

**MINUTES OF THE 1999 ANNUAL MEETING OF  
THE BASENJI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.**

The annual meeting of the Basenji Club of America, Inc. was held October 29, 1999, at the Ramada Inn Valley Ho in Scottsdale, Arizona. President Margaret Greenlee called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Members present were: Patrick Allison, Lynn Arrand, Linda Auld, Wilma Bauer, Beverly A. Bland, Damara Bolté, Kathryn B. Boyd, Joan Bradley, Jo York Bradshaw, Sandra L. Bridges, Sherry A. Brisco, Kathryn R. Britton, Nancy L. Brown, Karen M. Butler, Connie L. Camp, Katie Campbell, Stanley A. Carter, Rick L. Christiansen, Larry Cooper, Jeraldeen R. Crandall, Wendell Crandell, Iris M. Craven, Elda R. Cross, Gerald T. Cross, Jon Curby, Charles A. Denslow, Lucretia P. Dye, Carol Edwards, Linda K. Ehlers, Raquel Flores, Frances J. Foster, Teresa B. Gavaletz, Judith Glass, Katherine L. Goldman, Anne L. Graves, Margaret Greenlee, Cindy Griswold, Margaret B. Grundman, Robin K. Hammitt, Christine Hartley-Cooper, Diane Hill, Evelyn A. Hirt, Shirley N. Hoffman, Ann Honbo-Honbo, Ann House, Bob House, S. Anne Humphries, Sharon Hurlbut, Penelope Inan, Philip Iranon, Vickie Jacobs, Michael Jameson, James E. Johannes, Julie L. Jones, Kathleen A. Jones, Shirley L. Jones, Brenda L. Jones-Greenberg, Teresa Kangas, Denise Kingman, Carole E. Kirk, Marianne Carden Klinkowski, Joan M. Koppin, Arnieta M. Kurtz, Kenneth A. Lindberg, Jo Ann Linebaugh, Andrew Logan, Donna J. Lubbe, Wendy M. Marquardt, Patricia G. Marshall, Phyllis A. Martin, Amber McGee, Joy McNulty, Michael McNulty, Laurie T. Montgomery, Barbara Narehood, Dennis Narehood, Claudia Nix, Erik Oberg, Scott A. Osborne, Cathy Ongaro, Connie Paulsen, Andrea L. Paysinger, Carol Plenkens, Rita Pontes, Tom Pontes, Juan Puente, Larry Quinnett, Mary K. Quinnett, Cecily D. Rappe, Stella Sapios, Andrew Sawler, Dawn Schultis, Denise Searcy, Peggy Shifflet, Keith Shimogawa, Cheryl Silver, James E. Smith, Sally Ann Smith, Laurie A. Stargell, Linda Stillwell, Richard Stillwell, Michael R. Swan, Betty C. Taylor, Carmella Troisi-Hoerr, George Verzyl, Carol Webb, James C. Webb, Elizabeth A. White, Gale N. Whitehurst, L. Jane Williams, Mary Woodcock, Don Worsham, Bruce Wuornos, Sally Wuornos, Kari A. Wuornos-Winger, Carol Wyatt, Heidi York, June C. Young.

After the call to order, the President asked for a vote on the Standing Rules approved by Ballot 99 – 30. James Smith (GA) moved, Sandy Bridges (CA) seconded, that the following Standing Rules be approved as a substitute.

1. Oral reports of Officers and Committee Chairs shall be limited to five minutes except for those of the President and Treasurer. An additional five minutes may be allowed for questions from the membership on reports. If the question period extends beyond the allotted five minutes, a vote to end the question period will be taken.
2. Typed copies of all reports shall be filed with the President and the Secretary.
3. Members who wish to speak must rise, address the Chair and wait to be recognized. They shall move to a microphone if one is available for use of the membership. They shall state their names and office or club (if any) before speaking on the topic.
4. After a member speaks three minutes, the Chair will ask the member to finish as soon as possible.
5. A request to all members who plan to submit a long or complicated motion at the meeting to please give the Secretary a copy of the motion before it is introduced would be appreciated.
6. Individuals making a motion shall have the right to speak first in debate, if they wish, after it has been seconded and the Chair states the question on the motion.
7. The Chair shall alternate, as far as possible, between speakers in favor of and those opposing a motion under consideration.
8. After fifteen minutes of debate on any motion, there shall be an automatic call of the question.

After discussion, the question was called; the question to vote on the substitute motion was passed. The motion to adopt the substitute Standing Rules was then voted on and passed.

Nancy Brown moved, Dawn Schultis seconded, that we dispense with reading of the Minutes of the 1998 annual meeting; motion passed.

Reports of Officers and committees were read in the following order, with members moving and seconding acceptance in parentheses.

Secretary: Anne Graves (Andrew Sawler, Nancy Brown).  
Treasurer: Margaret Grundman (Wilma Bauer, Amber McGee).  
African Stock Project: L. Jane Williams (Heidi York, Gale Whitehurst).  
AKC Delegate: Jon Curby (Andrew Sawler, Amber McGee).  
Breeder Referral: sent by Melody Russell (Amber McGee, Vickie Jacobs).  
Breeders Education: Iris Craven (Andrew Sawler, Jim Smith).  
By-Laws: Iris Craven (Vickie Jacobs, Denise Searcy).  
Health and Research: Stan Carter (Amber McGee, Jim Smith).  
Historian: Andie Paysinger (Andrew Sawler, Wilma Bauer).  
Judges' Education: Lucretia Dye (Donna Lubbe, Andrew Sawler).  
Lure Coursing: ASFA: sent by Russ Jacobs (Gale Whitehurst, Connie Camp).  
National Specialty Advisory: Iris Craven (Andrew Sawler, Denise Searcy).  
Website: sent by George Woodard (Wilma Bauer, Iris Craven).

All reports were accepted.

Wilma Bauer moved, Sandy Bridges seconded, that Melody Russell be elected a Lifetime Member. Motion passed.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Julie Jones (CA) reported that, following discussion at the Annual Meeting 1998, she made a proposal to AKC to retire any kennel names of significant breeders who are no longer active. AKC replied that such names can be retired if the club membership so votes and a form has been submitted to AKC. These names do not have to be registered with AKC.

Bob House (AL) suggested that the BCOA Board of Directors should write to anyone using kennel names illicitly; Mike McNulty (AZ) suggested copyrighting kennel names and assigning the copyright to BCOA. Amber McGee moved, Andrew Sawler seconded, that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

After a suggestion by Teresa Kangas (MN), Donna Lubbe (OR) moved, Teresa Kangas seconded, that competition for a Super Dog award, including BOB for various events (obedience, lure coursing, agility, etc.), to be a part of the National Specialty each year, be referred to the Board of Directors for discussion and brought back to the membership to be voted. Motion passed.

Charles Denslow (OH) moved, Julie Jones seconded, that "JC" not be allowed as a requirement for Field Dog/Field Bitch class at a Basenji specialty. Denslow pointed out that "JC" is a test, not a title; that AKC Lure Coursing Director agrees with this idea; and that other sighthound clubs do not allow "JC" as a requirement for Field Dog/Field Bitch class.

After more discussion, Connie Camp (NC) proposed that the motion be amended to read: A Field Champion of record recognized by AKC or ASFA be the minimum requirement for Field Dog/Field Bitch class at a Specialty. Motion passed as amended.

Charles Denslow moved, Jim Webb (CA) seconded that BCOA form a proactive Rescue Committee and a Rescue Fund.

After discussion of liability issues (BCOA insurance does not cover liability for rescue activities) and the need to form a separate corporation (like the Health Endowment) for tax-exempt contributions for rescue, motion passed.

Carol Webb moved, Heidi York seconded, that the Board revise the Guidelines for African Stock Exhibition to include class for full, three quarters, one half and quarter African classes. Motion passed.

Sally Ann Smith moved, Elda Rae Cross seconded, that the Board consider amending the National Specialty Guidelines to provide for a 300-word resume of each nominated judge's qualifications in the final ballot. Carol Webb moved, Damara Bolté seconded, to amend the motion to provide that the people who nominate the judges supply a 300-word resume. The amendment to the motion was defeated. The original motion to recommend amending the National Specialty Guidelines passed.

## **BCOA AWARDS**

The ASFA plaque for the highest-scoring Basenji owned by a member of BCOA in 1998, with 149 total Basenjis defeated, was awarded to Dual CH Tanza-Zuri Fatia, SC, LCM owned by BCOA members Ted Judd, Pat Fragassi and Marilyn Leighton.

The BCOA Unsung Hero Award was presented to Susan Coe (PA).

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne L. Graves, Secretary