

2001 BCOA BALLOTS AS PUBLISHED IN THE *BULLETIN BOARD NEWSLETTER*

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BALLOT 2001 - 1: APPROVED

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Postmarked: January 2, 2001

Effective: January 19, 2001

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please mark your vote on approving the following administrative procedures for the 2001 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.
7. Matters under review or discussion by the Board and ballots in circulation may be discussed among any or all Board members, but such discussion shall not appear in open forum of any sort, electronic or other.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard {*"Approved with the understanding that item 7 does not preclude such discussions between any number of actual members in a 'non-public' forum."*}; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 2: APPROVED

SUBJECT: BULLETIN EDITOR & PUBLISHER

Postmarked: January 2, 2001

Effective: January 19, 2001

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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 2001 Club year.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 3: APPROVED

SUBJECT: BULLETIN BOARD EDITOR & PUBLISHER

Postmarked: January 2, 2001

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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 2001 Club year.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 7: APPROVED

SUBJECT: MATERIAL FOR BCOA WEBSITE

Postmarked: February 1, 2001

Effective: February 19, 2001

Please mark your vote on accepting the enclosed "Basenji Health Issues" to replace the health information now posted on the BCOA website.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter { "I would like to recognize the outstanding job that Lisa Corell Auerbach did putting it together. It is up to date, factual and easy to read." }; Graves { "This is an elegant piece of work, readable as well as thorough." }; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard { "Many thanks to all who contributed to this fine document." }; Wuornos

WITHHELD: Coe { "This read fine except the line 'The actual rate of hip dysplasia may well be higher, as dogs that are obviously dysplastic may not be submitted by the veterinarian and owner.' I think this is a big leap based on a very small sample (percentage) of the total Basenji population that is x-rayed at all." }

BALLOT 2001 - 8: APPROVED

SUBJECT: EXTENSION ON DEADLINE FOR ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

Postmarked: February 1, 2001

Effective: February 19, 2001

Please mark your vote on extending the deadline for the committee evaluating what would be required for indexing and publishing the BCOA Archives. The committee requests an extension to May 31, 2001, 120 days from the date of this ballot.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 9: APPROVED

SUBJECT: DIRECTIVE FOR CHANGE IN CERF REQUIREMENTS

Postmarked: February 1, 2001

Effective: February 19, 2001

Please mark your vote on this proposal:

The BCOA Board of Directors:

1. Authorize the BCOA Health and Research Committee to petition the Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF) on behalf of the Board of Directors to request that:
 - a. the recommendation for breeding iris-to-iris PPMs and PPM-free tags change from "No" to "Breeder's Option"; and
 - b. the CERF certificate have a code for PPM (as is done for other Breeder's Option disorders).
2. Authorize the BCOA Health and Research Committee to work with the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (ACVO) Genetics Committee towards the passage of the above changes. (The ACVO Genetics Committee is the body that approves changes in CERF certification criteria.)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos;

Schreiber { "I'm voting to approve Ballot 2001 - 9 with the caveat that none of us should perceive this change as a rationale for ignoring PPM. I don't believe that the proposed change in any way promotes 'ignoring' PPM. PPM will still be tracked, in a manner similar to epithelial corneal dystrophy or other conditions which breeders/owners should be aware of – but which do not prevent a dog from receiving a CERF certification. Given the magnitude of our breed's other health issues, I think it is as good a time as any to put PPM into perspective – and to make the manner which PPM is dealt with by CERF comport more closely to the way conscientious breeders have dealt with PPM for many years (by tracking it, factoring it into their breeding

decisions and working to prevent it from increasing to the point where it may become severe and pose vision problems, etc.).”}

BALLOT 2001 - 10: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: February 20, 2001

Effective: March 10, 2001

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 2001 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

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

Hepi Armen (NY); Leslie Batchelder and Bob Socolich (OR); Charles B. Bruton (TX); Suzi J. Clark (IN); Barbara Eisenstein (WA); Keith and Barbara Henry (IN); Michael C. Mitchel (MO); Kem Muckleroy (TX); Tamitha Nearingth (MI); David Underwood (AR); Carolyn Watkins (WA)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 11: APPROVED

SUBJECT: COPIER FOR ARCHIVES

Postmarked: February 20, 2001

Effective: March 10, 2001

Circulated at the request of the President.

Please make your vote on the purchase of a copy machine for the BCOA Archives. Enclosed are the request from Andie Paysinger and a picture of a particular machine, which will cost \$699.98.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos {“*Approved, with the understanding that the copier is the property of BCOA.*”}

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Schreiber

BALLOT 2001 - 12: APPROVED

SUBJECT: SITE/JUDGE TALLIER FOR 2004 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Postmarked: April 12, 2001

Effective: April 28, 2001

Circulated in accordance with BCOA National Specialty Guidelines.

Please mark your vote below on accepting June Weedy (MD) as Site/Judge Tallier for the BCOA National Specialty of 2004.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard {“*Although I don’t see the need for the preliminary step of narrowing the field when the field is already so narrow.*”}; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 13: APPROVED

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF EMAIL VOTES FOR JUDGES’ NOMINATIONS

Postmarked: April 17, 2001

Effective: May 5, 2001

Please mark your vote on allowing the Vice-President to accept email votes for the nominations of judges for the 2004 National Specialty. The votes must come from the address of the person voting and must have been received by April 16, 2001. The extra day is allowed because April 15 is a Sunday and custom allows the extra day for postal delivery.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Carter; Grundman; Webb; Wuornos;

Graves {“*This seems a non-issue. The Club has accepted email for many purposes that are not final votes, as well as some that are – such as Board votes.*”}; **Schreiber** {“*However, I am concerned because the ballot language did not really match the original proposal – at least as I understood it.*”}; **Woodard** {“*I support the use of plain text email for (preliminary) nominations because it would promote member participation and help ensure a robust slate of candidates from which to choose. Our Roster is a good control document for authentication purposes. An email vote should contain enough Roster identification so it may be audited by the tallier at his or her discretion.*”}

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Bolté; Coe

BALLOT 2001 - 14: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: April 19, 2001

Effective: May 7, 2001

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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 February 2001 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

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

* indicates Junior membership.

Sarah and Steve Duecker (IN); Brian and Elaine Geiser, *Evan Geiser (PA); Pam Mikel (IL)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 15: APPROVED

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Postmarked: April 19, 2001

Effective: May 7, 2001

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Please mark your vote on accepting the following persons as chairs (and in some cases members) of the named committees for the club years of 2001.

AFRICAN STOCK PROJECT: Susan Coe and James Johannes

AKC DELEGATE: Jon Curby

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: Vickie Jacobs

BREEDER REFERRALS:

PHONE: Sandy Beaudoin

WEBSITE AND EMAIL: Iris Craven, Carole Kirk, Pat Marshall, Carol Webb and Sally Wuornos

BREEDERS' EDUCATION: Damara Bolté, Chair; Iris Craven, Pat Marshall and Carol Webb

BREED STANDARD: Damara Bolté and Shirley Jones

BY-LAWS: Iris Craven

CODE OF ETHICS: Sandy Bridges

CONFORMATION TALLIER: Patrick Allison

EVENTS COORDINATOR/LIAISON: Carole Kirk

HEALTH AND RESEARCH: Lisa Auerbach and Stan Carter

HISTORIAN: Andie Paysinger

JUDGES' EDUCATION: Jeri Crandall

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP: Lisa Marshall

LURE COURSING: Russ Jacobs, Chair: Charles Denslow and Connie Camp

MEMBERSHIP: Beth Straub

NATIONAL SPECIALTY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE: Wanda Pooley, Chair, Linda Pence, Nancy Wilson, Bill McCann, Andrew Sawler, Pat Bird, Iris Craven and Peg Grundman

OBEDIENCE TALLIER: Cindy Griswold

PUBLIC EDUCATION COORDINATOR: Bill McCann

RESCUE: Linda Ehlers, Chair; Pat Bright, Charles Denslow and Janine Peters

STUD DOG/BROOD BITCH TALLIERS:

Conformation and Obedience: Nancy Brown

ASFA and AKC LURE COURSING: TBA

SUNSHINE: Linda Pence

WEBSITE: George Woodard

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Grundman

BALLOT 2001 - 16: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Postmarked: May 14, 2001

Effective: June 1, 2001

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

Please mark your vote on appointing the following persons to the Nominating Committee for the BCOA 2002 Officers and Board of Directors.

Linda Pence (IN), Chair; Kim Brallier (VA); Judi Glass (TX); Ronda Lee (OK); June Young (WA)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 17: APPROVED

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO BALLOT 2000 – 11

MATERIAL FOR BCOA JUDGES' SEMINARS

Postmarked: May 14, 2001

Effective: June 1, 2001

Please mark your vote on amending the wording of this ballot to include the italicized words:

“Please mark your vote on requiring that all material presented at BCOA-sponsored judges’ seminars be material approved by the BCOA Board of Directors *and/or the Judges’ Education Committee.*”

APPROVED: Auerbach; Carter; Coe; Graves; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos;

Bolté { “*I would include Peg’s suggestion: Judges’ and Public Education Committee.*” }; Grundman { “*Approve with reservation. This should be changed to Judges’ and Public Education Committee. We need to address this as I am getting printing bills for PEC hand-out materials.*” }

BALLOT 2001 - 18: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: May 14, 2001

Effective: June 1, 2001

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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 April 2001 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

* indicates Junior membership.

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

Erika and Kent Arett (IL); Stephanie Bergemann (TN); Eugene R. Biller (CA); Kendra Burgher (NJ); Rob Chodock and Karen Mitchell (NY); Ronald and Geradette Condon (NC); Debra Edmonds (IN); Sandra Garlick (NY); Stephen P. Garvey and Carolyn S. Lee (NY); Susan E. Jinkens (OH); Debra Elizabeth Johnson (TN); Lisa Miller (PA); Lawella Jean von Mosch (CA); Vernetta Posey (FL); *Gavin Perino (NY); Nancy West and Mahlon J. Ramsey (AZ); Bryan and Dawn Schultis (KS); Macauley Summerly and *Courtney Seymour (Canada); Richard N. Taylor (IN); Dana and Diane Wade (NC); Rita L. Webb (HI); Marti Wright (CA)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman { “*Perino’s is a Junior membership application.*” }; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 19: APPROVED

SUBJECT: ARCHIVE COMMITTEE DEADLINE EXTENSION

Postmarked: May 21, 2001

Effective: June 9, 2001

Circulated at the request of the President.

Having made considerable progress in the task of what to recommend in order to provide better access to the BCOA archived materials, the Archive Committee requests another 30 days from the deadline of May 31, 2001. This extension sets July 1, 2001 as the date for a report to the BCOA Board of Directors. Please mark your vote below on this extension.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos { *"I approve, but this is the last extension that I will approve of; this matter needs to be concluded."* }

BALLOT 2001 - 20: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: May 31, 2001

Effective: June 18, 2001

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 2001 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

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

Peggy A. Bowe (TX); Laurie J. Erickson (MN); David and Denna Faison (VA); Michael L. and Christine L. Graves (TX); John Hirnikl (OH)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 21: APPROVED

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP

Postmarked: May 31, 2001

Effective: June 18, 2001

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

Douglas Joy (CA) has applied for membership in BCOA, and his name, along with a call for comments was published in the May 2001 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*.

Comments were received within 14 days of the publication's date of mailing. The comments were sent to the applicant for his response, as provided in the BCOA By-Laws, Article I, Section 3. Enclosed are copies of the comments (Exhibits 1 – 10) and copies of the responses (Exhibits 11 – 29).

Please mark your vote on admitting Douglas Joy to membership in BCOA.

APPROVED: Coe; Wuornos;

Auerbach { *"I did want to comment that membership decisions are not endorsements or condemnations of individuals. Clubs have legal requirements to follow their written membership procedures, and to interpret those procedures in reasonable ways. Failing to follow these procedures can result in significant liability for the club. I am familiar with this because one of my horse clubs was sued over membership issues, and their successful defense of that suit was dependent on their having strictly followed procedure and precedent."* };

Graves { *"The charges made here are serious and deserve careful examination. After reading both comments and responses, along with the documents submitted, I have decided to vote for Douglas Joy's membership. These are my reasons.*

1. He had been a member of BCOA for many years without challenge.

2. Assuming Mr. Joy's records of 25 litters in 26 years are supported by AKC's records, the charge of breeding an unusually large number of litters does not hold up.

3. Several certificates from OFA and CERF dating from 1993 through several years after do not support the charges that Mr. Joy refused to consider the health problems of PRA and hip dysplasia, at least in recent years.

4. Some offenses listed on the reports from Animal Control are either those which many hobby breeders could have on record, such as feces in the yard and bags of dog food in the garage; or those which seem strange for a breeder of show dogs (especially Basenjis), such as dogs running at large and excessive barking. However, on this matter, I feel that, although having too many dogs for local rules is a risk when there are puppies not yet placed, the number of adult dogs listed on the reports is well beyond an acceptable number for a modest suburban lot and could annoy even sympathetic neighbors.

5. Some charges do not give enough particulars: if AKC has taken against Mr. Joy, that action is not named; thus we must conclude that he is in good standing with the AKC.

6. Decisions concerning breeding are very important, but they are also matters of judgment; and breeders seldom see eye-to-eye. BCOA does not have a required code for breeders to follow, so what seems a foolish or risky breeding to one person may not provide grounds for prosecution of the breeder.

7. The charge that the writer is aware of 'many Fanconi dogs' is indeed disturbing; if the dogs and approximate dates were named or at least one veterinarian's evidence given, the charge would have even more weight.

To sum up, I find some charges which remain troubling (too many adult dogs, producing many Fanconi dogs), but I feel the other charges are answered with evidence submitted. We must vote on the evidence as submitted, not on hearsay or rumor or any charges which the applicant does not get to answer."};

Schreiber {"The BCOA By-Laws provide that '...membership shall be open to all persons who are in good standing with the American Kennel Club and who subscribe (agree) to the purpose of this Club (BCOA).' The 'purposes' of the BCOA are

a) to promote the breeding of pure bred Basenjis and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection;

b) to assist in the organization of local Basenji specialty clubs...;

c) to accept the Standard of the breed as approved by the AKC as the only Standard of excellence by which Basenjis shall be judged;

d) to do all in its power to protect and advance the interest of the breed and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, field trials and obedience trials; and

e) to conduct sanctioned matches, specialty shows, field trials and obedience trials under the AKC rules.

When an applicant signs a BCOA membership application, he also indicates that he '...has read the BCOA Code of Recommended Practices.' However, because the Code of Recommended Practices consists of 'voluntary guidelines,' (even as to BCOA members) it cannot be used as a benchmark for determining an applicant's suitability for BCOA membership.

As indicated, the BCOA Constitution and By-Laws provide Board Members with very little direction regarding challenges to membership applications. However, the By-Laws certainly outline a process for submitting comments regarding applications and for permitting an applicant to respond to these comments. In order for the 'comments' process to be meaningful, the Board Members must apply some sort of cogent analysis to that process. The following is my analysis.

The BCOA By-Laws and Constitution paint with a very broad brush concerning membership. I personally do not believe this was an oversight or a 'mistake' on the part of those who initially drafted these documents. From its inception, BCOA has been an AKC parent club that is open to a wide range of fanciers from all walks of life – sometimes with very different opinions and ways of doing things. Not all AKC parent breed clubs are set up this way. Some utilize very specific membership criteria, perform home inspections, etc. As a result, these clubs have far fewer voting members than BCOA and differ from clubs like BCOA in other important respects. Guided by the premise that BCOA, historically, is a club with an 'open' membership policy, we are asked to decide whether comments about an applicant's past/present breeding practices, home conditions, etc. are so significant as to indicate the applicant does not subscribe to the stated purposes of the Club (but instead, for example, merely wishes to obtain BCOA membership for improper purposes – such as to assist in the advertising and sale of puppies, etc.

For myself, evidence sufficient to deny a membership application must meet three tests:

- 1) *the evidence must be meticulously documented (for example, evidence of a conviction or citation, supplied by a neutral third-party agency such as a governmental unit);*
- 2) *the evidence, taken as a whole, must show a clear and convincing pattern of behavior on the part of the applicant which indicates that he does not subscribe to the stated purposes of BCOA;*
- 3) *the evidence cannot consist merely of opinion, hearsay, isolated incidents or matters that do not rise to the level of indicating that the applicant does not subscribe to the stated purposes of BCOA.*

It is my opinion that the comments received with respect to Doug Joy's BCOA membership application (taken together with his response), do not rise to the level of clear and convincing evidence that Doug Joy's promise to 'subscribe to the purposes' of BCOA (as stated in the BCOA's current Constitution) is not a sincere one (i.e. that he seeks membership for some inappropriate purpose, such as personal gain). Mr. Joy is presently in good standing with the AKC. Mr. Joy has been a BCOA member in the past and during that time his membership was not challenged. For the reasons stated, I am voting to approve Doug Joy's membership application."};

Webb {*"I sent my comments about this to the board, reserving complete judgment until all the comments for and against Mr. Joy had been received. I found no valid reason to withhold membership."*};

Woodard {*"The concerns expressed in the commentary (while serious) are not enough for me to exclude a recent member from re-admission who was previously in good standing. Had there been proof of a prior decision in a venue that allowed adequate rebuttal and examination of evidence, it would be a different story. For example, AKC or affiliate club sanction, BCOA sanction (pursuant to Article IV), local court ruling, etc. Our admission procedure does not allow for such careful consideration."*}

WITHHELD: Bolté {*"Usually where there's smoke, there's fire. Let's learn more."*}

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Carter; Grundman

BALLOT 2001 - 22: APPROVED

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP

Postmarked: June 22, 2001

Effective: July 10, 2001

Circulated at the request of the President.

Tom Johnston (Scotland) sent his membership renewal on January 8, 2001, but it apparently was delayed somewhere in the postal system of the UK or the USA. The mailing arrived on June 9, 2001, with postmark clearly showing the date of mailing.

Please mark your vote on reinstating Mr. Johnston's membership effective immediately and having all publications from January - June 2001 sent to him.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 23: APPROVED

SUBJECT: BREED INFO AT DOG CLASSIC

Postmarked: July 10, 2001

Effective: July 28, 2001

Circulated at the request of the President.

Dennis Sprung of AKC has invited BCOA to join at least 80 other national breed clubs in a Meet the Breeds attraction at the AKC/Eukanuba American Dog Classic. The event will be held at the Centroplex in Orlando, FL, on December 12, 2001. The organizers will provide a booth, table and chairs, signage and lunch for two, all complimentary. They expect participation of two or three club members plus a few adult dogs and puppies (over six months of age) during the hours of noon to 6:00 p.m.

Please mark your vote on approving BCOA's participation in this Meet the Breeds event.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

WITHHELD: Bolté {*"I am in favor of educating the public about the breed. Personally I am against this show. I think it is an example of "Them what has, gets."*}

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Carter

BALLOT 2001 - 24: WEDNESDAY CHOSEN

SUBJECT: BCOA BOARD MEETING

Postmarked: July 26, 2001

Effective: August 13, 2001

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

Please mark your vote beside the date/time you support for the BCOA Board meeting.

___ Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7:00 p.m. This is the date/time chosen by the hosts; it does not conflict with any other events.

___ Wednesday, Sept. 26, 9:00 a.m. This is the date/time conflicts with the obedience and agility events. The African exhibition is on Wednesday afternoon.

FIRST VOTE TALLY

Tuesday night: Bolté; Grundman; Webb; Wuornos

Wednesday morning: Carter; Coe; Schreiber; Woodard

Withheld: Auerbach; Graves { "*either day OK*" }

Provision 7 of the administrative procedures approved in Ballot 2001 – 1 directs that ballots receiving 4 or more disapprovals will automatically be reconsidered and resubmitted to the Board for another vote. This was done.

SECOND VOTE TALLY

Tuesday night: Bolté; Grundman { "*This is what was in the schedule, printed and mailed.*" }

Wednesday morning: Carter; { "*Tuesday would be difficult for me to make.*" }; Coe; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard

Withheld: Auerbach; Graves; Wuornos { "*The state of Minnesota unions, other than mine, are voting to go on strike. If that happens, my options are very few! I am begging to have Wednesday – Friday off, so I don't think I can make either meeting time. I will keep my fingers crossed that the strike doesn't take place, or is later in the month, but the plan is for them to walk off the job on Sept. 17. I'll abstain from this vote and let those that have a chance of attending make that decision.*" }

BALLOT 2001 - 25: APPROVED

SUBJECT: BCOA ANNUAL MEETING

Postmarked: July 26, 2001

Effective: August 13, 2001

Circulated in accordance with the By-Laws.

Please mark your vote on the date/time proposed for the BCOA Annual Meeting: Friday, September 28, at 8:00 p.m.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 26: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: August 17, 2001

Effective: September 4, 2001

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* indicates Junior membership.

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

Pamela Carter (IN); *Katherine Graves (TX); Diane Hill (TX); Janet Ketz (IL); Tim Miejan (MN); John Milligan (MI); Betty Taylor (TX); Kimberly and Joseph Tumbarello (IL)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 27: APPROVED
SUBJECT: INSPECTOR OF ELECTIONS

Postmarked: August 17, 2001

Effective: September 4, 2001

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Please mark your vote on employing Elizabeth P. Miller (Houston, TX) as Inspector of Elections for the 2002 Officers and Board of Directors

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 28: APPROVED
SUBJECT: AWARDS FOR DOG CLASSIC

Postmarked: August 17, 2001

Effective: September 4, 2001

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A letter from AKC says in part: "With considerable support of the Iams Company, we expect (the AKC-Eukanuba American Dog Classic, Dec 12, 2001, Orlando, FL) to be the premier dog event of the year... The top 20 show dogs in each breed will be invited to compete... The Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex and Best Bred-by-Exhibitor winner in each breed will be presented with a special Classic Medallion to commemorate the win. We are giving each breed club the opportunity to offer, in their name, the set of medallions for its breed. The cost of these medallions is \$75.00."

Please mark your vote on donating \$75.00 for these medallions.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 29:
SUBJECT: ADVERTISEMENT IN CATALOG

Postmarked: August 17, 2001

Effective: September 4, 2001

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The letter in Ballot 2001 – 28 further states: "(The catalog) will be 8.5" x 11" in size and will feature a photograph of each dog entered... we encourage you to... support this event and to preserve your participation by including a special page in the form of 'advertisement' in the catalog. In addition to advertising we will offer a Breeder's Listing and Booster page. The cost is \$25.00 a line."

Please mark your vote on placing an 'advertisement' in this catalog at \$25.00 a line.

TO BE RE-SUBMITTED AT THE ANNUAL BOARD MEETING:

After learning that the club "advertisement" is a full-page ad for \$125.00, this was the vote:

APPROVED: Auerbach; Schreiber; Wuornos;

Bolté { "If everybody else wants to do the Breed Club page for \$125, then it's OK with me – but all that information is on the webpage." }; **Grundman** { "This is not an all-champion show. If the dog is in the Bred-by-Exhibitor class and is in the top 20 of its breed, then it is invited." }; **Webb** { "I think \$125 is pricey for an ad, but I think it is worth supporting this endeavor by AKC; at least breeders are going to get some recognition." }

DISAPPROVED: Carter; Coe; Graves;

Woodard { “No data on potential viewership was available, so the educational benefit could not be determined.” }

Provision 5 of the administrative procedures approved in Ballot 2000 – 1 directs that ballots receiving 4 or more disapprovals will automatically be reconsidered and resubmitted to the Board for another vote. The most efficient way to do this will be to discuss the ballot at the Board meeting. We will have time to do so, since the deadline for the “advertisement” is October 11.

Reconsideration of Ballot 2009-29 at BCOA Board of Directors Annual Meeting

After discussion, Karla Schreiber moved an amendment to the original ballot:

that BCOA place an “advertisement” in the catalog, but that in addition the Secretary will write to AKC expressing our concerns about commercialism in this event and about the educational benefit to the general public stemming from an ad for this kind of show. Sally Wuornos seconded the amendment.

Approving the amendment: Bolté; Carter; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard; Wuornos

Disapproving the amendment: Coe

Absent: Auerbach

The amendment passed.

Sally Wuornos moved a second amendment:

that in the letter to AKC, we ask for an estimate of the headcount of the general public attending the show; Carol Webb seconded.

The second amendment passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 35: APPROVED

SUBJECT: AFRICAN STOCK EXHIBITION JUDGE

Postmarked: October 18, 2001

Effective: November 5, 2001

Circulated in accordance with BCOA National Specialty Guidelines.

Please mark your vote on accepting Linda Ehlers (MO) as the African Stock Exhibition judge for the 2002 National Specialty. She has agreed to reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses as her compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Carter; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 36: APPROVED

SUBJECT: EDITOR/PUBLISHER FOR NEWSLETTER

Postmarked: October 18, 2001

Effective: November 5, 2001

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Please mark your vote on approving Angel Smith (MA) to serve as editor and publisher (as the representative of the Basenji Club of America, Inc.) of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter* for the 2002 Club year.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Coe; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb;

Graves { “Thanks to Sally Ann for a great job!” }; Woodard { “Thanks to Sally Ann Smith for her service as editor.” }

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Carter; Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 37: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2002 BUDGET

Postmarked: December 10, 2001

Effective: December 28, 2001

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Please mark your vote on the proposed BCOA budget for 2002, enclosed herewith.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Wuornos

BALLOT 2001 - 38: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: December 10, 2001

Effective: December 28, 2001

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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 2001 *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received.

* indicates Junior membership.

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

Eva Allen (MO); Melina Babey (TN); Jody and Malinda Mills (IL); *Ariana Orford (WA); Jeanie Shipley (UT); Karen Staniszewski (NY); Donna M. Troyna and Marcia Hutchinson (CA); Barbara Wellumson (MN)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Wuornos

2001 BCOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING

Meeting Date: September 27, 2001

PRESENT: Greenlee; Wuornos; Graves; Grundman; Bolté; Carter; Coe; Schreiber; Webb; Woodard

ABSENT: Auerbach

Ballot	Subject
01 – 30	BCOA Medallion
01 – 30a	BCOA Medallions
01 – 31	Revision of Rules for BCOA-Supported Entries
01 – 32	Returned Check Fee
01 – 33	Payment for Ads in <i>The Bulletin</i>
01 – 33a	2002 National Specialty Judges
01 – 33b	Time Lapse for Re-nomination of Conformation Judges
01 – 33c	Nomination of Judges for 2005 National Specialty
01 – 33d	National Specialty Advisory Committee
01 – 33e	Archives
01 – 33f	2004 National Specialty Proposal
01 – 33g	Brindle-Pointed Tri-Colors
01 – 33h	Publishing Review Committee

BALLOT 2001 - 30

Peg Grundman moved, Karla Schreiber seconded,

that a bronze BCOA medallion be awarded to Best of Winners at this National Specialty only.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 30A

After discussion of awarding BCOA medallions to veterans class winners, Stan Carter moved, Sally Wuornos seconded,

that we give BCOA medallions to all Award of Merit winners at the National Specialty.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 31

Sally Wuornos moved, Carol Webb seconded,

that we send the rules for a BCOA-supported entry at an all-breed show back for revision and a vote at a later date.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 32

Peg Grundman moved, Damara Bolté seconded,

that we increase the returned check fee to \$25.00.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33

Susan Coe moved, Peg Grundman seconded,

that we send a directive to the editor of *The Bulletin* that all ads must be accompanied by payment in full.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - A

The following judges were approved for the 2002 BCOA National Specialty:

Agility: Diane Holleman
Junior Showmanship: Bettyann P. Hale
Obedience: Margaretta V. Patton or Mary L. McCammon
Lure Coursing: Susan Hayden (GA) and Donna Richards (NC)

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - B

Damara Bolté moved, Stan Carter seconded,

that the period of time which must elapse for a conformation judge to be nominated a second time remain at eight years.

The vote was:

APPROVED: Bolté; Carter; Coe; Graves; Grundman; Webb

OPPOSED: Schreiber; Woodard; Wuornos

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - C

Sally Wuornos moved, Damara Bolté seconded,

that nominations for judges for the 2005 National Specialty be accepted from the floor at the 2001 BCOA Annual Meeting. Each nomination must have at least five sponsors. Nominations will also be taken by mail (as the Guidelines now specify) due April 15. At the 2002 BCOA Annual Meeting, the vote for the Sweepstakes and Conformation judges will be taken, to proceed by a series of run-off ballots until a simple majority is reached for each judge.

Motion passed, with Woodard abstaining.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - D

Damara Bolté moved, Carol Webb seconded,

that the National Specialty Advisory Committee include representatives from different areas and performance events, and that it play a more assertive role in each year's plans. The Event Coordinator should also be a part of this process.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - E

Sally Wuornos moved, Karla Schreiber seconded, that

since the Archives Committee has presented its report to the Board, the same members (pending their acceptance) be appointed to figure out how much help and what kind of equipment they will need to act on the recommendations they have made.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - F

Susan Coe moved, Damara Bolté seconded,

that the proposal from the Basenji Club of Southeast Wisconsin for the 2004 National Specialty be accepted.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - G

Sally Wuornos presented a petition requesting a vote of the BCOA membership on including brindle-pointed tri-colors to be named in the Standard.

Carol Webb moved, Stan Carter seconded,

that we accept the petition for discussion at the 2001 BCOA Annual Meeting and then send it to the whole membership for a vote, as provided in BCOA By-Laws Article VIII.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2001 - 33 - H

George Woodard moved, Carol Webb seconded,

that the matter of a received letter to be published in the *Bulletin* be deferred to the Publishing Review Committee and that a report be sent on the decision to publish.

Motion passed.