

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BCCA BOARD MEETING
September 13 and 15, 2006

The Bearded Collie Club of America's Annual Board of Directors meeting was held at The Resort at the Mountain, Welches, Oregon. The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Coxwell.

PRESENT: Coxwell, Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor **ABSENT:** Patzius, Snook

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Recording Secretary's Report
Corresponding Secretary's Report
Treasurer's Report

RESULTS SEPTEMBER MOTIONS BALLOT:

08/06-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2006 meeting.
(Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-01 Motion that \$5,000.00 from BCCA's assigned fund with AKC-CHF be assigned to Grant-589: Identifying Genes Regulating Addison's Disease in the Portuguese Water Dog (PWD); Researchers: Ostrander/Lark; Site: NHGRI/University of Utah (2 years). (Taylor)

Motion withdrawn by maker pending receipt of further information on both the Oberbauer and Ostrander research projects.

09/06-02 Motion that, upon receipt by the BCCA of an application for membership, the name(s) of the applicant(s), along with their address, telephone number and sponsor's name, shall be published in the next issue of the BCCA's newsletter, "The Bagpipes", to allow for input from the general membership. The Board of Directors shall conduct a secret vote on the membership of such applicant(s) at the board meeting occurring in the month following publication of the name(s) of such applicant(s). If approved, official membership shall begin upon publication of the results of such vote in the subsequent issue of "The Bagpipes."
(Alspaugh)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-03 Motion to amend SR 08/97-01 (Versatility Excellent) to include all AKC herding and agility titles available:

Replace the words “*Herding: HT, PT, HS, HI, HX, HCH (a maximum of six (6) titles)*” with “Herding: HT, PT, HSAs, HSBs, HSCs, HSAd, HSBd, HSAc, HSBc, HIAs, HIBs, HICs, HIAd, HIBd, HIAc, HIBc, HXAs, HXBs, HXCc, HXAd, HXBd, HXAc, HXBc, HCH (a maximum of 24 titles).”

Replace the words “*Agility: NA, NAP, OA, OAP, AX, AXP, MX, MXP, NAJ, NJP, OAJ, OJP, AXJ, AJP, MXJ, MJP (a maximum eight (8) titles – All titles counted must be in either Championship Titles or Preferred Titles, not a combination of the two.)*” with “Agility: NA, NAP, NF, OA, OAP, OF, AX, AXP, XF, MX, MXP, MXF, NAJ, NJP, OAJ, OJP, AXJ, AJP, MXJ, MJP, PAX, FTC1, MACH (a maximum fifteen (15) titles – All titles counted must be either Regular or Preferred Titles, not a combination of the two).” (Taylor)

Motion was approved by Executive Committee due to time constraints; Executive Committee action was approved by Board of Directors, see **09/06-06** below.

09/06-04 Motion to appoint Linda Swain and Pat Hyde, both members in good standing, to act as proctors to assist the Recording Secretary in counting ballots for elections for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-05 Motion to accept the bid of Lillian Esposito as Editor of *The Beardie Bulletin*. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-06 Motion to approve Executive Committee action on motion **09/06-03**. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
No: Poliak **Present:** Coxwell

09/06-07 Motion to approve Executive Committee approval of purchasing two medallions for the AKC National Obedience Trial and the AKC Agility Invitational in December. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-08 Motion to approve Executive Committee approval of updated mentor guidelines and the updated mentor list. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-09 Motion to ratify all actions voted on by the BCCA Board of Directors for time period of November 21, 2005 through August 21, 2006. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-10 Motion to approve Committee Chairpersons. (Taylor) *See attached list of committee chairpersons.*

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

09/06-11 Motion to approve the Audit Committee, consisting of Lucy Campbell-Gracie, Pat Hyde and Joanne Johnson. (Taylor)

Yes: Alspaugh, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor **Abstain:** Campbell-Gracie
Present: Coxwell

09/06-12 Motion to approve Bishop Award for Herding Excellence as follows: Beginning with AKC Herding Trials held January 1, 2006 and thereafter, a Special Award to be called the "Bishop Award for Herding Excellence" shall be awarded to the Bearded Collie which earns the highest average points on sheep.

The Award will be a lead crystal "Rising Star" with Bishop's face etched in the top. There will be a wooden base for plaques listing the winners of this award. The winner shall be announced each year in the BCCA Newsletter and "Beardie Bulletin" which are published immediately following publication of the March AKC Awards.

The actual Award shall be a Perpetual Award per the official Trophy Guidelines as approved in SR 12/97-03 and shall be presented to the winning Bearded Collie beginning with 2007 at the BCCA National Specialty and is to be held by the winner's owner for 11 months. The recipient of the Bishop Award shall be responsible for returning the primary Award to the Trophy Chair of the following year's National Specialty. Each winner shall also receive an award to be retained permanently by the owner.

The BCCA Herding Chair shall be responsible for tabulating all Qualifying Scores and Numbers of dogs outscored. The points shall be taken only from the official AKC Awards and shall be calculated as follows:

(1) The 3 highest actual scores earned on sheep on any Course at Trials held within each calendar year shall be averaged to 100ths of a point

(2) The 3 highest actual number of dogs outscored on sheep on any Course at Trials held within each calendar year shall be averaged to 100ths of a point

(3) These average point counts shall be added together and the one dog with the highest point average shall be deemed the winner of the Bishop Award

(4) Should a tie occur, the tie shall be broken as follows:

- (a) The dog whose scores and numbers come from a higher class or classes shall be declared the winner.
- (b) Should Provision (a) not break the tie, then the dog which has the most High In Trial wins throughout the calendar year shall be declared the winner.
- (c) If no prospective winner has attained a High In Trial win, then the number of Reserve High In Trial(s) or the higher average of actual class placements shall determine the winner.

The owner must be a member in good standing of the Bearded Collie Club of America for the entire time pertinent to this Award. (Alspaugh)

Yes: Alspaugh, Campbell-Gracie, Mazer, Means, Poliak, Serrine, Steltz, Taylor
Present: Coxwell

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

Members elected – 0 (there were no applications)

Membership Applicants – 4

BCCA Applicants October

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Sponsor: Bela and Dawn Szecsy

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation of Bids for the 2008 Specialty: Two clubs presented bids for the 2008 National Specialty. Anna Marie Yura and Jane Mazer presented for the Bearded Collie Club of Southern California, with Lisa Voss and Ruth Colavecchio presenting for the Bearded Collie Club of the Golden West. Following the two presentations the board went into executive session to discuss and vote on the bids. Upon return to regular session, it was announced that the board had awarded the bid to the Bearded Collie Club of the Golden West.

Proposed Change in Versatility Award Standing Rules: Michele Ritter, Versatility Chair, presented a proposal to amend and combine the three current versatility award standing rules into one standing rule which would cover all versatility awards under one umbrella. After much discussion, it was decided to have Ms. Ritter contact the appropriate committee chairs to get their feedback regarding this proposal and report back to the board with her findings.

New Affiliate Club: The Bearded Collie Club of Maine, represented by Valarie Maloney, came before the board requesting recognition as a regional club of the BCCA. Alspaugh moved to accept the Bearded Collie Club of Maine as a regional club. Seconded by Steltz. Unanimously approved.

Best of Breed Medallion: Campbell-Gracie moved that the BCCA support the AKC's Best of Breed Award at the AKC Invitational show in Long Beach in December. Seconded by Taylor. Unanimously approved.

Possibility of Coordination of BCCA and BCCC National Specialties: The two specialties were held close together this year; however, this should take care of itself starting next year when BCCA specialties are planned three years out.

Revision of Constitution and By-Laws: President Coxwell proposed that a committee be established to study possible revision and clarification of some of the by-laws to bring them more up-to-date.

Trophies: Discussion was held regarding difficulties the BCCA is experiencing in transport of annual trophies. The board will investigate possible solutions.

BCCA All-Breed Agility Trials: The first all breed AKC agility trials hosted by the BCCA on August 23-25, 2006 in conjunction with Wild Weavers in Ohio was a success, bringing the BCCA \$1,700 in revenue. The BCCA has been asked by Wild Weavers to host trials in February, 2007 and May, 2007. Approval for use of the BCCA's license is necessary, as is payment of a late application fee for the February trials.

Campbell-Gracie moved to approve February, 2007 and May, 2007 AKC agility trials with Wild Weavers to be sponsored by the BCCA in Ohio. Alspaugh seconded. Unanimously approved.

Campbell-Gracie moved to approve payment of the \$70 late application fee for the February, 2007 agility trial. Means seconded. Unanimously approved.

BCCA Website: Mazer moved that links to BeaCon, OFA and CERF be placed on the health page of the BCCA website. Alspaugh seconded. Unanimously approved.

Donations for Health Studies: Means raised the issue of a \$4,000 donation from the Beardies of the World specifically designated for health. A decision needs to be made on where that money will go. The board will research other possible health studies to which the BCCA can donate money.

Membership Application Form: In an effort to provide more detailed information on prospective members, the board discussed the revision of the current membership application. Serrine agreed to research and prepare a new form on both sides of the scale, the member and the sponsor, and present it to the board. Discussion was held on what should be included in the packet sent out to new applicants.

Fundraising Committee Proposal – Beardie Boutique: The board determined that more detailed information on proposed inventory be provided prior to voting on this proposal.

MOTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED IN OCTOBER

09/06-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the September 13 and 15, 2006 meetings. (Taylor)

10/06-01 Motion that all ad reservations for *The Beardie Bulletin* must be accompanied by the basic amount charged for that ad. Any additional costs are due within 30 days of notification of such charges. (Taylor)

Discussion: There has been a problem in the last year or two with people taking ads, color ads in particular, in the Bulletin, then not paying promptly.

10/06-02 Motion to add Julie Patzius to the list of approved mentors. (Taylor)

Discussion: Ms. Patzius' name was left off of the approved list by mistake.

MOTIONS PROPOSED FOR NOVEMBER

10/06-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2006 meeting.(Taylor)

11/06-01 Motion that we approve the OES/Bearded Collie/PON comparison presentation developed by Chantal Andrew and recommended for adoption by Chris Walkowicz, BCCA Education Chair.(Sirrine)

This concludes the business of the BCCA Board of Directors' meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Taylor
BCCA Recording Secretary