The 2007 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Basenji Club of America, Inc. was held in the Pleasanton Hilton Hotel in Pleasanton, California on Tuesday, October 16, 2007. Officers and Directors present were: Lisa Auerbach, Damara Bolté, Jon Curby, Midge Greenlee, Laura Mae Hesse, Treasurer, Carrie Jones, Wanda Pooley, Karla Schreiber, Vice-President and Laurie Stargell. Anne Graves, Secretary, participated via speaker phone. Absent was Sally Wuornos, President. Also present were Tonda Curry and Sandy Tucker.

In the absence of the President, Schreiber called the meeting to order at 18:33 PDT.

**BALLOT 2007 – 53**

Bolté moved, Auerbach seconded,  

**to suspend the reading of the minutes of the 2006 Board Meeting.**

*Motion carried.*

Report of President: None.  
Report of Secretary: None.  
Report of Treasurer: Given by Hesse; balance sheet as of October 6, 2007, was circulated for review.

**BALLOT 2007 – 54**

Bolté moved, Pooley seconded,  

**that the Treasurer’s report be accepted as read.**

*Motion carried.*

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

AKC Delegate Jon Curby gave a report concerning the relationship between the Canine Health Foundation and the American Kennel Club.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**BALLOT 2007 – 55**

After discussion of terms for the contract of Kent Delaney, Conformation and Obedience judge for the 2010 National Specialty, Stargell moved, Greenlee seconded,  

**that we accept his terms of two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00) per day for three days of judging conformation classes and no charge for judging obedience classes, and that round-trip economy airfare be split between obedience and conformation.**

*Motion carried.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**BALLOT 2007 – 56**

Schreiber explained that some parent clubs are finding that an increasing number of people are refusing to sit on Boards that do not have liability insurance (essentially “bad acts” policies). Currently, any club’s board of directors and officers could be held liable if the treasurer makes poor or illegal financial decisions. Liability insurance would cover each director or officer from paying his own legal fees and some money amounts.  
Tonda Curry gave some more background and information. After more discussion, the Board determined to appoint volunteers to investigate various liability policies.
Auerbach moved, Bolté seconded, that Hesse contact Equisure for premium and policy quote for officers and board liability insurance. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 57
Pooley reported that The Bulletin now can offer center page advertisements in color, provided that a combined number of four advertisers is available. Currently, inside cover advertisements are one hundred twenty-five dollars ($125.00).
Pooley moved, Bolté seconded, that all inside color advertisements (inside cover and center spread) be increased to one hundred forty dollars ($140.00) per page, and that outside cover color advertisements remain at the current two hundred twenty-five dollars ($225.00) per page. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 58
Pooley and three other Board members, having recently received anonymous emailed “messages,” spurred discussion of such problems.
Pooley moved, Greenlee seconded, that the Editor(s) of The Bulletin, The Bulletin Board Newsletter and any other club publications be directed not to print anonymous correspondence, and to have the editorial committee verify the author’s authenticity for any correspondence deemed negative, defamatory and/or controversial. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 59
Curby moved, Stargell seconded, that for National Specialty judges, if fewer than four receive nominations for Sweepstakes and Conformation classes, judges receiving the top four nominations, including any ties, will appear on the ballot for the membership’s vote. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 60
The Board discussed the problems encountered by Basenji fanciers who live outside the USA in submitting payment to the University of Missouri for the marker link Fanconi DNA test, since the university does not have a PayPal account, nor any plans for one. Thus, those fanciers must pay for the test either by sending a check on non-USA banks or asking someone in the USA to pay for them.
Greenlee moved, Pooley seconded, that this issue be tabled until the Treasurer can research this topic further. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 61
Curby moved, Greenlee seconded, that the Board approach our CPA for recommendations on the audit procedure for our organization. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 62
Curby moved, Stargell seconded, that BCOA establish a budget committee to consider budgeting priorities and submit them for Board review and approval.
Pooley amended the motion to say the committee shall consist of Board members and officers. Amendment was approved; Motion carried as amended with “no” votes from Auerbach, Curby and Stargell.

BALLOT 2007 – 63
After discussion of approval of National Specialty sites and the idea that more guidance be given to host groups, with a site coordinator to oversee all such events, as well as the idea of finding a permanent National Specialty site, Curby moved, Jones seconded, that a site coordinator be appointed to gather a group for site locations. **Motion carried.**

**BALLOT  2007 – 64**

Bolté moved, Greenlee seconded that, BCOA Officers and Board of Directors be appointed as the Officers and Board of Directors of the Basenji Health Endowment. **Motion carried.**

Pooley moved that the meeting of the BCOA Board of Directors be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 21:15 PDT

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Graves, Secretary BCOA
(Supplementary notes taken by Caryn Jones, to whom I give deepest thanks.)