CALL TO ORDER

The Annual Meeting of the Basenji Club of America, Inc. was called to order, a quorum of members being present, by President Sally Wuornos (MN) on Thursday, October 18, 2007 at the Hall of Commerce, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, CA. In addition to a quorum of the membership, the following board members and officers were in attendance: President Wuornos, Vice-President Karla Schreiber (IL), Treasurer Laura Mae Hesse (WI), Director Jon Curby (MO), Director Wanda Pooley (IL), Director Damara Bolte (VA), Director Margaret Greenlee FL), Director Lisa Auerbach (VA), Director Carrie Jones (MN), Director Laurie Stargell (CO). Secretary Anne Graves (TX) was absent, and Vice-President Schreiber served as acting Secretary for the Meeting. Parliamentarian (non-BCOA member) Elizabeth Guthridge was also in attendance.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Linda Ehlers (MO) moved, and Lynn Arrand (Canada) seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the BCOA 2006 Annual Meeting as published. Motion passed by voice vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Bulletin – Bulletin editor Wanda Pooley reported that glossy paper color center spreads would be offered in the Bulletin for $140/page.
- Sunshine – Sunshine Committee Chair Linda Pence (IN) reminded the membership to be sure to let her known when a get well or condolence Cards should be sent to members on behalf of BCOA.
- Internet Security – Internet Security Committee Chair Carmella Troisi-Hoerr (AZ) reported that the BCOA website will be backed up regularly. The site receives thousands of hits, and is referenced on AKC’s website. There are plans to add a BCOA events and important dates calendar to the website in 2008.
- Health Committee – Health Committee Chair Lisa Auerbach (VA) thanked everyone who worked at the various Canine Phenome Project blood draw clinics throughout the country in 2007. She stated that there would be additional calls for
blood samples for PRA. The BCOA Health Committee is available to assist local clubs and groups that want to sponsor upcoming blood draw clinics.

- **2008 National Specialty Committee** – 2008 BCOA National Specialty Committee chair Karlene Schoonover (TX) invited the membership to attending the 2008 National Specialty at the South Fork Ranch near Dallas, Texas on September 16th through the 21st, 2008.

- **Outreach Committee** – Outreach Committee Chair Pat Fragassi (CA) reported that BCOA contact information has been placed on twenty-three Internet sites in an effort to counteract advertising by BYBs and puppy mills. BCOA will also publish an ad in the upcoming breeder showcase issue of Dog Fancy Magazine. Outreach funds are available to assist with publication of BCOA ads locally, to counter miller/BYB ads. AKC statistics indicate that 58% of the Basenjis registered in recent years were bred by non-BCOA member breeders. BCOA now has a flyer, prepared by Damara Bolte (with artwork by Shirley Jones) and approved by the BCOA Board of Directors that will be sent by AKC to all new AKC-registered Basenji owners along with AKC registration certificates. The flyer contains basic breed information, and contact information for the BCOA as well as the Basenji Health Endowment.

- **Stud Book Committee** – Stud Book Committee Chair Pam Geoffroy (MA) reported that the Committee has opened a dialog with the AKC regarding opening the studbook to new African imports, and is proceeding with the Board’s 2006 directives in this regard. Stud Book Committee members for 2007 are Pam Geoffrey (Chair), Linda Siekert (AZ), Dr. Jo Thompson (WA), Andrew Sawler (MA) and Jon Curby (MO)

**NEW BUSINESS**

- President Wuornos announced that BCOA is looking for a new Bulletin Board Editor to take over this function in 2008. A job description will be posted on the BCOA website.

- President Wuornos announced that BCOA is looking for a Chair and volunteer members to serve on the National Specialty Videography Committee. A job description will be posted on the BCOA website.

- President Wuornos reminded the membership that Nomination Forms for 2011 National Specialty Judges were available at the Superintendent’s Table, and will be duly published in the Bulletin Board.

- The ASFA award for top ASFA lure coursing Basenji owned by a BCOA member was presented by Judy Stahl (CA) to FC Thor's East of Midnight, MC, LC4, LCM4 owned by Judy Brader.

- The BCOA Unsung Hero Award for 2007 was presented to Lisa Marshall (WI).
• Dr. Gary Johnson (MO) was unanimously elected to lifetime membership in the Basenji Club of America by voice vote of the BCOA Board and all members present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was presented.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS: QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

• Andrew Sawler addressed the membership, board and officers with questions relating to BCOA’s 2007 donation(s) to the Basenji Health Endowment, Inc. Pres. Wuornos, Vice-President Schreiber, and Director Wanda Pooley responded to these questions.

• Donna Lubbe addressed the membership, board and officers regarding direct donations by future BCOA National Specialty host groups to the Basenji Health Endowment, Inc. Pres. Wuornos addressed these questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna Lubbe (OR) moved, and Brenda Jones Greenberg (AZ) seconded that the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Basenji Club of America be adjourned.

POST ADJOURNMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Damara Bolte presented the 2006 Diane C. Coleman Memorial Hound Group Award to BIS Ch. Asia’s Ready Set Go [owned by Dr Nigel and Zee DaSilva, Lisa Lee Myers and Russella Bowen]. The Coleman Award is awarded annually to the Basenji that has defeated the greatest number of dogs in AKC conformation competition (Group and Best in Show) for the preceding calendar year.

Damara Bolte presented the 2006 Reveille Re-Up Award to Katie Campbell (WA). The Reveille Re-Up Award is given annually to the breeder of the greatest number of finished AKC conformation champions for the preceding calendar year.