

2009 BCOA BALLOTS AS PUBLISHED IN THE *BULLETIN BOARD NEWSLETTER*

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BALLOT 2009 – 3: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA ANGALI

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjies, please send your vote on approving Avongara Angali to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjies submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

Graves {*“A strong group of dogs, very much Basenji type. A real pleasure to evaluate.”*};

Stargell {*“The evaluation procedure for acceptance of these dogs is truly outstanding. The three evaluator system, using the basenji-savvy talent in our community, allows a fantastic cross-section of perspectives. I was struck by the fact that most of the same comments could probably be found in a summary of any good-sized basenji entry at a conformation event today. We are certainly very fortunate to be able to provide our breed with the high quality diversity offered by each these dogs.”*}

BALLOT 2009 – 4: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA ASUMA

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjjs, please send your vote on approving Avongara Asuma to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjjs submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

Graves {*“A strong group of dogs, very much Basenji type. A real pleasure to evaluate.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 5: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA BERNADETTE

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjjs, please send your vote on approving Avongara Bernadette to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjjs submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 6: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA KITOKO

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjjs, please send your vote on approving Avongara Kitoko to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjjs submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 7: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA LUKA

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjjs, please send your vote on approving Avongara Luka to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley {*“Superb moving basenji and has a wonderful temperament that belies the term ‘aloof.’”*}; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby; Schreiber {*“dam of native stock I own”*}

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjjs submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 8: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA OJO

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjjs, please send your vote on approving Avongara Ojo to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley {*“Lovely dog, but is lacking the correct, hooded ear shape which distracts from the head piece.”*}; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjjs submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

Graves {*“A strong group of dogs, very much Basenji type. A real pleasure to evaluate.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 9: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA RIKITA

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjjs, please send your vote on approving Avongara Rikita to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley {*“I have had the pleasure of watching Kita grow to adulthood and have never doubted that he is a true basenji and will be an asset to the gene pool.”*}; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby; Schreiber {*“I am the owner of this import.”*}

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjjs submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 10: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA TAMBURA

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjis, please send your vote on approving Avongara Tambura to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley {*“Excellent quality and type. This dog drips breed type of the dogs we see today.”*}; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjis submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

Graves {*“A strong group of dogs, very much Basenji type. A real pleasure to evaluate.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 11: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- AVONGARA ZIBILI

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjis, please send your vote on approving Avongara Zibili to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley {*“A basenji worthy of admittance to our studbook, however, his size does raise some concern. Introduction of new stock to a gene pool tends to bring larger offspring so careful selection when using new dogs is important if our goal is to strive for the current standard.”*}; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Curby; Schreiber {*“This is a full litter brother of a dog I own.”*}

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

Pooley {*“I was very pleased to see the quality of native stock basenjis submitted for admittance to the AKC Studbook and am confident the membership will see the value in adding these dogs to the gene pool. Many of us who attended the African Stock Exhibition in Texas in 2008 enjoyed the opportunity to see several of these dogs “up close and personal” – always an asset over viewing photos. Having that opportunity made my job as a board member easier to cast my votes for those particular dogs.”*};

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BALLOT 2009 – 12: APPROVED

SUBJECT: APPROVAL -- LUKURU AMISI

Postmarked: January 10, 2009

Effective: January 20, 2009

In compliance with the procedures outlined in the petition for Native Stock Basenjis, please send your vote on approving Lukuru Amisi to be submitted to the membership for their vote by import region to be added to the AKC studbook.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley { *“This dog gets very high marks from me because as I have gone back through the Years of the American Basenji, Amisi seems to best represent the basenji as seen in the 40’s and 50’s – those sturdy dogs with substance combined with that regal look so endearing to the breed. The photos do not do this dog justice. I had the pleasure of watching Amisi during the ASE Parade and was very impressed with his quality. Excellent import.”* }; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb
WITHHELD: Curby

General comments: Ballots 2009 – 3 through 2009 - 12

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BALLOT 2009 – 13: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2009 JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE

Postmarked: January 27, 2009

Effective: February 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Joe Caton (OH) to judge Junior Showmanship at the 2009 BCOA National Specialty. He asks one night’s lodging as compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 14: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2009 AFRICAN STOCK EXHIBITION JUDGE

Postmarked: January 27, 2009

Effective: February 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Sally Wuornos (MN) to judge the African Stock Exhibition at the 2009 BCOA National Specialty. She asks a banquet ticket as compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 15: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2009 AKC & ASFA COURSING JUDGE

Postmarked: January 27, 2009

Effective: February 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Janet Lotz (OH) as AKC & ASFA coursing judge at the 2009 BCOA National Specialty. She asks fuel costs and meals for the day of the trial as compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 16: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2009 AKC & ASFA COURSING JUDGE

Postmarked: January 27, 2009

Effective: February 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving K. Carol Artley as AKC & ASFA coursing judge at the 2009 BCOA National Specialty. She asks fuel costs and meals for the day of the trial as compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 17: APPROVED

SUBJECT: AKC JUNIOR COURSER TEST JUDGE

Postmarked: January 27, 2009

Effective: February 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Holly Hamilton (OH) as judge for the AKC Junior Courser test at the 2009 BCOA National Specialty. She asks meals for the day of the event, banquet ticket and admission to seminars as compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 18: APPROVED

SUBJECT: AKC JUNIOR COURSER TEST JUDGE

Postmarked: January 27, 2009

Effective: February 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Tracy Leonard (OH) as judge for the AKC Junior Course test at the 2009 BCOA National Specialty. She asks meals for the day of the event, banquet ticket and admission to seminars as compensation.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 19: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: February 8, 2009

Effective: February 18, 2009

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the January issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please mark your vote on admitting them to membership in BCOA.

Diane E. and Robert A. Nandell (IA); Lynn Rust (TX)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 20: APPROVED

SUBJECT: REPLACEMENT OF CHAIR FOR 2009 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Postmarked: February 13, 2009

Effective: February 23, 2009

Following the January 23, 2009, resignation of Joe Tomey as Chair of the BCOA 2009 National Specialty, please send your vote on approving Sally Wuornos [MN] and Wanda Pooley [IL] as Co-Chairs for this event.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 21: APPROVED

SUBJECT: TALLIER FOR STUD BOOK VOTE

Postmarked: February 17, 2009

Effective: February 27, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Brenda Phillips (WA) as Tallier for ballots when BCOA membership votes on accepting new stock for the AKC Stud Book. She will find two helpers who neither own nor have imported native stock from Africa, nor have evaluated the dogs to be submitted.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 22: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2010 NATIONAL SPECIALTY TREASURER

Postmarked: March 2, 2009

Effective: March 12, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Linda Daves Siekert (AZ) as Treasurer for the 2010 BCOA National Specialty.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 23: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: March 8, 2009

Effective: March 18, 2009

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

Please send your vote on admitting them as members of BCOA.

JaNell Canaday (WY); Renee Wise (WI)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 24: APPROVED

SUBJECT: STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Postmarked: March 8, 2009

Effective: March 18, 2009

Please send your vote on approving these committee chairs for standing committees.

AFRICAN STOCK PROJECT (ROOTS): James Johannes and Linda Siekert

AKC DELEGATE: Jon Curby

AKC GAZETTE COLUMNIST: Marcia Woodard

AKC LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: Vickie Jacobs

BREEDER REFERRALS: Sandy Beaudoin

BREEDERS' EDUCATION: Carole Kirk

BREED STANDARDS: Damara Bolté and Midge Greenlee

BY-LAWS: Iris Craven

EDITORIAL REVIEW: Karla Schreiber and Damara Bolté

EVENTS COORDINATOR/LIAISON: Carole Kirk

HEALTH AND RESEARCH: Lisa Auerbach and Katy Scott

JUDGES' EDUCATION: Marianne Klinkowski

JUDGE/SITE TALLIER: Betty White
JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP TALLIER: Joel Brody
LEGAL REVIEW & ADVISORY: Karla Schreiber
LURE COURSING: Russ Jacobs
MEMBERSHIP: Linda Ehlers
NATIONAL SPECIALTY OVERSIGHT: Wanda Pooley
NATIONAL SPECIALTY SIGHT COORDINATOR: Michael Work
OBEDIENCE TALLIER: Cindy Griswold
OUTREACH: Denice Kingman
PERFORMANCE EVENTS: Cindy Griswold and Suzanne LaCroix
PUBLIC EDUCATION COORDINATOR: Melody Falcone and Carol Webb
RESCUE: Shawn Smith
SECURITY (INTERNET): Carmella Troisi-Hoerr
SUNSHINE: Linda Pence
VIDEOGRAPHER: Carrie Jones and Karla Schreiber
WEBSITE: Carmella Troisi-Hoerr

Special Committee

NATIVE STOCK (STUD BOOK): Pam Geoffroy and Damara Bolté

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 25: APPROVED

SUBJECT: DUES INCREASE

Postmarked: April 5, 2009

Effective: May 15, 2009

Please send your vote on increasing annual membership dues to the limit prescribed in the BCOA By-Laws:

- Single membership: \$25.00
- Family (Household) membership: \$35.00
- Associate membership: \$35.00
- Junior membership (with adult member): \$3.00
- Junior membership (alone): \$10.00

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 26: APPROVED

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF DEADLINE

Postmarked: April 5, 2009

Effective: May 15, 2009

Please send your vote on allowing an extension of deadline for the submission of proposals for the 2012 BCOA National Specialty, scheduled to be in the Eastern Region. No proposals have been received, but a group of BCOA members in that region would like to consider submitting one. The deadline would be extended to May 15, 2009.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 27: APPROVED

SUBJECT: REPLACEMENT OF DIRECTOR

Postmarked: April 8, 2009

Effective: April 18, 2009

Following Article III, Section 4 of the BCOA By-Laws stating in part:

Any vacancy occurring on the Board . . . shall be filled until the next annual election by a majority vote of all the then members of the Board . . .

Please send your vote on electing Brenda Phillips (WA) to fill the seat vacated by the resignation of Wanda Pooley (IL).

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 28: APPROVED

SUBJECT: REVISION JUDGE SELECTION FOR NATIONAL SPECIALTY PROCEDURES

Postmarked: April 13, 2009

Effective: April 23, 2009

Please mark your vote on approving the proposed changes to the judge selection procedures for the National Specialty Procedures handbook. Changes are in red on the attachment.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 29: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: May 9, 2009

Effective: May 19, 2009

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

Please send your vote on admitting them as members of BCOA.

Judy Bohnert (Canada); Victor and Roberta Bradford (GA); Susan Ctibor (GA); Michael Feldman (AZ); Nicole Smith and Elizabeth Hall (GA); Jadelynn Pettyplace (CA); Tero Tuominen (Finland)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 30: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Postmarked: May 9, 2009

Effective: May 19, 2009

Please mark your vote on approving these persons to be the Nominating Committee for the 2010 slate of BCOA Officers and Board of Directors:

Chair: Donna Lubbe (OR); Jo Bradshaw (NM); Debbie Brown-Thompson (IL); Jean Martin (NY); Gale Whitehurst (GA)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 31: APPROVED

SUBJECT: MEDALLIONS FOR EUKANUBA SHOW

Postmarked: May 24, 2009

Effective: June 3, 2009

Please send your vote on approving one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) to pay for medallions for the conformation competition at the 2009 Eukanuba Classic.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 32: APPROVED

SUBJECT: 2012 JUDGES NOMINATION CHAIR

Postmarked: May 24, 2009

Effective: June 3, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Mary K Quinnett (WA) as Chair for the Judges Nomination for the BCOA 2012 National Specialty.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 33: APPROVED

**SUBJECT: ELIGIBILITY OF CONFORMATION & SWEEPSTAKES JUDGES
AT NATIONAL SPECIALTIES**

Postmarked: May 24, 2009

Effective: June 3, 2009

Please send your vote on clarifying the eligibility requirements for judges at National Specialties:

III. A. 1) b. Conformation Judge Eligibility:

b. Judges who have judged the Conformation at a BCOA National Specialty in the eight (8) years prior to this one are ineligible.

2) b. Sweepstakes Judge Eligibility:

b) Judges who have judged the Sweepstakes at a BCOA National Specialty in the eight (8) years prior to this one are ineligible.

APPROVED: Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Schreiber; Webb

DISAPPROVED: Auerbach {“the change suggested is a change, not a clarification. I believe the current methodology, allowing judges to judge only once every 8 years, is superior to the proposed change.”};
Phillips (“I believe this is more than a mere clarification, it is a CHANGE to eligibility for judges at our nationals that warrants more consideration than a "yes/no" board vote. Sometime around 2002 the National Specialty Guidelines (now Procedures) were revised and the effect was that neither the sweeps judge nor the regular class judge for a given national could be considered again for either assignment for 8 years. Whether that was intentional at that time has been debated, but regardless it is the rule we have been operating under for many election cycles, even if the candidates did not realize it at the time. I will support a revision to judges eligibility if the entire Eligibility section is considered as a whole, with an opportunity for member input (not a membership vote, but time to comment).

[Admin comment - If this ballot passes it will not fit in smoothly with the language in the NSP. It should have been revisions to III.A.1.b and III.A.2.b.] [Sec’y response: The correction is noted and made to the records.]

Stargell {“I don't really see an overwhelming need for this change. The current language of that section, which states sweeps or conformation for the previous 8 years, seems appropriate. Diversity in the judging slate is good for attendance at our Nationals from year to year. We also have many qualified judges, so repetition seems unnecessary. In addition, sweeps judging one year (which is typically a breeder and not an AKC judge) and conformation judging shortly thereafter doesn't give the provisional judge much time to mature. Breeder judges have tons of breed knowledge, but a person's quality of judging isn't necessarily linked to their quality of breeding, and vice versa. Indeed I think there are a few absolutely terrific all-arounders out there that have never bred a litter of basenjis. Judging and breeding are two highly related but distinct (and challenging!) endeavors.”}

BALLOT 2009 – 34: APPROVED

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF DEADLINE NATIONAL SPECIALTY 2012

Postmarked: June 13, 2009

Effective: June 23, 2009

Please mark your vote on extending the deadline for the final proposal for the 2012 BCOA National Specialty to July 15, 2009.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 35: APPROVED

SUBJECT: DATE OF BOARD MEETING

Postmarked: June 15, 2009

Effective: June 25, 2009

Please send your vote on approving this date for the BCOA Annual Board Meeting, with the hour to be set after entries close: Thursday, September 3, 2009.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 36: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NATIONAL SPECIALTY OVERSIGHT CHAIR

Postmarked: June 19, 2009

Effective: June 29, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Vicki Curby (MO) as Chair of the National Specialty Oversight Committee.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 37: APPROVED

SUBJECT: DATE EXTENSION FOR ANNUAL ELECTION

Postmarked: July 26, 2009

Effective: August 6, 2009

Because of the delay in the publication of the July *Bulletin Board Newsletter*, resulting in its not reaching the membership until July 22, 2009, in order to provide the full time of one month for BCOA members to submit other nominations for the 2010 Officers and Board of Directors, please send your vote on the following extension of deadlines given in BCOA By-Laws:

By-Laws: Additional nominations must be postmarked by August 15.

Extension: Additional nominations must be postmarked by August 29.

By-Laws: Additional nominations must be received by Secretary by August 22.

Extension: Additional nominations must be received by Secretary by September 5.

By-Laws: The membership ballot must be postmarked by September 15.

Extension: The membership ballot must be postmarked by September 29.

By-Laws: The Inspectors of Election report the results of the election by October 31.

Extension: The Inspectors of Election report the results of the election by November 15.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 38: APPROVED

SUBJECT: DATE EXTENSION FOR ROUND 2 OF JUDGES

Postmarked: July 26, 2009

Effective: August 6, 2009

Because of the delay in the publication of the July *Bulletin Board Newsletter*, resulting in its not reaching the membership until July 22, 2009, in order to provide time for BCOA members to submit other nominations for Stage 2 of the vote for Confirmation Judge at the 2012 BCOA National Specialty, please send your vote on the extending the date for submitting other nominations from August 1 to August 15.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 39: APPROVED
SUBJECT: INSPECTOR OF ELECTIONS

Postmarked: July 26, 2009

Effective: August 6, 2009

Please send your vote on approving Elizabeth P. Miller (Houston, TX) as Inspector of Elections for the Annual Election of BCOA Board of Directors and Officers for 2010.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 40: MAJORITY VOTES
SUBJECT: AKC LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Postmarked: July 28, 2009

Effective: August 7, 2009

Please send your choice for the AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards in each of the three categories.

Confirmation: Sandra Goose Allen; Jean Fournier; Helen Lee James

Companion Events: Sharon Anderson; Shirley Indelicato; Jill Jones

Performance: Jo Ann Frier-Murza; Jacqueline Mertens; Wayne Price

Majority Votes to: Jean Fournier; Sharon Anderson; Jo Ann Frier-Murza

BALLOT 2009 – 41: APPROVED
SUBJECT: PRINTING BASENJI COLORING BOOK

Postmarked: August 5, 2009

Effective: August 15, 2009

Please send your vote on the expenditure of one thousand five hundred and ninety-nine dollars (\$1,599.00) for the printing of 2,000 BCOA breed-specific coloring books to be distributed and/or sold at the discretion of the BCOA Board.

APPROVED: Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb;

Auerbach { *“This is the sort of very appealing project that could be easily and completely covered with fundraising - and I do think we should pursue in this case.”* }

DISAPPROVED: Phillips { *“Who would vote against coloring books for children? A fair question. My vote is actually immaterial because a majority of Board members had voted in favor of the ballot before I had the information I needed to make up my mind. Some of us had a question for the treasurer which she answered promptly within 2 days, but by then the motion had passed. This was a case when the majority of the board felt we needed to move quickly and that details could be worked out later. The idea behind the coloring books is to have them as a Public Education tool, so I would have preferred that the distribution be at the discretion of that committee rather than a Board responsibility, and I would have liked to have had a plan to recover the investment before we moved forward with this project. Both of those can be addressed after, but I think it's good discipline to have the plan in place before spending the money.”* }

NO RECORD OF VOTE: Curby

BALLOT 2009 – 42: APPROVED
SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: August 12, 2009

Effective: August 22, 2009

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the May *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please send your vote on admitting them as members of BCOA.

Linda Carlson (Sweden); Kristine Dougherty (FL); Lucie Junova (Czech Republic); Elizabeth Lundell (MD); Holly and Todd O'Neal (OH); Donna Slavin (GA); Alyce N. Sumita and Glenn T. Fukuma (CA); Cynthia and Cali Shattuck (FL); Jason Stoller and Whitney Bauman IL)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 43: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: August 22, 2009

Effective: September 1, 2009

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the May *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please send your vote on admitting them as members of BCOA.

Jarod Johnson (VA); Michael C. Hutchins and Linda M. Mittleman (OK)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 45: APPROVED

SUBJECT: RALLY JUDGE 2010 NATIONAL

Postmarked: October 29, 2009

Effective: November 8, 2009

Please send your vote on approving this nominee as judge for the 2010 BCOA National Specialty:

Rally judge: Julie Yamane asks compensation of fifty dollars (\$50) and no other expenses.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 46: APPROVED

SUBJECT: JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE 2010 NATIONAL

Postmarked: October 29, 2009

Effective: November 8, 2009

Please send your vote on approving this nominee as judge for the 2010 BCOA National Specialty:

Junior Showmanship judge: Linda Banghart asks for compensation a fifty dollar (\$50) Starbucks card.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOTS 2009 – 47: APPROVED

SUBJECT: AFRICAN STOCK EXHIBITION JUDGE 2010 NATIONAL

Postmarked: October 29, 2009

Effective: November 8, 2009

Please send your vote on approving this nominee as judge for the 2010 BCOA National Specialty:

African Stock Exhibition judge: Carol Webb asks compensation of one night's lodging and Banquet ticket.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 48: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked: November 18, 2009

Effective: November 28, 2009

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the October issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please mark your vote on admitting them to membership in BCOA.

Darcy and Cecil Blevins (KY); William Clayton Bunyard (WI); Dixon Lee and Kim Noel (NC); Renee Meriaux and Kelley Vanarsdale (CA); Gavin and Susan Perino (NY); Jana Sikulova (Belgium)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 49: Duplicate of 2009-48

BALLOT 2009 – 50: APPROVED

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR REWRITE

Postmarked November 25, 2008

Effective: December 5, 2009

Please send your vote on approving the request to return to the event chair the event report received on November 17, 2009, for revisions requested by the Board.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 51: APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Postmarked November 25, 2009

Effective: December 5, 2009

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the August issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please send your vote on admitting them as members of BCOA;

Helen Cronenberger (TX); Kateryna and Tony Taidi (FL)

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 52: APPROVED

SUBJECT: DONOR ADVISED FUNDS DONATION

Postmarked: December 8, 2009

Effective: December 18, 2009

Please send your vote on releasing three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) through the Donor Advised Funds to the Canine Health Foundation. IRS requires yearly movement of these funds. Citations below.

BHE BALLOT 2009 – 2

SUBJECT: GRANT TO CHF 00779

Please send your vote on contributing two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500.00) as requested sponsorship of this project of the Canine Health Foundation.

00779: Characterization of the Canine Y Chromosome: Identifying Genes that Cause Male Infertility
Primary Investigator: Dr. William J. Murphy, PhD
Institution: Texas A&M University
Total Grant Amount: \$203,344.00
Requested Sponsorship: \$2,500.00

BHE BALLOT 2009 – 3:

SUBJECT: GRANT TO CHF 01352-A

Please send your vote on contributing five hundred dollars (\$500.00) as requested sponsorship of this project of the Canine Health Foundation.

01352-A: Detection of Brucella canis DNA in canine urine, semen and vaginal cells via qPCR Analysis
Primary Investigator: Dr. Lin Kauffman, D.V.M.
Institution: Iowa State University
Total Grant Amount: \$12,960.00
Requested Sponsorship: \$500.00

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

BALLOT 2009 – 53: APPROVED

SUBJECT: BASENJI HEALTH ENDOWMENT BOARD

Postmarked: December 8, 2009

Effective: December 18, 2009

Please send your vote on approving as the Officers and Board of Directors of the Basenji Health Endowment the newly elected Officers and Board of Directors of the Basenji Club of America, Inc., with one exception. Because of the complexity of the investments and management of funds, this year's Treasurer, Laura Mae Hesse, has graciously consented to act for another year, with Michael Graves as assistant, giving him time to participate knowledgeably in the decisions.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Phillips; Schreiber; Stargell; Webb

WITHHELD: Hesse

BALLOT 2009 – 54: DISAPPROVED

SUBJECT: JURISDICTION ON DISCIPLINARY CHARGES

Postmarked: December 8, 2009

Effective: December 18, 2009

Please mark your vote, pursuant to BCOA By-Laws Article VI, Section 2, concerning BCOA's acceptance of jurisdiction regarding the complaint brought by BCOA Members A and B against BCOA Member C on November 23, 2009 -- the Board and Officers having reviewed the evidence submitted by BCOA Members A and B fully and in its entirety:

JURISDICTION OF COMPLAINT IS APPROVED BECAUSE IT EVIDENCES CONDUCT PREJUDICIAL TO THE CLUB OR THE BREED, AS REQUIRED BY BCOA BY-LAWS, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2:

JURISDICTION OF COMPLAINT IS NOT APPROVED BECAUSE IT FAILS TO EVIDENCE CONDUCT PREJUDICIAL TO THE CLUB OR THE BREED, AS REQUIRED BY BCOA BY-LAWS ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2:

APPROVED: Graves {*"I feel that the alleged conduct – if supported by evidence -- would be detrimental to the Club. The charge in the informal complaint is of unethical conduct as representative of a BCOA volunteer. However, the evidence must be clear, a difficulty in this case."*}; **Greenlee** {*"I vote to accept jurisdiction on the formal complaint by A and B regarding conduct by C, in the interest of fairness: both sides should be heard. A and B have filed a formal complaint in response to allegations of conduct prejudicial to the breed and to the*

club made by C to the Board. C did not couch this as a formal complaint nor pay the required fee to do so, but inasmuch as C made such charges to the Board in writing, I believe that the Board should address the properly presented complaint by A and B in response to the charges made by C. To refuse jurisdiction is patently unfair: C's charges have been heard by the Board, A and B's response to those charges has not been heard".); **Schreiber** {"I am voting to accept jurisdiction of this matter because, in my opinion, taking all allegations of the filed charges as true, the conduct alleged is detrimental to the best interests of the Club pursuant to Article VI of the BCOA by-laws. If the allegations are true, the actions described will have, in my opinion, a serious chilling effect on the Club's future efforts to attract skilled, experienced volunteers to man Club events. The allegations are also substantively similar, in numerous respects, to the only other instance during my thirteen year Board tenure when the Board accepted jurisdiction of disciplinary charges. The current Board is not bound by that precedent, but for me, it is a compelling one in terms of consistency and fairness to the parties. Accepting jurisdiction is not a determination of the charges on the merits - whether or not disciplinary action is appropriate must still be determined by the Board after a full and fair hearing from all parties.)

DISAPPROVED: Curby; Hesse;

Auerbach {"The previous case where the BCOA Board took jurisdiction for charges involved a sitting Board member, who made comments on a public list that included very serious accusations against another member. The rationale for taking jurisdiction was that the Board member was publicly reflecting on the club when making very serious accusations against a member on a public list. None of that applies here Further, accepting charges against a volunteer for reporting conduct they are concerned about – whether such conduct is in fact a problem, or just a misunderstanding or miscommunication – would make people reluctant to make suggestions and hurt the ability of the club to clear up misunderstandings and learn from mistakes. The rationale for charges is further weakened by the fact that a Board member suggested that the member report these concerns, although not specifying an exact way to do so. Formal charges are not how to respond to a complaint. Instead, answering the concerns, and correcting any misunderstandings, while doing everything possible to avoid hurt feelings, should be the end of the matter. Accepting jurisdiction on charges should be made solely in response to conduct prejudicial to the club or breed. That criteria is not met here. Any further dispute between these members would fall outside of BCOA's realm."}; **Bolté** {"I feel that this problem is with A, B, and C; and they should settle it among themselves."}; **Phillips** {"After thorough review of the complaint and evidence presented, as well as the deliberation of my peers on the board, I have come to the conclusion that if the charge was proven it would not constitute conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the club or the breed."}; **Stargell** {"In consideration of and fairness to all of the involved parties, this complaint essentially involves a personal dispute between members. The actions alleged in the charges, even if proven, do not constitute conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the club or the breed. Moreover, I find no similarities with the present case and a previous case in which the BCOA took jurisdiction (1997-11), as the previous case involved public lists and a sitting board member. Further, the participation of the present complainants in any official BCOA capacity at this event was not discussed in advance nor approved by the BCOA board of directors. Thus, and in the spirit of fostering volunteerism from all club members participating in this and other BCOA events, I vote to deny jurisdiction on this complaint).

WITHHELD: Webb

2009 BCOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING

Meeting Date: September 2, 2009

PRESENT: Wuornos; Schreiber; Graves; Hesse; Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Greenlee; Phillips; Stargell; Webb

Ballot	Subject
09 – 44a	Lifetime Membership
09 – 45a	2012 BCOA National Specialty
09 – 46a	AKC Puppy Registration

BALLOT 2009 – 44 A

Greenlee moved, Graves seconded,

that Margaret Grundman (FL) be nominated for a Lifetime Membership. Grundman gave devoted and effective service as the long-time Treasurer of BCOA, and the club desires to show appreciation and affection.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2009 – 45 A

A proposal for hosting the 2012 BCOA National Specialty in Gettysburg, PA, was presented by a group of Eastern region members. Bolté moved, Webb seconded,

that the proposal be accepted.

Motion passed.

BALLOT 2009 – 46 A

AKC is urging member clubs to push hard for all members to get their puppy buyers to register the puppies. Too many are failing to do this; the resulting loss of revenue will affect all the fancy, for example, in higher fees for showing and loss of clout to fight adverse legislation, among others. Denise Vertrees will publicize the idea for the breeder to mail the registration certificate when the puppy is picked up by its new owner. AKC is offering a \$1000 bonus for the member club with the highest percentage of puppies registered (a prize particularly good for a small club like BCOA).

Bolté moved, Greenlee seconded,

that BCOA participate in this endeavor.

Motion passed.