

BCOA BOARD BALLOT 2016-09 APPROVED

SUBJECT: Code of Recommended Practices-Special Committee

Effective: March 3, 2016

Circulated at the request of the President and in accordance with the BCOA Bylaws.

The BCOA Code of Recommended Practices (code of ethics) was last updated in 2002. The Code sets forth voluntary guidelines, representing a distillation of the personal codes of conduct and valid concerns of BCOA members. This currently adopted (2002) code needs to be brought up to date to reflect current standards and practices.

Please indicate your vote on appointing a Special Committee to update the Basenji Club of America Recommended Code of Practices. Andrea Stone [WA] will chair the Committee.

BCOA Board appoints a Special Committee to update Basenji Club of America Recommended Code of Practices. The committee is directed to amend the document to include the follow elements, and any other elements as determined by the committee.

- Encourage participation in the AKC Breeder of Merit program and or the new AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T program.
- Encourage individual registration of all basenjjs bred.
- Promote current and future DNA testing, and the best practices of such testing.
- Promote breeding consistent with recommendations and specifications of the Health and Research committee.
- Affirm the AKC Care and Conditions Policy
- Affirm the AKC Code of Sportsmanship
- Recommend practices to be used by members in social media, consistent with recommendations and specifications of the Social Media committee.

The Committee shall consist of 5 or 7 members, and shall follow parliamentary procedures, as set forth in BCOA bylaws. Committee members shall be selected by the Chair, which must represent all aspects and demography of the Club, including and not limited to Breeders, Conformation Exhibitors, Performance Exhibitors, Judges, Rescue, and Companion Owners. The Board may recommend members for the Chair's consideration. Committee will be affirmed by a vote of the Board.

The committee is directed to seek the participation of the entire membership, in a variety of methods, including comment periods, and may include discussion groups, polls, or any other means the committee deem appropriate. Outlines and drafts are required and will be presented to the membership in the official publications of the BCOA, which will include a reasonable

written comment period. All written comments will be retained by the committee and filed for Club records. Committee is required to keep records and produce a committee workbook for Club records and is required to provide the Board of Directors a monthly report at the 1st of each month.

Final proposal shall be presented to the Board and reviewed to ensure compliance to the directive, established policy, and the bylaws of BCOA. Upon Board approval, final proposal will be sent to the entire membership for approval. Given the significance of the Recommended Code of Practices, the Board will require a 2/3 vote of the membership to amend the current adopted Recommended Code of Practices. Passage shall constitute an affirmation of all members.

Basenji Club of America Recommended Code of Practices shall have a prominent place on the Club's web site and distributed to each new membership during the application process.

Approved: Cranmer, Curby, Hesse, Hutchison, Ketz-Comments: [*The current Code of Recommended Practices can be viewed on the BCOA website –www.basenji.org. at members>documents and archives>club documents. Need assistance with your members-only log-in? Contact webmaster or jlketz@aol.com for assistance.*], Vertrees, Work
Not in attendance; Jones, La Croix, Sawler