The 2002 Annual Meeting of the Basenji Club of America, Inc. was held on October 4, 2002, in the show building of the Piedmont Kennel Club Showplace in Charlotte, North Carolina.

After it was determined that a quorum was present (needed: 89; present: 109), President Margaret Greenlee called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

These members were present were: Toni Ackerman (VA), Lynn Arrand (Canada), Lisa Corell Auerbach (VA), Cynthia Austin (OR), Wilma Bauer (IL), Sandy Beaudoin (OK), Beverly Bland (AZ), Damara Bolté (VA), Kathy Britton (OR), A. Tad Brooks (KY), Jan Bruner (IL), Charles Bruton (TX), Karen Butler (MI), Connie Camp (NC), Stan Carter (MO), Brenda Cassell (TX), Suzi Clark (IN), Susan Coe (PA), Marlene Corey (Canada), Jeraldeen Crandall (CA), Iris Craven (MD), Jon Curby (MO), Robert Dean (VA), Alice DeBellis (NC), John Donald (NY), Lucretia P. Dye (OH), Carol Edwards (AR), Linda K. Ehlers (MO), Heather D. Ervin (MO), Michael DeBellis (NC), Daniel DeFlorio (MO), Donna DeFlorio (MO), John Donald (NY), Jennifer Dusky (SC), Cheryl Myers-Egerton (Canada), E. Wynn Egerton (Canada), Linda Ehlers (MO), Pamela Geoffroy (MA), Laura Gilchrist (MD), Cindy Goss (FL), Anne L. Graves (TX), Erin Gray (WI), Midge Greenlee (FL), Laurie (Montgomery) Gregory (WA), Cindy Griswold (TX), Peg Grundman (FL), Dennis Hale (NC), Debbie Hauri (VT), Kay Henderson (AL), Laura Mae Hesse (WI), Carmella Troisi-Hoerr (CA) Ann House (AL), Bob House (AL), Karen Hutchison (PA), James E. Johannes (WA), Kathy Jones (CA), Caryn Jones (MO), Julie Jones (CA), Brenda Jones-Greenberg (AZ), Teresa Kangas (MN), Mary Lou Kenworthy (GA), Marianne Klinkowski (CA), Sherry Lawson (TX), Jane Lodge (VA), Sylvia Loefrano (IL), Andrew Logan (CA), Darlene Lowit (OR), Sheila Lund (MA), Elizabeth Lundell (MD), Amy Marshall (WI), Lisa Marshall (WI), Jean Martin (NY), Michelle Miller (GA), LoAnne C. Miller (GA), Annette Muenster (MO), Barbara Narehood (NJ), Dennis Narehood (NJ), Everett Pashley (NY), Karen Pashley (NY), Kathy Patterson (NJ), Connie Paulsen (OR), Veronica Perrine (OH), Wanda K. Pooley (IL), Linda Raines (MN), Keath Rhymer (IN), Terri (Gavaletz) Roseman (CA), Cindy Russell (CT), Lou Sara (FL), Andrew Sawler (CT), Sidney Sher (VA), Sue Sher (VA), Laurie A. Stargell (CO), Marilyn Sterling (TX), Susan Stewart (GA), Michael Swan (TN), Pamela Sweeney (IN), Cathy Trautman (WI), Dennis Trautman (WI), Nancy True (FL), Sandra Tucker (IL), Gretchen Van Alstyne (NY), Andrea Walters (OH), Carol Webb (CA), Priscilla Weeks (MA), Peggi Welker (OK), Elizabeth White (MD), Susan C. Wilcox (Canada), L. Jane Williams (GA), Kari Wuornos-Winger (MN), CarolAnn Worsham (OH), Sally Wuornos (MN).

Brenda Jones-Greenberg moved to adopt as published the minutes of the 2001 BCOA Annual Meeting. After a second, the motion passed.

The President’s report will be published in the Bulletin.
The Secretary read her report.
The Treasurer read her reports, which will be filed for audit as read.

In the interests of time, committee reports will be printed in the Bulletin.
Brenda Jones-Greenberg asked about access to the archives; the Historian and committee are still working on this.
The ASFA award for top-scoring Basenji owned by a BCOA member was presented to Classic, owned by Suzy Clark.
George Woodard, BCOA webmaster, announced the BCOA Announce List, email announcements sent to all BCOA members with email.
The parliamentarian Phyllis Roberts being present, Anne Graves (TX) moved that the meeting be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order; after a second, the motion passed.

Michael Swan (TN) moved that committee reports be published in the issue of the Bulletin immediately preceding the National Specialty, in order that members be able to ask questions at the Annual Meeting. After a second, the motion was defeated.

Kay Henderson (AL) moved that the Board of Directors select a small committee to study the feasibility of moving the National Specialty to late spring/early summer date. This committee will be charged to seek input from all Basenji exhibitors; their report will be published in the Bulletin before the 2003 National Specialty in order that an informed membership may vote on the issue at the Annual Meeting. After the motion was seconded, there was discussion of different preferences. The motion passed.

Michael Swan (TN) yielded the floor for his prepared motion to Sandy Beaudoin.
Then Sandy Beaudoin (OK) moved that the Secretary, upon receiving the list of judges’ nominations for the National Specialty from the Vice-President, contact each person nominated and inquire as to their interest/availability for the assignment. Nominees not immediately available shall be allowed seven days to respond. Lack of response shall be considered a refusal. Those nominees accepting the nomination shall be further asked by the Secretary to forward, via email, a 300 (or less) word résumé to the official BCOA List administrator, who shall summarily publish the résumés to the official BCOA announcement list. It was further moved that persons making the nominations forward a phone number and/or email address with the nomination to expedite the above procedure. Once the required number of nominees has been ascertained, the election shall proceed in the normal manner, with the addition of a reminder on the ballot of the availability of the résumés. After the motion was seconded, there was discussion. The motion was defeated.

John Donald (NY) moved that the Board be requested to recommend that Veterans Sweepstakes classes be scheduled before the Puppy Sweepstakes at BCOA National Specialties.

Mary Lou Kenworthy moved that the “All Round Hound Award” be a mandatory part of all BCOA National Specialties. After a second and discussion, the motion was defeated.

L. Jane Williams moved that BCOA approach AKC, through the BCOA delegate with a request to change the rules for the Brace and Team classes at specialties: that the now standing rule that no altered animal can participate as part (or all) of a brace or team at a specialty be changed to permit altered animals in the Veterans class to participate in the Brace or Team classes at specialties only. Either one, both or all (in a team) dogs may be altered, as long as they come out of the Veterans class. After a second and discussion, the motion passed.

Upon a motion by Mary Lou Kenworthy (GA), the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

After the adjournment, Damara Bolté presented the Diane Coleman award to CH C-Quest Point Blank, owned by Tina Toohey and breeder Cindy Russell.

Ms. Bolté then presented the Re-Up award to CH Reveille Boutonniere JC, owned by Jon Draud MD, bred by Damara Bolté.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne L. Graves, Secretary