes, the Secretary will send the results to AKC.

Conformation: Rachael Page Elliot: 5

Obedience: Dorothy D. Nickles: 4; Patricia C. Trotter: 2; James E. Dearing: 3 Anna K. Nicholas: 2; Robert T. Self: 3

Performance: Ray Trimble: 2; Arthur Rodger: 1; Tom Sorenson : 0

**BALLOT 98 - 34: APPROVED**

**SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR AKC APPROVAL OF LICENSED HANDLERS**

Postmarked: December 16, 1998

Effective: January 3, 1999

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please indicate your vote on agreeing to the request of the President of the Professional Handlers' Association to write a letter supporting the proposal submitted to the American Kennel Club to recognize approved or licensed professional handlers.

**APPROVED:** Bolté; Graves; Grundman; Paysinger; Russell; Wuornos

**DISAPPROVED:** Coe; Craven

**NO RECORD OF VOTE:** Carter; Schreiber

## 1998 BCOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING

Meeting Date: September 23, 1998

PRESENT: Greenlee; Paysinger; Graves; Grundman; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Craven; Wuornos

SPEAKER-PHONE: Schreiber

ABSENT: Russell

<b>Ballot</b>	<b>Subject</b>
98 – 35	Sale of <i>African Stock Imports</i> Book
98 – 36	Judge's Education Chair Budget
98 – 37	Guidelines for Bulletin Board Newsletter
98 – 38	Treasurer as Registered Agent of BCOA and Endowment
98 – 39	Drafting of Lure Coursing Guidelines
98 – 40	Judges' Education Seminars
98 – 41	Drafting of Local Affiliated Clubs' Guidelines
98 – 42	Historian and Archives

### **BALLOT 98 – 35**

Susan Coe presented the culmination of years of work by the African Stock Committee: the book of *African Stock Imports*. The books will be sold for ten dollars (\$10.00).

On a motion by Damara Bolté, seconded by Iris Craven, there **passed unanimously**.

### **BALLOT 98 - 36**

Margaret Grundman presented the proposed budget for 1999. After discussion of the lack of monetary support for the Judges' Education Chair Lu Dye, and the fact that some places asking for a seminar do not pay the expenses of the coordinator, on a motion by Margaret Grundman, seconded by Andie Paysinger, there **passed unanimously**:

the Judges' Education Chair will have a budget of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per annum as part of the 1999 Budget.

### **BALLOT 98 - 37**

After discussion of the increasing costs of mailing the *Bulletin Board Newsletter* and of the original 1989 guidelines for its content, on a motion by Karla Schreiber, seconded by Anne Graves, there **passed unanimously**:

In addition to the original guidelines for content, rescue listings and news shall be printed in the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*.

### **BALLOT 98 - 38**

Margaret Grundman reported that the Florida bank, which had held the BCOA and Endowment accounts, is now a NationsBank charging unreasonably high fees for such accounts. She found another bank with much more reasonable fees, but there must be a registered agent for corporations to do business there.

On a motion by Anne Graves, seconded by Damara Bolté, there **passed unanimously**:

Margaret Grundman shall register as the agent for BCOA and the Endowment in order to do business with the bank.

### **BALLOT 98 - 39**

The Lure Coursing Committee shall draft guidelines for BCOA lure coursing.

### **BALLOT 98 - 40**

After discussion of the problem of poorly-qualified persons holding Judges' Education Seminars, on a motion by Sally Wuornos, seconded by Karla Schreiber, there **passed unanimously**:

Our AKC Delegate is asked to urge AKC to have official approval for Judges' Seminars and to do more than encourage sponsors of such event to contact parent clubs.

**BALLOT 98 - 41**

After discussion of the disappearance of 1970's guidelines for affiliation of local clubs with BCOA, on a motion by Iris Craven, seconded by Andie Paysinger, there **passed unanimously**:

The Events Coordinator, if willing and able, shall draft guidelines for affiliation of local Basenji clubs with BCOA.

**BALLOT 98 – 42**

After general discussion, on a motion by Karla Schreiber, seconded by Damara Bolté, there **passed unanimously**:

The Historian is authorized to put historical material from the archives on the BCOA website.