

Minutes of the Annual Board of Directors Meeting
Bearded Collie Club of America

The BCCA Board met on Monday, October 5, 2009 at the Minneapolis Marriott Southwest in Minnetonka, Minnesota. Because some directors were held up in traffic, the meeting was delayed until 6:00 PM. At that time, with a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by President Carol Sirrine.

Roll Call: Present: Sirrine, Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Absent: Boyd.

Officer's Reports:

Recording Secretary

Corresponding Secretary

Treasurer:

Total income for fiscal 2008 was \$103,882.63. Expenses were \$104,012.11. Other income was \$5529.69. Profit: \$5325.21.

Unfinished Business:

09/09-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2009 meeting. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: Sirrine.

10/09-01 Motion to approve the action of the Executive Committee to request the Bulletin editor print as an insert Linda Aronson's article for the upcoming issue. This action was approved on a one time basis to prevent cost overruns. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: Sirrine

10/09-02 Motion to approve the action of the Executive Committee to fund the BCCA's supported entry at the Eukanuba National Dog Show by sending AKC \$250. This is a one-time expense to celebrate the AKC's 125th year. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: Sirrine

10/09-03 Motion to approve the action of the Executive Committee to pay the fee for Linda Aronson's registration at the AKC Canine Health Fund conference, to be held October 24-25, 2009. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: Sirrine

10/09-04 Motion to approve the action of the Executive Committee to pay Chet Jezierski to create a banner for the AKC's first "Meet the Breeds" event to be held at the Javits Center in October. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: SIRRINE

10/09-05 Motion to amend Standing Rule 04/86-05 to read: "The BCCA will not accept ads from non-BCCA members." (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: SIRRINE

10/09-06 Motion to approve the operating procedures for the BCCA Charitable Trust. (Alexander)

Withdrawn from BCCA Board business and sent to the Board of Trustees of the BCCA Charitable trust.

10/09-07 Motion to raise mailing rates for the Beardie Bulletin to align with Postal rate increases. (Freeman)

(See rationale sent from Publications committee.)

Motion withdrawn by maker after discussion.

10/09-08 Motion to rent a climate controlled storage space for the BCCA Challenge trophies for a one year period. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: SIRRINE

10/09-09 Motion to create a "Thirty Year Club" to honor those who have maintained continuous membership in the BCCA for thirty years. These loyal members will be honored with an award to be given at the National Specialty every five years, beginning in 2009. (Freeman)

Due to an error in the preparation of the ballot, this motion was not considered and will be presented for vote in November.

10/09-10 Motion to support the research of Dr. Jamie Modiano of the University of Minnesota into canine hemangiosarcoma by a donation of the BCCA's funds held by the AKC CHF. (Freeman)

Cindy Alspaugh moved that we donate \$7500 to Dr. Modiano's research. Lisa Voss seconded.

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: SIRRINE

10/09-11 Motion to send \$250 to the Bearded Collie Club of Canada to support their National Specialty. (Freeman)

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, McDonald, Means, Norteman, Szalka, Voss.

Present: SIRRINE

Election of New Members

New members:

Arlene Samuels, Kris Haslund and Connie Wees, and Noel Thuner.

BCCA Applicants—November

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Sponsors: Jane Tadsen and Sandra Oelfke

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Spring, TX 77389
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Sponsor: Lynn Zagarella

New Business

Rosie Schroeder presented Purina Farms as a possible site for future National Specialties.

Valarie Maloney presented the Bearded Collie Club of Maine's bid to present the 2011 National Specialty. Karen Norteman left the room. After discussion, the Board thanked Valarie, and she left the room. Patricia McDonald moved that the bid be accepted, Means seconded. All voted in favor except Norteman, who was not present and asked that her vote be recorded as an abstention.

The meeting of the BCCA Board was suspended and a meeting of the Charitable Trust Board was convened. Lisa Voss left the room; Karen Norteman returned. Kathy Coxwell and Linda Taylor arrived in person and Charlene Boyd was contacted by telephone. The minutes of the Charitable Trust Board meeting are located at the last page of this document. When the business of the Charitable Trust Board was completed, Lisa Voss returned and Kathy Coxwell and Linda Taylor left. The call to Charlene Boyd ended.

Susan Lybrand and Joyce Ann Burgett presented the new Bearded Collie Club of Texas. Susan Lybrand presented a proposed new Futurity format and asked that the Board allow Futurity to continue for three years to test the viability of the new format. Susan Lybrand presented a proposal to honor deceased members with a plaque to be displayed at future BCCA events. At the conclusion of these presentations, Susan and Joyce Ann left the meeting.

Freeman moved to ratify all acts of the Board and the Executive Committee since the 2008 annual meeting on October 26, 2008. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Freeman moved to adopt the changes to the mentor program proposed by Chantal Andrew and included in the Board packet. McDonald seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Means moved that the Board invite Stacey Blau to fill Stephen Blau's unexpired term on the Board. Alspaugh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Means moved that the Board packet now sent by US mail be e mailed in pdf format with a return receipt. Board members would still be required to print the ballot and vote by US mail. The annual Board meeting packet would continue to be a hard copy made available at the annual Board meeting. Any contrary Standing Rules will be identified and amended by motion in November. The November packet will be both mailed and e mailed to test the idea. Freeman seconded after discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Freeman moved to approve an audit committee of Don Means, Jane Cooper and Pat McDonald. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Norteman moved that the Bearded Collie Club of Texas be approved. Alexander seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Alspaugh moved that the committee reports received and contained in the Board book be accepted. Alexander seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Voss moved that Futurity be reinstated for three additional years, or through the 2013 National, according to the proposal made by Susan Lybrand in her presentation. After discussion, the motion was voted on as follows:

Yes: Alexander, Alspaugh, Freeman, Voss.

No: Means, McDonald, Szalka.

Abstain: Norteman.

The motion passed.

Alexander moved the Board adopt the recommendations of the Health Committee to use BCCA funds held in the AKC CHF to fund the following projects in the following amounts:

Development of a diagnostic method for canine atopic dermatitis--\$500

Tissue regeneration using canine mesenchymal stem cells--\$1000
Detection of DNA damage in response to cooling storage in canine spermatozoa using single cell electrophoresis--\$500
Prevalence and location of Bartonella spp in vascular tumors from dogs--\$1000.
Alspaugh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Freeman moved that the recommendation of the publication committee to raise the mailing rate for the Beardie Bulletin to align with Postal rate increases be adopted. After discussion the motion was tabled.

Also discussed:

Funding the Rabies challenge;
Changing term limits for Board members;
Holding future Specialties at Purina Farms;
The relationship of rescue to the Charitable Trust and the BCCA Board;
The litter listing changes proposed by the Health Committee;
A plaque to honor deceased BCCA members;
Member renewals;
Capturing postage increases;
Payment of Scholarship monies to the recipient vs. the school.
No motions were made at the meeting on these matters.

Motions Proposed for November

11/08-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the annual meeting. (Freeman)

10/09-09 Motion to create a “Thirty Year Club” to honor those who have maintained continuous membership in the BCCA for thirty years. These loyal members will be honored with an award to be given at the National Specialty every five years, beginning in 2009. (Freeman)

11/09-01 Motion to amend SR 04/90-05 to read: “The Treasurer is responsible for emailing a reminder dues notice 21 days prior to the end of the dues grace period to all members whose dues have not been received. Members who have no email on file or whose email “bounces back” to the Treasurer will be mailed a postcard reminder. (Means)

Discussion: Our membership will have received a renewal form sent directly to them from the BCCA. A reminder email will reduce the enormous cost incurred by mailing out postcards to all the members who are in the grace period. With the email there will be a significant cost saving to the BCCA.

11/09-02 Motion to allow the Board of Directors to have discretion to raise postage for the Beardie Bulletin, Illustrated Standard, and other publications as needed to keep in line with United States Postal rate increases. (Means)

Discussion: Being a step behind as the Postage rates increase was discussed at the Annual Board Meeting. There has been such a lag time before the Board can recover these expenditures. The Board will now be able to have the correct postage for the item being mailed.

11/09-03 Motion to amend SR September 28, 2005 ABM-01 to read: "\$250 awards are established for each of the top junior handlers in tracking, obedience, agility, herding and rally." (Means)

Discussion: This was recommended by our tax advisor and discussed at the Annual Board Meeting. "Scholarships" must be paid to an institution or school and this change will allow the money to be paid directly to the top junior handlers.

11/09-04 Motion to Amend SR 07/04-02 to read: "Motion to establish the Gail J. Miller Junior Handler Award. An educational award in the amount of \$250 will be awarded annually to the individual receiving the Gail E. Miller Award for Top Junior Handler for such year. The award will be announced at the BCCA Awards Banquet each year. To commemorate this achievement the recipient will also receive a print of a watercolor painting, offered and financed by private funds. (Means)

Discussion: This was recommended by our tax advisor and discussed at the Annual Board Meeting. "Scholarships" must be paid to an institution or school and this change will allow the money to be paid directly to the Top Junior Handler.

11/09-05 Motion to amend SR 02/81-04 to read: "Anyone offering a perpetual trophy, plaque, or award of any kind at a BCCA event must obtain Board approval." (Means)

Discussion: This change will insure that the best interests of the BCCA (both the Club and its membership) and the breed are not compromised, no personal liability is incurred, and no idea is misrepresented. (See BCCA Code of ethics item 8.)

Szalka moved we adjourn, Alexander seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 PM October 5, 2009.

Respectfully submitted'

Carol Freeman
Recording Secretary

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting
Bearded Collie Club of America Charitable Trust**

The meeting was convened at 8:00 PM on Monday, October 5, 2009 at the Minneapolis Marriott Southwest in Minnetonka, Minnesota.

Roll Call:

Present: Serrine, Alexander, Alspaugh, Boyd (by phone), Coxwell, Freeman, McDonald, Norteman, Szalka, Taylor.

Absent: None.

The motion to adopt the Operating Procedures for the Bearded Collie Club of America Charitable Trust, identified as 10/09-06 was moved to this agenda. Means presented an amended motion providing that the annual meeting, **if held**, would occur during the National Specialty, and providing for distribution of assets in the event of dissolution. After discussion, Alexander moved that we adopt the Operating Procedures as set out in the amended motion, with the following language inserted as the “Dissolution” provision:

“In the event of dissolution of the Charitable Trust, and after payment of all outstanding debts and obligations, all property and assets shall be distributed according to Article III B of the Declaration of Trust.”

Means seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Alexander moved that the Trustees ratify the nominations for Trustee. Means seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

According to the Operating Procedures, a ballot for Class A, or Board member Trustees, was distributed. Those elected to four year terms:

Carol Freeman

Don Means.

Those elected to two year terms:

Glenn Alexander

Cindy Alspaugh.

A ballot for Class B or at-large Trustees was then distributed. Those elected to four year terms:

Linda Taylor

Joanne Williamson.

Elected to a two year term:

Rosie Schroeder.

No other business was presented. Coxwell moved to adjourn; Alspaugh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM October 5, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Freeman
Acting Secretary