

**SUMMARY AND TRANSCRIPT OF ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE  
CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OCTOBER 2/3, 2021**

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**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Saturday, October 2, 2021, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the video conference meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled Quarterly Video Conference. A roll call by **Secretary Rachel Anger** found the following members to be present:

**Mr. Darrell Newkirk (President)**  
**Mr. Richard Mastin (Vice President)**  
**Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**  
**Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)**  
**Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)**  
**Mrs. Pam Moser (NWR Director)**  
**Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director)**  
**Mr. Howard Webster (SWR Director)**  
**Mrs. Cathy Dunham (MWR Director)**  
**Mr. Kenny Currle (SOR Director)**  
**Ms. Yukiko Hayata (Japan Regional Director)**  
**Ms. Pam DelaBar (Europe Regional Director)**  
**George Eigenhauser, Esq. (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mr. Mark Hannon (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)**  
**Ms. Melanie Morgan (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mrs. Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)**

**Also Present:**

**Shelly K. Perkins, Attorney at Law, CFA Legal Counsel**  
**Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director**  
**Shelly Borawski, Zoom Administrator**  
**James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst**  
**Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director**  
**Eva Chen, ID-China Representative**  
**Matthew Wong, ID Representative**

**Absent:**

**Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)**  
**Gavin Cao, China Business Advisor**

**Secretary's Note:** For the ease of the reader, some items were discussed at different times but were included with their particular agenda.

**Newkirk:** It's 8:00 here, 11:00 on the east coast. I'm going to call the meeting to order. Madame Secretary, will you call the roll please? **Anger:** Yes. [**Secretary's Note:** Secretary Rachel Anger called the roll, as reflected above.] So, we have our quorum. Is there anyone whose name I have not called? Thank you, I'll turn it back to you, Mr. President. **Newkirk:** Thank you.

# TRANSCRIPT

## Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

### 1. APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.

| CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING<br>AGENDA<br>October 2/3, 2021  |     |   |             |
|---|-----|---|-------------|
| All times are in Eastern Daylight Saving Time               |     |   |             |
| <b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021</b>                            |     |   |             |
| 11:00 a.m.  | 1.  | Approve Orders of the Day   | Newkirk     |
| <b>Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees</b> |     |   |             |
| 11:05 a.m.  | 2.  | Minutes (corrections/additions); Ratification of Teleconference Minutes; Ratification of Online Motions | Anger       |
| 11:10 a.m.  | 3.  | Judging Program Report  | Anger       |
| 12:00 p.m.  | 4.  | Treasurer's Report  | Calhoun     |
| 12:05 p.m.  | 5.  | Budget Committee  | Calhoun     |
| 12:10 p.m.  | 6.  | Audit Committee   | Calhoun     |
| 12:15 p.m.  | 7.  | Diversity and Inclusion Committee   | Calhoun     |
| 12:25 p.m.  | 8.  | Finance Committee/Show Sponsorship  | Mastin      |
| 12:40 p.m.  | 9.  | CFA International Show  | Tartaglia   |
| 12:55 p.m.  | 10. | Youth Feline Education Committee  | Shaffer     |
| 1:00 p.m.   |     | LUNCH   |             |
| 2:00 p.m.   | 11. | Show Rules  | Phillips    |
| 2:45 p.m.   | 12. | IT Report   | Simbro      |
| 3:05 p.m.   | 13. | Central Office  | Tartaglia   |
| 3:15 p.m.   | 14. | Marketing   | Bobby       |
| 3:30 p.m.   |     | BREAK   |             |
| 4:00 p.m.   | 15. | Club Applications   | Krzanowski  |
| 4:15 p.m.   | 16. | Legislative Committee/Group   | Eigenhauser |
| 4:25 p.m.   | 17. | EveryCat Health Foundation  | Eigenhauser |
| 4:30 p.m.   | 18. | Awards  | Dunham      |
| 5:00 p.m.   |     | ADJOURN   |             |
| <b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021</b>                              |     |   |             |
| 11:00 a.m.  | 19. | International Division  | Webb        |
| 11:15 a.m.  | 20. | Breeds and Standards  | Wilson      |
| <b>Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees</b>     |     |   |             |
| 11:30 a.m.  | 21. | Virtual Annual Committee  | Mastin      |
| 12:00 p.m.  | 22. | COVID-19 Committee  | Eigenhauser |
| 12:20 p.m.  | 23. | Entry Clerk Program Enhancement Committee   | Dunham      |
| 12:30 p.m.  | 24. | Virtual Cat Competition   | Zinck       |
| <b>Unfinished Business and General Orders</b>               |     |   |             |
| 12:30 p.m.  | 25. | Unfinished Business   |             |
| 12:35 p.m.  | 26. | Other Committees  |             |
| 12:40 p.m.  | 27. | New Business  |             |
| 12:45 p.m.  |     | ADJOURN OPEN SESSION  | Newkirk     |
|   |     |   |             |

**Newkirk:** We need to approve the Orders of the Day. We have a few additions to add on here. First we need to go with Carol Krzanowski. She had some non-show rule resolutions that did not get pre-noticed. **Anger:** I would like to make a motion that will resolve that. I make a motion to amend the pre-notice timeline rule only as to the Show Rules Report for this one meeting to consider the timeline of the motion submitted on 9/29/21 to be considered as pre-noticed for purposes of voting. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Anger:** That's the motion. I would like to add that this is not a pre-noticed motion and therefore needs 2/3 to pass obviously – my motion I'm just making now. This leaves in place the pre-notice timeline rule for all other motions and meetings until modified or rescinded, except for this one motion. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel.

**Mastin:** Our CFA Parliamentarian Shelly Perkins needs to – **Newkirk:** Hang on. Can we get this one and make that as soon as we get this one resolved? **Mastin:** Sure. **Newkirk:** I've got you written down. You are being recognized next. Any discussion on this one-time motion to allow Carol's non-show rule resolutions she sent out, I believe, yesterday as being considered pre-noticed? Is there any objection? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent we will consider those non-show rule resolutions as pre-noticed.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Anger:** We will deal with that at the end of the Show Rules Report then? **Newkirk:** That's right. **Anger:** We can insert it there. Perfect, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you. We can add that to the agenda line item, wherever that is. Is that today or tomorrow? **Anger:** Today. **Newkirk:** Which item number is it? **Tartaglia:** #11. **Newkirk:** #11, OK.

**Newkirk:** OK Rich, you're recognized. **Mastin:** Thank you Darrell. The CFA Parliamentarian Shelly Perkins will be leaving today's meeting at 4:20 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time. It's very important we have legal counsel during the entire meeting for today, so I would like to make a motion to have Cyndy Byrd, the CFA Chair of the Legal Advisory Committee, be permitted to sit in during the remainder of today's sessions that Shelly is not able to attend. That is my motion. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Is there any discussion? **Moser:** I just want to know, so she signed everything? All of the oath things? Because she is sitting in, correct? **Newkirk:** She signed it when she was a board member. **Moser:** OK, so it's still in effect. **Newkirk:** That was my understanding. Shelly, you can correct me if I'm wrong, but we decided once you sign this it's in effect as long as you are sitting on the board. **Anger:** I can confirm that there is no end date. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Pam, does that sit well with you? **Moser:** Yes, fine. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. Any other discussion? I don't see anybody's hands up. Is there any objection to Cyndy sitting in on the board meeting after Shelly has to leave today? That's for today only. Hearing no objection and seeing no hands up, by unanimous consent, Cyndy Byrd will sit in when Shelly has to depart the meeting today at 4:20.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Anger:** Is it possible we can get the screen moved down to the Orders of the Day so we can all see what we're doing? Thank you so much. **Newkirk:** There you go. Rachel, do you have any other additions or corrections to the Orders of the Day? **Anger:** I have received no other additions or corrections. **Newkirk:** Does anybody on the board have any additions or

corrections? **Currle:** We had a request, Rachel, from the Hong Kong group that I understand you were going to bring up, or is that going to be brought up during the Judging Program? **Anger:** That will be brought up under New Business. **Currle:** Mine is under New Business, as well. I just wanted clarification. **Newkirk:** Let's have what they are so we can add them to the New Business. **Currle:** You go first, Rachel. **Anger:** Thank you. Mine is an approval for a fun show in Hong Kong. **Newkirk:** OK. Kenny? **Currle:** Mine is an approval for CFA to donate two DNA test kits to each region, to be used in fundraisers. I have a rationale which I will discuss in New Business. **Newkirk:** Anybody else? I think we have taken care of the Orders of the Day. If there's no objection, the Orders of the Day will stand as amended. Seeing no hands up, by unanimous consent we have our Orders of Business.

**The Orders of the Day, as amended, were accepted without objection and became the Orders of Business.**

2. **SECRETARY'S REPORT: ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES;  
RATIFICATION OF ON-LINE MOTIONS**

(a) **Additions/Corrections to the Minutes.**

*None.*

**Newkirk:** OK Rachel, you're next. **Anger:** Thank you, with the Secretary's Report. I received no additions or corrections to the minutes.

(b) **Ratification of August 3, 2021 Teleconference Minutes.**

**Action Item:** *Approve the August 3, 2021 teleconference minutes, as published.*

**Anger:** We have the August 3<sup>rd</sup> teleconference minutes that are on the website. I ask for approval of those teleconference minutes, as published. **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** Any discussion on the approval of the August 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes? **Eigenhauser:** Can we scroll down to them when we're discussing them? **Newkirk:** Yes. I don't think they are listed here. Rachel sent them out and they have been put on the CFA website. Any discussion on the approval of the August 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes? Any objection to the approval? Seeing no hands up and no objections, by unanimous consent the August 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes are approved by unanimous consent.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

(c) **Ratification of Online Motions.**

|  | Moved/<br>Seconded | Motion | Vote |
|--|--------------------|--------|------|
| MOTIONS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE RATIFICATION |                    |        |      |
| <i>None.</i>                             |                    |        |      |

|                                   | Moved/<br>Seconded                   | Motion   | Vote  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| MOTIONS THAT REQUIRE RATIFICATION |                                      |  |   |
| 1.                                | Executive<br>Committee<br>09.10.2021 | Due to COVID restrictions locking down the contracted show hall, allow Freestate Feline Fanciers to move their September 25/26, 2021 4 AB/2 SP show from Timonium, Maryland (Region 7) to Oaks, Pennsylvania (Region 1). In accordance with SR 4.03.c., permission of adjoining regional directors (Regions 1, 4, 7) has been granted. | <b>Motion Carried</b><br>(subject to ratification). |
| No discussion.                    |                                      |  |   |

**Newkirk:** Rachel? **Anger:** Thank you. The next item of business is to ratify the online motion that we dealt with through the Executive Committee regarding the Freestate Feline

Fanciers' move of their show from Timonium to Oaks, Pennsylvania. The show has already taken place, so this is just housekeeping to ratify that motion. **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you George. Any discussion on the ratification of this motion, where the show has already taken place? Any objection to the motion? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent that motion is adopted.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Newkirk:** I think that's it for the Secretary's Report. Is that correct, Rachel? **Anger:** That is. Thank you everyone.

### **3. JUDGING PROGRAM.**

**Chair:** *Rachel Anger*

#### ***Subcommittees and Subchairs***

|  |   |
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| <b><i>Applications Administrator:</i></b>              | <b><i>Kathi Hoos</i></b>                    |
| <b><i>Trainees/Advancing Judges:</i></b>               | <b><i>Loretta Baugh</i></b>                 |
| <b><i>CFA Approved Judges:</i></b>                     | <b><i>Vicki Nye</i></b>                     |
| <b><i>Guest Judges:</i></b>                            | <b><i>Vicki Nye, Wendy Heidt</i></b>        |
| <b><i>China Associate Judge Program:</i></b>           | <b><i>Anne Mathis</i></b>                   |
| <b><i>Judges' Workshop/Tests/Continuing Ed:</i></b>    | <b><i>Anne Mathis</i></b>                   |
| <b><i>Education and Mentoring:</i></b>                 | <b><i>Loretta Baugh</i></b>                 |
| <b><i>Breed Awareness &amp; Orientation:</i></b>       | <b><i>Barbara Jaeger</i></b>                |
| <b><i>Domestic File Administrators:</i></b>            | <b><i>Nancy Dodds; Marilee Griswold</i></b> |
| <b><i>Japan File Administrator:</i></b>                | <b><i>Yaeko Takano</i></b>                  |
| <b><i>ID-China File Administrator:</i></b>             | <b><i>Anne Mathis</i></b>                   |
| <b><i>Europe File Administrator:</i></b>               | <b><i>Pam DelaBar</i></b>                   |
| <b><i>ID-International Div File Administrator:</i></b> | <b><i>Allan Raymond</i></b>                 |
| <b><i>Ombudsman:</i></b>                               | <b><i>Diana Rothermel</i></b>               |

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#### ***CFA Associate Judge Subcommittee***

**Chair:** *Anne Mathis*  
**Coaches:** *Jacqui Bennett, Pam DelaBar, Chloe Chung, Hope Gonano, Barbara Jaeger, Anne Mathis, Teresa Sweeney, Liz Watson, Russell Webb, Bob Zenda*

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#### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Associates from ID-Other continue to submit handling videos, which are reviewed by the coaches. Comments and suggestions are sent to the individual Associates.*

*The Associate Judge Selection Committee has reviewed the China Associate applications, and the committee members have made their recommendations. The applications and the applicant summary are available for the Board to review on File Vista.*

*The Associate Judge Subcommittee requests the board to make their selections for the next round of China Associates, and approve them so we can begin their training.*



**Accepted as Associate Judge Trainee:**

***Longhair:***

|                             |                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Tan Hua</i>              | <i>Chengdu, China</i>  |
| <i>Jade Liu</i>             | <i>Shenyang, China</i> |
| <i>Shazhao (Wasabi) Luo</i> | <i>Jinhua, China</i>   |
| <i>Angel Sun</i>            | <i>Shenzhen, China</i> |
| <i>Xiuran (5D) Wang</i>     | <i>Beijing, China</i>  |

***Shorthair:***

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Tao (Tony) Chen</i>  | <i>Xi'an, China</i>    |
| <i>Jia (Stella) Lau</i> | <i>Shanghai, China</i> |
| <i>Charlene Jin</i>     | <i>Shanghai, China</i> |
| <i>Demao Kong</i>       | <i>Chengdu, China</i>  |
| <i>Daniel Wu</i>        | <i>Shanghai, China</i> |
| <i>BoBo Xiaoxia</i>     | <i>Taiyuan, China</i>  |

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Associates from ID-Other should be finishing up their handling videos, and the coaches will decide if another round of videos is necessary.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The Associates from ID-Other will be taking their final test, and will complete their final interviews this month. Hopefully, they will be ready for Board approval at the next meeting.*

**Time Frame:**

*Immediate approval of the China Associates would be ideal, so they can begin their training.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*The ID-Other candidates will be presented for Board approval and licensing. An update on the China Associates will be given.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Anne Mathis, Subcommittee Chair*

**Newkirk:** We'll move on to the next item, Order #3 with is the Judging Program Report, if you will scroll down. Rachel, you are recognized. **Anger:** For our open session section, unless there are questions we will go through the Associate Judge Subcommittee Report. There are no action items for open session there.

## ***Applications Subcommittee***

***Sub Committee Chair: Kathleen Hoos***

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Received a second specialty application from Mie Takahashi.*

*Received inquiry and request for application mentor from Nancy Kerr.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Reviewed application of Mie Takahashi.*

**Applicant:** *The following individual is presented to the Board for acceptance:*

#### **Accept as Trainee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Specialty:**

*Mie Takahashi*

*17 yes*

### **What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Hopefully there will be applications, both completed and in process.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathleen R Hoos, Chair*

**Anger:** The Applications subcommittee also has given an overview. We will vote on our applicant in executive session tomorrow.

## ***Trainee and Advancing Judges Subcommittee***

***Subcommittee Chair: Loretta Baugh***

***File Administers: Nancy Dodds, Marilee Griswold – US;  
Pam DelaBar, Allan Raymond, Yaeko Takano***

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Accomplish a smooth transition to a new Subcommittee Chair.*

*Complete files and prepare reports for trainees coming to the Board for advancement.*

*Create an option for applicants to earn handling credits at shows.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Complete smooth transition to new subcommittee chair. Continue to maintain files for all advancing judges.*

1. *Present JP Rule change to bring color class permission process in line with current practices.*
2. *Present proposal for handling experience at shows.*
3. *Present trainees for advancement to Apprentice.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Continue monitoring progress of all trainees and advancing judges.*

*Continue working on Manual for Trainees.*

**Advancements:** *The following individuals are presented to the Board for advancement:*

**Advance to Apprentice:**

*Laura Gregory (Longhair – 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty) 16 yes; 1 no (Hannon)*

*Pam DeGolyer (Shorthair – 2<sup>nd</sup> Specialty) 17 yes*

**Anger:** Then we go to our Training and Advancing Judges subcommittee, where you see pre-noticed are two judges advancing to apprentice.

***Judging Program Rule Changes***

**Action Item:** *Adopt the following Judging Program rule changes, effective immediately.*

| SECTION 2 – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS   |   |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording  |
| <p><b>2.15 Cattery Visits:</b> An applicant has two (2) options for cattery visits:</p> <p><b>Option One (1):</b></p> <p>The owner of the visited cattery, must belong to the Breed Council of the breed to be evaluated, and must so verify on the Cattery Visit Form. In all cases, a variety of breeds of varying body types are recommended. Comments, including strengths and weaknesses on all cats handled are required and one (1) or two (2) photographs showing the applicant handling the cats visited.</p> <p>a. Longhair must submit a minimum of five (5) longhair cattery visitation reports.</p> <p>b. Shorthair applicants must submit a minimum of seven (7) shorthair cattery visitation reports.</p> | <p><b>2.15 Cattery Visits/<u>Handling Experience:</u></b> An applicant has <del>two (2)</del> <u>three (3)</u> options for cattery visits/<u>handling experience:</u></p> <p><b>Option One (1):</b></p> <p>The owner of the visited cattery, must belong to the Breed Council of the breed to be evaluated, and must so verify on the Cattery Visit Form. In all cases, a variety of breeds of varying body types are recommended. Comments, including strengths and weaknesses on all cats handled are required and one (1) or two (2) photographs showing the applicant handling the cats visited.</p> <p>a. Longhair applicants must submit a minimum of five (5) longhair cattery visitation reports.</p> |

**Option Two (2):**

The owner of the visited cattery must have bred litters in the last two (2) years and have a minimum of five (5) Grand Champions of the breed to be evaluated and must so verify on the Cattery Visit Form. In all cases, a variety of breeds of varying body types are recommended. Comments including strengths/weaknesses on all cats handled are required and one (1) or two (2) photographs showing the applicant handling the cats visited.

In either option, the following is required:

- a. Longhair applicants must submit a minimum of five (5) longhair cattery visitation reports.
- b. Shorthair applicants must submit a minimum of seven (7) shorthair cattery visitation reports.
- c. In order for a cattery visit to count, the applicant must evaluate a minimum of seven cats/kittens in same visit.
- d. Cattery visits may be in-home, at a show or in a hotel as long as the minimum numbers have been met.

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**Option Three (3):**

Breed Handling Experience: The applicant will choose a show where a minimum of seven (7) cats of the same breed, in all three combined competitive categories, will be present. (This can be done via the breed summary ahead of time to avoid a wasted visit). More than one breeder/owner/exhibitor is preferred, but not mandatory. A breeder/owner/exhibitor's entries may only be used one time for handling credit on a specific breed.

The applicant will handle, in the benching area, all cats of the selected breed. The owner of each cat will affirm that the experience took place by signing the appropriate form. The applicant will, in written format, compare and contrast the cats to the breed standard. The applicant will, in the case of kittens, describe how kittens meet or fail

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|  | <p><u>to meet the breed standard, and what challenges this particular breed has in showing kittens. The applicant will observe at least 2 judges judging each class. They will note how the judge ranks each cat and comment on why they agree or disagree with the ranking. The applicant may observe a second breed on day 2 of a two-day show. The applicant may carry out this experience while exhibiting a cat of their own.</u></p> <p><u>The Longhair applicants must complete 5 breed experiences and the shorthair applicant 7. The forms for the experience will be reviewed with the applicant's mentor and forwarded to the file administrator as a part of the application.</u></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Cattery visits are not for the purpose of cattery management. Cattery visits are to offer handling of a variety of the same breed in adult and kitten ages. Currently “cattery visits” may be done at show halls, hotels etc. as long as the number of cats is met. Post-COVID, people are or may be reluctant to have people they do not know well in their homes. For safety, breeders are often not allowing others in their catteries. This has made it difficult for applicants to meet the requirements. This handling option gives applicants the ability to meet the requirements yet still be exposed to a sufficient number of the same breed at one event.</p> |   |

**Anger:** If there are no questions on any of those reports, I would like to go right to our Judging Program rule changes. We have two of them today. The first one addresses the cattery visit requirements in the Applications section of the Judging Program Rules. The only change is to add a third option, which allows for breed handling experience at shows. This option makes a great deal of sense in today’s world where breeders don’t particularly want to have people in their homes and catteries. Even before COVID, many very experienced breeders declined to participate in the process for the simple reason that they don’t want to expose their catteries. Option three will give candidates an opportunity to handle cats in a more realistic setting, where a greater variety of cats will be present and available for their learning experience. The wealth of knowledge our breeders possess can be more easily accessed through this option. The Judging Program Committee hopes that you will support this expansion of opportunity. I make the motion that we ratify the first proposal. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Carol.

**Morgan:** Thank you. I actually think that this proposal is essentially already covered under 2.15.d., *Cattery visits may be in-home, at a show or in a hotel as long as the minimum numbers have been met.* However, I really like this proposal because it takes it a step further and I applaud that effort. I think that breaking it out and quantifying the expectations takes away a lot of the uncertainty that applicants have and makes it easier for them to accomplish it. It makes a lot of sense. If this option is utilized, it could potentially provide opportunities for extremely valuable learning experiences that I really feel could meet or exceed what applicants might actually experience at some of the in-home cattery visits, and I fully support this. **Anger:** Thank you.

**Eigenhauser:** I also support this proposal; however, I do have a question. In the past we have tried to limit handling of cats to judges or the owner/agent for insurance purposes. We don't allow just anybody to pick up a cat at a cat show. I'm wondering, since applicants are going to be handling cats at cat shows, is this going to be an insurance issue? **Newkirk:** Rich, do you want to address that? **Mastin:** The question for the Judging Program Chair, are these applicants considered trainees at the time? **Anger:** I am certainly no expert about the insurance ramifications of how they apply to people going through our Program, but I do not believe that applicants are officially members of the roster until they are accepted as a trainee. **Mastin:** That being the case, two years ago I believe I worked with Melanie on this. We added trainees to the insurance coverages. If applicants are not considered trainees, they may be covered under the show's liability insurance. I would need to talk with our rep, Scott Allen, at Whitaker-Myers to confirm that. **Anger:** That was my original thought; that if it's not covered under the specific Judging Program insurance policy, that it would be under a more general show production umbrella, so those people would be covered. At the very least, it's going to be published here in the minutes so people will be aware of it. Exhibitors can always decline to have their cats handled by applicants if they choose not to do it for insurance or whatever reason they don't want to participate.

**Calhoun:** I just have one quick question. In Option 3 where the font is underlined, it says, *The applicant will choose a show where a minimum of seven (7) cats of the same breed, in all three combined competitive categories, will be present.* As a point of clarification, would that mean if 7 met the criteria of cats entered and there were cats that were absent, does it no longer count? Let's say there were 7 Siamese entered, but there were only 5 Siamese present. I guess my question is, should the word be *will be present* or should it change to *have been entered* or does it not count if they don't? **Anger:** I would be willing to accept an amendment if you want to add language in there. I think that can be accomplished fairly easily – *entered* or *present*, whichever your preference is. **Calhoun:** I guess I just want to understand the intent. In my mind, the change is *have been entered* because we're saying that the applicant should choose a show that has 7 cats. You can't choose a show that 7 cats of the same breed would be present, because you don't know that. **Newkirk:** Is that an amendment? **Calhoun:** Yes, so moved. **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Alright, so we have a motion to amend the proposal. Kathy, for the record, would you state again what your amendment is? **Calhoun:** Yes. It currently reads, *The applicant will choose a show where a minimum of seven (7) cats of the same breed, in all three combined competitive categories, will be present.* My motion is to change *will be present* to *have been entered*. **Newkirk:** OK, so we're striking out *will be present* and inserting *that have been entered*. **Calhoun:** Yes.

**Morgan:** You just lost my support for this. We require that, for a cattery visit to be meaningful and useful, that the applicant handle at least 7 cats. If you're going to do a cattery visit at a home, you arrange it ahead of time. If you are going to do a cattery visit at a hotel, you arrange it ahead of time. If you are going to do a cattery visit at a show, regardless of what's entered, I would highly suggest – and I think that most applicants do – contact the owners of those cats and arrange it ahead of time; thus meaning, the cats don't have to be entered in the show but they need to have at least 7 cats present there. I know several instances where people have actually brought kitties that weren't going to be at the show so that the cat could be evaluated. I think that that is what the purpose of this whole exercise is, so if it's going to be a reduction in what we have set as our requirement for the cattery visits on this motion, then I no longer support it. **Newkirk:** As a point of information, Melanie, you're against the amendment,

not the motion as read? **Morgan:** Correct. I strongly support the initial thought. I am very vehemently against the amendment. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. I wanted to make sure. **Anger:** Further to what Melanie just said, part of the rationale states that the applicant can tell by the breed summary what cats will be entered at the show, so they can determine their travel plans based on the number entered. While I did accept and entertain an amendment to the motion, the original intent was so that these people can plan ahead. So, I am supporting the original motion.

**Mastin:** I'm going to let Kathy go first, only because my question pertains to insurance and I don't want to cloud this discussion. **Newkirk:** Kathy, go ahead. **Calhoun:** I have no issue with the intent of the option 3. My purpose is not to reduce. It's just the wording, so we could change it to say that *applicant will contact the* – I'm not sure how the applicant knows who is entered, but perhaps the applicant can contact – I don't know how they know that, but the way it's written it just says, *The applicant will choose a show where a minimum of seven (7) cats of the same breed will be present.* I just don't understand how an applicant can achieve this. Melanie has said that the applicants can reach out to those who are entered in advance to schedule this. Will the applicant be given that information by the entry clerks? I have no problem. I'm not trying to minimize the number or reduce the number; I am more concerned about the execution. How is this done? **Newkirk:** Rich, can we handle the amendment and then I'll go back to you? **Mastin:** That's fine. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. Any other discussion about Kathy's amendment? **OK,** I'm going to call the question. Those in favor of Kathy's amendment; that was, to strike out – I've lost my place here. **Calhoun:** Option 3, at the beginning of the underlined section. **Newkirk:** OK, alright, and insert *be entered.* All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Calhoun, Dunham and Webster voting yes.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, all those opposed raise your hands. Rachel, for the record, the no votes are Melanie Morgan, Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Carol Krzanowski, Pam DelaBar, Pam Moser, Rich Mastin, Steve McCullough, Hayata-san, Kenny Curre. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? So, the amendment is not agreed to. So, we're back to the original motion here that Rachel has presented. **Anger:** Would you like the voting results on the amendment? **Newkirk:** Oh, yeah, thank you. **Anger:** That was 3 yes, 13 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK thank you Rachel, sorry.

**Mastin:** Just so I'm prepared to address Scott's question that he may have, will the owner or handler and the applicant sign any type of handling statement that the applicant can handle the cats? **Anger:** I think unless that's something that Scott requires, in my personal opinion it's a bit of overkill. Again, it's going to be covered under a general umbrella for the show, so I think we're already taken care of there but if Scott has an opinion strongly against that, then that will be an issue that we'll have to resolve. **Newkirk:** Anything else, Rich? **Mastin:** No. **DelaBar:** As an approved program of CFA, in the past things like this would have been covered under our insurance for the liability insurance for the show, so I don't think we're going to have a problem with Scott when Rich calls, because if the board approves this then it's an approved program and should be covered under our show liability insurance. Having dealt with insurance a bit back in the day. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam.

**Hannon:** I'm concerned about the cat being present. That doesn't mean it's going to be handled. I would rather say *Seven cats being handled*. **Morgan:** In terms of the insurance issue, I would point out that we have already had this provision for quite some time and there have been a number – we may not have been covered, but we have been doing it and again it is an approved CFA program, so I don't think it should be a problem. Going back to Mark's question just briefly, we can certainly wordsmith the actual specific wording of this, but the bottom line is, the intent – and it's written in another portion of this guideline – is that the applicant who is handling the cats for purposes of this cattery visit needs to handle 7 cats. If they are going to arrange it ahead of time, you say yes, the owner may not allow them to handle, but again this is pre-arranged and most owners have been incredibly willing to not only offer up the cats that are present to compete, but oftentimes bringing extra cats so that examples of different things can be brought. It simply provides a venue and an opportunity for our applicants to have access to various numbers of animals to evaluate. **Newkirk:** Thank you Melanie.

**Newkirk:** Anybody else? OK, I'll call the question. All those in favor of this proposal, raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Hannon voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Pam Moser, Steve McCullough, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. Mark Hannon. Thank you Mark. If you will take your hand down, any abstentions? OK, the voting is closed. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** Thank you. That was 15 yes, 1 no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** Thank you. So this proposal is agreed to.

| SECTION 6 - TRAINEES  |  |
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| Existing Wording  | Proposed Wording   |
| <p><b>6.1 Color Classes for Trainees – Breed/Division Color Class Evaluations</b></p> <p><b>a.</b> Applicants who have been accepted to the Judging Program are designated as trainees and are eligible to do breed/division color class evaluation work under the supervision of an approved judge; however, no trainee shall be assigned to any approved judge who personally recommended the trainee for acceptance to the Judging Program.</p> <p><b>b.</b> Trainees will secure written permission from the show manager of clubs at whose shows they will do any type of breed/division color class evaluation training. This must be sent to the Judging Program File Administrator with the names of the officiating judges for that show not less than three weeks prior to the opening date of said show.</p> | <p><b>6.1 Color Classes for Trainees – Breed/Division Color Class Evaluations</b></p> <p><b>a.</b> Applicants who have been accepted to the Judging Program are designated as trainees and are eligible to do breed/division color class evaluation work under the supervision of an approved judge; however, no trainee shall be assigned to any approved judge who personally recommended the trainee for acceptance to the Judging Program.</p> <p><b>b.</b> <del>Trainees will secure written permission from the show manager of clubs at whose shows they will do any type of breed/division color class evaluation training. This must be sent to the Judging Program File Administrator with the names of the officiating judges for that show not less than three weeks prior to the opening date of said show.</del> <u>The trainee and File Administrator will jointly select shows that are appropriate for the trainee to train. The trainee does</u></p> |



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| <p>The Judging Program File Administrator will assign the trainee to the instructing judge who he/she feels will best benefit that trainee. Shows where a trainee is authorized to work with two supervising judges at the same show will count as one show/class credit.</p>   | <p><u>not contact the training Judge or the Show Manager before approval has been obtained from all parties. Trainee must complete the first part of the Trainee Permission Form and send it to the File Administrator, with a copy of the show flyer. File Administrator secures approval from the Show Manager for a Trainee to train at the show. The File Administrator then verifies the willingness of having training judge(s) train at the show. The completed form is sent to the Show Manager for signature.</u></p> <p>The Judging Program File Administrator will assign the trainee to the instructing judge who he/she feels will best benefit that trainee. Shows where a trainee is authorized to work with <u>two more than one supervising judge</u> at the same show will count as one show/class credit.</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This is basically a housekeeping change. It is important for the File Administer to take the lead on this process. This process has been initiated because of instances of overzealous trainees attempting to make these arrangements. That duty should remain with the File Administrator. Using more than one training judge at a show has been an accepted practice and benefits all involved. The trainee can experience training with judges who offer experience in specific breeds with which they have been involved. Judges sharing a trainee helps the time flow by decreasing the amount of work involved in training and is a benefit to the exhibitor helping them be done earlier. It is most important that we not shortchange the trainee and give them as much exposure to entries as possible and is more considerate of the exhibitor and enhances their appreciation and willingness for their entries to be part of the training process. Changing the verbiage allows for multiple training judges – especially at a two day show where there is the potential to use more than two.</p> |  |

**Newkirk:** Rachel, you are recognized. **Anger:** Thank you. The next Judging Program Rule proposal addresses trainees and it clarifies the process for setting up training sessions. Currently, the lines are a bit blurred as far as who does what, only because of the way that the rules have been exercised. This proposal will return the session set-up to the file administrator. There are a few small housekeeping issues, as well. The requirement of providing a flyer has been removed. Since a flyer is not always available, we don't want the trainees to be unavoidably in violation of a rule. Last, two or more training judges can be used at larger shows, which will help tremendously with the show schedule and target specific experience one particular judge may bring to the table. This will still count as one session, regardless of the number of judges involved. The Judging Program Committee would like your support of this proposal, which will help our file administrators perform their duties more efficiently. I move that we adopt the proposal for Rule 6.1. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny.

**Morgan:** While fundamentally there are many things in this proposal that again I applaud and I really like. I think it does clarify a lot of the process. I disagree that this is basically a housekeeping change. My biggest issue with this is the fact the three-week deadline for the show manager approval has been deleted. I believe that that three-week window is necessary to ensure there is ample time for both sides to make their plans and put out information. Because the process has so many moving parts, it shouldn't be shoehorned in at the last minute. With the way that this is written, ostensibly they could be finalizing things the night before the show. I think

that's a bad idea, and because of that I don't support this. **DelaBar:** Back in the day, we had one person handling trainees. Somehow, we got to do training every 3, sometimes every 2 weeks. Now there are several file managers handling this, basically for each area. I do not see why we have to lengthen the time to work with shows and show managers, especially when we have shows that could be going from one area to another that the trainee could or could not possibly attend. So, I don't think that there's a problem now that we have more people working with the trainees and with the managers to lengthen the time necessary to get these trainees approved to work at shows. **Currie:** I'm in full support of this, particularly where a trainee could work with one or more judges, particularly if you have a large class of cats in a particular specialty from which that judge has a lot of experience. I myself went to one show. I remember it being scheduled 10 days beforehand, and ended up working over a two-day period with three different judges in their respective classes from which they had extensive breeding experience. Anything that we can do to help our judges move through the Program and benefit from learning from those of us that have the experience, regardless of the timeframe, is something that we should do. Having multiple judges – we just did it a couple weeks ago at one of the shows down here in Florida – really does not inhibit the flow of the show. We split the classes over two days and everybody was very happy. So, I'm in full support of this particular amendment. **Morgan:** Let me clarify. I don't know that anyone is against using multiple judges. Certainly, I think we all support using judges that have particular expertise in a particular breed. It makes all the sense in the world and is a great way to break up color classes and give the maximum effect for the training judge. So that I think we're all in agreement on. Let me clarify as well, the 21 day deadline that I'm talking about has nothing to do with time in between assignments. What it has to do with is the time between the approval for that assignment so the club, the judge and the trainee all have a chance to get their travel plans in order, their schedules in order and everything else. Right now, the way that the current rule is written, there must be a 21 day window. Approval must be at least 21 days in advance in order to do that color class. So, I have no problem with supporting every piece of this proposal if we maintain that 21 day window. What I have a problem with is having zero mention of any deadline for when that paperwork needs to be finished and all those plans need to be put into place. **Newkirk:** Any other discussion or any other debate? All those in favor, please raise your hand. Rachel, did you want to say something? **Anger:** I did want to get in a closing comment. **Newkirk:** That's fine, go ahead. **Anger:** Thank you. I appreciate Melanie's comments. My thoughts about those are that, because we're putting this back into the hands of the file administrator exclusively, rather than muddle it between the file administrator, the trainee, whoever else is involved, this will streamline the process. I can't imagine there is an example where a file administrator would wait until 5 days before the show, so this does give some flexibility to the file administrator to get these things set up. As we know, right now especially in these COVID times – I hate to play the COVID card, but shows are somewhat of a moving target. My own club put on a show with three weeks' notice. Could we have had a trainee at that show? Sure. With the original rule in place, probably not. So, this leaves a little more flexibility. I would like to trust that the file administrators will be able to facilitate this and not abuse the rule in that way. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. OK, I'm calling the vote. All those in favor, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, Hannon, Wilson and Moser voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Pam DelaBar, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Howard Webster, Kenny Currie, Cathy Dunham, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy

Calhoun, Hayata-san and Steve McCullough. If you will take your hands down, all those opposed please raise your hands. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, Mark Hannon, Annette Wilson and Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have the tally. **Anger:** Thank you. That was 12 yes, 4 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion and the proposal is agreed to.

**Anger:** Thank you everyone. That does it for the Judging Program Rules.

**Time Frame:**

1. *Immediate action on the rule changes will bring current practice in line with process.*
2. *Will provide more flexibility for applicants to meet requirements.*
3. *Immediate advancement voting for the two eligible for advancement.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Any individuals who are eligible for advancement will be presented. Bethany Colilla should be eligible in December.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Loretta Baugh, Subcommittee Chair*

***Approved Judge Administrator Report***

***Sub-Committee Chair: Vicki Nye***

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***Current Happenings of Committee:***

**Leaves of Absence:**

1. *CFA Allbreed Judge Wain Harding has requested a 6 month medical leave of absence from August 20, 2021 through February 20, 2022.*

***Action Item:*** *Approve leave of absence for Wain Harding until February 20, 2022.*

**Anger:** Next we will go to our Approved Judge report. You see an action item here regarding our leaves of absence. I will read it into the record: [reads]. If I have not made a standing motion already, I will do so now. **Krzanowski:** Carol makes a standing second. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Any discussion on the leave of absence approval for Wain Harding? I see no hands up. Any objections? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent the leave of absence for Wain Harding is agreed to.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

2. *CFA Allbreed Judge Gene Darrah has requested a 5 month medical leave of absence from August 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021*

**Action Item:** Approve medical leave of absence for Gene Darrah until December 31, 2021.

**Newkirk:** Rachel, you are recognized. **Anger:** Thank you everyone. The last item is a second motion for a leave of absence, [reads]. **Newkirk:** Carol has her standing second. Any debate? Any objection to the approval of the leave of absence for Gene Darrah? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent Gene Darrah is granted a leave of absence until December 31, 2021.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

### ***Guest Judging Administrator Report***

**Sub-Committee Chair:** Vicki Nye

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#### **CFA Judges to Judge non-CFA International or Domestic Assignments:**

| <b><i>Judge</i></b>    | <b><i>Assn</i></b> | <b><i>Sponsor</i></b>                      | <b><i>City/Country</i></b>  | <b><i>Date</i></b> |
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| <i>U'Ren, Rod</i>      | <i>CCCA</i>        | <i>Feline Control Council Victoria Inc</i> | <i>Melbourne, Australia</i> | <i>8/22/21</i>     |
| <i>Lee, Suki</i>       | <i>Fun Show</i>    | <i>PNECC &amp; Royal Canin</i>             | <i>Hong Kong</i>            | <i>09/12/21</i>    |
| <i>DelaBar, Pam</i>    | <i>Fife</i>        | <i>SUROK</i>                               | <i>Imatra, Finland</i>      | <i>11/06/21</i>    |
| <i>Lorraine Rivard</i> | <i>CCA</i>         | <i>Club Felin Montreal</i>                 | <i>Laval, Quebec Canada</i> | <i>11/14/21</i>    |
| <i>DelaBar, Pam</i>    | <i>WCF</i>         | <i>Best Cats Trade Assoc</i>               | <i>Bangkok, Thailand</i>    | <i>02/12/22</i>    |

#### **Non-CFA Judges requesting permission to guest judge CFA shows:**

| <b><i>Judge</i></b>         | <b><i>Assn</i></b> | <b><i>CFA Show</i></b>     | <b><i>City/Country</i></b> | <b><i>Date</i></b> | <b><i>Status</i></b> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Calmes, Fabrice</i>      | <i>LOOF</i>        | <i>Cat-H-Art</i>           | <i>Monte Carlo Monaco</i>  | <i>10/16/21</i>    |                      |
| <i>Dentico, Olga Marie</i>  | <i>WCF</i>         | <i>Cat-H-Art</i>           | <i>Monte Carlo Monaco</i>  | <i>10/16/21</i>    |                      |
| <i>Maignaut, Richard</i>    | <i>LOOF</i>        | <i>Cat-H-Art</i>           | <i>Monte Carlo Monaco</i>  | <i>10/16/21</i>    |                      |
| <i>Grebneva, Olga</i>       | <i>RUI</i>         | <i>Al Andalus Cat Club</i> | <i>Madrid Spain</i>        | <i>10/17/21</i>    | <i>APP GJ</i>        |
| <i>Korotonozhkina, Olga</i> | <i>WCF</i>         | <i>Al Andalus Cat Club</i> | <i>Madrid Spain</i>        | <i>10/17/21</i>    | <i>APP GJ</i>        |
| <i>Nazarova, Anna</i>       | <i>WCF</i>         | <i>Chatte Noir</i>         | <i>Moscow, Russia</i>      | <i>11/13/21</i>    | <i>APP GJ</i>        |
| <i>Pochvalina, Viktoria</i> | <i>RUI</i>         | <i>Chatte Noir</i>         | <i>Moscow, Russia</i>      | <i>11/13/21</i>    |                      |
| <i>Savin, Artem</i>         | <i>ICU</i>         | <i>Chatte Noir</i>         | <i>Moscow, Russia</i>      | <i>11/13/21</i>    |                      |
| <i>Grebneva, Olga</i>       | <i>RUI</i>         | <i>44 Gatti</i>            | <i>Vicenza Italy</i>       | <i>11/20/21</i>    | <i>APP GJ</i>        |
| <i>Korotonozhkina, Olga</i> | <i>WCF</i>         | <i>44 Gatti</i>            | <i>Vicenza, Italy</i>      | <i>11/20/21</i>    | <i>APP GJ</i>        |

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*Vicki Nye, Judging Program Committee*  
*Guest Judging Program*

## ***Breed Awareness and Orientation School Subcommittee***

***Subcommittee Co-Chairs: Barbara Jaeger, Loretta Baugh***

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Selected dates for the Fall 2021 On-Line CFA Breed Awareness and Orientation School: November 5-7, 2021.*

*Determined that the fees used for the Spring 2021 school will be used again for the Fall 2021 school. \$150.00 for students and \$75.00 for Approved, Approval Pending and Apprentice judges for Continuing Education Credit.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Plans for on-line Breed Awareness and Orientation School scheduled for November 5-7, 2021. US Eastern Time Zone.*

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Anticipate that there will be at least one more on-line BAOS for Spring 2022. The next in-person school will be dependent on a date for the next International Show.*

### **What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Possible fee revision based on the next International Show.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara Jaeger, Subcommittee Co-Chair  
Loretta Baugh, Subcommittee Co-Chair*

**Newkirk:** Rachel, you're recognized. **Anger:** Thank you. If there are no questions on the Guest Judging report or the BAOS report, that concludes my report. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Rachel. **Anger:** Thank you everyone.

#### 4. TREASURER'S REPORT.

*MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2021*

*Submitted by Kathy Calhoun, CFA Treasurer*

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**Newkirk:** We'll move on to Order #4, Treasurer's Report. Kathy Calhoun, you're recognized. **Calhoun:** Thank you. I trust that everyone had an opportunity to review the Treasurer's Report. I am only going to point out a few things and then drop to the Bottom Line.

#### Key Financial Indicators:

**Balance Sheet:** *Cash reserves as of June 30, 2021, increased 21% verses prior year.*

#### Profit & Loss Analysis:

*Total registration, which includes litter registration and individual registration, contributed \$359,406 to the bottom line. This represented a 7.18% reduction compared to the same period last year. That being reported, registration is 101.96% of budget.*

|                                 | <i>May - Aug, 2021</i> | <i>May - Aug, 2020 (PY)</i> | <i>Change</i> | <i>% Change</i> |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <i>Litter Registrations</i>     | \$125,840              | \$129,923                   | (\$4,083)     | -3.14%          |
| <i>Individual Registrations</i> | \$233,566              | \$257,290                   | (\$23,724)    | -9.22%          |
| <i>Registrations</i>            | \$359,406              | \$387,213                   | (\$27,807)    | -7.18%          |

**Calhoun:** Registration is about 7% lower than prior year, but we're really right on track from a budget perspective at 101.96% of budget.

***Other Key Indicators:*** *Additional key performance indicators are captured in the following summary.*

|                                  | <i>May - Aug, 2021</i> | <i>May - Aug, 2020 (PY)</i> | <i>Change</i> | <i>% Change</i> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <i>Registrations, Cattery</i>    | \$114,902              | \$122,075                   | (\$7,173)     | -5.88%          |
| <i>Championship Confirmation</i> | \$8,460                | \$2,774                     | \$5,686       | 204.97%         |
| <i>Club Dues</i>                 | \$2,080                | \$1,360                     | \$720         | 52.94%          |
| <i>Breed Council Dues</i>        | \$26,030               | \$40,285                    | (\$14,255)    | -35.39%         |
| <i>Certified Pedigrees</i>       | \$50,930               | \$42,820                    | \$8,110       | 18.94%          |
| <i>Show License Fees</i>         | \$6,750                | \$1,400                     | \$5,350       | 382.14%         |

|                      |          |         |          |           |
|----------------------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Show Entry Surcharge | \$10,573 | \$98    | \$10,475 | 10688.78% |
| Show Insurance       | \$7,300  | \$1,400 | \$5,900  | 421.43%   |

*Total Ordinary Income contributed \$697,851 to the bottom line compared to \$689,643 the prior year. This represents a 1.19 % increase compared to the prior year and 104.18% of budget.*

**Calhoun:** I have listed some Key Indicators that you can take a review of. Keep scrolling down, next page.

**Publications:** *In both the Cat Talk/ePoints and the Yearbook financials, the contracted labor expense has been moved to Central Office. These accounts represent payments to employees and contractors who multi-task In both publications expenses will be substantially lower than prior year (PY).*

**Cat Talk, ePoints:** *The income generated by this category is \$9,084.*

|                | May - Aug, 2021 | May - Aug, 2020<br>(PY) | Change     | % Change |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|----------|
| Total Income   | \$10,483        | \$16,883                | (\$6,400)  | -37.91%  |
| Total Expenses | \$1,399         | \$19,753                | (\$18,353) | -92.92%  |
| Net Income     | \$9,084         | (\$2,870)               | \$11,954   | 416.56%  |

**Yearbook:** *A \$10,388 reduction in income can largely be attributed to a decrease in advertising when compared to prior year.*

|                | May - Aug, 2021 | May - Aug, 2020<br>(PY) | Change     | % Change |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|----------|
| Total Income   | \$14,749        | \$25,137                | (\$10,388) | -41.33%  |
| Total Expenses | \$232           | \$16,904                | (\$16,672) | -98.63%  |
| Net Income     | \$14,516        | \$8,232                 | \$6,284    | 76.33%   |

**Calhoun:** One thing I wanted to make sure that everyone was aware of, it was discussed in prior Treasurer's Reports, that in the area of Publications we were removing the human resource – salaries – from the P&L for those individual magazines and offerings, Yearbook. In order to actually assign a specific salary to one of these programs, that person would have to be 100% dedicated to that program. We have tried in past P&Ls to use percentages and it just continues to be an issue. We don't do that sort of accounting in other programs and events. For instance, we do not assign the salary cost of the Central Office to put on an Annual. We do not assign the salary cost of the Central Office to put on an International Show. So, to be consistent and actually give Publications a clear P&L, we removed those where appropriate. So, we'll see some differences now. We'll see some better performance in regard to these publications. For instance, Cat Talk and ePoints is showing a net income of \$9,000. Yearbook is showing net income of \$14,000. Although we have seen some significant – I would like to point out

reductions in advertising in the Yearbook and I think that's because last year there was the discussion about the Yearbook being cancelled and that drove some additional advertising.

**Marketing:** *This account is being treated in a similar manner as publications in that the employee supports multiple projects. That expense has been moved to Central Office.*

|                       | May - Aug, 2021 | May - Aug, 2020<br>(PY) | Change     | % Change |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|----------|
| <b>Total Income</b>   | \$597           | \$3,355                 | (\$2,758)  | -82.20%  |
| <b>Total Expenses</b> | \$4,675         | \$35,632                | (\$30,957) | -86.88%  |
| <b>Net Income</b>     | (\$4,078)       | (\$32,277)              | \$28,200   | 87.37%   |

**Central Office:** Payroll, Contracted Labor, Workman's Comp Insurance, and Payroll Taxes have increased when compared to prior year. This is largely due to consolidation of employee compensation for those who support multiple activities. Professional Fees – audit reflects an increase. The audit firm is now being paid in two installments as opposed to one payment at year end.

|                                     | May - Aug, 2021  | May - Aug, 2020<br>(PY) | Change          | % Change      |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Payroll- C.O. Staff                 | \$217,945        | \$177,737               | \$40,209        | 22.62%        |
| Contract Labor                      | \$44,478         | \$17,986                | \$26,492        | 147.29%       |
| Taxes, Payroll                      | \$20,554         | \$15,977                | \$4,576         | 28.64%        |
| Professional Fees - Audit           | \$5,000          |                         | \$5,000         |               |
| <b>Total Central Office Expense</b> | <b>\$402,871</b> | <b>\$338,793</b>        | <b>\$64,079</b> | <b>18.91%</b> |

**Calhoun:** I would also call out the Central Office P&L. We'll see some variances to budget until we realign a few things, because those individuals that were assigned to Cat Talk, ePoints and Yearbook now fall into the Central Office salary category. Any questions so far? Seeing none, we have total expenses of \$402,00, almost \$403,000.

**Computer Expense:** *The reduction in this category is largely due to a reduction in programming expense and consulting fees.*

|                                      | May - Aug, 2021 | May - Aug, 2020<br>(PY) | Change            | % Change       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>Programming Changes</b>           | \$4,518         | \$20,507                | (\$15,990)        | -77.97%        |
| <b>Software-License/Subscription</b> | \$1,297         | \$3,010                 | (\$1,714)         | -56.93%        |
| <b>Data Storage/Processing</b>       | \$19,453        | \$21,743                | (\$2,290)         | -10.53%        |
| <b>Computer Consulting</b>           |                 | \$4,096                 | (\$4,096)         | -100.00%       |
| <b>Total Computer Expense</b>        | <b>\$33,619</b> | <b>\$62,848</b>         | <b>(\$29,229)</b> | <b>-46.51%</b> |

**Calhoun:** Computer Expense, total \$33,619.



**CFA Programs:** Overall CFA programs came in at 80.56% of budget.

- *Donations to Every Cat, Cat Writers and the CFA Foundation donations have been dispersed.*
- *CFA Show Sponsorship will be discussed in a separate report.*

**Calhoun:** Our CFA Programs, we haven't had a lot of expenses in Programs because there hasn't been a lot of activity, but just to call out that the donations to Every Cat, Cat Writers and CFA Foundation have been disbursed.

**Corporate Expense:** The category is 115% of budget. Those costs driving the increase received Board approval.

**Calhoun:** Corporate Expense. This category is 115% of budget and that's because we had some expenses that we didn't budget for, primarily around the board meetings at Central Office and some travel, but it's not significant.

**Legislative Expense:** Legal expenses are 90% of budget. This is due to the budgeted expense for travel that did not occur due to COVID-19.

**The Bottom Line:** The net income for this time period is \$161,295. This is \$53,033 less than prior year largely due to market performance. That being the case, CFA is \$109,309 ahead of budget.

|                             | Current Year v. Prior Year Total |                         |               |          |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------|
|                             | May - Aug, 2021                  | May - Aug, 2020<br>(PY) | Change        | % Change |
| Income                      |                                  |                         |               |          |
| Total Income                | \$736,320.05                     | \$743,922.65            | (\$7,602.60)  | 98.98%   |
| Total Expenses              | \$636,974.39                     | \$674,192.66            | (\$37,218.27) | 94.48%   |
| Net Operating Income        | \$98,569.06                      | \$69,729.99             | \$28,839.07   | 141.36%  |
| Other Income                |                                  |                         | \$0.00        |          |
| 400902 Interest Income      | \$2,695.57                       | \$4,408.37              | (\$1,712.80)  | 61.15%   |
| 400903 Rental Income        | \$8,800.00                       | \$4,400.00              | \$4,400.00    | 200.00%  |
| 400905 Unrealized Gain/Loss | \$51,229.85                      | \$135,789.45            | (\$84,559.60) | 37.73%   |
| Total Other Income          | \$62,725.42                      | \$144,597.82            | (\$81,872.40) | 43.38%   |
| Net Other Income            | \$62,725.42                      | \$144,597.82            | (\$81,872.40) | 43.38%   |
| Net Income                  | \$161,294.48                     | \$214,327.81            | (\$53,033.33) | 75.26%   |

**Calhoun:** So, the Bottom Line. We've got the Bottom Line captured in two ways. Our net income, which is pure income versus expenses, we're showing a net income of \$161,294. That is

compared to prior year in the same time period where we had a net income of \$\$214,000. I will call your attention to, that is primarily due to the differences in investment income at the same time last year compared to this year. You will see Net Other Income this year is \$62,700 compared to \$144,500.

|                                    | <i>Budget v. Actual Total</i> |               |                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|                                    | <i>Actual</i>                 | <i>Budget</i> | <i>over Budget</i> | <i>% of Budget</i> |
| <i>Income</i>                      |                               |               |                    |                    |
| <i>Total Income</i>                | \$736,320.05                  | \$701,219.99  | \$35,100.06        | 105.01%            |
| <i>Total Expenses</i>              | \$636,974.39                  | \$688,042.20  | (\$51,067.81)      | 92.58%             |
| <i>Net Operating Income</i>        | \$98,569.06                   | \$13,177.79   | \$85,391.27        | 747.99%            |
| <i>Other Income</i>                |                               |               |                    |                    |
| <i>400902 Interest Income</i>      | \$2,695.57                    | \$2,680.32    | \$15.25            | 100.57%            |
| <i>400903 Rental Income</i>        | \$8,800.00                    | \$9,460.00    | (\$660.00)         | 93.02%             |
| <i>400905 Unrealized Gain/Loss</i> | \$51,229.85                   | \$26,666.68   | \$24,563.17        | 192.11%            |
| <i>Total Other Income</i>          | \$62,725.42                   | \$38,807.00   | \$23,918.42        | 161.63%            |
| <i>Net Other Income</i>            | \$62,725.42                   | \$38,807.00   | \$23,918.42        | 161.63%            |
| <i>Net Income</i>                  | \$161,294.48                  | \$51,984.79   | \$109,309.69       | 310.27%            |

**Calhoun:** The next bucket of information is performance relative to budget. Again, net income is \$161,294 and we budgeted \$51,900, or \$52,000, so we are significantly ahead of budget.

### ***February Board Meeting 2022 Update***

*In a prior meeting, the Board agreed to delay the final decision as to whether the February 2022 Board meeting should be in-person or via ZOOM.*

*While the financials through August support having an in-person meeting, additional unexpected concerns continue regarding COVID-19, in particular the Delta's variant transmission rates.*

*The sentiment of the Board is that in-person meetings are optimal, but we can make the final decision (signing a contract) in December. There are several hotels in Cleveland, Canton, Alliance and Pittsburgh that will be able to support our needs if we contract in December. If we decide now, it may be a challenge to cancel given the concerns regarding COVID existed when the contract was secured. It is recommended from both a financial and health perspective to make this decision at the December meeting.*

**Calhoun:** That brings me to talk about the February board meeting, 2022 update. One thing that we had talked about that we wanted to find out how we were performing in the first few months of the year, compared to budget. The chart shows we are performing very well. One

of the things we would like to postpone the final decision on the February board meeting, while we're all I think 100% on board that that meeting is certainly necessary, it is certainly something our constituents want to see, we still have COVID and variants and those sorts of things to take into consideration. Allene has done some checking, and we don't have to sign a contract at this point in time for a February board meeting. Availability will be there if we postpone this final decision to December. The downside, if we make a decision now and sign a contract, because of COVID, variants and those sorts of things, if we try to get out of that contract it would be very difficult because we knew the situation when we signed. So, the recommendation from both a financial and a health perspective is to make the final decision at the December board meeting, and at that point sign a contract.

**Newkirk:** Any questions? Allene, do you want to comment on the obstacles Central Office may go through in order to plan a February meeting if we postpone until December, just so the board knows? **Tartaglia:** There shouldn't be any issues because we meet early in December. That gives us almost two months before the actual meeting. I've already touched based with a couple hotels, told them we may not make a decision until December and they didn't see any issues, so we should be able to move on it pretty quick. **Newkirk:** Alright, thank you. Kathy, anything else on the Treasurer's Report? **Calhoun:** No, that's it. **Newkirk:** I see no hands up, so OK.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Calhoun  
CFA Treasurer*

## 5. BUDGET COMMITTEE.

*Committee Chair:* **Kathy Calhoun**  
*List of Committee Members:* **Rich Mastin, Teresa Sweeney, Matthew Wong, Allene Tartaglia**

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

#### *2022/2023 Budget Approval Timeline*

*Committee Chairs should work with their Board Liaisons in the development and submission of their respective budget requests.*

*Committee budget requests should be emailed to the Treasurer by the **Board Liaisons**.*

**Newkirk:** So Kathy, you are recognized for the Budget Committee. **Calhoun:** You are probably getting very used to seeing this format. I want to thank the Budget Committee members that helped put this together – Rich, Teresa Sweeney, Matthew Wong and Allene. I would like to call out that all committee chairs should start to work with their board liaisons to make sure that they develop and submit their respective budget requests on time.

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Budget Committee met on August 25 via ZOOM to develop the schedule captured in this report.*

**Calhoun:** Our Current Happenings. As I said, we met on August 25<sup>th</sup> via Zoom.

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

#### **Communication**

*10/02/2021 Budget Committee Timeline Communicated*

*12/07/2021 Budget Committee Timeline Communicated*

*12/01/2021 Committee spending reports (May 1, 2020-October 31, 2021). The Treasurer will email reports to the Board Liaison.*

*Keep in mind committee spending reports are available upon request at any time.*

**Calhoun:** We are communicating the budget timeline today. It will be re-communicated in December and then historical reports will be sent out in December to the board liaisons. You can use those reports to start to work with the committee chairs.

### **Input Due Dates for Changes to the 2021 – 2022 Budget**

*10/02/2021 Request for additional funding should be included in the committee's October Board meeting reports along with the rationale for the request.*

### **Input Due Dates 2022 – 2023 Budget**

01/03/2022     *Committee Budget Request from Board Liaison*  
01/18/2022     *Capital Requests*  
01/18/2022     *Corporate Sponsorship Estimates*  
02/07/2022     *Louisville Annual 2022 Budget*  
02/07/2022     *International Show 2022 Budget*

**Calhoun:** The input due dates for the 2022-2023 budget. Capital requests are due January 18<sup>th</sup>. Corporate sponsorships due January 18<sup>th</sup>. Committee budget requests from liaisons are due January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Louisville and International Show budgets are due on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Development**

Wednesday    11/17/2021    9am – noon ET Budget Committee ZOOM Mid-Year Review  
Wednesday    02/16/ 2022    9am – noon ET Budget Committee ZOOM Meeting #1  
Monday        02/21/2022    9am – noon ET Budget Committee ZOOM Meeting #2  
Wednesday    02/23/2022    9am – noon ET Budget Committee ZOOM Meeting #3

**Calhoun:** The Committee has scheduled three times to review budgets and create the 2022-2023 budget, and those times are listed below.

### **Approval**

03/02/2022     *Preliminary Budget due to Board*  
03/16/2022     8:00pm – 9:00pm ET Preliminary Budget Review – ZOOM Conference with CFA  
                         *Board and Budget Committee*  
03/31/2022     *Budget Document due to CFA Secretary (estimated date)*  
04/05/2022     *April Telephonic Board Meeting – 2022/2023 Budget Approval*

**Calhoun:** The approval process. There will be a preliminary budget delivered to the board on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Hopefully – and Rachel I will need your help with scheduling a review meeting. Typically that goes through the CFA Secretary. We will be ready to have a final budget approved in April.

### **Other Notes:**

*An additional tool has been developed to support the budget process.*

*A sample of the tracking tool is a part of this report.*

|   | Committee or Department          | Budget Liaison | Date Historical Report Sent | 2021 - 2022 Budget | 2021 - 2022 Actuals | Date Budget Request Received | Budget Requested Amount | 2022 - 2023 Approved Budget |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | CFA Community Outreach/Education | Anger          |                             |                    |                     |                              |                         |                             |
| 2 | Credentials Committee            | Anger          |                             |                    |                     |                              |                         |                             |
| 3 | Hotel and Travel Program         | Anger          |                             |                    |                     |                              |                         |                             |

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|----|--|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 4  | Judging Program                                | Anger       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | Millennial Outreach                            | Anger       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | Marketing                                      | Bobby       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | Scientific Advisory Committee                  | Brown       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | Budget   | Calhoun     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | Diversity & Inclusion                          | Calhoun     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Clerking Program                               | Colilla     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Companion Cat World                            | Currle      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | International Division                         | Currle      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | CFA Board of Directors Policies and Procedures | DelaBar     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Awards   | Dunham      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Entry Clerk Program Enhancements               | Dunham      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | New Club Guidance                              | Dunham      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | Virtual Cat Competition (VCC)                  | Dunham      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | Youth Feline Education Program                 | Dunham      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Every Cat Health Foundation Liaison            | Eigenhauser |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | Household Pet Advisory                         | Eigenhauser |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | Legal Advisory                                 | Eigenhauser |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Legislative Committee & Group                  | Eigenhauser |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | Protest Committee                              | Eigenhauser |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | CFA Foundation Liaison                         | Krzanowski  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | Club Membership                                | Krzanowski  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | Mentoring and New Bee Program                  | Krzanowski  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | Show Rules                                     | Krzanowski  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28 | Ambassador                                     | Mastin      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29 | Club CFA Show Sponsorship – Finance Committee  | Mastin      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30 | Finance Committee                              | Mastin      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 | International Show                             | Mastin      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | Animal Welfare                                 | McCullough  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 33 | Statistical Analysis                           | McCullough  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 34 | CFA Club Bylaw Guidance                        | Morgan      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 35 | Publications/Yearbook                          | Morgan      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 36 | CFA Modernization Steering                     | Newkirk     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 37 | Executive Committee                            | Newkirk     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 38 | Ombudsman                                      | Newkirk     |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| 39 | World Cat Congress   | Newkirk |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 40 | Agility              | Roy     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 41 | Experimental Formats | Roy     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 42 | IT                   | Simbro  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 43 | Breeds & Standards   | Wilson  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Calhoun:** Shelly, do you have the tracker? The Excel spreadsheet that perhaps you can bring up on the screen? **Borawski:** I don't think so. Let me see. **Calhoun:** That wasn't given to you? **Borawski:** I don't have it. **Calhoun:** So, a tracker has been developed. We had a couple of issues last year with the budget process. One, we had a couple budgets that went into spam in my gmail, so what we're doing is, as budget requests come in there's a tracker that will be published, and the dates and amounts and history. There are several columns on that tracker. The tracker will be published periodically so board members will have something to review, to make sure that their budgets have been received by the Treasurer. If your budget doesn't show up on the tracker, then that would be a red flag to say hey, there's a problem, and we can get on top of that right away. It also will help us to keep those deadlines front and center so that we don't end up making changes in March and April. I would be happy to provide that tracker to anybody who would like to see it.

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

***Review timeline.***

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Calhoun, Chair*

**Calhoun:** Any questions? **Newkirk:** I don't see any hands, Kathy.

6. **AUDIT COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** *Kathy Calhoun*  
**Liaison to Board:** *Kathy Calhoun*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Rich Mastin, Allene Tartaglia*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The 2020/2021 Financial Audit in draft form has been completed by Maloney + Novotny LLC., Canton, Ohio. A new manager has been assigned to the CFA account which is positive as each auditor provides a unique perspective.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*There are several areas that require additional information and clarification prior to finalization. While this may delay the final version, it is important for CFA to agree fully with the audit or document any areas where we disagree. There are no major concerns, but the Committee will make sure that all are aligned with the final document.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Review the draft #2*

**Time Frame:**

*On going*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Present the highlights of the final document in the December 2021 meeting and post the audit in its entirety in File Vista.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Calhoun, Chair*

**Newkirk:** You can go on with the Audit Committee. **Calhoun:** OK. This report is just to advise the board and our constituents that the audit has been performed. We've gotten our first draft of the audit. We have a new auditor – same firm but a new auditor – this year and that always presents different points of view, so we have raised some concerns. This is not unusual, nothing dramatic. We will get a second draft of the audit and present that in December.

**Newkirk:** Any questions for Kathy on the Audit Committee?



## 7. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE.

**Committee Chair:** Kathy Calhoun  
**List of Committee Members:** Jose Ayala, John Colilla, George Eigenhauser, Carolyn Jimenez, Kristin Nowell

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### Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

*The Diversity and Inclusion committee met to discuss ways to achieve the committee's goals and objectives within the confinements of COVID-19.*

### Current Happenings of Committee:

*The committee met to discuss how CFA may consider attendees at Board meetings in both open and closed session. While there is no question regarding open session, closed session required additional clarification. The committee's perspective was unanimous.*

### Future Projections for Committee:

*The Committee is exploring outreach opportunities. The team invited Cathy Dunham to our last team meeting to explore virtual cat competitions with a focused theme.*

**Newkirk:** Kathy, we will move on to D&I. **Calhoun:** OK. Hopefully everyone has had an opportunity to review the report. I would like to thank the committee members, who did quite a bit of work on putting this together.

### Board Action Items:

**Rationale:** *The committee supports the Executive Director be included in both open and closed session. While the Executive Director will not have a vote, the Executive Director has a unique perspective to the organization and represents Central Office.*

*The committee supports that Legal Counsel be included in both open and closed session discussions. While Legal Counsel will not have a vote the perspective of an attorney is critical to CFA for both perspective and process.*

*The committee supports the International Division Representatives be included in both open and closed session. The International Division Representatives provide a unique perspective for their geographies and are either voted in by their constituents or appointed by the CFA President. This is much the same as Regional Directors are voted in by their constituents. And is much the same as open Director at Large positions are often appointed by the CFA President.*

*It is also considered that while the ID representatives are not allowed to vote as directed by the CFA Bylaws, it is critical that CFA have a global perspective when making critical decisions. These decisions are often debated in closed session as the details are sensitive.*

*More than 50% of CFA's registration income comes from areas outside of the United States. Therefore, it is business critical that CFA seek and respect the global perspective provided by*

*the International Representatives. It is also critical that a diverse and inclusive organization build its decision-making process with a diverse and inclusive coalition.*

*This was a topic of discussion in the October 2019 and the February 2020 Strategic Planning Sessions which were held in closed session.*

*The committee addressed the need to insure all attending closed sessions sign an Oath of Office agreement and that agreement be kept current.*

*The Diversity and Inclusion committee also recognizes that any Board Member that is the subject of Board discussion should voluntarily recuse themselves from closed session discussions.*

**Board Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** *The International Representatives be considered non-voting members of the CFA Executive Board.*

**Calhoun:** A couple things I would like to address and change. First of all, there are two board action items. The first one I am withdrawing.

**Withdrawn.**

**Motion 2:** *All Elected and/or Appointed Members of the Executive Board be present at open and closed sessions. This includes the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Directors at Large, Regional Directors, International Division Representatives, the CFA Executive Director, and the CFA Attorney.*

**Move to Amend Motion #2 to state the following:**

*Effective immediately, the International Division Representatives and the China Business Advisor shall be allowed to attend, without voting rights, all CFA board meetings (i.e., open, closed, virtual, and in-person) after signing a confidentiality agreement that contains the terms in the CFA Board of Director's Code of Ethics.*

**Rationale:**

*This is to supplement the prior passed motion from June of 2020 to specify the positions and to add additional terms regarding confidentiality.*

**Calhoun:** The second action item, I would like to move to amend it as stated. I'll say this very slowly to make sure that everyone gets everything that's in it [reads]. **Mastin:** Rich will second. **Calhoun:** I would like to also provide – the initial rationale is in the board report, but I would like to provide a supplemental rationale. [reads] In 2020, the motion was specific to individuals. This will be specific to their roles. That's it. **Newkirk:** OK thank you. Comments?

**DelaBar:** Thank you for withdrawing that first one Kathy, because I personally thought it went against our bylaws. Our bylaws are also very specific on the functions of our International Division Reps. Now, I personally believe that, like we had with Europe – and they put in X

number of years – they came forward to be recognized as a region. I personally believe that we need to start looking at China the same way and have a sitting, voting member. That's going to take an amendment to our bylaws. My concern over all of this is that the International Division Representatives have a stated function in our bylaws. We can ask anybody to help advise us on different matters, but I just want if we put this in against what we just passed in June, we might have some problems. This is my opinion, the way I have read the current bylaws which we did pass in June.

**Hannon:** Do I understand that we're not considering them non-voting members of the board? We threw that out? **Calhoun:** No, we did not throw that out. It says in the amended, *non-voting members*. **Hannon:** Well, I have serious problems with considering them non-voting board members. It's something we don't have. We don't have non-voting. How can we all of a sudden decide we're going to have them? Does Shelly have any comments on this? **Newkirk:** Shelly, would you like to address this? **Perkins:** Sure, I can address the question. So, the board voted in June of 2020 to allow certain people with certain positions to be involved in board meetings. They can never vote until the constitution is changed, because the constitution controls voting. So, I think that the new motion that Kathy has presented, as amended, it says *non-voting participants* or something like that. She can clarify the actual language. [**Secretary's Note:** *without voting rights*] If you look at what happened in June of 2020, we said a certain name and a role. What we're doing here today, what I think that Kathy is trying to do is just say, these people whoever it is in this role will attend the board meetings to provide input and consultation, but they aren't allowed to vote because the constitution controls that. So, I don't see a conflict with what Kathy's motion is today with the constitution in any way, as it was worded, as she read it. What's on the board and what's on the screen does conflict with the constitution. Both of those motions that were originally presented, and hence that's why we're here with the amended motion. If this motion passes, all it does is say the people in these roles can attend and participate but not vote. Participate in discussion, like raise their hand and discuss. It does not change or remove the motion that we already passed, it just adds more general terms to it. For example, if these people quit their role, then the new person that takes over that role would be able to participate in the board meeting by raising their hand and discussing or providing input, just like the last person who was specifically named in June of 2020. **Hannon:** I don't have any problem with what Shelly said, other than it does state – Kathy just verified – it does state *non-voting board member*. **Calhoun:** No I didn't. **Eigenhauser:** No. **Calhoun:** No, no, no. **Hannon:** I asked you that question and you said yes. **Calhoun:** Let me read this again. **Newkirk:** Hold on everybody. Hang on just a minute, Kathy. Is there a way that we can put the motion up on the screen so everybody can see it? Do you have it in a file, Kathy, that you can send to Shelly so that we can actually see the verbiage of the amendment? **Calhoun:** I think Shelly has it. **Eigenhauser:** Send it to the board list. **Borawski:** I don't have it. **Anger:** I have it available and I'll send it so that you can continue the discussion. **Newkirk:** I think it's better if we have it up on the screen so we can see the wording, because obviously Mark thinks it says one thing and others are saying it says something differently. So, we actually need the wording up on the screen so that we can see it. I don't want any confusion on what we're voting on. Kathy, you can go ahead while we get that. [**Secretary's Note:** Secretary Anger sent the following text, which also appears above in the Board Action Items:

***Move to Amend Motion #2 to state the following:***

*Effective immediately, the International Division Representatives and the China Business Advisor shall be allowed to attend, without voting rights, all CFA board meetings (i.e., open, closed, virtual, and in-person) after signing a confidentiality agreement that contains the terms in the CFA Board of Director's Code of Ethics.*

***Rationale:*** *This is to supplement the prior passed motion from June of 2020 to specify the positions and to add additional terms regarding confidentiality.*

**Calhoun:** Shelly stated this; we already have passed a motion for three individuals – the ID Reps that are seated now and the China Business Advisor – we have already approved that. When we made that motion, we approved it with specific names. The only thing that this motion does is to state that the role – International Division Representatives and the China Business Advisor – as a role and not as an individual, will be able to attend open, closed, virtual and in-person meetings after signing a confidentiality agreement. It states that these individuals will not have voting rights. It does not state that these are board members. **Borawski:** OK, I have it up now. **Calhoun:** OK, so: [reads]. The difference between this and what we agreed to in 2020 is that instead of specific names, it refers to the role. So, when people change rolls it will still apply, and it adds the confidentiality agreement. That's it. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kathy.

**DelaBar:** Through the Chair to Shelly Perkins, what meeting in June was that voted on? **Perkins:** I don't have that in front of me. I thought when Darrell provided me the snapshot, I thought it was June of 2020, the annual last year, but Darrell, you're the one that did the research. **Newkirk:** That is correct. It was at the Sunday morning meeting when I assumed the presidency.

**[Secretary's Note:** From June 2020 Summary of Motions, Old Business]

**Mr. Mastin** moved that International Division Representative Matthew Wong be involved on the board for board meetings. Seconded by **Ms. Anger**, **Motion Carried**. P. Moser abstained.

**Mr. Mastin** moved that Gavin Cao (as the China Business Advisor) and Eva Chen (as the ID-China Representative) be involved on the board for board meetings. Seconded by **Mr. Eigenhauser**, **Motion Carried**. P. Moser and McCullough voting no.

**Newkirk:** Just for a point of clarification, Pam you weren't on the board. We had two strategic planning meetings. That was October 2019 and February of 2020. Mark was the President at the time and this was discussed, that we get 60% of our registrations from the International Division and they have no representation at the board level. So, Rich made the motions. **Calhoun:** I have it, Darrell, if you want. **Newkirk:** Go ahead. **Calhoun:** [reads first motion above]. Then there was a second motion. [reads second motion above] **Newkirk:** Thank you. **DelaBar:** In June of 2021, we passed bylaws that specified what the involvement and the requirements were of people filling the International Division Representatives. One, I hate the fact that we're bringing up 50% or more of our income comes from somebody who is not represented, because I believe that the proper way of doing that is by making a region and giving them elected representation on our bylaws. Right now it's not there. What we passed in June precludes this, because it already states what their performance should be. That's my whole

problem, is on procedure. **Newkirk:** OK, and I think Shelly can address that. The board of directors can invite whoever they want to sit at the table and provide input. Shelly, would you like to address that? Is that OK, Pam? **DelaBar:** No Darrell, I realize that, because we would have the Judging Committee Chair, if they were not a board member, sit in and be part of our closed meetings, but I want to make sure that we are not going against what we passed in June for our new bylaws. If you read what the International Division Reps are supposed to be doing, yes, they're advisors but they are supposed to be forming a counsel and all this other good stuff. That's above and beyond what is put here. That's where my problem is. **Newkirk:** OK. I think that I was first elected to this Board of Directors about 20 years ago. The bylaws in regard to the ID Reps, two board members being appointed which we have two now – we have actually three – but there has never been a meeting or anything in a report brought back to the board. That portion of our constitution has never, ever been adhered to. When you were President, Pam, I was the ID Chair. You appointed me. I think I was on for a little over six years, and we never, ever conducted one of those meetings according to the constitution at that time. **DelaBar:** Well, we were just getting started in China, as well, if I remember correctly, starting in 2004.

**Eigenhauser:** A couple of things. First of all, we're not imposing any new or extra duties on the ID Reps. We're simply saying, *allowed to attend*. That's permissive, not mandatory. We're not forcing them to do anything against their will. Second. I want to remind everybody, our policy is already to have those three individuals attend board meetings. What this does is supplement it, to change it from being named individuals to being the positions, and requiring they sign a confidentiality agreement. If this gets voted down, those three individuals can still sit at our board meetings, based on our prior motion. So, this is not a first attempt to allow them to attend a meeting, this is to clarify that they are already allowed to attend meetings, but we're putting additional requirements – that they sign the Code of Ethics and that they are designated by their position rather than by name. Those are the changes we're making. We're not inviting somebody new to the board meetings who never attended, we're simply clarifying what we meant when we did this over a year ago. **Newkirk:** Anything else, George? **Eigenhauser:** No.

**Mastin:** I just want to provide a little bit more history on how we got to where we are today. It was Sunday, June 21, 2020, when the new board was seated that the original motions were put in place for the individuals holding those titles. Pam, you were attending that meeting because there were comments in the transcript. It's #33, as Kathy indicated, under Old Business. It's on page 175 and the entire discussion goes through page 179. Pam, you did ask a question. Your question was, *Would these be Matthew coming in to participate with the board?* Darrell said, *Yes*. You did say, *OK*. In there, on the original motion that I made, there were comments with an amendment that they had no voting rights. That's what everybody voted on. The first motion had zero no votes, one abstention. That was for Matthew Wong. The other two were together. That was for Eva and Gavin. There were two no votes with that. So, with that, as George indicated and Shelly has indicated, whatever happens with the new motion that Kathy has presented, it doesn't change what's already in place. What Kathy is doing is just clarifying the positions that are being held to be able to attend the open and closed session board meetings without voting rights. They are not voting members. It's very important that we all understand that clearly. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rich.

**Calhoun:** Rich put it very well. This is just regarding, instead of have the motion defined attendance for individuals, it defines attendance for the position. That's typically what we should be doing when we make decisions like this. It also adds, which is very important, that there is a

signature in regards to confidentiality. Nothing else has changed. I think we all recognize the importance of input, so we need not go through that, but this to clean it up, clarify it and make sure that this is the way we do business moving forward, when and if those individuals change. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kathy.

**Krzanowski:** The other thing that the current motion does that the original motion from June 2020 did not is, it clearly states that these individuals in these positions will be allowed to attend all closed session meetings, not just those that pertain to their areas. So, I just wanted to make that clarification. **Newkirk:** I think that Shelly made the clarification that that original motion didn't specify any meetings, so it included all meetings. Shelly, would you – Annette, I see your hand up but I want to let Shelly address this and then I'll call on you. Go ahead Shelly.

**Perkins:** I was asked to review the prior motion and make a parliamentary ruling, and I did. That ruling is that they are allowed to be involved in board meetings. That doesn't specify only some of them. I believe and I have made the ruling that the motions, as passed, allow them to be in all board meetings – open and closed, virtual, in-person, it doesn't matter – they are allowed to be involved in those and that's where this currently sits. Part of my support of this current motion is the last part, the last sentence, where it says *after signing a confidentiality agreement*. That was not part of the prior motions, and I think it's a very important part that someone who is going to sit in board meetings sign a confidentiality agreement. So, these people are already allowed to be in the meetings right now. That isn't changing here today. I would like to see a confidentiality agreement be part of that. **Newkirk:** Just for a point of clarification, all of these people – the three people currently involved – have signed that agreement. I want that to be understood. They were not allowed to attend until they submitted that. They actually signed the agreement that the board members had signed.

**Wilson:** I don't have too much of an issue with this amended motion. However, I think *shall be allowed to attend* is a little bit liberal. What I would like to say is, *shall be allowed to attend by invitation of the board*, so if there are issues which may not pertain to them or may not affect them, not to offend anybody, I think we should qualify that a little bit. Thank you.

**Calhoun:** I would like to address that. The areas that are being represented by these individuals are more than 50% of our business. They represent our biggest customer, where more than half of our registrations come from. We should not feel that we should be able to pick and choose what is business critical globally and which is not. It is all business critical globally. We should not pretend to know that we know the impact throughout the world. This is exactly why we have Regional Directors that represent how decisions are made that would impact their regions. It is the very same thing. I really don't think that this should be by invitation only. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kathy. **DelaBar:** I again reiterate, please do not use the 50% of income, business, whatever. It sounds like a buy-in. I would rather use overall international influence of our particular organization, but to keep bringing up the money angle of it to justify the amendment, it rubs me wrong. As I said, it sounds like a buy-in and we don't have that. **Newkirk:** Thank you for that input, Pam. **Wilson:** I guess where my invitation would apply would be to closed session. I have no problem with folks participating in the open session, but I think that being allowed to attend is too broad for closed session. Thank you.

**Newkirk:** Any other comments? **Mastin:** I appreciate everybody's comments. I clearly understand where Pam is coming from in terms of the buy-in of the dollar amount. I have some concerns with that, too, but I do want to remind the board – you all don't need to be reminded of this – we are a global organization. There is a section of our organization that has large growth

that is not properly being represented on the board. What's in front of us gives us the opportunity to bring people to the board table to attend closed and open sessions without voting rights. I agree with Pam DelaBar 100%. They need to be represented as a region. Maybe it's two regions, I don't know, but that has to be done and it should be done sooner so they can have voting privileges, but we do have to move in the direction of the future. We can't be stalled here in the past and think that we're going to continue to do business as we have been. We've got to move into a different direction and bring people in that are going to help educate us on what's going on in these underdeveloped areas that's new for CFA. Let's not go backwards on this. We need to move forward, and it's already in place as we had done a year and three or four months ago. Please don't take this away. It's not the right thing to do. They do not have voting rights at this point in time and maybe someday they will. If there is a closed session item that is specific to them where there's a conflict of interest, they will be asked to recuse themselves or they will recuse themselves. So, I see no harm in having these individuals as part of this board and what the benefits are to all of us.

**Currle:** I certainly agree with what Rich has said, and Pam. Everybody obviously has concerns, but we are global. We need people who understand our business acumen, the way things work, and they can't learn it from just being in open session. We need to show them the nuts and bolts of what really goes on from the business aspect of CFA. We need to create a friendship and a relationship with these people to let them know how important they are to the success of CFA. I'm not talking just about China. There are a lot of other areas that we can go in and expand in, so I'm fully supportive of this motion and I'll leave it at that.

**Newkirk:** Kathy, do you want to make some closing comments? **Calhoun:** I will, thank you. I'll be brief because most of these have been stated, but we are a global organization. Some of our most critical decisions are made regarding contracts and all these sorts of things in closed session that we cannot [inaudible]. We need to make sure that we have global input on all decisions. We need to make sure that we are inclusive. We need to make sure that we support our organization and one of the ways that we show that support is including our entire organization in our decision-making process. Granted, at this point in time, we don't have the individual representation from a region standpoint. I agree that that should be something that we are working on, but points of view, input is important on decisions. We may not even recognize we have a global impact. I hope that we can support this motion.

**Newkirk:** Before I call the vote, I want to make sure that everybody understands. All this is, is a supplement and clarifies the positions that will sit in an advisory capacity at the board level without voting rights after having signed the agreement. It does not change, as Shelly said, what was passed in June 2020. So, if you vote against this because you think this will not allow those people to attend our open and closed board sessions, you're not interpreting this motion correctly, OK? Now, this is an amendment, because Kathy changed this from her prior thing, so I'm going to call the question on this amendment. If you're in favor of the amendment, please raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Wilson, Moser and Morgan voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Mark Hannon, Howard Webster, Sharon Roy, Kenny Currle, Hayata-san, Steve McCullough, Carol Krzanowski, Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down,

those that are opposed to the amendment please raise your hands. Those opposed to the amendment are Annette Wilson, Pam Moser, Melanie Morgan. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** The vote on the amendment is 13 yes, 3 no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** So, the amendment is agreed to.

**Newkirk:** Now we have an amended main motion. Kathy, do you have any further comments? **Calhoun:** I do not. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. So, I'm going to call the vote on the amended main motion which we just passed the amendment to. Those in favor, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Moser, Morgan and Wilson voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Rachel Anger, George Eigenhauser, Mark Hannon, Cathy Dunham, Kenny Currle, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Sharon Roy, Kathy Calhoun, Hayata-san, Steve McCullough, Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, those opposed to the amended main motion raise your hands. The no votes are Pam Moser, Melanie Morgan and Annette Wilson. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 13 yes, 3 no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** OK, so the amended main motion is agreed to. Thank you very much everybody. It was a lively discussion.

### **Time Frame:**

*On going*

### **What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Update virtual opportunities and how they are promoted.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Calhoun, Chair*

**Newkirk:** Kathy, do you have anything else for D&I? **Calhoun:** I do not, just that we are considering a Virtual Cat Competition that will have an international focus sometime in 2022.

**DelaBar:** I hope that we will consider going ahead and putting this in what I think is the proper format of an amendment to our bylaws. That, to me, would solidify what not only the board feels but what our constituents feel, as well, in making China a region. Just by the by, Russia is about twice as big. **Newkirk:** Would you like to chair a committee to make that amendment and present it to the board for approval to be presented to the delegation for the next June meeting? **DelaBar:** That would just thrill me to pieces Darrell. Yes, thank you. Maybe I can get through the one again on allowing our international clubs to seat delegates again. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. So Rachel, will you add that to the Special Committees? **Anger:** Will you please give me a name for the committee? **Newkirk:** What do you want to call it, Pam? **DelaBar:** Rachel, let me get with you. I have been up for quite a while today, so let me get back with you on what we can call the committee. International Bylaws Committee or something like that. **Anger:** You will come up with something brilliant. **DelaBar:** Yes, probably when I have had more sleep, thank you. **Newkirk:** Does anybody on the board object to the appointment of Pam to head up this committee? I don't see any hands up, so the committee is appointed. Pam, you



can select whoever you want to help you with that, OK? I would advise that you include Shelly Perkins and maybe the Legal Committee.

**The committee appointment was accepted without objection and became a new Special Committee.**

| CFA Special Committee Chairs                    |             |  |  |                 |
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| <b>China Region<br/>Amendment<br/>Committee</b> | Pam DelaBar |  |  | Satltc1@aol.com |

## 8. FINANCE COMMITTEE.

*Committee Chair:* **Rich Mastin**  
*List of Committee Members:* **Kathy Calhoun & Teresa Sweeney**

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

- *Review monthly financial profit & loss statements and monthly balance sheets to previous year's performance and budget.*
- *Review preliminary annual audit reports.*
- *Review and discuss contractual agreements as presented.*
- *Annual Insurance Premiums & Coverage Review*
  - o *Four Year Premium Comparison By Policy included in a separate attachment*
  - o *2020-2021 premiums compared to 2021-2022 premiums:*
    - *Current year's policy is 7/1/21 to 5/1/2022, going forward will be the same as CFA's fiscal year*
    - *Commercial Package: -\$9,638 / -25.06%*
    - *Commercial Auto: no change*
    - *Workers Comp/Employers Liability: -\$5 / -1.0%*
    - *Umbrella Liability: -\$1,362 / -12.62%*
    - *International Property & Liability: -\$6,056 / -54.83%*
    - *Media & Internet Liability: -\$280 / -7.40%*
    - *Management Liability: no change*
    - *Travel Accident: +\$936 / +40.03%*
    - *Cyber Liability: +\$596 / +40.71%*
    - *Combined: -\$15,439 / -20.02%*

**Newkirk:** We're to Order #8, which is Finance Committee and Show Sponsorship. Rich Mastin, you're recognized. **Mastin:** Thank you Darrell. Just a few things I want to point out before I get to the action item. I don't recall updating the board on the current year's insurance policy coverages, compared to previous year. That was sent in a separate PDF. It's probably on File Vista. Anyways, the summary – the combined decrease for last year – was over \$15,000 or 20%, and that was because of the reduced show activity. There were a couple areas where we

saw some small increases in terms of dollars but large increases in terms of percentages. It was good to see that we had a nice decrease there.

### Cat Fanciers' Association Premium Comparison – By Policy

July 1, 2021 Renewals

| Coverage Description               | 2018-19  | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022<br>Annual | 7/1/2021 to<br>5/1/2022 |
|------------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Commercial Package                 | \$40,242 | \$43,364  | \$38,448* | \$28,810            | \$24,624*               |
| Commercial Automobile              | \$367    | \$664     | \$660     | \$660               | \$558                   |
| Workers Comp/Employers Liability   | \$589    | \$812     | \$469     | \$464               | \$464                   |
| Umbrella Liability                 | \$11,418 | \$11,418  | \$10,795  | \$9,433             | \$7,821                 |
| International Property & Liability | \$10,985 | \$11,046  | \$11,046  | \$4,990             | \$4,142                 |
| Media & Internet Liability         | \$3,783  | \$3,783   | \$3,783   | \$3,503             | \$2,917                 |
| Management Liability               | \$8,554  | \$8,554   | \$8,554   | \$8,554             | \$7,124                 |
| Travel Accident                    | \$2,338  | \$2,338   | \$2,338   | \$3,274             | \$2,730                 |
| Cyber Liability                    | \$1,160  | \$1,464   | \$1,464   | \$2,060             | \$1,720                 |
| SUB TOTAL                          | \$79,436 | \$83,443  | \$77,187  | \$61,748            | \$52,100                |
|                                    |          |           |           |                     |                         |
|                                    |          |           |           |                     |                         |
| TOTAL COST                         | \$79,436 | \$83,443  | \$77,187  | \$61,748            | \$52,100                |

\*Package includes Terrorism annual premium of \$300; Umbrella Terrorism \$77 included

**Mastin:** We also decided to put the coverage year on CFA's fiscal year so it matches, so it's going to move to May 1-May 1 each year instead of July 1-July 1. So, this year is a 10 month premium year, and then it will convert to a full year in 2022.

#### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

- Accessible to: Central Office Executive Director, Treasurer (also Budget and Audit Committee Chair) and Legal Counsel.
- Reviewing 2022 International Show contracts, and marketing proposals and contracts.
- Review and monitor weekly bank account balances and bi-weekly payroll reports.
- Current combined all account balances (including long term investments):
  - o As of September 17, 2021, is **\$3,229,055.42**.
  - o As of October 1, 2021, is **\$3,211,641.94**.
- Current long-term investment balances as of September 17, 2021:

- *Synchrony CD is \$340,104.04 (+\$3,364.74 / +1.0% since 5/1/21)*
- *Wells Fargo blend of stocks & bonds is \$1,558,340.30 (+\$37,554.30 / +2.41% since 5/1/21)*
- *Wells Fargo bonds is \$642,742.87 (+\$10,985.28 / + 1.74%)*
- *Combined long-term investments is \$2,578,741.64 (+\$51,904.45 / +2.05%)*
- *Reviewing current investment bonds and stock allocations, and required cash on hand.*

**Mastin:** Current Happenings. Two things that are in the works right now are renewing International Show contracts and some marketing proposals. As of yesterday, our total account balances are \$3,211,641.94. I present these three times a year to the board. If you want to fill in the blank you can, if not I'm sure Rachel has that. Our long-term investments, as Kathy pointed out earlier, are not performing as well as they did last year. The market is doing some strange things, as we have seen. We do have some gains. We're at about 2% year to date. When I say "year to date" that's CFA's year to date, not the calendar year to date, so that goes back to May 1<sup>st</sup>.

- *CFA Show Sponsorship Programs:*
  - *Regular Show Sponsorship - \$1,000 per club per show up to two shows per year*
    - *\$90,000 budgeted - \$70,000 requested and approved, \$36,000 paid out*

**Mastin:** A couple things I do want to point out in the CFA Show Sponsorship Program, which is good news. I hope to be coming back to you in December for a motion and then maybe again in February. I just want to review a couple things on our sponsorship. When I wrote this report, we had \$70,000 of the \$90,000 budgeted requested. The \$70,000 has grown over the last week or so and we have paid out \$36,000. New show sponsorship has also grown since the writing of this. At that time, \$9,000 was requested of the \$22,000. We paid out \$5,000.

- *New Show Sponsorship - \$1,000 per club per show, new show added to the schedule*
  - *\$22,000 budgeted - \$9,000 requested and approved, \$5,000 paid out*

**Mastin:** I do want to make a comment on new shows. "New shows" are exactly that – new shows. It's not for a club that moves from their traditional date to a different city or a different state or a different area, and it's not for another club to take one's traditional date and use it because they are not using their date for this year or for whatever reason. A new show is a new show added to the schedule.

- *In-Conjunction Show Sponsorship - \$1,000 per club per show*
  - *\$4,000 budgeted - \$1,000 requested and approved, \$0 paid out*

**Mastin:** The in-conjunction show sponsorship, we have had one request so far. It has not been paid out yet, so we are relatively on budget for that. I don't expect to be asking for more funds for that.

- *Agility Ring Sponsorship - \$300 per club per show*
  - *\$1,200 budgeted - \$900 requested and approved, \$300 paid out*
  - *Action item required below.*

**Mastin:** Agility ring sponsorship – and this is the action item I will get to at the end – budget was \$1,200, \$900 has been requested and paid out is \$300. I will address the action item in a little bit.

- *Submit sponsorship request form **30-days in advance of the show**, to Lisa Brault at [LBrault@cfa.org](mailto:LBrault@cfa.org)*
  - *Request form is available on CFA web site, go to Shows & Awards, then Club Show Resources*
  - *<https://cfa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/show-sponsorship.pdf>*
- *Club is notified of approval(s) shortly after request is received and prior to the start of show.*
- *Sponsorship awards will be sent after show's paperwork and entry surcharge fee is received at Central Office.*

**Mastin:** A couple other things I want to review. When clubs license a show, Lisa will send out a sponsorship request form, so your clubs are receiving a request form. I'm glad she is doing that now. The other thing that came up last night, I was on a phone call with one of the board members and we had to review a couple things on sponsorship. I just want to remind everybody that payment from Central Office is sent out after Central Office receives the show scoring package and the surcharge. It's not the marketing package or marketing receipts or invoices. We dropped that requirement last year and this year, due to the COVID restrictions on certain areas not being able to have gate, so there are no marketing requirements at this time. It's recommended or encouraged to spend some of those funds toward marketing, but it's not required.

**Board Action Item:**

***Motion:*** *Allocate an additional \$1,200 to Agility Sponsorship program.*

***Rationale:*** *\$300 available in the annual budget to be awarded.*

**Mastin:** My last item is my action item. I'm asking the board to allocate an additional \$1,200 to the Agility Sponsorship program because, at this point in time, we only have \$300 available. Should I need more in the future, I will ask for more. My motion is to allocate an additional \$1,200 to the Agility Sponsorship program. **Calhoun:** Kathy seconds. **Newkirk:**

Thank you Kathy. OK, we have a motion and a second to allocate an additional \$1,200 to the Agility Sponsorship program. Is there any debate on that? Any objection to the motion? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, the motion is agreed to. You get your \$1,200 there Rich.  
**Mastin:** Thank you.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Time Frame:**

- *Ongoing.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

- *Updates.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
***Rich Mastin, Chair***

**Mastin:** Just to wrap things up, does anybody have any questions for me on the finances or what has been going on? Alright, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you. I will request that all board members please turn your cameras on. I don't think I need to say why, so if you're a board member I expect your camera to be on so that we can watch you. Thank you everybody.

## **9. CFA INTERNATIONAL SHOW.**

**Committee Chair:** Rich Mastin  
**List of Committee Members:** Kathy Calhoun, Rachel Anger, Allene Tartaglia

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### **Current Happenings of Committee**

*We are in the process of finalizing a contract with the Philly Expo Center in Oaks PA for the October 8-9, 2022 show. Although the I-X Center in Cleveland, Ohio has reopened to public shows, they cannot commit to specific dates or execute any contracts at this time and further delay in contracting could result in losing the space at the Philly Expo Center with no guarantee that the I-X can host the show in 2022.*

*The Board approved the following format at the February 2020 board meeting:*

***Two shows – purple and teal***

***Format – 5 Allbreed, 3 Specialty for Kittens/Championship/Premiership, 500 entries each show***

***Placements – Top 20 Kittens, Championship and Premiership, Top 15 HHP, Top 10 Veterans and Agility; 4 Champions, 3 Premiers***

*The judges from the cancelled show in 2020 (listed below) will be contracted for the 2022 show. They have been contacted to confirm they are available to judge the 2022 show.*

Adkison, Larry  
Anger, Rachel  
Calhoun, Kathy  
Currle, Kenny  
DelaBar, Pam  
Griswold, Marilee  
Harding, Wain  
Koizumi, Kayoko  
Morgan, Melanie  
Moser, Brian  
Newkirk, Darrell  
Nye, Vicki  
Pun, Nicholas  
Roy, Sharon  
Sweeney, Teresa  
Webb, Russell

**What Will Be Presented at Next Meeting:**

*Show committee appointments.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Rich Mastin*

**Newkirk:** Let's move on to Order #9, the International Show. Allene Tartaglia, you are recognized. **Tartaglia:** Rich, did you want me to go over this report or did you want to? **Mastin:** Go ahead, Allene. **Tartaglia:** Mostly this is just for information. There's no action items. We are moving ahead with contracting the Philly Expo Center in Oaks, PA. We have been there before, I believe it was for two years in a row. We've tried to nail down the I-X Center to contract for the 2022 show because they are re-opening to trade shows; however, they are not at a point where they can contract with us yet, nor can they guarantee our dates at this point. So, we feel that we need to move on, at least for 2022. The plan is to go with the format that was approved at the February 2020 board meeting and that's there; also, that we would utilize the judges that we planned on having in 2020. I have contacted all of the judges, and all of the 16 judges are available to judge the 2022 show. That's all I have, unless there's any questions.

**Hannon:** Are we going to contract for just one year at Oaks? **Tartaglia:** I don't know. If there is a financial benefit to contracting for two years, then we will need to consider that but I know that there is a lot of support for having the show in Cleveland at the I-X Center, so if we go with two years at Oaks then that kind of ties our hands until 2024.

**Newkirk:** Any other questions for Allene on the International Show?



## 10. YOUTH FELINE EDUCATION PROGRAM.

*Committee Chair:* Sheri Shaffer  
*Liaison to Board:* Cathy Dunham  
*List of Committee Members:* Carmen Johnson-Lawrence, Eddie Goatseay, Lorna Friemoth, Julie Keyer, Mitch Ross, Rhonda Smith, Sami Kerr, Hairri Zikhafri, Anne Paul

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### Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

*Committee formed; recruitment of Regional Coordinators began and is ongoing.*

*Recruitment of youth for program participation.*

### Current Happenings of Committee:

*Appointment/Continuation of YFEP Regional Coordinators:*

*North Atlantic Region – Carmen Johnson-Lawrence with assistance from TBD*

*Northwest Region – Person Interested; Waiting on decision.*

*Gulf Shore – Anne Paul*

*Great Lakes Region – Mitch Ross*

*Southwest Region – TBD*

*Midwest Region – TBD*

*Southern Region – Rhonda Smith*

*International – Hairri Zikhafri*

*Currently, the Committee is working to rewrite the CFA Youth Feline Education Program Handbook. We are focusing on four main Program Areas: (1) Education; (2) Cat Show Preparation and Participation; (3) Junior Showmanship; (4) Community Service. We wish to add the following Program Areas: (5) Agility; and (6) Mentorship.*

*Continued recruitment of youth for program participation.*

*Email sent to Kathy Durdick to update YFEP Chair contact on YFEP website.*

**Newkirk:** We will move on to the next Order of Business, which is Youth Feline Education Committee. Has the Chair been admitted, Allene or Shelly? **Dunham:** Darrell, I don't think she is in attendance. I don't see her. **Newkirk:** Oh OK, I'm sorry. I've got so much stuff on my screen right now, I didn't look to see who the attendees are. Cathy Dunham, go ahead. You are the liaison. **Dunham:** Thank you. The Youth Feline Education Program has been hard at work, as you can see in their report. Rewriting the guidelines, they are hoping to bring those back to the board in February for approval. They are going to probably do some beta testing of some of the components of those guidelines to make sure that they are really going to work.

**Dunham:** Just as a point of clarification, you will see the appointments of some of the chair positions for some of the regions and that Carmen Johnson-Lawrence, although she lives in Region 4, has graciously offered to cover Region 1. That was due to the fact that the chairman

did not at the time have a representative for Region 1. That has since changed. Sharon Roy has talked with Sheri and there is a potential candidate that is being approached. So, that change will probably happen as the next report is provided.

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Identify and appoint Midwest and Southwest Region's YFEP Regional Coordinator*

*Update YFEP pdf documents*

*Finalize Youth Feline Education Program Guidelines*

*Recruitment of youth for participation in YFEP*

**Time Frame:** *ongoing*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Approval of new YFEP Guidelines presented to the Board.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Sheri Shaffer, MA, Chair*

**Dunham:** If you have any questions, I'll be happy to answer them. Otherwise, this is their report for the board. **Calhoun:** I actually don't have a question but as I read through the report it just came to mind that Cathy, we would love to maybe have the Diversity and Inclusion Committee partner with the Youth Feline Committee to see if we can provide opportunities and engage more diverse youth. **Dunham:** Absolutely. I will let Sheri know to contact you.

**Calhoun:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Anything else? Other comments?

**Newkirk:** A lunch break is next on our agenda. It's 12:40 and we are about 20 minutes ahead. **Calhoun:** Good job, Darrell. We're ahead of schedule. **Newkirk:** It's not me, it's you guys. Everybody kept their debate focused, so that allowed us to get a little bit ahead. How about if we come back at 1:30? Is that OK? That gives everybody 50 minutes? No objections? OK, see you at 12:30.

## 11. SHOW RULES.

**Committee Chair:** Monte Phillips  
**Liaison to Board:** Carol Krzanowski  
**List of Committee Members:** Cathy Dunham, Kathy Gumm, Shirley Michaud-Dent

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Committee has reviewed and prepared the show rule changes requested by various board members, Central Office, and the results of the annual meeting.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Addressing Board requests for rules to be effective for upcoming show season. This report is broken down into three sections as follows: The first section deals with those rules passed at the annual meeting by a vote greater than 2/3, and thus are presented for ratification. The second section proposes rules that passed at the annual meeting by a majority, but less than 2/3; rules proposed by various board members, and rules proposed by Central Office. The third section lists all rule exceptions currently in effect for the 2021-2022 show season. These exceptions have been passed at various board meetings held throughout the year. All of the exceptions in this last section are scheduled to expire on April 28, 2022. The reason that date is listed, and not April 30, 2022, is because that for 2022, the shows held the weekend of April 30-May 1 (which also includes Friday the 29th) is actually in the 2022-2023 show season.*

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*The committee will be incorporating those rules adopted at this meeting into the version taking effect for the next show season.*

**Phillips:** There are three sections, but we're only going to talk about two of them. The third one is things that were carried over from previous meetings which have all been voted on that only apply for this one show season which is about to end at the end of April.

### **Action Items:**

#### **A. SHOW RULE REVISIONS PASSED AT ANNUAL MEETING BY GREATER THAN 2/3 MARGIN**

##### ***1 – Show Rules 27.03a and 28.01 - Make Current Exemption for Qualifying Ring Requirements Permanent***

| Rule # 27.03a  | CFA Annual Meeting Proposal 17  |  |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording  |  |
| a. Six (6) Qualifying Rings earned under at least four (4) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and | a. Six (6) Qualifying Rings earned under at least <del>four</del> <u>two (2)</u> different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats |  |

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| <p>competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least three (3) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Russia (east of the Ural Mountains), Malta, and Asia (except China, Japan, Hong Kong, Indonesia, and Malaysia) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation.</p>   | <p>residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least <del>three (3)</del> <u>two (2)</u> different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Russia (east of the Ural Mountains), Malta, and Asia (except China, Japan, Hong Kong, Indonesia, and Malaysia) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. <u>Qualifying rings are not required for champion or premier if a cat reaches the point requirements for the grand champion or grand premier title for the area in which the show is held.</u></p> |
| <b>Rule # 28.01</b>   | <b>CFA Annual Meeting Proposal 17</b>   |
| <b>Existing Wording</b>   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| <p>Grand points for a cat that has completed requirements for Championship or Premiership will not be posted to a cat's record until the Central Office has received a Championship Claim form, appropriate fees, and confirmed that championship or premiership requirements have been met. In the case of cats that earned points with a temporary registration number, those points also will not be posted to a cat's record until the cat has received a permanent registration number. The following applies to a cat that has earned all of the required qualifying rings for its champion or premier title, but no claim form (champion/premier) has been received in Central Office:</p> | <p><del>Grand points for a cat that has completed requirements for Championship or Premiership will not be posted to a cat's record</del> <u>A cat will not receive its Grand title</u> until the Central Office has received a Championship Claim form, appropriate fees, and confirmed that championship or premiership requirements have been met. In the case of cats that earned points with a temporary registration number, those points also will not be posted to a cat's record until the cat has received a permanent registration number. The following applies to a cat that has earned all of the required qualifying rings for its champion or premier title, <u>or has qualified for the total number of points required to grand in its area of residence,</u> but no claim form (champion/premier) has been received in Central Office:</p>               |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This is a show rule change that the CFA Board passed for the 2020-2021 show season. It allows cats to transfer to Grand Champion/Grand Premier when they have reached 200/75 points and submitted a championship claim form, even if they have not reached 6 qualifying rings. It has been in place for multiple shows now and proven to be popular. This proposal would make the change permanent.</p> <p>This proposal passed by greater than 2/3 at the June 18, 2021, Annual Meeting.</p>  |   |

**Phillips:** The first proposal comes from the Annual Meeting. It's one that passed by 2/3. It was proposal #17. It would take the thing that we have in place right now for this show season that allows cats to qualify with just two judges, and also to automatically become a grand champion even if they don't have the required number of qualifying rings, as long as they have the required number of grand points. That passed by more than 2/3. That was proposal #17 and

affects both Show Rule 27.03.a. and 28.01. **Krzanowski:** Carol makes a motion to approve this show rule change. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Anger:** Was that a standing second, Kenny? **Currle:** Standing second for all. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** That's it, so just vote and move on. **Newkirk:** Any comments? Any debate? Any objection? No objection, so by unanimous consent this motion is adopted.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

***2 - Show Rule 28.02a - Score Champions in Finals As Either Specialty or Allbreed Placement in Allbreed Finals, That Which Yields the Most Points***

| Rule # 28.02.a.   |                                      | CFA Annual Meeting Proposal 18   |                                      |
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| Existing Wording  |                                      | Proposed Wording   |                                      |
| <p>a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. The highest placing Champion or Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated for shows held outside of China, i.e., Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau). For champions/premiers competing at shows in China, the cat will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated that was present in at least 80 percent of the Rings held at that show. A cat is considered present in China as long as no award is withheld from that cat for insufficient merit or condition, and the cat is not disqualified (see Rules 11.23, and 11.24). If the award for a cat is withheld for any reason other than wrong color, it will be considered absent for the ring in which the award was withheld. To determine the 80 percent present requirement, see the following table:</p> |                                      | <p>a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. <u>For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each Champion/Premier in a Specialty final, the cat will be ranked according to its Specialty Champion/Premier placement. Champions/Premiers will earn points from the final according to the remainder of this rule and 28.03b, which will apply to both the Allbreed and Specialty Champion/Premier placements in an Allbreed final.</u> The highest placing Champion or Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated for shows held outside of China, i.e., Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau). For champions/premiers competing at shows in China, the cat will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated that was present in at least 80 percent of the Rings held at that show. A cat is considered present in China as long as no award is withheld from that cat for insufficient merit or condition, and the cat is not disqualified (see Rules 11.23, and 11.24). If the award for a cat is withheld for any reason other than wrong color, it will be considered absent for the ring in which the award was withheld. To determine the 80 percent present requirement, see the following table:</p> |                                      |
| Number of Rings held at show  | Rings present for cat to be in count | Number of Rings held at show   | Rings present for cat to be in count |
| 1 Ring held   | 1 Ring                               | 1 Ring held  | 1 Ring                               |
| 2 Rings held  | 2 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 3 Rings held  | 3 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 4 Rings held  | 4 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 5 Rings held  | 4 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 6 Rings held  | 5 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 7 Rings held  | 6 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 8 Rings held  | 7 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 9 Rings held  | 8 Rings                              |  |                                      |
| 10 Rings held   | 8 Rings                              |  |                                      |

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| <p>Cats not present in the number of Rings specified in the table based on the number of Rings held at any show held in China will not be counted as competing at the show for determining the official champion/premier count, however, any grand points won by these cats in any ring will still be credited to that cat's record.</p> <p>The second highest placing Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points awarded the highest placing Champion or Premier, third highest 80%, fourth highest 70% and 5<sup>th</sup> highest 60%, etc. In cases where 11 or more cats in a top 15 final are champions, those champions placing 11th thru 15th best champion within that final will receive 5% of the points awarded to the highest placing champion. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.</p>   | <table border="1"> <tr><td>2 Rings held</td><td>2 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>3 Rings held</td><td>3 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>4 Rings held</td><td>4 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>5 Rings held</td><td>4 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>6 Rings held</td><td>5 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>7 Rings held</td><td>6 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>8 Rings held</td><td>7 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>9 Rings held</td><td>8 Rings</td></tr> <tr><td>10 Rings held</td><td>8 Rings</td></tr> </table> <p>Cats not present in the number of Rings specified in the table based on the number of Rings held at any show held in China will not be counted as competing at the show for determining the official champion/premier count, however, any grand points won by these cats in any ring will still be credited to that cat's record.</p> <p>The second highest placing Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points awarded the highest placing Champion or Premier, third highest 80%, fourth highest 70% and 5<sup>th</sup> highest 60%, etc. In cases where 11 or more cats in a top 15 final are champions, those champions placing 11th thru 15th best champion within that final will receive 5% of the points awarded to the highest placing champion. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.</p> | 2 Rings held | 2 Rings | 3 Rings held | 3 Rings | 4 Rings held | 4 Rings | 5 Rings held | 4 Rings | 6 Rings held | 5 Rings | 7 Rings held | 6 Rings | 8 Rings held | 7 Rings | 9 Rings held | 8 Rings | 10 Rings held | 8 Rings |
| 2 Rings held   | 2 Rings  |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |               |         |
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| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Because of the pandemic and lack of shows, we had a backlog of cats trying to grand leading to large classes of champions and premiers when shows started to come back. Shows had many more champions than grands and the top 15 final placements in all the rings were heavy with champions. The same was true of the premiership class. When there are so many champions in the top 15 placements of the finals and because of our 10% decrement scoring, it is mathematically possible for the Allbreed champion placement to be worth fewer points than what the cat would have earned with its rank in Specialty, sometimes far less, or less even than with a purple ribbon in a large enough breed class. Our 10% decrement scoring system is very disadvantageous to large classes of champions that make top 10/15 allbreed finals. In a class of 80 champions evenly split between LH &amp; SH with a top 15 final made up of all champions, 11th best AB champion would receive 4 points for defeating 68 cats. This is huge reduction and an unfortunate side effect of using 10% decrements. If the cat is the 4th highest ranked SH champion, that would be worth 27 points. What value should this cat be awarded from this final? 16 of 19 If you ask many exhibitors, they will answer 27 points for the SH placement. We intuitively believe the cat should get the award with the highest value, and we intuitively extend the Specialty champion placements as well as the Allbreed placements in an Allbreed final. Central Office says 4 points from the AB placement, they do not recognize the extension of the specialty placements. Exhibitors and CO are both looking at rules 28.02 and 28.03 and applying them differently. As with many rules, when there is an ambiguity it is possible to justify multiple interpretations of that rule. For some rules, we can go decades before a situation arises that hits on that ambiguity. 28.02a is ambiguous because the words allbreed and specialty do not appear anywhere in that rule, yet CO infers that 28.02a applies to only allbreed placements in allbreed finals while exhibitors infer that it applies to both allbreed and specialty placements. According to Central Office, their interpretation is how these awards have always been scored. And while is true, it is not what exhibitors expect with how we intuitively interpret the rule. 28.02a is ambiguous, and as with any ambiguity, there are always multiple interpretations. Which interpretation is correct? The best interpretation is what the clubs</p> |  |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |              |         |               |         |



and exhibitors of CFA want, and when that differs from what CO does in practice, we need to fix the ambiguity. Nobody is wrong and everybody is right, which means the board or the clubs need to correct the show rules. We are never bound by “but that’s how we have always done it.” This proposal corrects the ambiguity by making the shows rules say what many exhibitors already believe to be true. It does not create a whole bunch of easy points for cats to get, it does not require that we adjust the 200/75 point thresholds for the grand title. The cats that will benefit from this change will have earned the points by defeating many cats. Will this change cheapen the grand title? No, unless you believe that specialty points are cheap points, in which case why do we have specialty finals. Cats in these finals have actually defeated many other cats. In a class of 80, 11th best cat defeats 68 other cats and gets just 4 points! Awarding 27 points instead does not mean an unworthy cat is getting a bunch of unearned points. It defeated 68 other cats! Will this cause a situation where a higher ranked cat AB-wise in the opposite specialty receives fewer points than a lower ranked cat AB-wise? That can already happen! In the example above where 11th best cat received 4 points for being 11th Best AB champion, the award falls under the exception in rule 28.02a that says 11th thru 15th champions get 5% of Best’s award. They tie at 5% because we cannot decrement further. Let’s say that 11th Best was in a breed class of at least 6 and gets the purple ribbon. That purple ribbon is worth at least 5 points which is more than the points from the higher ranked 11th thru 15th placement awards. And the show rules do award the Purple ribbon rather than the placement in the final (28.03). There are many combinations of counts that could produce the result of a lower ranked cat getting more points than a higher ranked cat because of a lopsided specialty count. This is another one of those unfortunate math side-effects of having 10% decrements. It can even happen in an SSP final for National/Regional points with lopsided specialty counts. If we want to ensure that no lower ranked cat ever gets more points than a higher ranked (AB-wise) cat, then we would have to get rid of the decrements entirely. The current scoring system makes no guarantees that the situation will not happen, it is unavoidable because of the decrements in our current scoring system.

This proposal passed by greater than 2/3 at the June 18, 2021, Annual Meeting.

**Newkirk:** Go ahead Monte. **Phillips:** The next one is Show Rule proposal #18. I don’t know if you got the underline to show up on that one or not. When I brought up the proposed stuff, the underline wasn’t there. Only the very first sentence is in the current Show Rules. The rest of that section for quite a bit should be underlined. Basically what this Show Rule does is, it allows a cat to be scored in an allbreed ring as if it was either an allbreed or a specialty ring. This came about as a result of the show rules from Cotton States where there was a whole lot of, I can’t remember if it was longhair or shorthair champions, but to make a long story short, a cat that had finished like 11<sup>th</sup> champion or 10<sup>th</sup> champion overall in the allbreed ring thought he would get the points for being like 4<sup>th</sup> best champion in the specialty ring. That didn’t happen. This would change the requirements of the rules so that they would score the ring as if he was 4<sup>th</sup> best shorthair champion and 11<sup>th</sup> best allbreed champion, and he would get the maximum of whichever two was the highest. That also passed at the Annual Meeting by 2/3.

**Currle:** This had to do with a shorthair champion within our region. That’s the only comment. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Anybody else? **Morgan:** Monte or Allene, do you remember or recall what the cost was for implementing this scoring change? **Tartaglia:** No. James, correct me if I’m wrong. I believe it’s probably in the \$5,000-\$10,000 range to implement this. Do you recall? I have to bring up that file because we went over this. **Simbro:** That sounds about right. We had to kind of make an estimate on that, but \$5,000-\$10,000 yeah. **Tartaglia:** Something to keep in mind is – and I’m not speaking against this, but it happened when cats returned from the pandemic. Are we going to be making changes to our system that when shows get back to normal it really won’t matter much anymore? I think it’s a perception thing more than anything on this, but I just wanted to throw that out there. **Morgan:** And a follow-up question, Allene. I

guess, and you may not have the answer to this either, but I agree with you. My understanding was, this happened right as cats were coming back. We had an inordinate number of shows that were filling at that point with quite large championship counts and almost no grands, so it was an anomaly or it seems to me that it was probably an anomaly and I'm not sure that taking a scoring system, with all of its bumps and bruises, still seems to be working pretty well and changing it for a situation that very likely will not reoccur, given the fact that it's going to cost us a reasonable amount of money to make a programming change. It just throws it into question for me. Allene, do you have any idea how often this disparity between points has happened in the past, other than this one show? **Tartaglia:** Prior to the pandemic and a bunch of cats coming back all at once that hadn't been shown, I believe it happened one time that I recall and it was at a show overseas. I'm not sure if it was China or the International Division, but it did happen one time. **Morgan:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** As Mary K just pointed out in the chat, this passed by 2/3. **Phillips:** Yes. This is one you are ratifying, not voting to accept. **Newkirk:** Yes. **Wilson:** I guess I have a problem with this happening maybe twice in the past and costing a reasonable amount to rescore and also needing all these words to explain it. You know, I hate to kick cans down the road, but I'm wondering if we should re-look at the whole scoring explanation and rules, and maybe a way to simplify things overall instead of spending the money to reinvent things over and over again, and all we're doing is adding verbiage and cost. That's just my opinion. **Newkirk:** Thank you Annette. **Currle:** This passed by 2/3. This is a situation that boils down to a very singular thing. These are cats defeated. They should be scored for cats defeated. If our scoring system negates that, it needs to be fixed and this will allow it to be fixed. **Hannon:** We don't know how many times this has happened, Allene. You only know about it if somebody brings it to your attention and complains about it. Frequently, people will not complain about it. They think they just misunderstood the rule. The common perception was that you always got the great of the points, whether it be the specialty champion or the allbreed champion, and that's not how Shirley has been scoring it. She has been scoring it with the allbreed champion points, even if it was fewer than what you would have gotten as a specialty. **Tartaglia:** We were scoring the shows as the Show Rules outlined it. It's an allbreed ring, we were scoring it as an allbreed ring. If it was a specialty ring, we scored it as a specialty ring. We weren't scoring specialty rings as an allbreed ring, that's all. So I just want to be clear that we were scoring according to the Show Rules – maybe not what people thought we were doing. **Hannon:** The perception was that if you got more points in an allbreed final for being best shorthair champion than you would have gotten as 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> or whatever allbreed champion, the cat should be getting the greater of the points. **Tartaglia:** OK. I'm not going to debate any further. I don't know what the perception was. All I can tell you is, we have been scoring this way 30 years. It wasn't a new thing that we just decided to change it. That's the only point I wanted to make. **Hannon:** My point, too, was that you only know about it if somebody brings it to your attention, and the typical exhibitor is just going to accept what they are being told. **Newkirk:** Mark, when this happened, I was a little bit involved in the conversation and Allene sent me her interpretation of the Show Rule. If I'm not mistaken, Monte agreed with the assessment that Central Office made. Is that correct, Allene? **Tartaglia:** Yes. **Phillips:** Correct. **Tartaglia:** There may have been other cats that fell into this category that we didn't become aware of. It's absolutely correct that we may not have known it. I'm just saying, we have been scoring like this all along. We don't score by what the perception is, we score by what the Show Rules say.

**Krzanowski:** I just wanted to comment. Someone questioned the cost and I found the original Central Office notes on the proposals. It said that the minimum estimated cost to implement is in the range of \$9,000-\$13,000. I just wanted to add that. **Newkirk:** Thank you so



much. **Calhoun:** I just wondered, James and Allene, do you have any idea how long it will take you to reprogram? **Simbro:** No. We are dealing with a new developer – same company, but we do have a new developer working on our system. The time it's going to take just to look at the existing system to understand what it does in the first place is going to take significant time just in itself. Hopefully, then the changes wouldn't take that much longer. A good deal of that cost is going to be understanding how the system works. Time to do that, we've got a lot of projects going on. This kind of stuff just pushes things back. I'm not saying it's not worth it, that we don't have to do it, but keep that in mind. We're probably talking in the order of a couple of months at least. **Calhoun:** Can I ask a follow-up question, Darrell? **Newkirk:** Yes, go ahead Kathy. **Calhoun:** So, you think that it would probably be programmed this season. Would you go back and run all the cat shows through this new program or what? **Tartaglia:** Wait a minute. We're not talking about this show season, are we? Aren't these – it's for the new show season. **Anger:** Yes. **Calhoun:** Are you going to have it ready in time for the new show season? **Tartaglia:** Yes. **Calhoun:** Thank you. **DelaBar:** What I was going to say is, statistically this is possible to happen at every, single show. As Mark said, people are afraid to bring it up. They don't even figure it out, but statistically this can happen all the time. I was just wanting to reiterate two things. One, this goes into effect 1 May. Secondly, we're here to ratify it because our constituents – the delegates – passed it by over 2/3. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam for pointing that out. **Eigenhauser:** I agree with Pam. This is not a pandemic issue. What it has to do with, there being a big discrepancy between the longhair and shorthair counts. That can occur anywhere, anytime, pandemic or not. This is what our constituents want. They passed it by over 2/3. It's reasonable. The expense is mostly a one-time thing in upfront programming. We're not going to be spending \$10,000 a year on this, it's just to get the programming in place so we can do it. I don't see any reason to debate this any further. **Mastin:** I'm in agreement with George and Pam. The constituents voted in favor of this overwhelmingly. If our system is broken – and I understand cost is a concern – when we have systems that are broken, we need to invest money to fix the system so it's user friendly. Let's not, not ratify this because we've got to spend X dollars to fix a broken system. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rich. I don't see any other hands up. I will call for the vote on this. If you're in favor of this motion, please raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Moser abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Rich Mastin, Kathy Calhoun, George Eigenhauser, Mark Hannon, Carol Krzanowski, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Pam DelaBar, Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, Sharon Roy, Steve McCullough, Annette Wilson, Melanie Morgan. If you will take your hands down, those opposed please raise your hand. Pam Moser, I didn't see a vote for you. **Moser:** You didn't say anything about abstain. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, those abstaining. Pam Moser, thank you. Alright Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** I do not have a vote from Howard. Is he on the call? **Tartaglia:** He was. There he is. Let me promote him to panelist. He is joining. **Webster:** I voted yes. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Howard. **Anger:** That's 15 yes, zero no, one abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to.

**B. *SHOW RULES PASSED AT ANNUAL BY A MAJORITY, REQUESTED BY BOARD, OR REQUESTED BY CENTRAL OFFICE STAFF***

***1 – Show Rule 28.03 - Allow Opens/Champions to Score Points in Breed from Grands Defeated Based on Brown or Orange Ribbon***

| Rule # 28.03 (all)   | CFA Annual Meeting Proposal 19  |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording  |
| <p>Breed and Division Points</p> <p>a. Cats which receive the award of Best Champion/Premier in each of the Breeds/Divisions currently recognized for Championship/Premiership competition (see rule 30.01) will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated within the breed/division in accordance with the method for calculating champions and premiers present described in 28.02a.</p> <p>b. In all cases an entry will receive the points from only one award per ring - that which carries the most points.</p>   | <p>Breed and Division Points</p> <p>a. Cats which receive the award of Best Champion/Premier in each of the Breeds/Divisions currently recognized for Championship/Premiership competition (see rule 30.01) will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated within the breed/division in accordance with the method for calculating champions and premiers present described in 28.02a.</p> <p>b. <u>Opens, Champions and Premiers which receive the award Best of breed/division in each of the Breeds/Divisions currently recognized for Championship/Premiership competition (see rule 30.01) will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every cat defeated (including grands) within the Breed/Division in accordance with the method for calculating cats present described in Article XXXVI Show Points Official Count.</u></p> <p>c. <u>Opens, Champions and Premiers which receive the award 2nd Best of Breed/Division in each of the Breeds/Divisions currently recognized for Championship/Premiership competition (see rule 30.01) will receive 90% of the points of Best of Breed/Division within the Breed/Division in accordance with the method for calculating cats present described in Article XXXVI Show Points Official Count.</u></p> <p>d. In all cases an entry will receive the points from only one award per ring – that which carries the most points.</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> If an open, champion or premier defeats a grand, why not earn a grand point from defeating that grand? This change would allow opens, champions and premiers that receive a brown or orange ribbon to earn one point from each cat defeated, including grands. At this time, we do not want to make this change for top 10/15 finals to include points for defeated grands. This resolution is intended to be a conservative step. We want to see the effect of this change before considering a change to points from finals since that might require adjusting the 200/75 point thresholds for the title. This resolution was presented in 2019 and an argument against it was that it would require ring by ring scoring. That is not true. Ring by ring scoring means the point value of each award is determined per ring based on cats present in that ring only. This proposal does not attempt to implement that. For each award within a show (all ribbons and finals), the points for that award will still be calculated once per show based on the cats present in all the rings for that award just as it is now. Each cat will only get points from one award per ring, that which carries more points. So if a champion earns a Brown/Orange ribbon and the Purple ribbon but no final in a ring, it gets only the</p> |   |

points from the higher award (presumably the Brown/Orange ribbon) in that ring. If the cat earns only the purple ribbon in another ring, it gets only the points from the purple ribbon in that ring. If the cat gets class ribbons and a final in some rings, it gets the highest pointed award from those rings. The values of the ribbons will be the same for all rings, but each cat's points will be determined by what awards it gets in each ring, just exactly as it is now. This will add two potential awards for champions & premiers in each ring – the brown and orange ribbons – and the point values for those awards will be determined once per show. This change passed the delegation in 2019 with a large margin but since it was presented from the floor, it was advisory to the board. For reasons passing understanding, the board declined to implement it.

This proposal passed at the June Annual Meeting, but did not obtain a 2/3 majority.

**Newkirk:** OK Monte, you're recognized. **Phillips:** OK, we're back now to the proposals that only passed by a majority and not by 2/3. The first one has to do with scoring points for champions and opens that beat grands within their breed. Currently, champions and opens only get points for the champions and opens they defeat. So, if they get the brown ribbon, for example, and they were the only champion in that ring and there were 4 grands, that brown ribbon is worth zero [grand] points. If they make a final they could get points there, but in the breed they walk away with zip, even though they defeated 4 grands. This would change that and give them points for cats defeated, as well as grand points for cats that were grands within that breed. It passed but did not pass by 2/3.

**Calhoun:** Question. Is this built into the \$13,000 spend for programming, or is it in addition to? **Tartaglia:** This would be minimal. There would be some, but it would be minimal. **Calhoun:** And you can accomplish this for next season? **Tartaglia:** Sure. **Calhoun:** OK, thank you. **Currle:** Cats defeated should be counted. **Wilson:** I tend to agree with this, but not at the breed level. I would rather see it at the final level. I'm a little – I guess I would like to see some information about how often and how many points this actually affects. I don't know if anybody has actually looked at this, and how many points this might add to a cat, but it seems silly to me to give a grand point in class but not also give a grand point for grands defeated in a top 10 final. I guess I don't understand why you do one and not the other. That's all. **Newkirk:** Thank you Annette. Anybody else? **Morgan:** A few of the statistics that I've seen – and those are based off the last few show seasons – the majority of the champions that defeated grands also finaled in the top 10 by majority; that means, more than 60% or so, or top 15 if there was a top 15. Apparently every champion that defeated more than one grand actually did make those finals, but the majority of the time champions of course didn't defeat grands. I don't know if that helps or hurts. Again, I'm glad to hear that the costs involved with this are minimal. I don't know, I kind of feel like we're sitting in a time when we've got a whole lot of things in flux and I'm not sure this is the time to be making a lot of programming changes that aren't moving us forward in terms of like our entry program and the genetic things and all the cool stuff that James is going to talk about later. I hate to see us taking our focus off of those really important projects, the things that are designed to address issues that come up once in a blue moon. **Newkirk:** OK thank you. Any other comments? I'll call the question. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Moser, Wilson and Morgan voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Mark Hannon, Rich Mastin, Kenny Currle, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Steve McCullough, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy. If you will take your hands down, if you're opposed to this, please raise your hand. Pam Moser, Annette Wilson, Melanie Morgan. If

you will take your hands down, any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 13 yes, 3 no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** OK, so the rule is agreed to.

**2 – Show Rule Article XXXVI, Determination of Show Points - Eliminate decrement scoring for finals [NOTE: This proposal passed by one vote on its original vote, and failed on its re-vote.]**

| Article XXXVI,<br>Determination of Show<br>Points   | CFA Annual Meeting Proposal 20   |  |
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| Existing Wording  | Proposed Wording   |  |
| <p><b>DETERMINATION OF SHOW POINTS</b></p> <p>Points are awarded in the following manner based on the wins achieved in each ring and the official show count of cats/kittens/ household pets in competition.</p> <p>Eligible Wins</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Best cat/kitten/household pet – one point for each cat/kitten defeated.</li><li>2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Best cat/kitten/household pet (HHP) – 95% of the points awarded to best cat/kitten/HHP, 3rd best cat/kitten/HHP 90%, 4th best 85%, 5th best 80%, etc.</li><li>3. Best of breed/division – one point for each cat defeated within the breed/division.</li><li>4. 2<sup>nd</sup> best of breed/division – 95% of the points awarded to best of breed/division.</li><li>5. Points achieved in individual rings are added to determine an entry’s total points for the show.</li></ol>   | <p><b>DETERMINATION OF SHOW POINTS</b></p> <p>Points are awarded in the following manner based on the wins achieved in each ring and the official show count of cats/kittens/ household pets in competition.</p> <p>Eligible Wins</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <del>Best cat/kitten/household pet – one point for each cat/kitten defeated.</del> Each cat/kitten in each championship/premiership/kitten/household pet final – one point for each cat/kitten defeated.</li><li>2. <del>2<sup>nd</sup> Best cat/kitten/household pet (HHP) – 95% of the points awarded to best cat/kitten/HHP, 3rd best cat/kitten/HHP 90%, 4th best 85%, 5th best 80%, etc.</del></li><li>3. Best of breed/division – one point for each cat/kitten defeated within the breed/division.</li><li>4. <del>3.</del> 2nd best of breed/division – 95% of the points awarded to best of breed/division.</li><li>5. <del>4.</del> Points achieved in individual rings are added to determine an entry’s total points for the show. In all cases an entry will receive the points from only one award per ring – that which carries the most points.</li></ol> |  |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This resolution removes the decrement scoring system for all classes in finals scored for National/Regional points. This does not change the decrement for the orange ribbon (2nd Best of Breed/Division) or for champion/premier points. In a final of 101 cats, Best Cat defeats 100 cats and gets 100 points. 10th best cat defeats 90 cats but only gets 55 points. 10th best cat gets 55% of the points after defeating 90% of the cats, 15th best cat gets 30% of the points after defeating 85% of the cats. The math penalty gets worse in a top 20 final such as we have at the International Show in the kitten class. In a class of 101 kittens, 20th best kitten would defeat 80 kittens but get only 5 points, defeating 80% of the kittens and getting just 5% of the points. The bigger the class, the worse the penalty for being low in the final even though the cat defeats many other cats. The biggest impact of this change would be for the cats that make a few finals in a show or make them low. The value of specialty rings would improve. Does this benefit the NW-campaigned cats? The top NW campaigners are already making finals high and already getting the</p> |  |  |

“math” benefit from getting higher percentages of the finals, they would likely continue to rank almost the same as with the decrement system. Strategy might change for some, and some of the races might be closer for longer, but in the end, the cat that can make high finals consistently will still get the higher placement at the end of the season. Exhibitors vying for the NWs will adjust their strategy exactly as they did when we changed from the ring point averaging system to top 100 rings. The regional-campaigned cats would get the most benefit from this change. Cats looking for points for regional awards will see a difference in points kept from small shows, especially specialty rings. Most cats vying for regional wins do not get to 100 rings and do not benefit from substitution. With actual points, these cats will keep more points from every ring. When this was proposed at the 2019 annual, one of the arguments against was that this would compress the point difference between placements, or as was said “squish” the point spread of the top cats. Dick Kallmeyer ran the scoring for the 2019 season for the top cats using this method and it did not “squish” the total points at the end of the season, in fact just the opposite. For some placements, the differential between placements was increased. Some cats swapped places in the standings, but only two cats in championship in R1-9 would have fallen out of the top 25, replaced by two other cats whose owners were trying for those spots. One cat in premierships would have fallen out, but someone else would have gladly made it in. No HHPs or kittens would have fallen out. We must be careful when looking at end-of-season results scored differently than the rules in place for the season. These statistical tests do not mean the rankings would have changed in reality. Exhibitors base their strategy on the scoring system in place at the time and the rankings from week to week. Those cats that look like they would have fallen out of the top 25 might have stayed in under any scoring system because they might have gone to different shows based on potential point gains. The point of this analysis is that changing the scoring of the top cats is not affected as was predicted in prior arguments. The actual points method does not “squish” the season-end totals. Another argument against this in 2019 was that this would somehow hurt small shows. Most shows *are* small shows and we all have to go somewhere! We have very few big shows anymore, which is why we have twice in the past ten years lowered the requirement to have top 15 in the finals. If given a choice between a large distant show with the potential for one or two low finals and a smaller local show with a lower count on the same weekend even with a potential for more and higher finals, the argument is that the exhibitor would choose to travel or fly to the further large show because the cat would keep more points with this change to the scoring. This argument is flawed because exhibitors pick shows based on several criteria – location, location, location, lineup, and count. Most exhibitors consider only location and will pick the easiest show to get to, even when they are hunting points, because most exhibitors do not like to travel long distances or fly with a cat when they have a closer show. Traveling requires more time and a lot more expense, and to travel to a large show where every top cat will be is a huge gamble that most people will be reluctant to take when they have a closer smaller show that also fits their needs. In fact, more people would be happy to stay local when they know they can keep more points from the show, large or small. So the argument that this change would be detrimental to small shows is misplaced and ignores the reality of how exhibitors choose shows. The scoring for the brown and orange ribbons remains the same since a class must have 20+ cats for actual points to be beneficial. Anything under 20 and the 5% decrement is more points. Very few breeds have 20+ cats in the class. Were we to make this change for the champion/premier placements, we would have to consider adjusting the 200/75-point thresholds. Points for champion/premier placements will remain the same.

This proposal passed as originally voted on, but was re-voted on due to a discrepancy with the title, and the revote failed. It is presented here for Board consideration as it passed the first time.

**Newkirk:** OK Monte, you’re back up. **Phillips:** #20 affects how show points are counted for now versus in the future. This is only for finals right now, but this proposal would change the scoring so that a cat would receive 1 point for each cat it defeats. The 95/90/85/80 decrements would completely go away. So, in a final, for example, with 101 cats present, where best cat got 100 points and 10<sup>th</sup> best cat got 55 points, that would change to best cat gets 100 points and 10<sup>th</sup> best cat gets 90 points. When this was first voted on, it passed by one vote. It was re-voted on

and it failed, so whether or not you even want to address this is up to you guys. I wrote it up just to have it. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you.

**Eigenhauser:** I understand the value in having a simpler scoring system. I certainly understand people that have a hard time multiplying by 95%, 85%, etc., etc., but what this does is, it compresses our final so that the spread between the best cat and the 10<sup>th</sup> cat is significantly smaller, and so the excitement of being best cat instead of 10<sup>th</sup> best cat is also going to be significantly smaller. Essentially, it's no longer going to matter where you place in the final, it's only going to be 2 or 3 points different if you're all in the top 5, so the placement becomes less important. It becomes more of a pass/fail. You made the final or you didn't. I'm not convinced this is what CFA really wants. We've had resolutions come before us before that passed on year and failed the next because people are unsure about this. I would rather turn this down now and if it comes back again, maybe that isn't how people really feel about it but right now I'm not convinced that people are willing to take away some of the excitement the current scoring system gives us by creating a bigger spread between the placements. **Newkirk:** Monte, just to clarify, was this the resolution that, when it first got voted on and passed, it had the wrong verbiage in the link? **Phillips:** Correct. **Newkirk:** And then we put the correct verbiage in and voted on it, and it failed. **Phillips:** Correct. **Newkirk:** OK. Shelly, you can correct me if I'm wrong, it doesn't mean that we can't consider this. **Perkins:** It was pre-noticed. You can consider it. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. **Tartaglia:** Darrell, my concern with this is that if this were passed is, we would now have two different scoring systems in place. Very confusing. We have the points system – you know, the 1 to 999 or whatever for finals, and then we go to decrements for breed wins. If we're going to do this, just do it across the board like we do for our regular scoring. We use decrements in finals, we use decrements in breed. They are different decrements of course, but I think having basically two different ways to score one show is going to be confusing to exhibitors. We can program for it. There is a cost involved. I'm not even getting into that, but I'm just concerned about the confusion. **Roy:** I'm going to agree with George mostly, but also because it's controversial. We know it failed, we know it passed by one vote. There doesn't seem to be a clear-cut majority, so I think we would be wiser to ask whoever it is to bring it up again next year. **Morgan:** I don't want to duplicate what Sharon just said. I was going to concur with George. The compression concerns me significantly, but more importantly the fact that there is certainly no mandate here on the confusion involving this, even when the first time it came up it only passed by one vote, so it was clearly a divisive topic and it takes our entire system and sets it upside down and creates a whole lot of other issues – different scoring, as Allene pointed out; different scoring for grands; and just totally confuses things. I think at this point we would be best to send it back to the delegates for next year. **Hannon:** While I don't support this, I do want to point out that we don't have the number of no votes. We didn't record that, and so it could have potentially been far fewer people actually voting the second time around. By taking at the beginning of the meeting how many people are present, rather than by each motion, we're misled as to what passed and what failed. If you're attending the meeting in person, it's only the people in the room whose hands are raised that we count, but here we're counting the votes of people who may have walked off and not even been participating at that point. **Newkirk:** That's a chronic issue. No hands are up. Let's vote on this. All those in favor raise your hand please.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Anger abstained.

**Newkirk:** That was easy. Those opposed, raise your hand. There were no yes votes. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar, Howard



Webster, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Pam Moser, Hayata-san, Cathy Dunham, Kenny Currle, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson. If you will take your hands down, abstentions please raise your hand. Rachel Anger. Pam Moser, I didn't see a vote for you. **Moser:** I was a no vote. **Newkirk:** Alright, thank you. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** I do not have a vote for Mark Hannon, Steve McCullough. **McCullough:** Steve was a no. **Hannon:** I had my hand raised for a no and you just skipped over me when you were reading it off. **Newkirk:** Oh did I? I'm sorry. My apologies. Sometimes this screen jumps. It moves up and my eye keeps going down, so my apologies. Alright, so you can announce the vote Rachel. **Anger:** Zero yes, 15 no, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is not agreed to.

### ***3 – Multiple Show Rules - Amend References to Recording Number for HHPs to Companion Cat Registration Numbers - Clarify HHP Now Means Companion Cat***

| Rule # 2.20f, 2.25, 7.07, 7.09d, 10.23a, 10.23c, 12.19, 13.09m, 13.10, 14.01, and Article XXXVI   | Request from Central Office   |  |
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| Existing Wording  | Proposed Wording  |  |
| 2.20 f. The HOUSEHOLD PET (HHP) CLASS is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry. Household pets are eligible only for awards in the Household Pet Class. Household pets are to be judged separately from all other cats, solely on beauty and condition. Wild cats or wild cat-domestic cat hybrid crosses are not eligible for entry. For Bengals to enter this class, they must have a registration number. (See Article VI – Entering the Show). | 2.20 f. The HOUSEHOLD PET (HHP) CLASS is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry. Household pets, <u>or Companion Cats</u> , are eligible only for awards in the Household Pet Class. Household pets are to be judged separately from all other cats, solely on beauty and condition. Wild cats or wild cat-domestic cat hybrid crosses are not eligible for entry. For Bengals to enter this class, they must have a registration number. (See Article VI – Entering the Show). |  |
| 2.25 A RECORDED CAT is a Household Pet cat for which a CFA recording number has been received from the Central Office. Pedigreed cats with CFA registration numbers can compete as if they were a recorded cat if the registration prefix is changed to the household pet color class prefix (0892/0893). This color class transfer is a one-way transfer; reversal is subject to approval by the CFA Executive Board.  | 2.25 A RECORDED CAT is a Household Pet cat for which a CFA <del>recording</del> <u>Companion Cat Registration</u> number has been received from the Central Office. Pedigreed cats with CFA registration numbers can compete as if they were a recorded cat if the registration prefix is changed to the household pet color class prefix (0892/0893). This color class transfer is a one-way transfer; reversal is subject to approval by the CFA Executive Board.                                       |  |
| 7.07 An official CFA championship claim form and application to obtain a Household Pet Recording Number, or facsimiles thereof must be printed or inserted in the show catalog.   | <u>Within these rules, the terms Companion Cat and Household Pet; or recording number and Companion Cat Registration number may be used interchangeably, as they refer to the same thing.</u>   |  |
| 7.09 d. a notice that all Championship and Premiership entries, all registered Kittens, all recorded Household Pets, and all registered   | 7.07 An official CFA championship claim form and application to obtain a <del>Household Pet</del>   |  |

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| <p>cats competing with Household Pet color class prefixes (whose registration or recording numbers are printed or written in ink in the catalog) will be scored for CFA awards; and</p> <p>10.23 a. It is the exhibitor's responsibility, upon arrival at the show, to confirm that the registration/recording number, region/area of residence, the color/tabby pattern, and other entry information as printed in the catalog is correct.</p> <p>10.23 c. If any of the entry information as printed in the catalog is in error, or a registration number or household pet recording number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide corrections of the information printed in error and/or the lacking registration or recording number to the master clerk or the Entry Clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), as appropriate. An official catalog correction request form must be used and the exhibitor submitting the form must obtain a copy of the catalog correction form signed by the master clerk, or designated representative, showing the correct information has been supplied for corrections of erroneous or missing entry information involving the name, registration or recording number, birth date, ownership, region of residence of the cat, or competitive category (Novice, Open, Champion, Premier, Grand Champion, Grand Premier, Household Pet). This receipt should be retained by the exhibitor in the event any question might arise at a future date regarding an entry. For erroneous information regarding sex, age, color/tabby pattern, color class, competitive category (changes to or from Grand Champion/Grand Premier only) or competitive class of the cat, the correction must be made on the absentee/transfer sheet with the entry clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), or, if check-in is completed, with each ring clerk prior to the cat being judged. Correction of erroneous information regarding the sire, dam, or breeder is not required. Changes to titles within the Bronze/Silver/Gold tiers of Champion and Premier are not required.</p> <p>12.19 The master clerk will accept completed official championship/premiership and agility claim forms, Agility Ringmaster's Scoresheet, and</p> | <p><u>Recording Companion Cat Registration</u> Number, or facsimiles thereof must be printed or inserted in the show catalog.</p> <p>7.09 d. a notice that all Championship and Premiership entries, all registered Kittens, <del>all recorded</del> Household Pets, and all registered cats competing with Household Pet color class prefixes (whose registration <del>or recording</del> numbers are printed or written in ink in the catalog) will be scored for CFA awards; and</p> <p>10.23 a. It is the exhibitor's responsibility, upon arrival at the show, to confirm that the registration/<del>recording</del> number, region/area of residence, the color/tabby pattern, and other entry information as printed in the catalog is correct.</p> <p>10.23 c. If any of the entry information as printed in the catalog is in error, or a registration number <del>or household pet recording number</del> has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide corrections of the information printed in error and/or the lacking registration <del>or recording</del> number to the master clerk or the Entry Clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), as appropriate. An official catalog correction request form must be used and the exhibitor submitting the form must obtain a copy of the catalog correction form signed by the master clerk, or designated representative, showing the correct information has been supplied for corrections of erroneous or missing entry information involving the name, registration <del>or recording</del> number, birth date, ownership, region of residence of the cat, or competitive category (Novice, Open, Champion, Premier, Grand Champion, Grand Premier, Household Pet). This receipt should be retained by the exhibitor in the event any question might arise at a future date regarding an entry. For erroneous information regarding sex, age, color/tabby pattern, color class, competitive category (changes to or from Grand Champion/Grand Premier only) or competitive class of the cat, the correction must be made on the absentee/transfer sheet with the entry clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), or, if check-in is completed, with each ring clerk prior to the cat being judged. Correction of erroneous</p> |
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| <p>Household Pet Recording Number applications. In addition, the master clerk will also accept correction slips that transfer a cat from Open, Champion or Premier to Grand in either the Championship or Premiership classes from the owner/agent. Correction slips are not required for transfer between tiers of the Bronze/Silver/Gold Champions and Premiers. The master clerk will provide the show secretary with a list of the catalog numbers of these transfers.</p> <p>The master clerk will prepare Championship and Premiership confirmation forms and Household Pet Recording Number applications by securely stapling or clipping checks to the claim form or application, as appropriate. The master clerk is not required to accept cash payment for the confirmation fee.</p> <p>All confirmations, applications, and transfers must be submitted to the Central Office with the show records.</p> <p>13.09 m. Official Household Pet Recording Number application forms, if any, filled out and submitted to the master clerk at the show with the appropriate fee.</p> <p>13.10 Upon receipt of a Household Pet (HHP) Recording Number application form, Central Office will score that cat for CFA award points for that and all subsequent shows. In the event the owner does not receive the recording number back from Central Office before the next show, the owner can still enter the HHP in the next show and submit a note to the master clerk to include in the show package to notify the scorer at CO that the HHP's recording application is already at CO, and the scorer will include the points from that show for that HHP. The catalog correction form will be used for this to avoid creating a new form.</p> <p>14.01 Scoring Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the kitten or cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration or recording number or the lack of a CFA registration or recording number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the kitten or cat in question was received in the Central Office no</p> | <p>information regarding the sire, dam, or breeder is not required. Changes to titles within the Bronze/Silver/Gold tiers of Champion and Premier are not required.</p> <p>12.19 The master clerk will accept completed official championship/premiership and agility claim forms, Agility Ringmaster's Scoresheet, and <u>Companion Cat (Household Pet) Registration</u> <del>Household Pet Recording</del> Number applications. In addition, the master clerk will also accept correction slips that transfer a cat from Open, Champion or Premier to Grand in either the Championship or Premiership classes from the owner/agent. Correction slips are not required for transfer between tiers of the Bronze/Silver/Gold Champions and Premiers. The master clerk will provide the show secretary with a list of the catalog numbers of these transfers.</p> <p>The master clerk will prepare Championship and Premiership confirmation forms and <u>Companion Cat Registration</u> <del>Household Pet Recording</del> Number applications by securely stapling or clipping checks to the claim form or application, as appropriate. The master clerk is not required to accept cash payment for the confirmation fee.</p> <p>All confirmations, applications, and transfers must be submitted to the Central Office with the show records.</p> <p>13.09 m. Official <u>Companion Cat Registration</u> <del>Household Pet Recording</del> Number application forms, if any, filled out and submitted to the master clerk at the show with the appropriate fee.</p> <p>13.10 Upon receipt of a <del>Household Pet (HHP) Recording</del> <u>Companion Cat (HHP) Registration</u> Number application form, Central Office will score that cat for CFA award points for that and all subsequent shows. In the event the owner does not receive the <u>registration</u> <del>recording</del> number back from Central Office before the next show, the owner can still enter the HHP/<u>Companion Cat</u> in the next show and submit a note to the master clerk to include in the show package to notify the scorer at CO that the HHP's <del>recording</del> <u>registration</u> application is already at CO, and the scorer will include the points</p> |
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| <p>later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question or an application for a Temporary Registration Number or recording number is included in the show package. A correctly completed registration or recording number application is one which contains all the information necessary to register or record, as applicable, the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests for registered cats must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement. Such requests for HHPs must be made to Central Office 90 days after completion of the show or in the case of regional points, by the Monday following the end of the show season, and must include the correct recording number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.</p> <p>Article XXXVI, Eligibility, Item 3</p> <p>Household Pet classes – all Household Pets entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, <b>AND</b> which have been individually provided with a recording number, or in the case of a pedigreed cat competing as a household pet, a cat whose registration prefix has been changed to the household pet color class number (0892/0893), and whose recording or registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with the fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the Household Pet to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the Household Pet's CFA recording or registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA recording or registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied.</p> | <p>from that show for that HHP. The catalog correction form will be used for this to avoid creating a new form.</p> <p>14.01 Scoring Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the kitten or cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration <del>or recording</del> number or the lack of a CFA registration <del>or recording</del> number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the kitten or cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question or an application for a Temporary Registration Number or <del>recording</del> <u>Companion Cat Registration</u> number is included in the show package. A correctly completed registration <del>or recording</del> number application is one which contains all the information necessary to register <del>or record</del>, as applicable, the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests for registered cats must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement. Such requests for HHPs must be made to Central Office 90 days after completion of the show or in the case of regional points, by the Monday following the end of the show season, and must include the correct <del>recording</del> <u>Companion Cat Registration</u> number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.</p> <p>Article XXXVI, Eligibility, Item 3</p> <p>Household Pet classes – all Household Pets entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, <b>AND</b> which have been individually provided with a <u>Companion Cat Registration</u> number, or in the case</p> |
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of a pedigreed cat competing as a household pet, a cat whose registration prefix has been changed to the household pet color class number (0892/0893), and whose ~~recording or~~ registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with the fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the Household Pet to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the Household Pet's CFA ~~recording or~~ registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA ~~recording or~~ registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied.

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|  | <p>accompanied by a fee as specified in the CFA's current price list for point reinstatement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Index Items</p> <p><u>Companion Cat Registration</u>.....2.25</p> <p><u>Companion Cat/HHP Registration</u></p> <p><u>Number Applications</u>..... 7.07, 12.19</p> <p><u>HHP Registration Recording</u> .....2.25</p> <p><u>HHP Recording Registration number</u></p> <p><u>Applications</u>..... 7.07, 12.19</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Central Office no longer issues recording numbers for Household Pets. Cats/kittens in this category now receive Companion Cat registration numbers, and are referred to by Central Office in official records as Companion Cats. Central Office requested that we change all references to Household Pets in the show rules to Companion Cat/Household Pet. Rather than change all of those reference, which are almost two hundred some references in the show rules to the term Companion Cat/Household Pet in these rules, we are just noting that the two terms are synonymous. Similarly, an HHP recording number is synonymous with a Companion Cat Registration number. We have changed all of the rules here regarding recording numbers to registration numbers.</p> |   |

**Newkirk:** Monte, next. **Phillips:** The next proposal comes from Central Office and it has to do with Household Pets. What they wanted to do was originally change everywhere we have “Household Pet” in the rules, to call it “Companion Cat”. I kind of talked to them and said, do you really want to do about 109 different rule changes? The answer was, no I don’t think we want to do that many, so I wrote it up as if we just talk about the fact that we now issue registration numbers for Companion Cats instead of recording numbers for Household Pets. So, this is a rule change that references the registration number for Companion Cats and changes it and calls it that, instead of recording numbers for Household Pets. It’s going to be long.

**Anger:** Can we hear from Central Office why they requested this? I see the rationale, but I just want to know a little more. **Tartaglia:** Sure. We no longer register Household Pets. There is a Household Pet class, but we register Companion Cats. In other words, if you register a Companion Cat, your registration certificate will say “Companion Cat”. It wouldn’t say “Household Pet”. So, it’s just a way to clarify it, also to have it be more clear that we register non-pedigreed cats as Companion Cats, and just to make it more clear in the show rules, to make a reference to them. **Anger:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? Are you ready for the question? All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Howard Webster, George Eigenhauser, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Melanie Morgan, Rachel Anger, Annette Wilson, Cathy Dunham, Sharon Roy, Kenny Curre, Pam DelaBar, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, Steve McCullough, Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. I don’t see any no votes. Any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That was unanimous with 16 yes, zero no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** Thank you. The motion is agreed to.



**4 – Show Rule 28.04.b. - Replace Text With a Table Showing Grading Requirements**

| Rule # 28.04.b.   | Central Office   |               |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
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| Existing Wording  | Proposed Wording   |               |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| <p>b. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Malta, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), the International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, and Indonesia), the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Taiwan and Vietnam, ninety (90) points are required for Grand Championship; forty (40) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia one hundred twenty-five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In the Ukraine and China, two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship. In China and Hong Kong seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Malaysia fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Thailand and Indonesia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Ukraine and Russia (east of the Ural mountains) twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</p> | <p><del>b. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy five (75) points for Grand Premiership in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Malta, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), the International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, and Indonesia), the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Taiwan and Vietnam, ninety (90) points are required for Grand Championship; forty (40) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia one hundred twenty five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In the Ukraine and China, two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship. In China and Hong Kong seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Malaysia fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Thailand and Indonesia twenty five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Ukraine and Russia (east of the Ural mountains) twenty five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</del> <u>Grand Point Requirements for the Grand Champion and Grand Premier title are as shown in the following table based on location of cat ownership:</u></p> <table> <tr> <th>Country/Area</th><th>GC<br/>Pts Rqd</th><th>GP<br/>Pts Rqd</th></tr> <tr> <td>Regions 1-9 except as noted, China</td><td>200</td><td>75</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, &amp; Indonesia)</u></td><td>75</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Hong Kong</u></td><td>125</td><td>75</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Thailand, Indonesia</u></td><td>125</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Malaysia</u></td><td>125</td><td>50</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Ukraine</u></td><td>200</td><td>25</td></tr> </table> |               | Country/Area | GC<br>Pts Rqd | GP<br>Pts Rqd | Regions 1-9 except as noted, China | 200 | 75 | <u>Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, &amp; Indonesia)</u> | 75 | 25 | <u>Hong Kong</u> | 125 | 75 | <u>Thailand, Indonesia</u> | 125 | 25 | <u>Malaysia</u> | 125 | 50 | <u>Ukraine</u> | 200 | 25 |
| Country/Area  | GC<br>Pts Rqd  | GP<br>Pts Rqd |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| Regions 1-9 except as noted, China  | 200  | 75            |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| <u>Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, &amp; Indonesia)</u>   | 75   | 25            |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| <u>Hong Kong</u>  | 125  | 75            |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| <u>Thailand, Indonesia</u>  | 125  | 25            |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| <u>Malaysia</u>   | 125  | 50            |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |
| <u>Ukraine</u>  | 200  | 25            |              |               |               |                                    |     |    |   |    |    |                  |     |    |                            |     |    |                 |     |    |                |     |    |

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|  | Taiwan and Vietnam | 90 | 40 |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> The use of a table to identify how the bronze, silver, and gold champion awards are determined pointed out the need to make it easier for exhibitors to identify grand point requirements to obtain the grand title. These point requirements vary by geographic area of ownership, and a table makes it much easier to identify what is required.</p> <p>NOTE: The table in this rule changes no point requirements currently in effect, and is meant to be the requirement normally in effect. There is another table located in Section D of this report that applies to grand point requirements that are in effect solely for the 2021-2022 show season.</p> |                    |    |    |

**Newkirk:** Monte, next. **Phillips:** The next one is Show Rule 28.04.b. 28.04.b. specifies grand requirements all over the world. It is all written up as one gigantic paragraph that talks about, if you live here your point requirements are this, if you live in Asia but not these countries your point requirements are this, if you live in some of these countries your point requirements are that. Rather than have it that way, 28.04.b. is amended to just be a table that will show you, depending on where you live, what your point requirements are for grand champion or grand premier. Nothing is changed. It's just a matter of presentation.

**DelaBar:** I had a Zoom meeting with my region. For people who speak English as a second, third or fourth language, having all that verbiage was quite often confusing. They love the table, just love it. **Newkirk:** Looks nice. **Eigenhauser:** I like the table too, but when we put it in the Show Rules, can we fix the tabs? Some of the column headings don't match up with the substance. **Tartaglia:** Yes, we'll make it pretty. **Calhoun:** Yahoo, let's vote. **Newkirk:** OK. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** I should have called unanimous consent, I guess. George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Mark Hannon, Howard Webster, Melanie Morgan, Rachel Anger, Kathy Calhoun, Kenny Currie, Hayata-san, Pam Moser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Steve McCullough are all yes votes. If you will take your hands down, the no votes? Annette, I didn't see a vote for you. **Wilson:** I had my hand up, voting for. **Newkirk:** OK thank you. No no votes. Any abstentions? OK, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's unanimous, with 16 yes, zero no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** Thank you. The motion is agreed to.

***5 – Show Rules 28.08 and 29.04 - Revise Grand of Distinction Requirements to Have Same Requirement for 2021-2022 Season as Exists for 2020-2021 Season - Already Passed at April Meeting***

| Rule # 28.08 and 29.04   | CFA Board at April 20th Meeting  |  |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording   |  |
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| <p>shall be eligible to claim the “HP Grand of Distinction” title.</p> <p>This title will be automatically added to a cat’s record once the requirements have been met.</p>  | <p>CFA award points in each of those seasons shall be eligible to claim the “HP Grand of Distinction” title.</p> <p>This title will be automatically added to a cat’s record once the requirements have been met.</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> At the April 20, 2021, meeting, the Board decided to keep the grand of distinction requirements in place for the 2020-2021 season for the 2021-2022 season as well. The above is the rule text that accomplishes this request. Since it was already approved, it is just provided here for clarification. No action necessary on this rule.</p> |   |

**Newkirk:** Monte, next. **Phillips:** #5 I don’t know if you need to vote on it. It was already voted on basically in April of this year. It’s the Grand of Distinction requirements for the 2021-2022 show season. The decision back then was to make them the same as they were for the 2020-2021 season. That’s what this does. There’s two rules associated with Grand of Distinction; one for Household Pets, one for everybody else. **Newkirk:** And they have already been amended. Is that correct, Monte? **Phillips:** Correct. **Newkirk:** So I don’t think we need to vote on it. **Phillips:** No. I think it has already been passed. We’re done with that one. **Newkirk:** Yes, let’s go to the next one.

[From beginning of Sunday meeting] **Hannon:** In the notes that went out this morning on yesterday’s meeting, it stated that the rules for the Grand of Distinction were extended into the new show season. I wanted to make sure our constituents understood, “new show season” meant the current show season, not the next show season starting May 1<sup>st</sup>.

[**Secretary’s Note:** The meeting notes read as follows: *The rules for Grand of Distinction title were formally extended into the next show season.*]

## 6 – Amend Show Rule 4.06 - Reduces Specialty Ring Requirements to License a Show

| Rule # 4.06  | Sharon Roy and Melanie Morgan  |  |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording   |  |
| <p>The CFA Central Office will issue a license for the following types of shows:</p> <p>a. A one day show which permits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings. Shows with four or fewer judging rings are not required to contain a specialty ring, but may offer them if they so choose.</li> <li>a one-day show format consisting of up to six rings with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or</li> </ol> | <p>The CFA Central Office will issue a license for the following types of shows:</p> <p>a. A one day show which permits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings. Shows with four or fewer judging rings are not required to contain a specialty ring, but may offer them if they so choose.</li> <li>a one-day show format consisting of up to six rings with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or</li> </ol> |  |



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| <p>Specialty rings for shows licensed in Regions 8, 9, or the International Division (excluding China). For shows licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings must include at least one Specialty ring for both longhair and shorthair specialties in kittens, championship, and premiership. The use of a Super Specialty ring will not meet this requirement.</p> <p>3. Two one day shows in the same location consisting of up to six rings held on the first day and up to six rings held on the second day with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry each day. To be licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the total number of specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership shall comply with the following formula: for fewer than five total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, no specialty rings are required; for five or six total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least one longhair and one shorthair specialty ring are required between the two shows; for seven or eight total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least two longhair and two shorthair specialty rings between the two shows are required; for nine or ten total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least three longhair and three shorthair specialty rings between the two shows are required; for 11 or 12 total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least four longhair and four shorthair specialty rings between the two shows are required. To be licensed in Regions 8, 9, or the rest of the International Division (excluding Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand), the total number of specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership shall comply with the following formula: for six or fewer total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, no specialty rings are required; for seven, eight or nine total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least one longhair and one shorthair specialty ring are required between the two shows; for ten or more total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least two longhair and two shorthair specialty rings are required between the two shows. There are no specialty ring requirements for shows licensed in Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand.</p> | <p>Specialty rings for shows licensed in Regions 8, 9, or the International Division (excluding China). For shows licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings must include at least one Specialty ring for both longhair and shorthair specialties in kittens, championship, and premiership. The use of a Super Specialty ring will not meet this requirement.</p> <p>3. Two one day shows in the same location consisting of up to six rings held on the first day and up to six rings held on the second day with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry each day. <u>To be licensed, the shows are required to have <u>two Specialty rings between the two shows</u> <del>one Specialty ring</del> for both longhair and shorthair specialties in kittens, championship, and premiership.</u> <del>To be licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the total number of specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership shall comply with the following formula: for fewer than five total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, no specialty rings are required; for five or six total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least one longhair and one shorthair specialty ring are required between the two shows; for seven or eight total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least two longhair and two shorthair specialty rings between the two shows are required; for nine or ten total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least three longhair and three shorthair specialty rings between the two shows are required; for 11 or 12 total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least four longhair and four shorthair specialty rings between the two shows are required. To be licensed in Regions 8, 9, or the rest of the International Division (excluding Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand), the total number of specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership shall comply with the following formula: for six or fewer total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, no specialty rings are required; for seven, eight or nine total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least one longhair and one shorthair specialty ring are required between the two shows; for ten or more total rings licensed at that location over the full weekend, at least two</del></p> |
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| <p>Requests to license two shows pursuant to this rule must be submitted together to Central Office, each with its appropriate license and insurance fees. In cases where more than one specialty ring is required, they must be split as evenly between the two shows as possible, i.e., if two required, one for each show; if three required, one for one show and two for the other; if four required, two for each show. The use of Super Specialty rings will not meet the requirement for specialty rings.</p> <p>b. A two day show which permits up to ten judgments per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of six judgments per entry per day. It is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. For shows in Regions 1-7 or China utilizing a total of 5 or 6 rings, at least one of these rings must be a shorthair and longhair Specialty ring in kittens, championship, and premiership. For shows in Regions 1-7 or China utilizing a total of 7 or 8 rings, at least two of these rings must be both shorthair and longhair Specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership. For shows in Regions 1-7 or China utilizing a total of 9 or 10 rings at least three of these rings must be both longhair and shorthair Specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership. For shows licensed In Regions 8, 9, or the rest of the International Division (excluding Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand), utilizing a total of 7, 8, or 9 rings, at least one of these rings must be both a shorthair and longhair Specialty ring in kittens, championship, and premiership. For shows in Regions 8, 9, or the rest of the International Division (excluding Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand), utilizing 10 rings, two of these rings must be both longhair and shorthair specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership. The use of Super Specialty rings will not meet the requirement for specialty rings. There are no specialty ring requirements for shows licensed in Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand. Two day shows offer a variety of formats:</p> <p>1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;</p> | <p><del>longhair and two shorthair specialty rings are required between the two shows. There are no specialty ring requirements for shows licensed in Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand. Requests to license two shows pursuant to this rule must be submitted together to Central Office, each with its appropriate license and insurance fees. In cases where more than one specialty ring is required, they must be split as evenly between the two shows as possible, i.e., if two required, one for each show; if three required, one for one show and two for the other; if four required, two for each show. The use of Super Specialty rings will not meet the requirement for specialty rings.</del></p> <p>b. A two day show which permits up to ten judgments per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of six judgments per entry per day. It is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. For shows in Regions 1-7 or China utilizing a total of <u>5, 6, 7, or 8</u> <del>or 6 rings</del>, at least one of these rings must be a shorthair and longhair Specialty ring in kittens, championship, and premiership. For shows in Regions 1-7 or China utilizing a total of <u>9 or 10</u> <del>7 or 8 rings</del>, at least two of these rings must be both shorthair and longhair Specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership. <del>For shows in Regions 1-7 or China utilizing a total of 9 or 10 rings at least three of these rings must be both longhair and shorthair Specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership.</del> For shows licensed In Regions 8, 9, or the rest of the International Division (excluding Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand), utilizing a total of 7, 8, or 9 rings, at least one of these rings must be both a shorthair and longhair Specialty ring in kittens, championship, and premiership. For shows in Regions 8, 9, or the rest of the International Division (excluding Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand), utilizing 10 rings, two of these rings must be both longhair and shorthair specialty rings in kittens, championship, and premiership. The use of Super Specialty rings will not meet the requirement for specialty rings. There are no specialty ring requirements for shows licensed in Hong Kong, Macau, Kuwait, or Thailand. Two day shows offer a variety of formats:</p> |
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| <p>2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;</p> <p>3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);</p> <p>4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days.</p> <p>5. The above #2, #3 and #4 described shows may have any combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings as long as the number of required specialty rings are met.</p> <p>c. A Best of the Best ring may be added to any format show described above. Participation in the Best of the Best competition shall not be considered a violation of the provisions in rule 4.05 and paragraphs 4.06.a. and b.</p> <p>d. The Central Office will also license breed/color specialty rings which limit entries to a certain breed(s)/division(s)/color(s) as either stand alone or concurrent with other Allbreed, Super Specialty, and/or Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings.</p> | <p>1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;</p> <p>2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;</p> <p>3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);</p> <p>4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days.</p> <p>5. The above #2, #3 and #4 described shows may have any combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings as long as the number of required specialty rings are met.</p> <p>c. A Best of the Best ring may be added to any format show described above. Participation in the Best of the Best competition shall not be considered a violation of the provisions in rule 4.05 and paragraphs 4.06.a. and b.</p> <p>d. The Central Office will also license breed/color specialty rings which limit entries to a certain breed(s)/division(s)/color(s) as either stand alone or concurrent with other Allbreed, Super Specialty, and/or Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings.</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Specialty rings involved added expense and time/schedule issues that impact negatively on many clubs. Given the fact that show sizes continue to drop and clubs are regularly using approved allbreed judges for the mandatory SP rings, the decrease in number required would provide relief for the clubs while still allowing space for advancing judges and opportunities for exhibitors for more finals.</p>  |   |

**Phillips:** The next one has to do with licensing shows, how many specialty rings are required. This is a request from Sharon Roy and Melanie Morgan to basically reduce the specialty ring requirements from the current value down basically to one. **Newkirk:** Sharon, would you or Melanie like to defend your motion here? **Roy:** OK, I will. Part of the reason that, when we discussed it and put it in, is that a lot of the shows are getting smaller and smaller. This keeps it a little bit more competitive. It also will save clubs some money with regarding to whatever they are ordering for final awards. We still want to have specialty rings for those going through the Program. We're not saying that people can't have more specialty rings, but it's more of economics than anything else. **Hannon:** I just want to verify that the super specialty rings do not count as specialty, correct? **Phillips:** Correct. That was not changed. **Hannon:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? Since I heard no one object to this, I'm going to call for unanimous consent. Does anyone object to the motion? Howard objects so I'll call for the vote. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Webster voting no. Currle and DelaBar abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Cathy Dunham, Hayata, Sharon Roy, Pam Moser, Steve McCullough, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Kathy Calhoun. If you will take your hands down, those that are a no vote please raise your hand. Howard Webster is a no. Abstentions? Kenny Currle and Pam DelaBar. Announce the vote, Rachel. **Anger:** That's 13 yes votes, 1 no vote, 2 abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to. Thank you Monte.

[From beginning of Sunday meeting] **Hannon:** The other thing was, when we went from requiring two specialty rings to one specialty ring, there seems to be a little bit of confusion in regard to the 6x6 format shows. What the current show rule says is that at least 4 rings between the two shows, so I'm assuming that what we voted for yesterday is changing that to at least two specialty rings between the two shows. It's not just one specialty ring throughout the weekend in a 6x6, it's two specialty rings as it was in the past. They don't have to be one specialty one day and another specialty the other day, it can be two specialties on one day and the other day to be six allbreeds. **Newkirk:** That wasn't clearly stated, so Mark I think you voted in favor of that, is that correct? **Hannon:** Yes. **Newkirk:** How about we have a motion to reconsider? We can do that, since this is the second day of a session, according to the bylaws, and so one person that voted in favor of it can make the motion to reconsider. Mark, are you willing to make that? **Hannon:** Sure. **McCullough:** Steve will second. **Newkirk:** All those in favor of the reconsideration, please raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion [to reconsider]. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** The motion to reconsider yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Hayata-san, Melanie, Kenny, Carol, Cathy Dunham, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Rich Mastin, Mark Hannon, Steve McCullough, Howard Webster, Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, are there any no votes? I have Kathy Calhoun for a no vote. **Calhoun:** Oh, I'm not a no, sorry. **Newkirk:** No problem. Any abstentions? No abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, so according to Robert's Rules, the motion before the vote was called is the motion that is pending. **Anger:** May I announce the vote for the reconsideration? **Newkirk:** Oh, yes. It was unanimous. **Anger:** It was unanimous, but officially 17 yes, zero no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK great, thank you very much.

**DelaBar:** I do want to remind the board and the constituents, these are notes. Most of the notes are taken in the middle of the night, so if you have something to add or correct let me know immediately and I put out a correction, or somebody else can volunteer to do them. **Newkirk:** Pam, we appreciate your work. Your notes this time were excellent. A little levity was added, which made them even better. I need someone to make an amendment to make this motion clearly state what Mark has brought up. Go ahead Mark. **Hannon:** First of all, let me say it was not meant to be critical of Pam and her notes, it was just to make a clarification so everybody understood what the word "next" meant. I move that Show Rule 4.05 be amended to state that *At least two longhair/short hair rings between the two shows.* **Newkirk:** Shelly, can you bring up that portion of yesterday's meeting when that Show Rule was addressed, so we can see what the motion was and what we're amending? **Borawski:** Which Show Rule was it? **Tartaglia:** 4.05. **Borawski:** I'll have to find it. **Newkirk:** I just want it up on the screen so that everybody can see

it, so we don't make a mistake. **Tartaglia:** I'm not sure if it was Section A, B or C. It was either A or B of Monte's Show Rule report. **Eigenhauser:** I believe it's item 6 of Monte's report. [Discussion to locate the correct proposal and display it on the screen.] **Newkirk:** Rachel, are you able to see how everybody voted on that? Can you bring that up? Were you able to find how the vote went on that? [**Secretary's Note:** The vote was *Motion Carried. Webster voting no. Currle and DelaBar abstained.*] **Mastin:** If you need the votes, I have the yes, no and abstentions. I don't have who did what. **Newkirk:** Tell me what you've got, Rich. **Mastin:** I've got 13 yes, 1 no, 2 abstentions. **Newkirk:** Would the no person be willing to come forward? **Webster:** I believe it was me, Howard. **Newkirk:** I just need to know who is entitled to make the motion to reconsider. OK, so we are reconsidering this. This was Sharon and Melanie who brought this forward. So Mark, would you mind repeating your amendment? **Hannon:** Where it says, *For shows licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings must include at least one Specialty ring for both longhair and shorthair specialties*, let me amend that to state, *For shows licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings must include at least ~~one Specialty ring~~ two Specialty rings between the two shows ...* **Perkins:** I think you're supposed to be looking at Paragraph 3. **Hannon:** That's where I'm at. Oh 3? **Perkins:** Paragraph 3, and it should say where it's underlined, it says to have one specialty ring, I think you're supposed to say – you're trying to add two specialty rings between the two shows. **Hannon:** Correct. **Perkins:** In the underlined section in Paragraph 3. **Hannon:** OK. So, my motion is what Shelly just said. **Hannon:** That was the easy way out. **Morgan:** Melanie seconds.

**Newkirk:** Let me get the list of participants up here. **DelaBar:** I was one of the abstentions. I believe that it's not right for me to impose a rule like this on my fellow Regional Directors in 1 through 7, so that's why I abstained. If they want this, very good. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? We're all clear that we're amending #3, as Shelly stated, so I'll call the vote. All those in favor, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Kenny Currle, Howard Webster, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy Calhoun, Rich Mastin, Melanie Morgan, Annette Wilson, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy, Pam Moser, Hayata-san, Steve McCullough, John Colilla. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. I don't see any. Gavin, we're voting. **Cao:** Sorry, my mistake. **Newkirk:** No problem. There are no no votes. Any abstentions? Pam DelaBar abstains. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** I do not have a vote from Cathy Dunham. **Dunham:** I was a yes, Rachel. **Newkirk:** Thank you. **Anger:** Thanks Cathy. That's 16 yes, zero no, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, so the amendment is agreed to.

**Newkirk:** Now we need to vote on the amended main motion here. Is there any further debate? Are we ready for the question? I don't see any hands up, so I'll call the vote for the amended motion. Please vote yes now if you're in favor of it.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Annette Wilson, Cathy Dunham, Kenny Currle, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Rachel Anger, Steve McCullough, Hayata-san, Howard Webster. If

you will take your hands down, anyone voting no please raise your hand. No no votes. Any abstentions? Pam DelaBar abstains. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** Thank you. This time I don't have a vote from Kathy Calhoun. **Calhoun:** I'm a yes. **Anger:** You're a yes, thank you. That's 16 yes, zero no, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. The amended motion is agreed to. Mark, do you have anything else? **Hannon:** No, that's it. Thanks a lot. **Newkirk:** You're very welcome.

**7 – Amend Show Rule 5.02 - Require Clubs to Include Information on Use of a Trainee at Their Show**

| Rule # 5.02i (new)  |  | Melanie Morgan  |
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| Existing Wording  |  | Proposed Wording  |
| None.   |  | i. <u>The names of any judge trainees that will be training at the show and with which judge they will be training.</u> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> A number of exhibitors have expressed frustration at the lack of transparency regarding training at shows. Trainees must pre-notice their training sessions by at least 21 days, so including them on the flyer would not be a hardship. Exhibitors are very generous with their time and with allowing our upcoming judges the opportunity to handle their cats, but they resent the fact that they cannot manage their expectations and often get blindsided when they arrive at a show only to discover that a trainee will be impacting the schedule. Including the fact that there will be a trainee, their name and specialty on the flyer is a courtesy that would go a long way towards improving the overall outlook on trainees.</p> <p>NOTE: The Show Rules Committee is opposed to these changes, and would request that the board vote against them for the following reason. The proposal to add trainees to the flyer could potentially lead to a significant number of protests. Let me explain why. Flyers are REQUIRED to be submitted to central office as part of the show license application (see rule 4.04.d.), and at a minimum must be published on the CFA's website at least 30 days in advance of the show. Shows are typically licensed around 90 days prior to the show. A judge notifying a club that they will be training at that show 21 days before the show would be well after the flyer was submitted to central office as the final flyer, and would require the club to issue another flyer which would not meet the 30 day requirement, hence a show rule violation. In addition, you would have two flyers in circulation, the “official” one issued with the trainee information, and the “early” flyer issued to license the show. While we were putting on shows, we typically issued our flyer about five months in advance of the show. As such, clubs would NOT be in compliance with this new rule, as it would be difficult to indicate a trainee would be at the show if they are not notified until AFTER the flyer has been issued and published. We would recommend that if it is the desire of the board to ensure exhibitors are notified of the use of a trainee at the show, it should be done in the same manner that is used to address substitute judges after the show is licensed. That does not require a change to the flyer.</p> |  |   |

**Newkirk:** Monte, next. **Phillips:** The next one has to do with Show Rule 5.02. It creates a new Section 5.02.i. that requires the names of judges that will be training at a show to be included in the flyer. I put that here because it was requested by Melanie. However, the Show Rules Committee does not support this proposal for two reasons. Number one, it will put almost every club in violation of this rule because they are not necessarily going to know what trainee is going to be existing at the show when they license the show. The flyer is required to be submitted to Central Office when the show is licensed, which used to be 90 days in advance of the show, at a minimum of 30 days in advance of the show, but the club doesn't necessarily



know they are going to have a trainee until 21 days in advance of the show, which means the flyer would either (a) be wrong, which is a violation of this show rule, or (b) have to be amended and changed, which is also a violation of this show rule. Take your choice.

**Morgan:** I put this hear because I've had such feedback from exhibitors since we started back up during COVID about the fact that they are frustrated coming to a show, having scheduled things based off what they think the count is going to be, etc., only to discover that there is one or two trainees there and that schedule is kind of thrown out the window and many of them have been stuck in the show hall until 7 or even 8 p.m. as a result. I want to clarify two things. One, I don't necessarily need it to be the name of the person notified. I think that the exhibitors have a right to know whether there will be a shorthair or a longhair or both training, that person training at the show. I am totally fine, Monte, with changing this or withdrawing it to require notification and then having us write something up that basically requires notification that a trainee will be at the show in line with what you have suggested, which is the same way that we would announce a judging change, etc. I would ask, Monte, that if you could put something together for consideration at the next scheduled meeting, that I would happily withdraw this motion. **Phillips:** I'm all for it. No problem. **Morgan:** Thank you very much. As long as, Darrell, we're OK addressing this at the next meeting, even though it would be potentially a show rule or whatever type thing, I'm totally fine. I would love to get – I don't care how we do it, I just would like to respond to the people who have given me their really sincere feedback. **Newkirk:** I don't object, Melanie, because it was presented at the appropriate time and you're wanting to alter it in a way, so at the next meeting it can be re-noticed after it has been reworked. **Currle:** I would like to hear comments from the present Chair of the Judging Program, if you two have gotten these concerns? **Newkirk:** Rachel Anger, you're recognized. **Anger:** I have my hand up for another issue, as well, so with the Chair's permission I'll answer. **Newkirk:** Two birds with one stone. **Anger:** OK, good. First of all, to answer Kenny's question, I have no input from any individuals or any members of the Judging Program Committee about this rule. So, whatever feedback, it has not been coming through the Judging Program Committee, since June at least. However, I do very much support some mechanism to let our constituents know and our exhibitors know that there will be a trainee at the show. I don't know if it's a CFA News announcement or if we can use some other option besides putting it in the Show Rule and tacking it onto the flyer. Second, we passed a Judging Program rule earlier that the training sessions will no longer be mandatorily at least 21 days in advance, so that would have to come out of the rationale, as well. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. **DelaBar:** I think we're attacking some of the wrong problems with this. If shows are running well overtime because of trainees, then we need to rethink as file administrators who we are putting our trainees with to train. If the shows are running late, we need the show management to speed things up. It's not the fact that we have a trainee. I've had trainees and never had a problem finishing on time. You just focus and get on with the job at hand, but by requiring that trainees be named or notified that the exhibitors know there's going to be a trainee, I think they would be more concerned about the additional handling, rather than, "gee, I may run over an hour late." As I said, we're not attacking the correct problem with this rule. **Morgan:** Someone had a really good suggestion on the chat, which is – and this is for Monte and his write-up – that we simply ask that they notify exhibitors on their entry confirmation, which would be right in line with probably when people would know that they had a trainee there. **Dunham:** I was going to suggest the exact same thing that was on the chat. As an entry clerk, there is a whole mechanism within that program that allows us to do email blasts for various reasons. I've used it for COVID-related issues that need to be sent out, I've used it for judging changes at the last minute. This certainly falls within the realm of

something that could be used for that mechanism very easily. Thanks. **Newkirk:** Melanie is withdrawing this. I'll recognize Rachel and George, but let's close it out after those two, OK? **Anger:** Quickly, we did have a barrage of complaints about one particular training session that went on several hours after the show was advertised to end. I spoke with the file administrator who appointed that judge and said there was a problem, and asked that they find an alternate training judge in the future – not to remove this person from consideration but just to keep in mind that that judge did go over. So, if you're a training judge, you have a duty to finish by the end of the advertised show hours. If you cannot do that, then maybe you could participate in some of the trainee splitting that we have going on instead. **Eigenhauser:** I don't think the show confirmation should be the only way that we notify exhibitors. There may be people who would choose not to enter a show, and so including it in their confirmation is after the fact. So, there needs to be some way to get word out. Maybe the Judging Committee when they approve these training sessions can post it on CFA News or something like that, but I think sending it in the confirmation is too little too late. **Newkirk:** Melanie has withdrawn this. Monte will work it up and we'll bring it back at our next schedule meeting.

**Withdrawn.**

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## NON-SHOW RULE RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY A MAJORITY AT THE 2021 ANNUAL MEETING

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**Newkirk:** Is there more? **Phillips:** We do have the Non-Show Rule Resolutions. **Newkirk:** I understand that. That's next. Do we have those that we can put up on the screen? **Borawski:** Yes, give me a second. **Newkirk:** Alright. While they are putting those up, just to remind everybody we set aside the pre-notice rule, to allow these to be pre-noticed since we received them yesterday. Carol, are you or Monte going to present these? **Krzanowski:** I can do it. It's no problem. **Newkirk:** OK, alright.

### Pre-Noticed Resolutions

**RESOLVED:** Amend Registration Rules, ARTICLE I – REGISTRATION, General, to affirm CFA policy that cloned cats are not eligible for registration with CFA, as follows:

#### ARTICLE I – REGISTRATION

**General:** a breed may have specific policies regarding allowable ancestry, import requirements, colors and other characteristics. Cloned cats are not eligible for registration with CFA. For complete registration information regarding a breed you may visit our website <http://www.cfa.org/Registration/OnlineIndividualRegistration.aspx> or contact Central Office.

**RATIONALE:** CFA policy does not provide a mechanism for registration of cats produced via cloning. Recently CFA received an inquiry regarding the acceptance of cloned cats for registration, show, and breeding. This raises a number of issues relating to the ethics of cloning pets as well as practical considerations for their registration. There are currently few legal standards regarding retail animal cloning services. In the United States the Animal Welfare Act (AWA) would provide some minimal regulation of cloning operations. But, the standards under the AWA are intended for large, commercial, animal enterprises. Caging and environmental conditions allowed by the AWA are far below what home, hobby breeders provide. There are humane concerns about cats living in small, commercial cages, being used as surrogates and discarded once they are no longer needed. CFA would also have to consider the



rights of parties having an interest in the cat. Should the current owner be able to clone the cat, or should the original breeder have some rights? How many copies of a cat could be registered? Finally, there are concerns that consumers grieving over the loss of a beloved pet may be vulnerable to businesses falsely implying they can recreate the original. Cloned cats are NOT identical copies of the original cat. Even if genetically the same, gene expression will be different in the clone. For example, human fingerprints have a genetic component, but identical twins express it differently. Personality will also be different since life experiences of the clone will be different. At the present time cloning pets is still an immature and evolving business. If there is sufficient interest in registering cloned cats the matter could be revisited in the future.

**Krzanowski:** The first two resolutions are non-show resolutions that were passed by a majority at the 2021 Annual Meeting. The first one was a board resolution reaffirming CFA's policy that cloned cats are not eligible for registration with CFA. I move to ratify this.

**Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Any debate? This policy came from a recommendation by the Scientific and Genetics Committee, with input from Leslie Lyons. I don't see hands up. Any objections to the ratification of this non-show rule resolution? Seeing no hands up, by unanimous consent, this is adopted.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**RESOLVED:** Effective April 30, 2021 (start of current show season), amend **Rules for Registration**© (Revised November 15, 2015), **ARTICLE I – REGISTRATION, Section 4 – Cat Names**, paragraph following **Titles**, to reduce the requirement for males from 15 to 10 with a cutoff for retroactive application. Central Office will not automatically apply the new criteria to cats in prior seasons; owners must notify Central Office of their cats' eligibility if they meet the new requirement between January 1, 2016, and the effective date of the change:

## **ARTICLE I – REGISTRATION**

### **Section 4 – Cat Names: ...**

**Titles** – One or more official CFA titles, as outlined below, may appear as part of a cat's name.

**CH:** Champion, ... **DM:** Distinguished Merit, the title given to a cat which has produced the required number of Grand Champions, Grand Premiers or Distinguished Merit Cats (5 for females, 15 for males, and 10 for males that have produced a Grand Champion or Grand Premier after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016). **AC** (Agility Competitor), ...

**RATIONALE:** This will reduce the requirement for males to 10 for those males that have been actively producing grands within the last 5 years. We will not be able to get instant DMs for cats long removed from active breeding. Inactive cats found by pedigree line-chasers will still be able to qualify with 15 qualifying offspring.

Requiring a breeder to keep a male whole long enough to achieve 15 grands is no longer in the best interest of the male, nor is it in the best interest of the breed.

When this award was created, we had more breeders and it was easier to share studs. More breeders using the same stud made it possible to grand 15 offspring within a reasonable amount of time. Our number of breeders has decreased significantly, and in a small cattery it is often only the owner of the stud that can grand offspring. 15 grands requires keeping the male whole much longer than his genetic usefulness for the breed, and this means he spends more of his life confined. No award should require keeping cats whole longer than we should for the best interest of the cat and/or breed.

Another consequence of the 15 requirement is a lack of genetic diversity within the breed. Having to keep a male whole long enough to get 15 grands means breeders will keep using that male before moving on to the next generation or before getting a diverse outcross, leading to “popular sire” syndrome. Sending the offspring to other breeders to grand them spreads the “popular sire” around. Years later, when we find out that the “popular sire” produced unwanted traits, like kidney and liver issues, it’s too late. The cat is in nearly every pedigree and difficult to avoid. The decrease in the number of breeders of all pedigreed cats in CFA has exacerbated this problem because we have so few breeders to turn to for outcrosses. Many of our once large breeds now have a severe lack of genetic diversity, and more than a few “popular sires”. The requirement for a male to produce 15 qualifying offspring does nothing to increase genetic diversity and with “popular sires” actually reduces it.

Please consider reading this article entitled “Genetic Consequences of Breed Formation” by

<https://www.vin.com/apputil/content/defaultadv1.aspx?pId=12513&catId=51026&id=6976375&fbclid=IwAR20AO11S0zZ6sX3-t04A-ZOLaRaTI2maEhuxF0YBJNFpbvYKEU47Xx5FTM>

From the article, “The popular sire syndrome is the single most influential factor in restricting breed gene pool diversity. There is a difference between a popular sire gaining significant average relationship to the breed population and that of an influential ancestor. The influential ancestor’s contribution is continually evaluated with each generation of their descendants for the presence of quality and absence of defect. Each generational descendent must demonstrate their superiority over other individuals to maintain breeding status. A popular sire’s genetic influence can only be evaluated after its genes have been widely disseminated; when its recessive influences are exposed. If there are issues with quality or defect, it is more difficult to reverse a popular sire’s influence. Purging a popular sire’s lines also results in the loss of influence of the assorted quality dam lines he was bred to.”

Offering an award to males that produce 15 grands encourages the use of popular sires and requires that the breeders keep these males whole longer keeping more of their genes in the population, severely reducing the diversity in that population.

If a male can produce 10 grands, that male can certainly in time produce 15 grands. What is the value added in requiring the 11<sup>th</sup> thru 15<sup>th</sup> grand that outweighs the detriment to the cat and breed? If we are to keep males whole longer, locked in cages or if they are lucky in rooms, and if we are to sacrifice genetic diversity, surely there is some value to requiring those 5 more grands. What is it? Without significant value, surely we must treat our studs and breeds better than this. The title must be reduced to 10 for males.

To produce 10 grands, a male that averages 1 or 2 grands per litter would meet the requirement in 5-10 litters. This is certainly enough litters out of one male to make his mark on a breed. More litters than 10 does nothing for the breed except reduce genetic diversity to the breed’s detriment, and requires that the male be kept whole and likely confined for much longer in his life.

As an association CFA must keep pace with current, scientifically accepted Best Practices and show due diligence by decreasing the necessity of “breeding for record” to earn titles. Reducing the number of Grand offspring required to DM a male from 15 to 10 would be a significant step towards increasing genetic diversity and improving the overall health of our breeds.

**Newkirk:** OK Carol, next. **Krzanowski:** The second one pertains to the requirements for a male DM title. It lowers the requirement for males from 15 qualifying offspring to 10. This passed by a majority at the Annual Meeting. I move to ratify this. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds.

**Newkirk:** Debate? **Morgan:** I feel really strongly about this one. I really do. First, I can say clearly it was a divisive issue. It didn't pass by much more than 50%. In fact, I think it passed by pretty much like one or two votes. I've heard more, both in support and against this proposal, than every single other rule that we had combined, for obvious reasons because they are passionate about it. I truly believe that both sides make valid points. The vote itself, as we discussed, reflects that divide. When something is as close as this, I personally think that my instinct is to err on the side of leaving things as they are. The DM title is one of the most coveted titles in CFA. It's easy to use rhetoric about popular sire syndrome, etc., but in reality I don't think that the issue is as prevalent as we might be led to believe. There may be isolated instances where cats are overused or kept whole just to get a title, but I truly don't think that's going on. This title is supposed to denote excellence as a breeding animal and I'm sorry but a cat that deserves that title can easily achieve the title before he is 3 or 4 years old. This award awards consistency and success. It doesn't mean that we don't care about our animals. I think if you remember back to the Annual, hearing the discussion on the topic, the question was asked "what does 11-15 prove beyond 10 grands?" By that logic, what's the difference between 1 or 2? This title is supposed to be difficult, it's supposed to be aspirational, it's supposed to mean something, and I choose to believe in the breeding integrity of our CFA breeders. I really do. I don't believe that the majority – and I stress "majority" – of our CFA breeders will keep a cat whole just to get to 15. I do believe there's a higher chance that people might actually try to push that envelope to hold a cat out if the number is a mere 10. I understand that there are always exceptions. The numbers I've seen point to the fact that granding a cat is actually getting easier rather than more difficult, so if we pass this we are in effect making the title less and less meaningful. I am passionate about this. The title seems very, very special and so very meaningful to many of us. Our titles have history and they are reflected in our pedigrees. That's something that we stand for. When we start changing what those titles represent, we degrade the integrity of those titles. So, lowering a requirement changes what they stand for. Then, you want to add insult to injury, you put an "as of" date on it, which now means that the title means one thing before a certain date and another thing after a certain date, so even if I could have supported this I wouldn't support it because of the "as of" date. I mean, that just doesn't make any sense. How is it fair to change the parameters of a title that's as important as this DM title is and arbitrarily pick a date when those lower standards come into effect? It just boggles my mind. If we're going to consider this – and I sincerely hope we don't – please at least consider deleting the effective date and making the requirements of this title consistent so that we know what we're looking for on our pedigrees. Thank you. **Currie:** I am in complete agreement with Melanie and what she just said. I've been around since 1973. I know how difficult it was back then to achieve 15 grands, or even 5 grands with a female. It was old school at that point. We do have less and less numbers, but we shouldn't react to that. It is a very special, special achievement for a male. He's got a lot more opportunities than those females have. I'm in agreement. I don't think we should even consider this at this point. It would be cheapening the DM title for our prolific males. **Hannon:** My concern is that it's considerably more difficult to DM a cat with 15 than 10, but whether you DM the cat by 10 or 15, you get the same DM title. So, that in effect is saying to all those people that had 15, "we don't care about 11-15, it doesn't count anymore". There should be some way to indicate that this was done under the 10 grand rule versus the 15 grand rule.

**DelaBar:** As an organization, we have to evolve and take into consideration the substance and the conditions of which the majority of our constituents and those that we wish to bring in as exhibitors and breeders into our organization. People do not have the ability to keep as many cats as they used to. We have several of our breeds that must keep more than one of the

breeds to be to have successful breeding programs. From an animal welfare point of view, which I was involved with since 1991 – and Kenny, I’m only a couple years behind you, starting in 1975 – taking all these different factors into consideration, with people’s homes getting smaller by square footage or square meters, they cannot keep the number of cats we want them to keep. We want them to keep healthy, happy cats. With the problems we have had with animal rights activists in Europe this year, I do not want us to stick out as not considering the welfare of the cat. Now, our competitors over here have 10 grands for the male title. I do not see us losing any face if we should do the same. **Eigenhauser:** First, I agree with everything Pam DelaBar said, not just from an animal welfare standpoint but from a legislative standpoint. We don’t want to be seen as the organization that pushes unnecessary breedings just to achieve some artificial title. People should be breeding for love of their breed. While I certainly support having the DM award, if we make it too high for people to realistically meet, we do encourage genetic problems. Melanie said that she doesn’t think it’s a problem. Maine Coon breeders know there are 2 or 3 cats that appear in virtually every Maine Coon pedigree because they got over-bred. It is a very real problem. It’s an animal welfare problem, it’s a legislative problem, but the bottom line is we have to adapt to situations as they are now. Part of the reason why I support having an effective date is, we don’t want to have to go back and rewrite or add grands from 30 or 40 years ago and go to the hard copy records to figure out who would have been a DM back in 1975 as opposed to now, so it does need an effective date. But, I think the real concern here is that we are an organization devoted to the welfare of cats. I’m not convinced that this is in the best interest of cats to hold it at 15, rather than moving it down to 10. **Webster:** I totally agree with Pam and George, that we need to be more realistic. I think in today’s time I don’t think it cheapens anything. I do think it should have an effective date and again I agree with everything. We should pass this. **Krzanowski:** I also agree with George, Pam and Howard. I think times have changed and we have to change with them. We have limit laws now in many areas. We’re just not able to keep as many cats. Breeders are reluctant to send their cats all over to be bred. It wasn’t that many years ago that a male would be shipped all over the country to different breeders, but that’s not the case anymore. I think we need to change with the times and we need to move forward.

**Wilson:** I really don’t think that over-breeding of cats – male or female – is very likely related to the DM title. I would agree that there’s difficulty in keeping multiple males. We have often a lack of cooperation among breeders, but we also have so many more genetic tests available. We have now the optimal selection so that you can choose a cat for your breeding program that maybe is not as related genetically as it might appear on paper. In Europe, they have the option for delaying breeding of males and females chemically. So, I think we have all of the available things that we need and I don’t think lowering this title is going to make any difference whatsoever. A breeder is still going to hope to get, at some point, a DM title on a male or a female that’s proven their worth in breeding cats that are consistent to the standard and worthy of attaining a grand champion or grand premier. Thank you.

**Morgan:** I’ve already spoken to how I feel about this in total, but I do want to address two additional things. One, I kind of resent the insinuation that by not supporting this that we’re not supporting animal welfare. You know what? Breeders make decisions, not necessarily completely on titles. This title doesn’t create animal welfare issues, breeders do, but that’s neither here nor there. About the effective date, which is what I really want to discuss, we certainly don’t want to create more work if this were to pass for Central Office, but it would be as simple as saying, *any cat prior to X date needs to apply* much like they had to do for the

Grand of Distinction, so there may be people with cats who wouldn't bother, but they should at least have the option. That's all I have. **Currie:** I will point out this is my second time [to speak during the discussion]. This award is special and perhaps if I hadn't started back in 1973 I would feel differently about it, because I know that my good friend Anne Waddington had a male that produced 52 CFA grand premiers and grand champions. It's because she allowed other breeders to use him. That cat probably appears in 90% of the pedigrees of bi-color Persians throughout the world. It's part of the process and I just hate to see us lessen the achievement level by even creating a start date for a new group. I just think that this is a special award and I think it's something that we should keep. **Newkirk:** Kenny, I will point out that Beth and I bred the male that holds the most DMs record. He had over 65 grand champions. **Currie:** Congratulations. **Newkirk:** He was used by several different catteries.

**Anger:** I just have a couple of comments because I would like to get to the vote. I think we're about there. To me, the difference is when the DM title was implemented, we had a much different environment in the cat fancy – bigger shows. It was harder to grand a cat, but we had lots more points at the shows. Fifteen grand champions was a lifetime achievement but very achievable. I co-owned the first Oriental DM. With an Oriental, you have one hand tied behind your back. You can't show half the offspring. Today's environment – lower counts, less people breeding, less people especially in the COVID environment going into each other's homes and sharing cats, so while I'm not 100% in support of this today, I don't want to give up the title of Distinguished Merit. I would love to see a step program where we have something to acknowledge after 10 grands. So, without a step program option, I'm supporting this.

**Newkirk:** No other comments? Let's call for the vote. All those in favor of 10 grands for a title of DM for a male cat, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, Wilson, Moser, Currie and McCullough voting no. Roy abstained.

**Newkirk:** It's Mark Hannon, Pam DelaBar, George Eigenhauser, Howard Webster, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Rachel Anger, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Hayata-san. Take your hands down. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, Annette Wilson, Pam Moser, Kenny Currie, Steve McCullough. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? Sharon Roy abstains. Can you announce the vote Rachel? **Anger:** 10 yes, 5 no, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is agreed to.

**Tartaglia:** Darrell? So it passed, correct? **Newkirk:** Yes, it's agreed to. **Tartaglia:** OK. I just have two comments/questions. If it's retroactive to January 2016, do you want us to go back and award the DM title to any cat that has achieved those 10 grands that have granded since January 1, 2016? Is that correct? **DelaBar:** We have to claim the DM title. I think that we need to put it out that, as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of January, 2016, if people wish to claim their title then they have to claim it like we did before. **Tartaglia:** Alright. Then another question I have is, there has been discussion about denoting those DMs that have 10 grands and those that have 15. The only thing I would ask you is that if we're going to do this, I would rather do it as an entire package. For instance, we're going to give the DM title, and then we come back in another couple months and say, "We want to maybe switch it up a little. Let's give them a different title." Now we have to go back and re-do what we've already done. So, if there's any support for a different title, we may want to give consideration to that before we actually start this process. And, is there a

reason why we wouldn't just retroactively do it? I believe we can just pull the information.

**Mastin:** I believe what Allene is suggesting – to recognize two different DMs, based on a number of grands, that's going to need a motion. Based on this motion we just passed, nothing else needs to be done unless somebody else wants to bring up a new motion. **Newkirk:** I think it was Rachel who brought that up. Rachel, are you not the one that brought it up? **Anger:** I am. I'm not willing to make that motion since we passed this one. I would like to leave well enough alone. **DelaBar:** It was brought up that DMs are not claimed. When did that become a practice? **Tartaglia:** Oh gosh. **DelaBar:** Back in the day, I still remember listing all of the cats and their registration numbers and everything like that to claim the DMs. **Tartaglia:** 1982. When I first started CFA, I typed up those certificates and processed them. It was 1982. I think it passed at the 1981 annual meeting. I don't recall when we went to automated DMs. It has been 20-25 years. They're not claimed anymore. Now, maybe we missed one because they're so old if somebody tells us about it, but they don't get claimed. They're just automatically DM cats, that's all. **DelaBar:** I haven't been trying for a DM lately, so I was not aware but I remember the days with my DMS when I had to claim them. **Mastin:** Mark was the one that originally suggested two different types of titles for male DMs. I'm not forcing the issue here, but I don't want to see us go down the path that Allene is suggesting we might; that a month or two or three or six months down the road we want to do something, when we can consider doing it now or just let it go. **Newkirk:** Knowing the cat fancy, all those people that have all those DMs with 15 cats are going to think it's unfair to them to call everybody that DM'ed cats with 10 grands, that it's not fair. Just saying. **Tartaglia:** I'm not clear. So, we're retroactively, effective at this meeting – so, right away we're going to go back to the office, retroactively we are going to add the DM title to any cat – any sire – who had 10 grands as of January 1, 2016. Is that correct? Do I have it right? **Newkirk:** Carol or Monte, do you want to address that? Because you're the ones that are presenting this resolution. **Krzanowski:** Can you repeat that please, Allene? **Tartaglia:** So, we're going to go back to the office, we're going to pull the report. Any sire that had 10 grands as of January 1, 2016, will automatically get the DM title. **Krzanowski:** That's what this resolution says, yes. **Tartaglia:** OK. I just wanted to make sure.

**Morgan:** I have a question for the board. Is there any support for putting a motion out there to say that, for any cat that would like to claim their DM title prior to the date that we have approved, they simply have to claim it rather than it just being automatically done by Central Office, and that they are also eligible? **Newkirk:** Are you talking prior to January 1, 2016? **Morgan:** Correct. So, Central Office would automatically do all of those cats because that's what we voted on, and we would do a subsequent motion saying that any cats prior to that, if anyone wanted to claim it, they simply have to put in a claim form much like they did from 1981 and before. At least, then we would have a title that stands for the same thing. If there's no support I won't put it out there. **Newkirk:** You can make the motion and see if someone wants to second it, but let me ask Shelly. This is an entirely new motion covering new stuff. Since it wasn't pre-noticed, it would take 2/3 to pass. **Morgan:** Right. **Perkins:** That's correct. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Make the motion Melanie, and see if someone will second it. **Morgan:** Alright, OK. So, for any male cats who have achieved the required 10 grands prior to the effective date of January whatever it is, 2016, should they desire to claim the title, they may submit the claim to Central Office and be awarded that title. **Webster:** I'll second that. **Newkirk:** Thank you Howard. So, we have a motion and a second that anyone that has accumulated 10 grands on a male prior to January 1, 2016, can petition with Central Office to have their cat awarded the DM title. **Anger:** Not that I'm supporting that, but I'm wondering if there is going to be a cost associated for the applicant to do that? **Newkirk:** Allene, do you want to answer that? **Tartaglia:**

I would say that's going to be fine. My only concern is that people will just start saying, "hey, do I have a DM? Do I have a DM?" and they're not even close to it, and we will start getting a lot of invalid requests for DMs. Instead of getting a DM report that shows how many grands – that's \$10 – that people will just start asking us, "how many do I have, how many do I have?" So, it would be a way around getting a DM report which would show the grands. **Newkirk:** Melanie, do you want to clarify your motion to put that onus on the owner of the sire? **Morgan:** Right. It would be the owner of the sire's responsibility to verify their cat's qualifications and submit registration numbers and a list of grands with their application. **Newkirk:** Howard, are you OK with that? **Webster:** Yes.

**Eigenhauser:** I'm not in favor of going back any further. Part of the reason why it makes sense now is that the world has changed. Catteries are becoming smaller because of animal rights people, zoning laws, breeder permits, this, that and the other. We're competing differently today than we did back then, so it makes sense that we have a different number for DMs now than we did back then. I think making this retroactive fails to account for the reason we're doing this in the first place; that it was different then than it is now. Because it was different then than it is now, I don't think calling them the same solves the problem. I think it makes it worse. **Newkirk:** Anybody else? Alright, I'll call the vote. All those in favor of Melanie's motion? Everybody understands this takes 2/3 vote to pass. All the yes votes, please raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Morgan, Webster, Wilson, Hayata and Moser voting yes.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Howard Webster, Annette Wilson, Hayata, Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, the no votes? No votes are Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Steve McCullough, Sharon Roy. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote whenever you have it. **Anger:** That's 5 yes, 11 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** That didn't pass. The motion is not agreed to.

**Tartaglia:** Darrell, I just had one more question regarding the DMs that we're going to retroactively give the title to as of 2016. We print DMs in the Yearbook. We provide a list of DMs to the regions for award purposes. Would it be acceptable if we have a separate list of those cats that we DM'ed retroactively and just have a little note that, "by the way, these cats DM'ed because of new requirements." They're not going to fit into 2022 necessarily. They could have achieved it, so we'll just handle it that way. **Newkirk:** Let's hear from the Regional Directors if that's OK. Sharon Roy, let's start with you? **Roy:** Yes, that's fine. We show them up on the screen and give them a certificate, so it's not a big expense to use to recognize more. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Pam Moser? **Moser:** Wait a minute. Wasn't Allene saying that she would not include them in this year but put a separate list, correct? **Tartaglia:** It would be a separate list, yes. **Moser:** A separate list, thank you. **Newkirk:** Steve McCullough? **McCullough:** It's fine with me going forward. **Newkirk:** OK. [Region] Four is absent. Howard? **Webster:** Yes, that's fine with me. **Newkirk:** OK. Cathy Dunham? **Dunham:** That's fine with me, as well. **Newkirk:** Kenny Currle? **Currle:** Good here. **Newkirk:** Hayata-san? **Hayata:** [affirms] **Newkirk:** OK. Pam DelaBar? **DelaBar:** No problem. **Newkirk:** Alright. I think you got your answer, Allene. **Tartaglia:** Yeah.

**Mastin:** I have a question for Allene and James. I don't mean to belabor this date of January 1, 2016, but when you do the search on the grand champions and grand premiers, is it based on the show season or are you going to have to look at two different years in order to determine – January 1<sup>st</sup> is going to be complicated because it's in the middle of a show season, so should the date really be May 1, 2015? So, it's a question of James and Allene, based on what information they have, to determine the grands within the show season or if it can start January 1<sup>st</sup>. **Simbro:** I think I can chime in on that. I believe the system looks at when the grands were earned, so when we run a report for a DM to see when it's eligible, it looks to see when those other grands were earned. So yeah, you could potentially pick up only half of the season's grands for that cat if we run it based on the January date. **Tartaglia:** We're not going to look at the show season first and then look at when the cats granded. It's by date. It's basically by show date, rather than season. **Mastin:** OK great, thank you.

**Newkirk:** Is that date in the motion? The one on the screen, is that what we just passed? So, slide back down now to the resolution. The date is not in the resolution. **Tartaglia:** That's a different resolution. **Krzanowski:** That's the wrong resolution. [Lengthy discussion to locate the correct resolution and display it on the screen.] At the end of that paragraph it says "January 1, 2016." **Newkirk:** OK, alright. I wasn't looking above *Article I – Registration*. **Krzanowski:** I didn't format this in the manner that we normally would. I was just trying to do it in a hurry. **Tartaglia:** Technically it should say *effective* January 1, not *after*. Technically, *after* means January 2<sup>nd</sup>. That's how I would read it, if we're going to be technical. Or *on January 1<sup>st</sup>*. Instead of *after*, just say *on*. **Newkirk:** We can't change what we've already passed. If somebody wants to reconsider, we can reconsider opening it back up and amend it. **Anger:** In the resolution it says, *If they meet the new requirement between January 1 ...* I see the wording is a little different in the actual underlined text, so I am very comfortable with it being January 1 instead of January 2. I don't know that a day is going to make a difference. **Newkirk:** I agree with you and I think you're right. It says *between January 1*. **Perkins:** So, as this is written, I'm a little confused. Do all 10 offspring have to be after January 1<sup>st</sup> or just the 10<sup>th</sup> one? I'm not sure what the criteria is. **Tartaglia:** My interpretation is, we're going to look at the database. Any sire that has 10 grands to its name as of January 1, 2016, is going to get a DM. **Perkins:** That's what I am confused about because you kept saying *as of* but I thought we were making this apply from then onward. Because if you're saying *as of* that's going to apply to all the cats prior. That's why I'm asking for that clarification. **Tartaglia:** You're right. Good point. **Krzanowski:** It would be the 10<sup>th</sup> grand after January 1, 2016. It could have 9 grands before then, or it could have 7 grands and get 3 after January 1<sup>st</sup>, but the final qualifying offspring would have to be after that date. **Perkins:** That sounds good to me from what is written. That sounds like what you're saying. I'm fine with that.

**McCullough:** Would this be based on region of residence at the time it was earned, or today's region of residence? I'm going to have like 8 DMs of people who don't live in my region anymore that have moved to Region 4. Is it up to them to provide the certificates, rosettes and all that goes with it? How does that work out? **Tartaglia:** I don't know. **McCullough:** We'll cross that bridge later. Alright. **Newkirk:** Are we done with this one?



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## RESOLUTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

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**RESOLVED:** Once a cat has completed the requirements for Championship/Premiership, a claim form should be submitted to the Central Office along with the appropriate fee. For subsequent Championship/Premiership titles (e.g., bronze, silver, gold) the appropriate request should be submitted to the Central Office. There will be no fee for these titles. These additional titles will only be provided upon request.

**Newkirk:** Next? **Krzanowski:** We have one more non-show resolution that was passed at the Annual. This was a resolution from the floor. It basically eliminates the fee to claim one of the tiered championship/premiership titles – bronze, silver, gold. However, they would still have to submit a claim form. There just would not be a fee involved. This passed by a majority. I move that we ratify this. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds.

**Hannon:** I'm the delegate that presented this on behalf of a club. The club felt pretty strongly about it. If you get a grand, you don't have to pay for it. They don't think anything after the basic champion that we should have to be paying for. **Wilson:** I'm just curious how many of these champion titles after the first title have actually been claimed? Do we have any information on that? **Krzanowski:** Allene has some information that she provided to me. Allene, do you have it handy? **Tartaglia:** I do. Since the inception, which I think was May 2020 or thereabouts, we have 75 that have claimed a tiered title. However, if there were a cat that claimed two – it claimed a bronze, then it claimed a silver – we don't have that. We just know if the cat has claimed a tiered title. There's 75 that have been claimed. **Wilson:** Thank you. **Currle:** I'm in support of this. I just wanted to say that. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Any other comments? All of those in favor of the resolution from the floor presented by Mark Hannon, please raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Carol Krzanowski, George Eigenhauser, Pam DelaBar, Kenny Currle, Sharon Roy, Steve McCullough, Howard Webster, Hayata-san, Cathy Dunham, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Kathy Calhoun, Pam Moser, Annette Wilson. Take your hands down. The no votes? I see no no votes. Any abstentions? No abstentions. You can announce the vote Rachel. **Anger:** I also saw Melanie Morgan as a yes vote but her name wasn't called. Can I confirm that Melanie is voting yes? **Morgan:** Yes. It was a yes. **Newkirk:** Sorry I missed you, Melanie. **Anger:** That was 16 yes, zero no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is agreed to.

**Newkirk:** Any other non-show rule resolutions, Carol? **Krzanowski:** No, that's all I have. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much.

### **C. SHOW RULE EXCEPTIONS CURRENTLY IN EFFECT FOR THE 2021-2022 SEASON ONLY**

*The following show rule exceptions have already been passed by the board and are currently in effect for the 2020-2021 show season.*

**Newkirk:** Monte, you can go on to the next one. **Phillips:** The next thing technically is the non-show rule resolutions. What you have in Section C is just a list of all the one-time rules

that are in effect for the 2021-2022 season that are going to go away on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April. It won't be April 30<sup>th</sup> because April 30<sup>th</sup> is actually the 2022-2023 show season. So, the first of those non-show resolutions that actually affect shows is the one that Mark brought up at the Annual Meeting to eliminate the fees for the bronze, silver and gold. **Krzanowski:** Darrell, I have my hand up. **Newkirk:** Monte was still speaking. I was going to call on you as soon as he was done. **Krzanowski:** I just wanted to mention about the show rule exceptions that are currently in effect for this season only. I would like to remind the board members to review those carefully and then keep in mind what they are and then follow what's happening during this season with COVID so that we will be able to reconsider implementing them for next season if needed as the time gets closer. I just wanted to remind everyone of that. **Newkirk:** Is that something you want to address at the February meeting? **Krzanowski:** Possibly. We may not know the full extent of the COVID situation at that point in time, but we certainly could look at it again at that point. **Newkirk:** Anybody else have comments? **Anger:** Just a note that we will be discussing a couple of these later. That's all I will say for right now. **Newkirk:** Are you referring to #4 Rachel? **Anger:** #3 and #4. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. Are those on the closed session agenda? **Anger:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. **Mastin:** There might be one missing. I think it's on – unless I missed it here – is how many days prior to the show to submit the show license without penalty. I don't see that in the list. **Newkirk:** I think that was one of the things Allene brought to my attention and I forgot to put that on – she wanted a clarification. **Mastin:** OK. So, will we discuss that later then? **Newkirk:** That's during Central Office, correct Allene? **Mastin:** I'm OK with that, if that's the case. I just wanted to point out that one is missing. **Tartaglia:** Yes, that's correct. I have it in my Central Office report. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. So Monte, is there anything we need to do with these? **Phillips:** No. **Newkirk:** You have them listed. **Phillips:** I have them listed so I have a nice place to look for them. **Newkirk:** OK, fantastic.

1. *Show Rules 3.09-11 - Due to the COVID19 virus pandemic, judges under contract with shows already licensed may cancel their contract up to six weeks prior to the opening day of the show and may exhibit at a show that weekend.*
2. *Show Rule 3.13 was waived to allow up to 50% guest judges, excluding regions 1-7 only.*
3. *Effective immediately, CFA Clubs are permitted to contract licensed ACFA, TICA or CFF judges of good standing for the 2020-2021 CFA show season only, provided the Guest Judge's residence is no further than 200 miles (322 Kilometers) away from the event show hall, and no CFA Judge with a residence no further than 200 miles away from the event show hall is willing and available to officiate the show. All guest judging approvals shall be determined at the discretion of the Guest Judging Committee and subject to all present rules, with the exceptions of Guest Judging Rules 10.1, 10.2, and 10.3, within which only the prohibitive or more restrictive language contrary to this motion will be waived for the 2020-2021 CFA Show Season Only. Requests declined by the Guest Judging Committee shall be reviewed by the CFA Executive Committee only by written appeal submitted by the requesting club to the committee. This exception expires on October 31, 2021.*
4. *Effective immediately, CFA Judges are permitted to guest judge for ACFA, TICA or CFF feline organizations during the 2020-2021 show season only, providing that the contracting organization's planned show hall is within a 200 mile (322 Kilometers) distance of the CFA Judge's residence. All guest judging approvals shall be at the*

*discretion of the Guest Judging Committee and shall be subject to all present show rules and guest judging rules, with the exceptions of Guest Judging Rules 10.1, 10.2, and 10.3, within which only prohibitive or more restrictive language contrary to this motion will be waived for the 2020-2021 CFA show season only. Requests declined by the Guest Judging Committee shall be reviewed by the CFA Executive Committee only by written appeal submitted by the CFA Judge to the committee. This exception expires in its entirety on October 31, 2021.*

5. *Show Rule 4.03 - The requirement to qualify as a traditional date is not affected by the cancellation of shows. This exemption was also approved to apply for the 2022-2023 season as well.*
6. *Show Rule 27.03 - Reduces the number of judges required for qualifying rings to two from its current value of three or four, depending on where the show was held.*
7. *Allow cats to grand without the requisite number of qualifying rings if the cat attains the grand points necessary for that grand title first. Confirmations for the associated Premier/Champion title still need to be filed for the title to take effect.*
- 8\*. *The portions of Article XXXVI regarding the issuance of all National Type awards, including National Breed Wins, do not apply to the 2020-2021 season. Titles being awarded include Regional Winner (RW), Champion (CH), Premier (PR), Grand Champion (GRC), Grand Premier (GRP), Grand Household Pet (GH), Grand of Distinction, Regional Breed Winner, Distinguished Merit (DM) and Champion/ Premier tiered titles. National Winner (NW) and National Breed Winner (BW) titles would not be awarded. Article XXXVI, National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program – Scoring, fourth paragraph regarding exhibiting in the region of final assignment shall be waived for only those regions or divisions in which no show was held during that show season.*
9. *CFA has issued guidelines for CFA Virtual Cat Competitions as follows: Corporate and CFA affiliated: Clubs, Regions, China Area, International Division Area and Breed Councils are permitted to host CFA Virtual Cat Competition(s) with the permission of their Regional Director/Area Chair. CFA Central Office will not score CFA Virtual Cat Competitions and no CFA titles will be awarded. CFA judges may officiate multiple Virtual Cat Competitions at the same time. Payment for judges and clerks is at the discretion of the Virtual Cat Competition host and should be determined before acceptance of an assignment. Non-CFA breeds and colors may be allowed (if allowed state on application request and public announcement). Virtual Cat Competition(s) must be approved by the Regional Director or Area Chair. Approved Virtual Cat Competitions may use the CFA entry form or entry clerk program, although these are not required. Virtual Cat Competitions may include photos, pre-recorded or live videos, or any combination of these. CFA clubs may invite anyone to officiate at these events; i.e., celebrity judge, club member, CFA judge, or judge from any other association. Virtual Cat Competition application request and public announcement to include:*
  - a. *Official CFA approved logo*
  - b. *Hosting entity*

- c. *Virtual Cat Competition Date(s)*
  - d. *Format*
  - e. *Judges for each class*
  - f. *Will CFA Shows Standards apply? Yes or No*
  - g. *Will non-CFA breeds and colors be accepted? Yes or No*
  - h. *Entry Clerk & contact information*
  - i. *Entry fee(s) if applicable*
  - j. *Entry opening and closing dates & times*
  - k. *Entry requirements*
  - l. *Where will results be posted (results may be posted on social media or a website but must be publicly available)*
  - m. *When will results be posted?*
  - n. *Hosting entity contact person with contact information*
  - o. *CFA judges may officiate at any Virtual Cat Competition, whether sponsored by a CFA club, another association, or an unaffiliated group. CFA Judges still must abide by the Judges Code of Ethics.*
10. *Modify the requirements to obtain the grand title in the International Division outside of China to require 75 points for the Grand Champion title, and 25 points for the Grand Premier title, as noted in the following table that applies to this show season only. Also, in no case will qualifying rings be greater than three in these areas:*

| <u>Country/Area</u>  | <u>GC Points Required</u> | <u>GP Points Required</u> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>North America, Regions 1-9 except<br/>as noted, China</i>   | <i>200</i>                | <i>75</i>                 |
| <i>Maritime Provinces of Canada, United<br/>Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii ,<br/>Russia east of the Ural Mountains,<br/>International Division (except Hong Kong,<br/>China, Malaysia Thailand, Taiwan,<br/>Vietnam, &amp; Indonesia)</i> | <i>75</i>                 | <i>25</i>                 |
| <i>Hong Kong</i>   | <i>75</i>                 | <i>25</i>                 |
| <i>Thailand, Indonesia</i>   | <i>75</i>                 | <i>25</i>                 |

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| Malaysia           | 75  | 25 |
| Ukraine            | 200 | 25 |
| Taiwan and Vietnam | 75  | 25 |

11. *Grant an exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Awards - International Division Awards to allow shows in Hong Kong to count a Super Specialty ring as two rings towards the formula for the number of awards in Hong Kong. This exception expires at the end of the current show season.*
12. *Grant an exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Regional Awards, to institute a point minimum requirement for a regional award. Specifically, 200 points for Championship, 100 points for kittens, 100 points for premiership, and 50 points for Household Pets.*
13. *Grant an exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/ Divisional Awards Program - National Awards, to reinstate National Awards for the 2021-2022 show season and reduce the number of rings scored and the associated national award point minimums as follows: Championship cats will be scored in their highest 50 rings, and must earn a minimum of 2000 points. Kittens will be scored in their highest 20 rings, and must earn a minimum of 700 points. Premiership cats will be scored in their highest 50 rings, and must earn a minimum of 1000 points. Household Pets will be scored in their highest 50 rings, and must earn a minimum of 500 points. Cats competing in Agility will be scored for their highest seven (7) shows.*
14. *Grant an exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Best of Breed/Division Awards. Lower the point minimum for a breed or color win award from 200 to 100 points.*
15. *Although not a show rule, the fee structure for licensing shows was adjusted for shows with one to four rings to \$ 50.00 (plus applicable insurance fees) for the remainder of the 2020-2021 season.*

*\* - This waiver exclusion needs further clarification. Example: A kitten who is four months and can compete as a kitten only during those four months is in a region where shows are held, but not in the four months the kitten is eligible to compete. As the exemption currently applies, this kitten would be unable to receive a regional award as it would not have been shown in its region of residence and there were shows in that region during the year. I would recommend that last sentence read as follows: "Scoring, fourth paragraph regarding exhibiting in the region of final assignment shall be waived for only those regions or divisions in which no show was held during that show season and the cat/kitten was eligible to compete at a show in the region/division of residence in the category it is being scored."*

**What will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Nothing planned at this time.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Monte Phillips, Chair*

## 12. IT REPORT.

**Systems Administrator:**     **James Simbro**

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Activities:**

**Genetics Project:** *We are dividing the project into two phases.*

*Phase 1* is the addition of the genetics calculation logic to eCat for new cat registrations. This happens behind the scenes and will check to see if a genetically possible color is being submitted and allow us to standardize color descriptions. Instead of users entering an un-checked color in the color description field, they will select the color from a color lookup list. In cases where the color they want to select is not listed, then we will provide an option for them to type in their color. These will then be reviewed by staff for verification and allow us to make any needed adjustments to the genetics logic. This phase can also be implemented as soon as possible, and we are working with the developer to get that scheduled. One thing to note, the addition of the genetics check to eCat could possibly allow us to automatically register cats as soon as they are submitted, and not require staff review.

*Phase 2* of the project continues to be the most challenging part. This is what we are calling the “Color Check Tool”. The tool is a series of questions that will assist both new and experienced breeders in selecting their proper color. The questions are meant to narrow down their choices through a process of inclusion or elimination and provide both text descriptions and sample images of colors or patterns. We will continue working with a group of volunteers to develop these questions. The developers are working on an additional report for us that will help us in developing the questions.

**eCat Litter Registration Process:** *In late-October of 2020 we stopped the automatic processing of all litters submitted through eCat. Up to this point a user’s litter would be processed if they declared they owned both the Sire and Dam of the litter. Cases where a Sire is leased, or a co-breeder is added have always been held for manual review. We did this so that we could begin a manual review of all litters and educate users of CFA’s rules of registration. While we have found cases of fraud in the past, many of the litters that we saw an issue with during our reviews were due to transfers having not been completed, use of the Sire’s cattery instead of the Dam, or just a general misunderstanding of how catteries are used.*

*After monitoring all eCat litters for over nine months, we looked at how we could return to the automatic registration of most litters. Once we defined the criteria of matching Sire/Dam owner names and cattery owner, we had the developers add the logic into the litter process. While the logic was straight forward, it did take the developers significant time to integrate and troubleshoot this added step. The new processes went live September 1, 2021, and we returned to automatically processing 85% of the litters being submitted. Sire leases and co-breeder litters continue to be manually reviewed as always. Those litters, along with the new name matching check flag, make up the remaining 15%.*

**People Record/Clerk License Status Project:** *Programming is under way on this project. The start was delayed due to the online litter review processing. The project chart at the end of this report has been updated with an estimated October completion date.*

**Emailing Grands Certificates:** Programming is under way on this project. Central Office is finalizing the design of a new PDF template for the certificates.

**Pedigree PDF's:** A lot of work has gone into refining the 3,4,5 and 6 Generation templates used for printing. These templates will also be used as a base for generating PDF versions of all our pedigrees, which can easily be emailed to our customers. The PDF version will look exactly like the printed version. Many customers have been requesting electronic versions of pedigrees, which we have been sending as scanned versions of the printed pedigree. This has resulted in less-than-ideal quality and additional staff time to scan and email, so we are excited to offer a high-quality PDF version generated right from the system. This is considered an enhancement of the current system and not a dedicated project. All pedigree orders will include both the printed and PDF version for no additional fee at this time.

### **Future Happenings:**

**Show Data Capture (SDC):** One of the most time intensive parts of show scoring is the data entry component. The counts, finals, and breed results all must be keyed into the system by hand to calculate points and record the results. Back in the 1990's, in an effort to speed up this process and not require manual entry of the information from the judge's sheets, Central Office spent significant time and money to capture this data through optical scanning. It ultimately didn't work out and hand keying the data continues to this day, but we've never stopped thinking about how we can capture this data electronically.

Dick Kallmeyer has been working on a project on his own that holds promise for capturing this data. He recently demonstrated a standalone program he is building to both the Entry Clerk Enhancement Committee, which I serve on, as well as Allene in Central Office. If this program works out, then we are looking at a workable data capture process that can be linked to the present scoring system. Central Office is looking forward to possible November testing of this program and seeing the results. If it is favorably received, then we can begin planning on integrating into our system.

**Computer System Revision:** The overall foundation of the administrative side of the system and eCat are now over seven years old. The developer overseeing our projects shared with us recently that future enhancements and upgrades would be faster, cheaper, and easier to make if the foundation of the system was rebuilt on more current language using new programming methods. The system is currently programmed in Visual Basic, which is no longer really used for this type of platform and was even on its way out back in 2014 when the system was originally launched. Instead of being ahead of the curve, it turns out we were at the tail end. This means we will likely propose a major overhaul of the system for the 2022-23 budget year to reduce future programming costs and time and enhance the customer experience.

**eCat Enhancements:** We do listen to the requests of our customers and try to manage those requests as budgets and time allows. A few of the items we are looking at incorporating into eCat are:

- **Add-a-Cat:** This will allow users to link a cat's registration information to their account, even if it was not originally submitted through their eCat account. This can help them

*consolidate older paper records into one location. Having these cats on the account could allow them to be selected for things like a litter registration.*

- **Show Entry:** *Users will be able to use eCat to submit a show entry. This would not necessarily mean we are eliminating the job of an entry clerk but giving our exhibitors a central point to manage and view show entries. The Add-a-Cat feature would be needed for this to work to its fullest. This would also ideally communicate with the current entry clerk program.*
- **Cattery Registration:** *Allow users to submit a new cattery name registration and get immediate approval or at least expedited approval.*

**Customer Service Enhancements:** *We have been using an electronic filing system for over six years called FileBound. Think of it as virtual file cabinets. FileBound has been fantastic for maintaining files and preventing misplaced paperwork. Instead of combing through a filing cabinet and folders, staff can use multiple search criteria right from their computer to retrieve documents if work needs reviewed to answer customer questions. This is a very robust cloud-based service that goes beyond just electronic filing. One of the major features we use is called Workflow, which allows us to automatically route work to each staff member in the order it is received to Central Office. We are now beginning to leverage another feature of FileBound called the Forms Portal. This Portal is a central webpage where users can fill out forms and upload supporting documents to be sent to Central Office.*

#### Current Portal Services

- *Registration via Pedigree – Customers can now fill out the form online and upload their pedigrees directly to Central Office. These orders are then routed automatically using Workflow.*

#### Possible Future Portal Services

- *Show License Applications*
- *Cat Ownership Transfers*
- *Other forms as identified*

#### What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

*Updates for completed, ongoing and future projects.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
James Simbro*

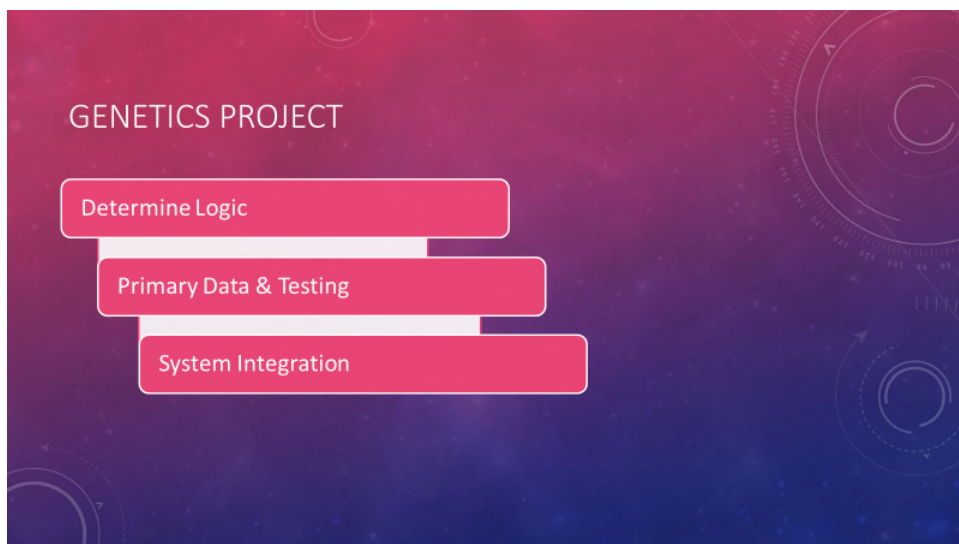
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| Genetics Module<br>Phase 1 – eCat logic<br>Phase 2 – Color Check Tool | 2/1/2019                          | October 2021<br>January 2022 |                       | \$135,600.00         | \$148,000.00         |                   | Budget overage due to underestimating the amount of time required for project manager to gather and process the tremendous amount of information for all breeds and colors. |
| *People Record Consolidation  | 12/24/2020                        | October 2021                 |                       | \$45,000             | \$0.00               |                   | * These two projects are combined as one.   |
| *Clerk License Status Records   | 12/24/2020                        | October 2021                 |                       | n/a                  |                      |                   |   |
| Cattery of Distinction  | 1/4/2020                          | TBD                          |                       | TBD                  | \$0.00               |                   |   |
| Automate Grand of Distinction   |                                   | TBD                          |                       |                      |                      |                   | Defining program requirements. We are using a database report to currently identify these.  |
| Generate PDF's to enable emailing of Grand Certificates               |                                   | October 2021                 |                       | \$20,000             |                      |                   | Currently working on program requirements.  |
| Computer System Revision  |                                   | TBA                          |                       | TBA                  |                      |                   | Will propose for the 2022-23 budget.  |



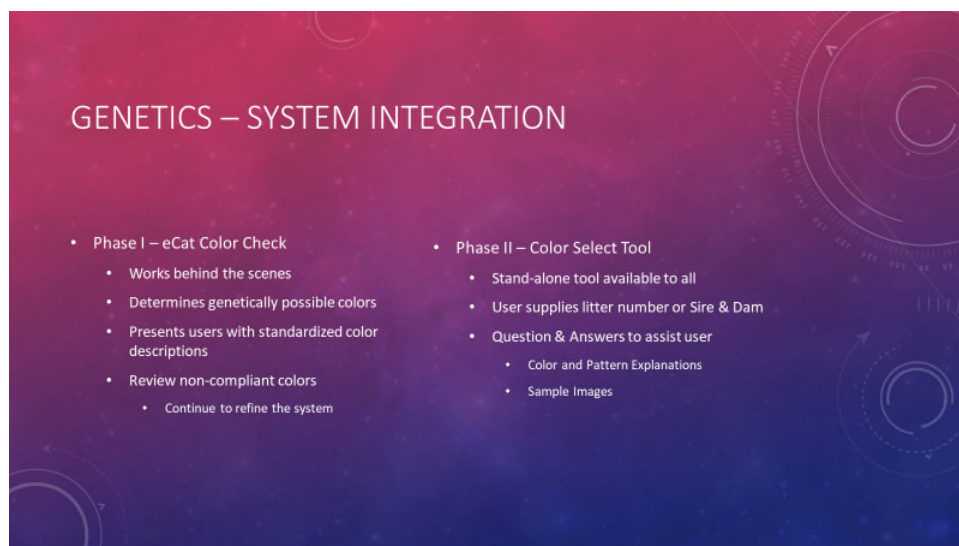
**Newkirk:** Let's go to the IT Report, which is Business Order #12. James, you are recognized. **Simbro:** I think Shelly is going to pull up a PowerPoint for you. We tried to provide a pretty comprehensive report covering all the ongoing projects and, most importantly, some of the things we may be considering for the future. Central Office and among exhibitors, too, we discuss a lot of IT ideas that you may not be aware of. We're always looking to improve things and tweak stuff to make it better, both for Central Office and for our exhibitors and breeders.



**Simbro:** The genetics project is probably our longest active project. It has been going on for probably two years now, I think. Also, one of the most complex. We kind of look at this in three sections. The first two sections were the logic and the primary data and testing. This was headed up by Steve Merritt. He did a ton of work on this – very repetitive, because he did it for every breed. Trying to figure out how to best approach this, which was ultimately decided to use the same concept as Punnett squares. We're going to get into genetics, which I a little bit understand myself, which are kind of standard for using the predicted genotypes of colors. So, once that was decided, he worked with the programmers on how to integrate that into programming logic. He pulled in the testing data to use for that. The original direction we were

going to take on this was to use the BCS codes. Once we got pretty deep into the concept of how to figure this out, we realized that BCS codes don't give us enough information, particularly because our BCS codes cover more than one color in cases such as bi-colors. So, it really wasn't a good identifier. So, we had to step back and switch gears, which did require some additional programming costs to do that, to go to color descriptions. Color descriptions, we were then able to do that genetic coding for every color description and, most importantly, copy that genetic code for color descriptions that were the same thing but maybe worded differently – black versus sable. That took a lot of work to switch that over and use the colors as the identifier. We pulled in data from I think pretty much as far back as we could to get all of the color descriptions. This will also allow us to hopefully standardize color descriptions. So, a lot of times when things got abbreviated two different ways for the same thing – like “WH” for white and “WHITE” spelled out – we can kind of take a primary description to hopefully move forward and standardize those within each breed. That's not across all breeds.

**Simbro:** The last step in this is this system integration. This is what we have really – I don't know if you would say “struggled with” because we kind of come up with ideas and then get off track really quickly; that is, how to integrate the system into our registration system.



**Simbro:** What we've decided now to do is kind of break this up into two phases as far as how we're going to launch this. Phase I we're calling eCat colors. This is really the primary drive behind putting a genetics check into our system; that is, to only allow colors that are genetically possible to be registered. We can integrate this into eCat as it is now with the testing and development Steve has already done in the first two phases. Because it works behind the scenes, it doesn't require any additional development in that respect, so what we're looking to do is wash this on eCat. Right now when somebody registers a cat, the color description is just a freeform text field. I can put in there “purple with pink stripes” and it will accept it, so we're looking at making that a look-up field instead; whereas, when you start to type in a color, it will automatically start populating a list of genetically possible colors. The system, as soon as you put in the litter number for this cat, it's going to pull in the sire and dam's colors, as registered. It's going to go ahead and calculate every genetically possible color. That's going to still require some work as we treat the system to refine it, but it will look up every possible color. It will

know what a person can select. There will be a process to be able to over-ride that, where if your color doesn't show up on that list and you're just adamant that your color is the color it should be registered, you'll still be able to supply that to Central Office. Most importantly, those will be reviewed. That will allow us to tweak and refine the system because if we look at it and say, "oh, that color is viable," let's step back, look at our codes, look at how it's figuring things out and make tweaks to the system so it will be continually [inaudible].

**Simbro:** Let's see here. One of the things that this possibly allows us to do which has been a long-standing request is, it will allow us to instantly register cats. We know from our Registration staff that a large percentage – I think at least 85% of the cats people submit – have genetically viable colors, so there's really no reason to hold them back. So, we may be able to instantly register cats without having to have any staff review whatsoever. We're going to see how the system works for a while before we go to that extent, but something to keep in mind for the future.

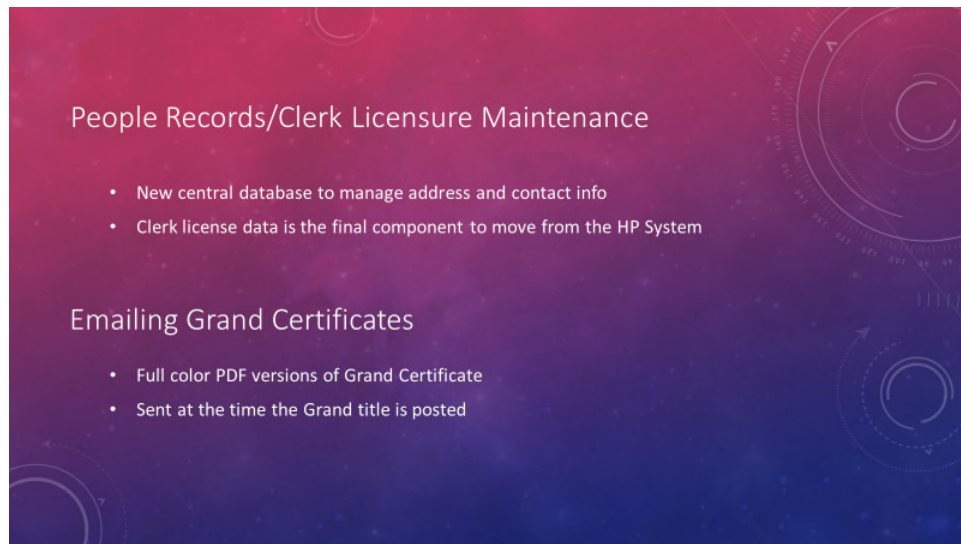
**Simbro:** Then we get into Phase II of integrating this into our system. This Phase II is kind of how we thought we were originally going to perform this on eCat where when you went to register your cat and give the color, it was going to start asking a series of questions to whittle down the list of color choices. Knowing that most of these colors that people submit originally are perfectly genetically viable, we didn't want to have people having to answer a dozen questions just to put in a color they know is correct. So, we still want to keep that idea in a color selection tool and use this as an aid or stand-alone tool where you can put in a cat's litter number, or you can just put in a sire and dam's registration number and start playing around with the questions as far as patterns and colors and such, to see if your color can actually come out of that combination. We'll provide color examples and pattern examples, as well as thumbnail images, to aid in education. So, it can be used as a tool for the breeder, as well as newbies, to see what can maybe come out of those color combinations. So, Phase II, that's kind of the part we have been struggling with is these questions. You can get off the rails really quickly on how would I describe this color and how would I get this list of 2,000 possible color combinations down to a reasonable amount. That's going to take some time and that's what we have a group of us right now that's been working on this. We've had a couple of meetings, but it has been very hard to get a good handle on this. Allene and I have discussed some ideas of maybe trying to get together to do a real massive brainstorming session on this, that we can get these questions hammered out to launch that tool. So, that might take a little bit longer. That is it on the genetics.

## Online Litter Review Process

- 100% manual review started late October 2020
- Reviews allowed staff to educate users on litter registration rules
- Determining match on Cattery/Breeder to the Dam owners
  - First initial and last name on litters where the Sire and Dam are owned by the same person
  - Non-match cases are reviewed by staff
- All leases and Sire owner verifications are staff reviewed

**Simbro:** In October, the end of October, we decided to go to a 100% manual review on all eCat litter applications. Before, if you were submitting a litter that you indicated you owned both the sire and the dam and everything checked – almost kind of an honor system – those litters would get processed as soon as you paid. We’ve seen some problems with that where litters were registered with the wrong cattery, people didn’t own the sire when they said they owned the sire. So, we stopped this automatic processing, which was 100% manual review. This allowed us to review all the litters to kind of see where the problems lie and allowed mainly staff to educate breeders that were submitting these litters that just really had no idea on the rules of registration. They didn’t know and they thought, “I own a cattery and I want to register a litter,” they could just register a litter – they didn’t have to own the cats or at least indicate that they were leasing the cats. So, it has allowed us from that time to educate a lot of people on proper registration. It has worked. We’ve seen people who have registered a lot of litters following the rules a lot better now. Of course, we don’t want to have to do that forever. It’s somewhat time intensive with staff, who try to keep those so they weren’t getting delayed more than 5 days to a week, so we wanted to return back to some kind of instant registration. During this review time, it kind of let us play around and look at how the logic works now and what can we use to determine if the rules are being followed. What we came up with was matching the first initial and last name of the sire and dam owner and the cattery being used or the breeder number they used. That has been implement. I forget the date we launched that. It has returned back to I think 85% of the litters being registered instantly as soon as they are paid for, so it has greatly – we set that up and staff doesn’t have to spend time reviewing this all the time. The ones that fail are still reviewed by staff and all leases and sire verifications, those are still reviewed by staff as they always have been, so we catch those. That has been a pretty big project.

**Simbro:** We’re still with the same company that’s doing our development, but we do have a new programmer or developer that’s working on our system, so it has taken them a little bit of time to get up to speed on what we do and how the system had been programmed. What on the face does seem like a pretty simple check of just checking first initial/last name, but the way the system was written it had to be kind of thrown into three places instead of one place, so it took a good amount of time to do that but they did stay within our budget to do that.



**Simbro:** Our next two projects which we were originally planning on having I think done at the end of August were the people records/clerking and the emailing of the grand certificates. Those got pushed back a lot due to this litter process that we had to get implemented. Also, our developer hoped to have at least one more programmer hired by now, but as with everybody it's hard to find qualified people to do this stuff. So, those are still ongoing. The people records, it's really just kind of to build a better central database to manage key contact people – breed council members, judges, clerks, the people who we regularly send out documents to or part of a yearly cycle of things. The cat registrations and litter registrations, that kind of data is going to still be kept kind of in a separate database. That's the stuff we're not using to contact people on a yearly basis, so this new master people database will give us a more centralized location for that.

**Simbro:** Emailing grand certificates, I think we're finally finalizing a background image for those that will allow us to send out an instant PDF of the grand certificate as soon as the title is posted to the cat's record. So, you'll get your grand pretty much the same day as we score the show. We'll still send out a printed hard copy, but the PDF version will be really nice, particularly for our overseas customers, because we get so many of those mailed back to us or returned from the post office because they can't deliver them for some reason or the other.



## Electronic/PDF Pedigrees

- Full color PDF version of the 3, 4, 5 and 6 generation pedigrees
- Identical to the printed version
- Pedigree order will receive both the PDF and a printed hard copy
- Many customers have been requesting electronic versions

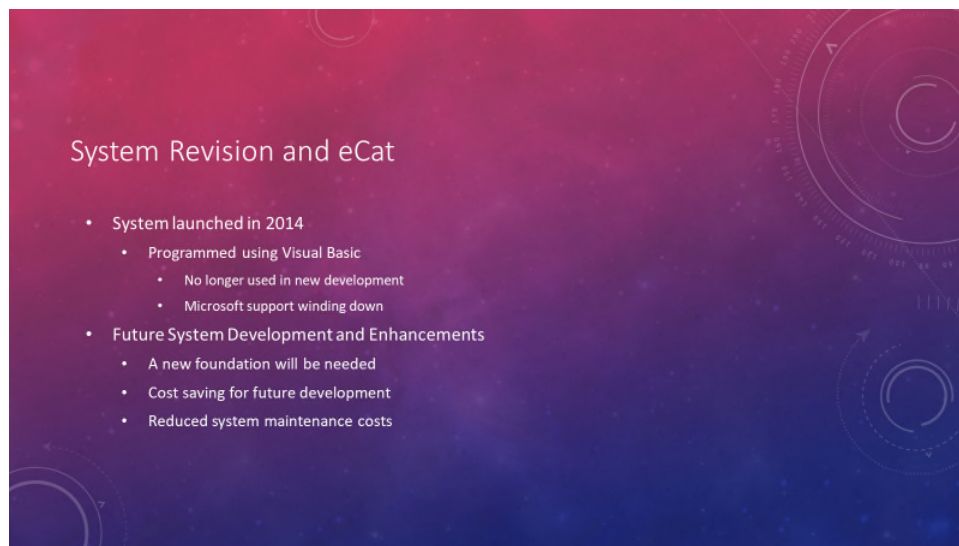
**Simbro:** Similar to the grands, we are doing electronic versions of the pedigrees. These will be full-color versions of our existing pedigrees. It is identical to the printed version. It will have the CFA watermark logo, we have added in the CFA corporate seal down in the corner. We've had a lot more demand for electronic versions. Really, what we have been doing up to this point is, after we print out the hard copy we would scan the hard copy to create a digital copy which, no matter how good your scanner is, you lose some quality there. So, these electronic versions are very clean and crisp.

## Show Data Capture (SDC)

- Show results for scoring – Counts, Finals and Breed Sheets
- Data entry:
  - Most time-intensive part of scoring a show
  - Dedicated staff
- Data capture at the show
  - Master Clerk Program by Dick Kallmeyer
  - Send results direct to Central Office
  - Verify Data

**Simbro:** Show Data Capture. This we're pretty excited about. Show results, of course we have to wait for the show package to arrive to Central Office. That has to be broken apart, Shirley has to review and come up with the counts, write those down, those have to all be hand keyed into the system for that data. That data entry is the most time-intensive part of scoring a show. It usually took a dedicated staff member to do that. They had to be very accurate. I've done it myself. It's not particularly exciting to do, especially if you're working on six shows. It gets very tedious. So, for the longest time, we have talked about doing some type of electronic data capture at the show level. There have been plusses and minuses brought up about that. Even

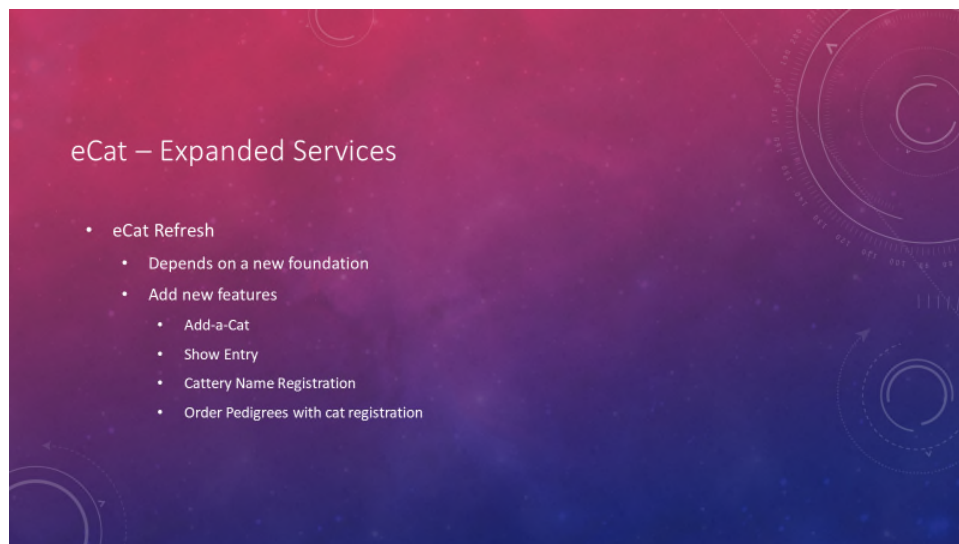
back in, I think Allene said it was sometime in the early 90's Central Office tried to do scanning of the breeds and finals sheets. That's why those sheets have that very distinctive pink background with the white boxes. That was so the scanning software could try to capture that data. But, that did not work out very well, apparently. People writing in boxes and [not] printing legibly still caused a lot of problems and it was just kind of abandoned. There was some significant expense from what I understand back in that day. So, the Show Data Capture – Dick Kallmeyer, he actually worked on this on his own. He has been working on just what you would kind of call a master clerk program. This is a stand-alone program that he is writing so that it will work on multiple platforms. It can work on a tablet, it can work on an iPad, it can work on a laptop. This is something the master clerk can use to record the results right into the program. What is fantastic is, you can then upload those results directly to Central Office and we can pull them right into our system. We would still do some data verification, but we would eliminate that very tedious part of hand keying and entering that information. We are hoping to do our first test here in November. I forget which show it is that's coming up that somebody volunteered to use that. He did show this to the Entry Clerk Enhancement Committee. I think that's what we call Cathy's committee. We were the first ones he showed this to, and then I had him show it to Allene and the office, because once I saw what he had worked on, it was like, this answers a lot of questions and it puts a lot of mechanical checks at the show that normally we would have had to kind of have caught in Central Office, so this belayed a lot of the fears of some of the data coming to us wrong. This is something we're seeing how it works. If it works well, this could really be a game changer on scoring the shows.



**Simbro:** System Revision and eCat. Like I said, we're always looking at how to change things or enhance things in the system. What we're probably most aware about is the money in the budget. I hear a lot of, "why don't you do this, why don't you do that?" I would love to do that. We are trying to keep that in mind, but we have to keep it within the budget. I would like to think I'm pretty frugal on spending on this stuff because, as we know, technology changes so rapidly. In four or five years, you're having to spend that money again anyhow, especially when it comes to hardware; not so much with the software, for a little longer, but we do keep these things in mind and we are trying to keep them on track and determine when we can integrate these into the system ... which brings us to the system, which was originally launched in 2014.



It's hard to believe it has been seven years already. We still don't have everything off the HP. Clerking is the last thing to come off the HP, but we have added a lot of things in there that weren't on the HP that we've integrated into the system now, that has taken a lot of that time now. The system was written in a programming language we've since learned that was kind of on its way out at the time it was written. Visual Basic, or what they call vb.net, was kind of in its tail end in its lifespan when the system was launched, so instead of being ahead of the curve on the system, we were kind of coming in on the coat tails. This means that future enhancements in development, really they're going to come at a higher cost if we continue to develop the system as it is. If we do a system refresh – which literally means rewriting everything in a newer language, which I believe is called C#, the cost of new development will be lower, the cost of our maintenance of the system will be lower because it's fewer lines of code. Visual Basic, as our developer said, is very wordy. What could be in Visual Basic 150 lines of code could be 90 lines of code using a more current language. So, that's something we're going to keep an idea of for in the 2022 budget. It's going to be a significant cost. We're talking about not necessarily rewriting but converting all of our current system over to this newer language. So, that's something we need to keep in mind. That's also going to possibly drive some of the enhancements we do in the future, too. Some of the stuff we want to do on eCat may just have to be pushed back another year. No sense in spending all that money to put it onto eCat, only to have to rewrite it for a new language.



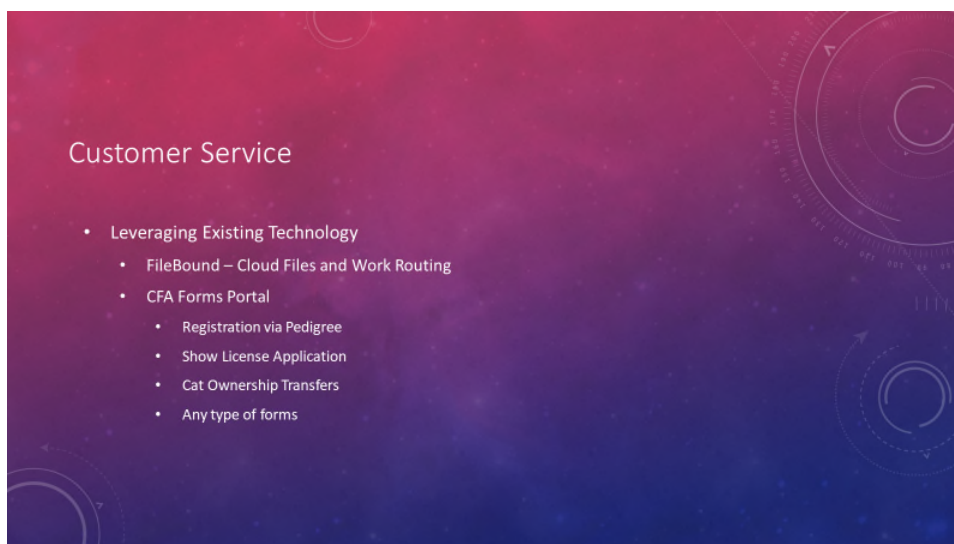
**Simbro:** Some of the eCat enhancements or expanded services, as they are called. We really need to do an eCat refresh so the interface looks a little more modern. These old fashioned drop down menus are very dated. They don't work well on mobile devices, so to make it interface a lot better. It really does depend on a new foundation for the system, which will be that system revision. One of the longest features I have wanted to add in there is the Add-a-Cat. We constantly get people wanting to put their cats on eCat. Now, usually after explaining that you don't have to have a cat on eCat in order to use it on eCat, such as litters or a championship or premiership confirmation. It's usually not such a big issue, but people do like to have this centralized library or one place where they kind of keep all their records; again, it being on the cloud if you want to call it. You don't have to worry about digging up paper records to find a certificate issue date for registering litters, but this Add-a-Cat would allow you to key in the cat's

information – probably just its registration number and some key information, then it allows you to put the cat onto your account.

**Simbro:** Then we could do things such as a show entry, where that cat would just show up on a list of cats available to enter into a show. You could use it to pick from a list for a litter registration. We can identify cats that qualified for the championship or premiership and automatically populate that list. That's kind of the idea for the Add-a-Cat feature. Like I said, you can use this for show entries. We're looking at seeing how we can integrate the show eCat and show entries, and directly tie it into the entry clerk program, so when you enter a show you check that data and it automatically populates your show entry into the entry clerk program, saving a lot of steps, saving the entry clerk from having to type in that information from a website now.

**Simbro:** We could also do things like cattery name registrations. Right now it's a form you fill out, it goes to Central Office and we have to process it, not much different than if you were to fill out a form and plop it in the mail. You just receive an email. eCat could do some checking, to see if the name is allowable. You can even get instant registration or expedited registration on cattery names.

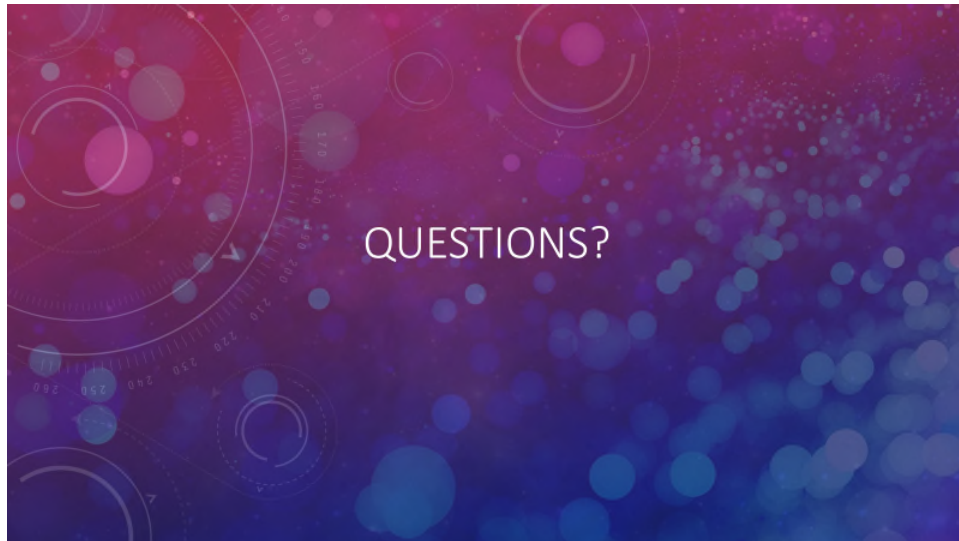
**Simbro:** Ordering pedigrees with cat registrations. It used to be, when you filled out the paper application to register a cat, it gave you the option to go ahead and order a pedigree for the cat. We haven't really done that in a while, but we would like to offer that as an added feature on registering a cat through eCat. I did want to mention that one of the other eCat enhancements is ePoints. When we moved ePoints over from the secure.cfa site, we tried to mimic what we had on there and what everybody was used to, which were the old text files. We didn't want to change it drastically because we've learned, as most people in the cat fancy or a large percentage are technically challenged. We wanted it to look as familiar as possible. That's why the layout of the links are in the same order as the old ePoints. We did give you the feature of the drop down, where you could just drill down and say, "I just want to see the champions" or "I want to see the kittens." Well, you didn't have to scroll through the champions or premiers, it just went down to the kittens. You can just get the information you need in one step instead of having to scroll. We are expanding ePoints, I think, this week. Rich is the one who actually asked me about this. The cost will be required. We're calling it a "select all". Instead of having to select each of those categories or like a region or category of champion or premiership, in this drop down there will be a "select all". That will be just like if you were to select every one of those categories and run it in one report. They were finalizing testing yesterday on this and hope to launch it this week, so you will be able to pull all of the data all in one. I know we had some people that were compiling reports and they were having to run each one of those, especially the breed. They run every breed and then every competition category – champion, premier, kitten – to get all those results into one report. We're going to give you that ability to do that in the drop down menu now.



**Simbro:** My last slide, I promise. Customer Service. We're always looking at how we can use what we have now to enhance customer service. One of the tools we've used for quite a while now is called FileBound. It is our electronic filing system. It is a virtual file cabinet. In the Registration Department there used to be two rows of probably 20 filing cabinets everything went into. If you had to go look at somebody's past order, you would have had to get up, go to a filing cabinet and look in that folder for that month and then go through and find the order. FileBound lets us do that right from our desktop. It gives us multiple points to search. We can search by date, we can search by the person who paid for it, we can search by what type of work it was. Was it a pedigree order? Was it a litter registration? It's a very powerful tool that saves us a lot of time and prevents things from getting misfiled, most importantly. We also use this program for work routing. When we get in an order, a lot of it is either the electronic or snail mail order. Those get routed to a specific person or a specific group of people, and works on a first-in, first-out basis where that work is then processed, and then if there's additional work that came along with that order – a cat registration and having to have a pedigree – this electronic system would automatically route it to that next person, once it was marked complete for that step.

**Simbro:** So, FileBound not only does the filing and work routing, but it also allows you to do online forms. This forms portal, anything that is a form that can be filled out and submitted, we can build on this portal and automatically integrate into the work routing. We've already done this for the registration via pedigree process. You can fill out the registration via pedigree form and upload all your supporting documents, your pedigrees, and all the information you would on the paper PDF form. When you submit it, that comes straight to Central Office to the person who runs in the money. She processes your payment and then that gets sent on to the next step in the process of verifying if it's eligible to be registered, and then if it is it goes to the next process where it does get registered. This has really helped out in this respect. You'll get an email with a PDF attached with the form. Then you've got half a dozen attachments with it, with the pictures and pedigrees. Then you have to save those attachments, upload them. It's very time consuming, so this portal feature really helps out in that respect. We're looking at doing anything else that's a form on this portal. Show license applications could be done with this. You fill out the show application, you can upload the judge contract PDFs right to that form and submit that.

We would like to look at doing ownership transfers. We get a lot of people who want to do this online but because we require an actual copy of physical signatures on the transfers, people end up doing this a lot via email and kind of get back to the registration via pedigree issue of having to save these attachments and upload and keep track of them, whereas if we can do this on a portal they submit the information, it gets routed and processed as efficiently as possible. Any forms in the future that we have, we would like to be able to use this tool for. This doesn't cost us anything extra. This is already in the package that we paid for with File Bound. It's just one of the many ways we try to enhance work flow, enhance our customer service and get things moving as efficiently as possible.



**Simbro:** I think that is it. I wanted to hit all the highlights from the report, if there are any questions? That's a good sign. **Mastin:** James, great job on that report. I do have some questions for you specific to the computer system revision. Do you know how long that will take and what the estimated cost is? **Simbro:** I will say it will probably take a year at least to do that for development testing. If we did it in 2022, we're probably not looking to launch it until 2023. Maybe parts of that could be done in components. I would have to talk to the developers on that. I would like it to be done in components. Cost I will say will be significant. Is it \$100,000? Is it \$500,000? I don't know. We have only had very initial conversations with our current developer. I will tell you he is itching at revising it, because when he sees how inefficient the system is currently working, he really wants to make things a lot more efficient. He's even doing that with the existing code. He wants to stop now and says, "wow, this could have been written so much differently." He is working on the grands and doing the grand certificates as PDFs. When we run the report to identify grands, it takes several minutes for that report to run, depending on what kind of timeframe we're running it against. He was already looking at ways to speed up that process, because he felt that was not very efficient at all. **Mastin:** Can you work on fine tuning the cost and present that to us in December? **Simbro:** Yeah, yeah. It will definitely be a next year budget item. We'll know ahead of time. We'll have more serious talks with our developer on what he thinks we need to budget for. **Mastin:** The reason why I'm asking questions is, if time permits with the developer and money is not necessarily the issue, why are we waiting? Why not move things sooner than later? Your developer notes in the comments and you did yourself that it is taking longer, it will be more efficient, it will save money, so if you can just fine tune how

long it will take and the cost, that would be helpful to the board. **Simbro:** Sure, sure. I would be all for getting a start on it, if that's feasible. **Mastin:** Thank you.

**Newkirk:** Anybody else? James, this forms portal where there are forms that people can go, do they have to download them, print them out, fill them out, upload them and send them back? Or are they like fillable PDF forms? **Simbro:** It's an actual web page. It's not a fillable PDF. It's an actual web page that picks the form, so yeah, you just fill in the fields and upload your supporting documents and then hit submit. It electronically sends that to us. **Newkirk:** OK, because almost none of the forms that are on the CFA website are made into fillable PDFs. I mean, the forms are there – I can't remember. A breed council application, someone had stated, "why isn't this a fillable PDF form?" I just downloaded it into my PDF maker, so I sent it to Annette and to Allene. Allene said they rarely ever use that form, but I just did it as an example of how you can make these forms fillable and tell people what they can do is just go to the form, fill it out, print it and sign it, and then send it in. **Simbro:** Right, right. Yeah, this portal is way more efficient than even doing that, because you don't have to fill it out, print it, scan it, attach to an email. It's all in one step. You fill it out, submit, you're done.

**Newkirk:** OK. Anybody else have questions for James? Thank you James. Appreciate it, great report.

### 13. CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.

*Committee Chair: Allene Tartaglia*

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#### ***Certified Pedigrees***

*We continue to research options for enhanced, printed certified pedigrees and possibly offering a premium registration packet which would include a fancier registration certificate and certified pedigree. We hope to determine there is a market for a “premium” registration package before proceeding with design, pricing, and implementation. A PDF version of a certified pedigree is covered in the IT report.*

**Newkirk:** Central Office I believe is up next. We'll be taking a break pretty soon after we do Marketing. **Tartaglia:** Let me bring Desiree in so she is ready right after me. **Newkirk:** Thank you. **Tartaglia:** Much of mine is informational but there are some discussion topics. There's just two small items I wanted to add to the report that are not in the current report. It doesn't require a vote. Certified pedigrees, I just wanted to let you know we continue to research options for enhanced printed certified pedigrees, even looking at options of perhaps having a premium registration packet which would include a fancier registration certificate, a certified pedigree, possibly a picture of the cat on the pedigree and registration. We're a little off from that. I just wanted to give you an idea that we are looking at those types of things. We also want to make sure that the market is there for this type of a package before we move into the expense of creating something like this. If anyone has any questions on my report, feel free to raise your hand. I may as well just take questions at the time.

**DelaBar:** First, if I may go back to certified pedigrees, I provided Allene some examples of what is given by other associations as their normal cost of doing business. When they register a cat, they get a very nice pedigree with it. That's part and parcel of the registration process.

#### ***Cattery Names for Sale***

*Apparently, several years ago the Board discussed prohibiting the sale of historically significant cattery names. For example, cattery names associated with the founding of a breed or a cattery name well known for its involvement and contribution to a breed. To my knowledge there were no formal guidelines outlining what constitutes a cattery at this level and when CFA will prohibit the sale of a cattery name. A sale of a cattery name is when none of the original owners of the cattery retain ownership and it is a complete transfer of ownership.*

*A cattery name can be reissued after it's been expired for 20+ years and no litters or only one litter with no breeding offspring were registered during the time the cattery name was current. However, there are cattery names that are actually sold that aren't expired and are currently active or have been active within recent times, certainly within 20 years and CFA currently allows the transfer, or sale, of these names. The sale/transfer of a cattery name is uncommon. Most cattery names simply stop being used when the owners are no longer involved with CFA.*

*At what point do we deem it necessary, if at all, to preserve a cattery name for historical purposes and either not allow the sale/transfer of the name or modify the sold cattery name by*

*adding the number '2' or some other character at the end of the cattery name to denote it is not the original cattery owners? Or do we continue to allow the sale of a cattery name, regardless of activity or historical value, with the proviso that a '2' or another character is added to the end of the "new" cattery?*

**Tartaglia:** Cattery names for sale. I know that there is concern that some cattery names that are very historically important to a breed have been sold over the past years. We would like to review, is this a concern? If it is a concern, what parameters do we want to impose when a sale of a cattery is permitted. Somebody purchasing a cattery name, essentially it's theirs. If they want to sell it to somebody, it's basically a transfer of ownership where all current owners are removed. So, I'm asking for direction from the board. Is this something we want to look further at? Do you want me to come back with some parameters at the next board meeting? I know Pam DelaBar wants to comment on that.

**DelaBar:** Under Cattery Names for Sale, in the past we have not allowed this. In fact, I remember it specifically being stated at one of our board meetings many, many years ago that we did not allow it and the only time that we remember a cattery name being transferred was Skyway, and that was because Don Williams inherited it. Part of the problem under our previous executive director, I was in the Central Office and saw – and I will name the cattery, since the principal person is deceased, that Procurl Harem had been sold to a new breeder who subsequently was talking about, "I am now Procurl Harem." Well, no you're not. A cattery is a brand. It is history. When this report came out, put out to the people to read what was going to be discussed at this meeting, I got tons of comments coming in from people, not only new to CFA but with other associations, as well. Today – Lorraine, I don't care if brands are sold all the time, this is history. It is not just a brand, it is history. Our charter is to provide a history of cats. When we change and allow the sales of catteries to go ahead, we change that history. We're losing credibility by allowing it. I am for no we do not sell cattery names, especially something like Procurl Harem. That to me is just a travesty that that was even allowed, but as I said it was under a different executive director who did not know or did not appreciate what the history of a cattery name was, so that's my input. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam. **Morgan:** Allene, thank you for reaching out for input on this. I think we could and should develop criteria for identifying and preserving our catteries of influence. Our pedigrees, as Pam alluded to, are a roadmap to our past and a roadmap to our future. The cattery names are key landmarks. Allowing them to be willy nilly transferred or sold without any quality control is compromising the integrity of that history and is something I believe very strongly we should protect. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? Allene, back to you. **Tartaglia:** I'm not sure where we stand with this. Do you want me to come back in December with – ? OK.

[From later in the report] **Hannon:** I want to go back real briefly to the resale of cattery names. If Allene is going to bring this back in December, can we just put a freeze on it so that we're not selling cattery names between now and then? **Tartaglia:** Sure. Yes, we can do that. Just so you know, this is not a normal type thing. I don't have an exact number of how often it happens. It's really unusual that cattery names are transferred/sold out of all owner names previously, but yes, we will put a hold on that. **Newkirk:** If you get a request, then you'll just notify whoever that is that we're not doing any until the board makes a final ruling. **Tartaglia:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Mark, anything else? **Hannon:** No.



## ***October 2022 Board Meeting***

*The October board meeting is scheduled for October 1-2, 2022. The International Show is scheduled to take place the following weekend, October 8-9, 2022. There are approximately up to 10 individuals who attend both in one capacity or another. To save on wear and tear on those individuals from a travel aspect and to save on travel expense, would the Board consider scheduling the October board meeting on the Monday & Tuesday after the International, October 10-11, 2022? This option would also free up a weekend for board members to attend a show (first weekend in October) and may encourage more people to attend the board meeting since they will already be in the area because of the International Show.*

**Tartaglia:** The October 2022 board meeting is scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, the first weekend. The International Show is scheduled to take place the second weekend in October, as normal. There are possibly up to ten individuals who attend both in one capacity or another – board member, judges, staff, whichever. Is there any interest to change the date of the board meeting and have it follow the International Show on that Monday and Tuesday? So, we would have the International Show on Saturday and Sunday, the 8<sup>th</sup> and the 9<sup>th</sup>, and then the board meeting would be on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. This is assuming there's an in-person board meeting. I just wanted to throw that out there to see if there's any interest in pursuing that idea. **Hannon:** My assumption is based on past experience, that that Monday we're exhausted if we've been to the International Show. Allene, you of all people would be exhausted. So, I am not in favor of moving that to the day after the International Show. **Roy:** I agree with Mark, but I wonder – seeing we're going to have a cost for the International Show next year and we don't know exactly how much it's going to be – these Zoom meetings for the most part have worked out well. Maybe we should consider a Zoom meeting for the October meeting next year to save on funds. **Calhoun:** I like Sharon's idea of perhaps having a Zoom meeting. Ideally, this has come up because of the significant savings in transportation from a standpoint of consolidating the two events; being the October board meeting and the International Show. It would also be significantly achieved by making the board meeting a Zoom meeting. There was some discussion about having the board meeting on either a Wednesday/Thursday or a Thursday/Friday, but that would interfere with set-up and also interfere with the BAOS, so the thought was to take a poll of the board and see what Monday and Tuesday would look like. For some, I understand the matter of being exhausted and tired, but you also have people that may be traveling great distances and come to Ohio for a board meeting that is on Sunday and turn around and come back on Wednesday is also tiring, as well. People that have to attend both events, they would have to travel from other countries. That's significant. I think in the past we have had – I can recall when Peter was on the board, he stayed the week between the board meeting and the International Show. It just didn't make any sense for him to travel back and forth. So, just looking at options and wanting to get the board's thoughts. **DelaBar:** Personally, if I'm still on the board, I would come in anyway and stay with friends or whatever at no cost to the board if we were not having a board meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, but the one following the International Show, we want to be sharp for our board meetings. It's also the Show Rules board meeting. If it's ten people who are really dragging, that's not an effective use of our people power. **Currle:** I agree with Pam. We should keep these separate. Business is one thing; our International Show is something totally different. **Krzanowski:** I agree. Having it after the International Show would be problematic. We'll all be exhausted. Those who are judging would be exhausted, or working the show. Others who would be exhibiting, if we happen to have cats with us or whatever, that's



another issue to deal with. I think the cost-saving factor is something worth considering, but a Zoom board meeting would certainly handle that situation. **Dunham:** While I completely understand the saving of expenses, the other consideration that I would have – although I’m sure it could be worked out – I am probably one of the few board members that still works 40 hours a week. Monday and Tuesday are work days. It is a challenge for all of us to participate, and a Zoom meeting would certainly alleviate some of the pressures of having to work with employers for the appropriate time off. Thanks. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? **Calhoun:** Do we have a straw poll of those board members that would be interested in a Zoom meeting for the board meeting? **Newkirk:** We don’t do straw polls. That’s not according to Robert’s Rules, but you can make a motion. **Calhoun:** I just wanted to get a feel for what people are thinking. **Newkirk:** I think several people gave valuable input.

### ***Return to In-Person***

*The Central Office staff in Alliance is scheduled to return to the physical office on Monday, October 4. There are nine employees on site and each has their own separate work area with plenty of social distancing. Although our staff works well remotely, the in-person environment is still preferred.*

**Newkirk:** Allene, back to you. **Tartaglia:** Just to let you know, we will all be back in the office starting Monday. We were working from home, most of us, during the month of September but we will all be back.

### ***Personnel***

*There have been many changes since March 2020. Some employees are no longer with CFA due to either lack of work because of COVID or for more permanent reasons (Brian Buetel died in January 2021). The shipping portion of Brian’s job has been absorbed by others. Building inspections and overview is being handled mostly by me with assistance from James regarding the mechanical workings of the building. For example, it was time for the sprinkler system to be inspected. The inspectors asked me where does the water come into the building. “Huh? I don’t know, it just does.” We figured it out and now know more about the inner workings of the building in Alliance than we ever thought we would, and others are learning too.*

*We are currently appropriately staffed to handle an increase in registrations and shows.*

**Tartaglia:** We’ve had a lot of personnel changes in the past year, going on two years, but we have adapted. We are appropriately staffed for an increase in registrations and shows. As I’m sure I told you and am sure you know, we’re not in the position that we can just hire somebody and a week later they are well versed in the cat fancy and how to do things. It is a months-long process, so we are appropriately staffed at this time to handle that increase.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Allene Tartaglia*

**Tartaglia:** Two things I wanted to mention that aren’t on my report. Mail delivery – hard copy mail, pedigrees, registrations, whatever it is. Most of them are electronic. However, we have run into areas of the world that we can’t mail to. We’ve never had this happen before.

Australia is on our list. It's not a lot. New Zealand is another one. So, we are working around it. We've had some customers that say, "well, I want my mail," and we say, "well, we just can't mail it." We physically can't put it in the post office for them to take it. The only other option is for somebody to pay for it to be shipped UPS or FedEx, and that's quite costly. This is changing all the time. A month from now it could be perfectly fine. I just wanted to make you aware of the situation with some of our foreign countries. **DelaBar:** One of the problems -and I would suggest letting the Regional Directors know, or the International Division Reps – if they are having problems in the area getting mail, to double check on the addresses. Some of mine, of the things I have picked up from Central Office saying "hey, can you take this?" didn't have countries on them. That field was left blank, so some of these, they might have a city or whatever, and I do not like to being told to Google the country when these things come up. So, check your fields to make sure they are fully filled out. **Tartaglia:** We have. When we put the country in, it tells us, "you can't mail to that country," but yes, we are aware of that, thank you.

**Tartaglia:** The last item I have is about show licensing. There is an exception that we currently have for the 90 days to license a show, and then any time after that penalty fees start to kick in. The exception is that we will license shows up to 30 days out without any penalty fee. I just wanted to make you aware that we are doing that. To my knowledge, there is no deadline for when that stops. We may not be able to consider a deadline at this meeting, but based on what the board feels at this point I can always come back in December with an actual motion when we should not set aside that 90 day rule, when we want to go back to what's printed in the Show Rules. **DelaBar:** I brought this up to Allene to ask, because I had some of the clubs coming up wanting dates. If a club does not need a show package, I think that we should be able to allow them up to 30 days without the penalty, but I think that's one of the biggies is the show package and being able to get the appropriate supplies. **Hannon:** I brought this up, as well. I'm getting complaints from the exhibitors. It has nothing to do with show packages. They are trying to plan their shows. For example, we've got a show in 6 weeks here that's not licensed, so people don't even know about it. People want to be able to buy their airplane tickets in time to get a decent rate on it. If we're not licensing shows until 30 days out, by the time it gets publicized it's too late for decent air fares. People are planning their schedules out more than a month from now. **Mastin:** In addition to what Mark was commenting on, I wonder by having the show license now 30 days without penalty, we're doing a disservice to the exhibitors and the clubs from a financial aspect by allowing the shows to be licensed on such short notice. We might want to consider moving it from 30 to 60, maybe effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, and then hopefully by the new show year – May 1, 2022 – we can go back to 90 days. It's something we should consider. **Newkirk:** Are you making that a motion? **Mastin:** Yeah, I'll make the motion that we require 60 days to license a show without any penalty, effective January 1, 2022. **McCullough:** Steve seconds. **Newkirk:** So, no shows? It will be a firm stop? No licensing after 60 days prior to a show. Is that correct, Rich? **Tartaglia:** There's just a penalty. **Mastin:** Right, they pay a penalty, Darrell, if they license it within less than 60 days from the show. That's how it is set up now. **Newkirk:** OK, so if you want to make this motion complete, you need to include what the penalty is. **Tartaglia:** If you give me a second, I'll tell you what they currently are. **Newkirk:** Don't you think that needs to be included, Rich? **Mastin:** I'm OK including what the penalty is. Whatever it currently is, I just want it to be the same. I just want to go from 30 days to 60. **Tartaglia:** 59-30 days is \$150. If it's licensed between the 90 day and 60 day, it's \$75. **Newkirk:** Rich is not including 90 days, he's just including 60. We're not going to license any shows within 30 days, or are we? **Mastin:** I believe we have done that for China and there is a

provision for that. **Newkirk:** And there's no penalty, correct? **Tartaglia:** Correct. **Mastin:** That's correct. **Newkirk:** Alright, so your motion is going to be 60 days and it's going to be Regions 1-9 I'm assuming. Or 1-7. **Mastin:** Sorry, I didn't mean to complicate this. **Newkirk:** It needs to be clarified. **Mastin:** I understand, Darrell. **DelaBar:** We have countries changing rules, we have facilities changing rules. This may be fine for North America but this is really putting a damper on us building back up in Europe. We have 29 countries in part of the EU which is under one set of rules, and then we have other countries. Norway makes up Denmark tomorrow, but the next week they're cutting them out. Same thing with Finland. It's constantly changing. We have people that hopefully are going into Russia in another month or so, but that might change, too. It's still very fluid in Region 9 and I would hate to see this come up, especially when we are seeing more 2-ring shows, 4-ring shows, maybe even 3-ring shows coming up and it's all predicated on the facilities, on what the government says of the many 42 governments that we have within this region. This is a killer. This is really a killer. **Eigenhauser:** Everything Pam said about Europe I say applies in the United States, as well, in Regions 1-7. We have governments that are saying you can't have mask mandates, you can't have vaccine mandates, you can't put these restrictions on facilities, and then we have local governments arguing with their states saying, "yes, we will too." It is total chaos out there in terms of what the requirements are for getting a facility in the age of COVID. I had hoped that by now we would have a little better idea of what's going on. We all hoped that back in June everybody would be vaccinated by July and it would be over, but it clearly is not. 700,000 Americans have died of COVID. That's more people than have died in any war the Americans ever fought in except maybe the Civil War because there's some quibbling about how many people actually died then. We lose more people every day to COVID than died in combat in Afghanistan in 20 years. It is still a mess out there, it is still chaos, it is just too soon. Yes, it's an imposition on exhibitors if clubs license shows at the last minute, and clubs know that. They want entries, they want exhibitors to know. They're not waiting until the last minute to be stubborn, they're waiting for the last minute because they have trouble dealing with their show halls and their local requirements and their state requirements. It's still out there. I think that this could easily be tabled until December when we have a little better sense of what's going to be happening with COVID, but right now I just think this is too soon. **Currle:** George just articulated exactly what I was going to say. There's no certainty for tomorrow. We need to support our clubs and give them as many avenues as possible to do what they think is the right thing and what is going to benefit our exhibitors and our breeders. **Mastin:** After thinking about this, maybe I jumped the gun on it. What I would like to do is bring this up at the COVID-19 committee meeting that will be coming up sometime after this meeting, so I'm going to table my motion. I will withdraw it. I need to come back with a complete motion. **Newkirk:** Who was the second on that, Rachel? **Anger:** McCullough. **Calhoun:** There were several. I did raise my hand, so yes. **Newkirk:** Alright, then you're OK with the withdrawal.

### **Withdrawn.**

**Newkirk:** Allene, anything else? **Tartaglia:** That's it, thank you. **Newkirk:** Good deal, thank you very much.

## 14. MARKETING.

*Submitted by Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director*

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### Current Happenings:

#### **Marketing/DEI Collaboration – CFA Brand Agency Partnership**

*Funds spent on marketing projects and the development and design of new marketing materials was paused earlier this year while we work on the CFA Rebranding and Website Project.*

*CFA Marketing and the Diversity and Inclusion committee have been seeking an experienced, qualified agency partner with extensive expertise and experience in brand development and strategic marketing to provide CFA with comprehensive design-to-delivery services necessary to help elevate and grow the organization. Overseen by the CFA Marketing Director, the selected partner would be responsible for handling all services needed to reenergize and elevate the CFA brand.*

*The development and design of new marketing materials was paused earlier this year while we work on the CFA Rebranding and Website Project. Tasks completed:*

- Initial agency interviews*
- Zoom sessions*
- Writing of RFP*
- Reviewing of RFP responses*
- Creating scorecard for committee*
- Scoring agencies*
- Round III of proposals*
- Making final decision*
- Developing budget and schedule*
- Developing preliminary strategic new brand launch plan*
- Creating board presentation for approval (to view in closed session)*

**Newkirk:** Alright, we will move on to Marketing. Desiree, the floor is yours. **Bobby:** Hello everybody. I see we're over 15 minutes behind, so I won't take up a lot of your time since you've had this report and you've probably taken a look at it already. Basically, the most important and largest initiative we're working on is preparing for the proposal that we're going to show to you guys in closed session with the PR firms working on the rebranding of CFA. So, if you recall, we paused all the branding projects like the calendar and the coloring book and the advertising and things like that with the CFA brand as we worked on this proposal. So again, we'll talk about that more tomorrow.

#### **DNA Service Campaign**

*Working with Roger Brown to promote the DNA service offerings. Tactics are:*

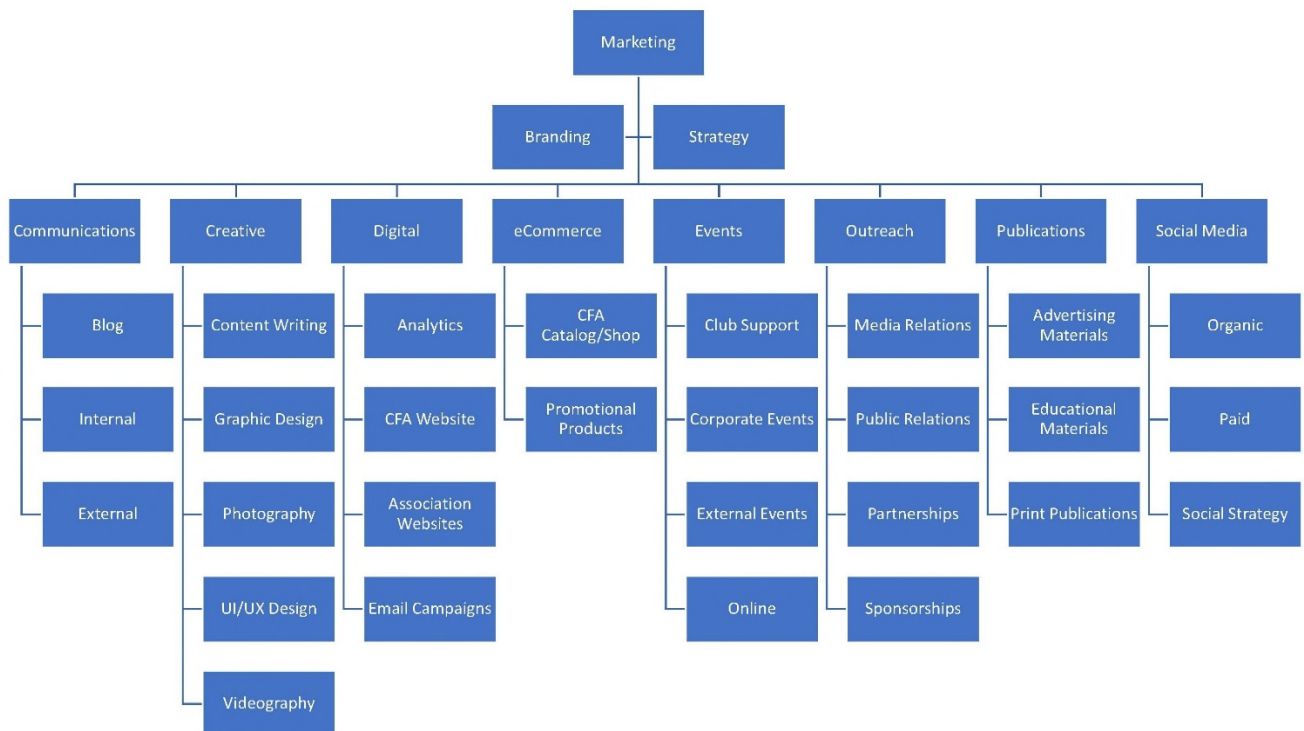
*Automated email series*  
*Organic social posting*  
*Paid social ads*  
*Cat Talk*  
*Article*  
*Newsletter*  
*Educational webinar*

**Bobby:** Some of the other projects we're working on – I'm working with Roger Brown on DNA service partners that we have right now, some campaigns for them. Wisdom Panel and for the DNA test with Neogen.

### ***Marketing Functional Chart***

*In preparation for re-starting the development and design of marketing materials once the new brand is defined and working with an outside agency, a functional marketing department chart was created.*

*The function chart below is a working draft and illustrates all marketing touch points.*



**Bobby:** Secondly, I've put together a marketing functional chart. Why this is important is, as we work on CFA branding and insuring everything that touches customers or the public aligns with who CFA is visually and verbally as well, we have to start looking at all of the touch points in the organization to make sure that we're branding appropriately. It's amazing. When I started putting together this functional chart, there's just so much that goes out that touches the public. I just wanted to share this chart. It's really interesting to see how much marketing really

touches. I thought you guys might like to see that. We'll drill down more on this, but that's just kind of the beginning of that little part of the project.

**Events – Virtual and Live:** *Responsible resources will be determined, and there will be cross responsibilities added (i.e. Website is also an I.T. function.) We plan to work systemically on projects in the future to ensure marketing approves all branding materials with the CFA name on them.*

### Virtual Events

*Plan is to keep a steady flow of virtual events while waiting for in person events to stabilize.*

*Workshop Webinar - Preliminary Kitten Exams – over 500 registrants*

*Next one: DNA Testing – Why it's important and how to do it.*

*Meowry Hour - Average of about 700 views but many increase to exceed 1000 because the videos are available to view on the videos tab on FB.*

*Most popular episodes are the ones with cat influencers. Inside cat shows had over 1000 views also. Plans to continue to end of season. Will re-evaluate for 2022-2023*

### In-Person Events

*At this time, we are not committing to any in-person events. Once we are confident that events will not be cancelled, we will start planning again.*

*We hope to make attending in-person events part of our new brand launch.*

*American Association of Feline Practitioners – October 2021 – No commitment at this time*

*AKC Meet the Breeds – Fall 2021 – No commitment at this time.*

*Novi Pet Expo, MI – December 2021 – No commitment at this time.*

*Super Pet Expo, NJ – January 2022 - No commitment at this time.*

*Super Pet Expo, VA – March 2022 - No commitment at this time.*

*Columbus Pet Expo - March 2022 – No commitment at this time.*

*SuperZoo – September 2022 – No commitment at this time.*

**Bobby:** Another thing that I just wanted to let you guys know, when it comes to events – like right now we're doing virtual events, so we have Meowry Hour and we had the educational workshops the other month – we're just going to stick with those for now. I had taken a look at different events that were going on in the United States. I made a list here, but after consideration of those, Allene and I talked about this and we just thought that it doesn't really make sense to make any commitments for any of these at this point because we make commitments and then we plan and we change. Also, it kind of aligns with what we want to do with the CFA brand. Hopefully, as 2022 approaches, maybe we'll have a better idea of COVID and also the CFA brand so we know what messages we want to express when we're at outside events.

## **Analytics**

***Web Analytics:** Unavailable*

***Instagram Followers:** 14.4k*

***Facebook Followers:** 64.6k*

**Bobby:** Some of the marketing and analytical information that I know some of you are interested in I put on the report. We don't have any web analytics right now. We yanked analytics off the website sometime back, due to some firewall issues, but we're pretty stable with our social, with Instagram and Facebook. We haven't done any boosting or paid campaigns, but Nicole who handles the daily posting and I are looking at refreshing some of the content that we're sharing.

## **Social Media**

***Social Strategy:** In the process of refreshing content calendar to include shows, educational articles, CFA products and breed highlights.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director*

**Bobby:** If there's any questions about any of that, I would be happy to answer them.

**Newkirk:** Thank you Desiree. I don't see anyone's hands up. **Bobby:** Thank you.

**Newkirk:** Now we're to our 3:30 break, so we're about 45 minutes behind. Let's take a recess until 4:30. That's about 18 minutes.

**BREAK.**

## 15. NEW CLUB APPLICATIONS.

**Committee Chair: Carol Krzanowski**

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*New clubs applying for CFA membership were reviewed and presented to the Board for consideration. Assistance and guidance were provided to clubs with questions and issues regarding membership and applications.*

#### **Club Statistics**

*Dick Kallmeyer once again provided maps showing the locations of the new club applicants being presented at this meeting as compared to the locations of existing clubs. The new club applicants are indicated in green, existing clubs with shows are indicated in red, and existing clubs with no shows are indicated in black.*

*In addition to the maps, Dick also provided comprehensive charts for China indicating the cities and provinces where existing CFA clubs are located. It is important to note there are currently just 57 clubs in that country. While we appear to have a significant number of new club applicants from China on an annual basis, we also see a fair number of clubs dropped each year. For that reason the number of clubs in China continues to remain somewhat consistent.*

*Many thanks to Dick Kallmeyer for his work in compiling these statistics and maps.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

#### **New Club Applicants**

*Three clubs were pre-noticed for membership. The applicants are:*

- 1. Beyond Love Feline Fanciers, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*
- 2. China Ace Cat Club, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*
- 3. Grassroots Cat Fanciers, Region 6; Cathy Dunham, Regional Director*

**Beyond Love Feline Fanciers  
International Division - China; Ningbo, Zhejiang, China  
Russell Webb, Chair**

*There are currently no other clubs based in Ningbo. There are two existing clubs in Zhejiang Province (see map), one of which has produced a show within the past few seasons. The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 20 members. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. Two of the members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA registered cattery names, and several members are in the process of registering CFA catteries. The remaining members own and/or exhibit pedigreed cats. Four members have show production experience and two have clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce two shows a year in Ningbo. The dues have been set. If the*



*club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a local animal charity organization. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Chair and the International Division Representative for China support this club.*

**Krzanowski:** We have three new club applications to consider today. The first is Beyond Love Feline Fanciers. This club is located in Ningbo, a major sub-provincial city in Zhejiang Province in east China. Ningbo has a population of over nine million and is a major port and industrial hub that lies south of Shanghai on Hangzhou Bay. Currently we have no clubs based in Ningbo, which is in the northeast area of Zhejiang Province. We have two existing clubs based in northwest Zhejiang Province, one of which has produced a show within the past few seasons. Two members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, four have show production experience and two have clerking experience. Several members have catteries registered in another association and are in the process of registering CFA cattery names. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to produce two shows a year in Ningbo. Both Russell Webb and Eva Chen support this club application. I move that we accept it. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Any discussion on Beyond Love Feline Fanciers? No comments?

**Calhoun:** I just want to comment that I really love the maps that were in the detail that was associated with this report. Thank you. **Krzanowski:** You're welcome. Thanks to Dick [Kallmeyer]. He did a lot of work. It's very helpful. **Newkirk:** I know at the June meeting we Scott Hudson I think had done a China map, which was fabulous. Any other discussion? Any objection to the acceptance of Beyond Love Feline Fanciers? OK, Pam Moser objects so I will call the motion. All those in favor raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Moser voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Melanie Morgan, Kenny Curre, Rachel Anger, Pam DeLaBar, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Hayata-san, Howard Webster, Sharon Roy, Steve McCullough. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. The no votes are Pam Moser. If you will take your hand down Pam, thank you. Any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote for Beyond Love Feline Fanciers when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** That's 15 yes, 1 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Welcome Beyond Love Feline Fanciers to the CFA family.

***China Ace Cat Club  
International Division - China; Chengdu, Sichuan, China  
Russell Webb, Chair***

*There are currently five other clubs based in Chengdu, Sichuan Province (see map), three of which have produced a show within the past few seasons. The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 12 members. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. Ten of the members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA registered cattery names, and another member is actively breeding and exhibiting pedigreed cats. Two members have show production experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce four to eight shows a year in Chengdu and Chongqing. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to the Shuangliu Animal Shelter. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been*

*received. The International Division - China Chair and the International Division Representative for China support this club.*

**Newkirk:** Carol, next? **Krzanowski:** The next application is from China Ace Cat Club. This club is located in Chengdu, a sub-provincial city and the capital of Sichuan Province in southwestern China. Sichuan is famous as the home of giant pandas. Chengdu has a population of over 16 million and is an important and diverse economic area with a variety of industries. Currently we have five existing clubs based in Chengdu, three of which have produced a show within the past few seasons. Ten members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, and two have show production experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to organize some educational seminars and produce four to eight shows a year in Chengdu and Chongqing. Both Russell Webb and Eva Chen support this club application. I move that we accept it. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny.

**Calhoun:** My only question was, did it seem like a brand new club planning 4-8 shows a year, particularly in Chengdu where there are other clubs? I get that there is a huge population. Just a stretch goal? Any comments on that? **Krzanowski:** I don't personally have comments and unfortunately Russell is not on the call. Perhaps Eva can add some comments about this. Is she on the call? **Newkirk:** Yes, she's here. Eva, do you want to unmute your microphone? Can you give us a comment about the number of shows being held in Chengdu and Chongqing? She may be away from her phone. **Krzanowski:** Does Kenny have anything he can add to this? I do know that the population is huge there and probably can support a number of clubs successfully. **Currle:** With your permission, Darrell, I'm in support of this. I've talked to Russell about Chengdu. I know that they have a number of clubs but with 16 million people there's plenty of cat fanciers within that area that could support shows. I doubt seriously they will have 8 shows in one given year, given the circumstances that they have over there. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny for that input. **Morgan:** Like Kathy, I have a concern. I know it's 16 million but there are 5 fairly active clubs in that area. I would have liked to have heard from Eva or Gavin about the viability about adding another one in that area and also as to why these people can't join one of the existing clubs. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Anyone else? **Currle:** Just to follow up, 16 million people can support more than 5 clubs. Obviously, we need to be cognizant of the fact that these people did go through the club formation process, so there must have been a reason for it. As far as Gavin is concerned, even though he wasn't here to comment he also did not send in anything negative concerning the club. **Newkirk:** Let's call for the vote. All those in favor for China Ace Cat Club raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, Moser, Calhoun, Wilson, McCullough and DelaBar voting no. Hannon abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Rachel Anger, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Sharon Roy, Kenny Currle, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, if you are a no vote please raise your hand. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun, Annette Wilson, Steve McCullough and Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? Mark, you're an abstention? Thank you. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote when you're ready. **Hannon:** That was 9 yes, 6 no, 1 abstain. **Newkirk:** The China Ace Cat Club is accepted. Welcome to the CFA family.

**Grassroots Cat Fanciers  
Region 6; Angola, Indiana, USA  
Cathy Dunham, Director**

*There are currently no other CFA clubs based in northeastern Indiana (see map). The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 18 members. Eleven of the members are members of other CFA clubs. At least seven of the members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, and the remaining members are actively exhibiting pedigreed cats. Two members are licensed Master Clerks and two others have clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce one show a year in Joliet, Illinois. The main focus of this club is to mentor and educate newcomers to the cat fancy. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to the EveryCat Health Foundation. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The Midwest Regional Director supports this club.*

**Newkirk:** Carol, back to you. **Krzanowski:** The last application today is Grassroots Cat Fanciers. This club is located in Angola, a city in northeastern Indiana. There are no other clubs based in the northeastern area of the state. We currently have four existing clubs in central and southern Indiana, two of which have produced shows during the past few seasons. At least seven members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, and a number of members have show production experience through their membership in other clubs. Two members are licensed CFA Master Clerks and two others have clerking experience. The primary mission of this club is to educate and mentor newcomers to the cat fancy. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to sponsor a clerking school, hold educational seminars and produce one show a year in Joliet, Illinois, just southwest of Chicago. The Midwest Region Director supports this club and I move that we accept it. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you George.

**DelaBar:** Angola, Indiana is a fair distance away from Joliet, Illinois. It's in the northern part of the state. South Bend would be a wonderful place to put it on, as well as Fort Wayne. Why do they have to go all the way to Joliet and why is the club not based in Joliet, instead of Angola, Indiana? **Krzanowski:** The club is based where the secretary lives, as we all know. That's the residence of the secretary, so that is actually the home base. I'm assuming, and I don't know for sure – perhaps Cathy Dunham can comment – that they are choosing Joliet because of its proximity to Chicago, where they would pull in a greater number of cat fanciers and spectators, and hopefully newcomers to the cat fancy. That's my assumption, but perhaps Cathy has a comment. **Newkirk:** Cathy, do you want to comment? Cathy, your screen is frozen. **Calhoun:** This was my concern, similar to Pam DelaBar's. The rationale says the club is based in northeastern Indiana. Really, it's the secretary's residence. It seems like it's based in Illinois. Joliet is a – it's near Chicago but not very close to Chicago. It's pretty much off the beaten path of opportunities to get there. Not knowing when they plan to have a show, we have Lincoln State that's in the Chicago area. I'm just a little bit concerned actually about their viability for success. **Dunham:** I'm sorry, my internet is being a little finicky this afternoon. In looking at the make-up of this club, half the club lives in Illinois, half the club lives in Indiana. The secretary certainly lives in Indiana and they have done some of their own research to find this location in Joliet to hold a show. So, while it appears that there may be some discrepancies, the club is working very hard to try to be able to produce a show and find the economical balance that all of the clubs are currently trying to handle. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? Alright, I'll call the vote. All those in favor of Grass Roots Cat Fanciers, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Rachel Anger, Pam Moser, Hayata-san, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, George Eigenhauser, Melanie Morgan, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, Steve McCullough, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, Kenny Curre, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, those voting no please raise your hand. No no votes. Abstentions? No abstentions. Will you announce the vote, Rachel? **Anger:** 16 yes, zero no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Welcome Grass Roots Cat Fanciers to the CFA family.

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Process and submit new club applications for consideration by the Board.*

**Time Frame:**

*October 2021 to February 2022 CFA Board meeting.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*All new clubs that have applied for membership and satisfactorily completed their documentation.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Krzanowski, Chair*

**Newkirk:** Carol, do you have anything else? **Krzanowski:** That's all I have for today, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you so much for being so concise. **Eigenhauser:** I had my hand up to make a last comment to the New Clubs. I really found those maps helpful. I know they are a lot of work to do. I know they're a bother, but it really helped me to visualize it. Thank you for doing that.

## 16. CFA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser gave the following report:

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| <i>Committee Chair:</i>           | <i>George Eigenhauser</i>                               |
| <i>List of Committee Members:</i> | <i>Joan Miller, Phil Lindsley</i>                       |
| <i>CFA Legislative Group:</i>     | <i>George Eigenhauser, Sharon Coleman, Kelly Crouch</i> |

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### *Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:*

*Congress has returned to Washington DC from their summer recess. Many state legislatures have concluded their current session but the CFA Legislative Group is still tracking a handful of “active” state bills. Local (city and county) government continues to be a problem. Ordinances are being introduced on a variety of subjects, often with very short notice.*

*Bans on pet sales continue to be a particularly hot topic at the state and local level. An increasing number of local jurisdictions, and now states, have adopted or are considering a ban on the sales of pets from pet stores (except for shelter/rescue animals). A few of these bans are specifically targeted at dogs but others are broad enough to include cats and other species. Some may impact sales by home, hobby breeders. Even when the ordinances purport to exempt “hobby breeders” it can be problematic for responsible breeders. Exemptions often come with rigid conditions which may include mandatory licensing, fees, and inspections.*

*Our bill tracking begins with help from the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council (PIJAC), who provide us with a list of state, federal, and local legislative proposals based on animal-related parameters we provide. PIJAC has improved their ability to identify and track for us local ordinances being proposed which would impact pets. We review the bills and local ordinances being proposed to select the most relevant for CFA tracking. In some instances we are tracking bills that may not affect us directly, such as bills restricting breeding of dogs, but which could easily be amended at any time to become a problem for cats.*

*For local legislation (city/county) the CFA Legislative Group actively monitors several dozen pet law lists online, Facebook and other social media. In many instances we rely on our “grassroots” network of fanciers to report proposed pet-related legislation in their area. When appropriate we work with other animal groups including many non-traditional allies and monitor their alerts. We monitor major Animal Rights groups, their websites and public events for information on upcoming legislative initiatives.*

*The CFA Legislative News Facebook page provides cat fanciers a source of current news articles on legislative issues. By posting a wide variety of legislative articles from the news media or other groups focused on pet legislation, usually involving cats, fanciers can use the Facebook page as a quick check for news that may affect them. The page has 616 page-likes and 660 page-follows. From June 1, 2021 until September 20, 2021, our 42 new posts have reached 1,094 people and generated 55 post likes, comments, shares, and other post engagements. The September 13, 2021 post about a pet limit ordinance had the most reaches with 170. It was a post with a far more modest reach that garnered the most engagements however. The June 28, 2021, post on the APHIS final rule for contingency planning with a reach of 20 generated 11*

engagements. The four international posts with reaches ranging between 20 and 30 generated six engagements. Beyond these posts, we continue to monitor animal abuse, animal abuse registries, retail pet store bans, and community cat issues. CFALegislativeNews:

<https://www.facebook.com/CFALegislativeNews>

The CFA Legislative Group blog is our platform integrated with our other social media activities and communications strategies that has established an online presence that we manage ourselves. It has public links to our material that can be used in other contexts for direct accessibility and reference. The individual blog posts consist of monthly What's Hot articles republished here for wider circulation and long-term availability and include occasional topical pieces of our own work. When there are additional developments, particularly for What's Hot topics, we often add an "Editor's Note" of explanation and/or URL for the new information. There are also additional pages within the blog site. The Resources page features additional materials including selected Cat Talk articles that were published six or more months prior to publication on the blog as well as other subject-specific work. Recently we added a section on Resources for "Source Documents" for convenient access to public documents referenced in our work that had been part of large files of unrelated materials. The APHIS Exemptions Flow Charts page has our flow charts for the 2018 revised definitions: 1) Do Cat Fanciers need a USDA Dealer License?; and 2) Do Cat Fanciers need a USDA Exhibitor License? Readers may "Follow" the blog and receive a notice when a new post is published. The URL for new posts is posted on CFALegislativeNews Facebook Page or other pages we follow or as topics come up in other contexts, and this functionality is a very useful tool for maintaining our communications strategies. CFA Legislative Group blog may be found at:

<https://cfalegislativgroup.wordpress.com>

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

***Highlights of a few selected issues: (Not by any means complete - just a few examples.)***

#### ***Federal***

*USDA/APHIS REG: Proposed USDA/APHIS rulemaking (2021-13152) would amend the current regulations in the Animal Welfare Act to require all licensees and registrants to develop, document, and maintain contingency plans for the handling of animals during all emergencies or disasters. A final rule was published in December 2012 but that rule was stayed on July 31, 2013 to further consider the impact of the rule. The 2021 Congressional Appropriations Act requires APHIS to propose to lift the stay. The comment deadline was 8/24/21.*

#### ***State Issues***

*Hawaii HB 1086: Provides veterinarians who provide emergency care to an animal immunity from civil liability in the absence of gross negligence. Provides veterinarians who render emergency treatment when there is no veterinarian-client-patient relationship immunity from civil liability in the absence of gross negligence. Requires veterinarians to report events of animal injury, death, or abuse to law enforcement where there is reasonable cause to believe that it relates to dogfighting or animal abuse and gives veterinarians immunity for civil liability for making the reports. Enacted 6/28/2021.*

*Hawaii SB 1387: Adds a new section to require dog and cat owners to microchip their pets if the pets are not licensed. Legislative override of Governor's veto on 7/6/2021.*

*Illinois HB 1711: Requires pet stores to acquire cats and dogs from so-called "humane sources" and showcase adoptions. Enacted 8/27/2021.*

*Illinois SB 1673: Provides that in order to humanely reduce the feral cat population in the State, the Department of Agriculture of the State of Illinois may provide guidance for operation of programs for trapping, neutering or spaying, vaccination, and return or release of feral cats. Enacted 8/6/2021.*

*Illinois REG: The proposed IL Department of Agriculture changes to indoor and outdoor enclosures, animal care, exercise, and veterinary care requirements for cat and dog breeders, as well as other entities licensed under the IL Animal Welfare Act. The comment deadline was 8/30/2021.*

*New Hampshire HB 2: New Hampshire's Governor Sununu signed HB 2, the state budget, into law. Section 302 of the law establishes a new electronic statewide animal records database.*

*New Jersey AB 5715: The "Rescue Animal Disclosure Act" would establish registration and other requirements for rescues in the state. Referred to the Assembly Agriculture Committee.*

*New York AB 7522: Would require retail pet shops source cats and dogs from qualified USDA licensees, or those exempt from USDA licensing, provided such breeders also have all state licenses required in the state where they are located. Referred to the Assembly Agriculture Committee.*

*New York AB 8118: Authorizes retail pet shops to sell certain cats, dogs, and rabbits only if such shops provide information on where the retail pet shop obtained each animal and how much it paid for it. Referred to the Assembly Agriculture Committee.*

*New York SB 6652: Directs the Commissioner of Agriculture to develop and maintain a searchable database of lost and found domestic animals. Referred to the Senate Agriculture Committee.*

*Pennsylvania HB 1624: Amends Title 18 (Crimes & Offenses), Section 5542 (Animal mutilation and related offenses) to include onychectomy, a declawing, partial digital amputation, phalangectomy, or tendonectomy procedures unless the procedure is deemed necessary for a therapeutic purpose. Referred to the House Judiciary Committee*

## ***Local***

*Manatee Co., Florida: Proposed Ordinance 21-28 prohibits the retail sale of dogs and cats in county pet stores and flea markets. Allows current pet stores to continue sales for one year under certain conditions. Adopted 8/11/2021.*

*Orange Co., Florida: The Orange County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on June 22, 2021, regarding a proposed ordinance to ban the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet stores.*

*St. Landry Parish, Louisiana: A proposed ordinance would regulate breeders. It defines a breeder as “a person who breeds or raises specific animals of any breed or breed(s) on his/her premises. a. Any person found to have more than two (2) unaltered animals of the same species on their premises shall be presumed to be a breeder. b. There shall be an irrebuttable presumption that any person found to have more than three (3) unaltered animals of the same species on their premises is a breeder. c. Exception: There shall be an exception for unaltered male dogs used for hunting purposes only if no unaltered females are found on the premises. The burden of proof shall be on the party claiming the exception.”*

*Branson, Missouri: Aldermen postponed voting on the proposed municipal animal ordinance, Bill No. 5972, that includes licensing of cats and dogs and pet limits until November 9, 2021.*

*Greene County, New York: Adopted a proposed animal abuse registry.*

*Reynoldsburg, Ohio officials table an ordinance limiting the number of pets people can own. 6/28/2021.*

*Midwest City, OK: New regulations for Commercial Animal Establishments including commercial animal breeders defined as a person that maintains a dog or cat for the purpose of breeding and selling their offspring. Adopted 7/20/2021.*

*Victoria, Texas: A proposed ordinance would limit the number of cats and dogs to four of each or a combined total of six. Significant feedback on the proposal pushed back the summary of the feedback to the workshop on 9/24/2021 with the expectation that the second reading will occur on 10/5/2021.*

*Fauquier County, Virginia: Would prohibit the retail sale of dogs and cats by Fauquier County pet shops. A request for a public hearing was made on 8/12/2021.*

### ***Litigation***

*The CFA Board has allowed CFA to join with the Animal Health Institute (AHI) coalition on amicus curiae (friend of the court) briefs opposing non-economic damages (i.e. “pain and suffering”) for injuries to animals. They are monitoring lower court litigation and will keep us informed if an appropriate situation develops. There is nothing new to report this time period.*

### ***Publications***

*The CFA e-Newsletter provides space for a “What's Hot” legislative column used to provide information on new and urgent matters of interest to the cat fancy. In general, Cat Talk Almanac articles are written for less time-sensitive matters with a focus on guidance on lobbying in general. The CFA Legislative Facebook page provides more real-time discussion of legislative topics. Articles published in the CFA e-Newsletter and the Cat Talk Almanac since the June 2021 CFA Board meeting:*



- \* CFA e-Newsletter, June 2021, **“Burke County, North Carolina – Animal Ordinance Reform Effort Adopted in Part”** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article provided an update on an ordinance first discussed in the September 2020 issue of What’s Hot. It was amended and adopted in part. Breeder permits were replaced by other breeder mandates including screening for “known inheritable diseases or potentially disabling health defects”. Violations could result in a warning followed by civil penalties for subsequent violations. After three violations within a 12 month period Burke County Animal Services could order the sterilization of all of the breeder’s animals.
- \* CFA e-Newsletter, July 2021, **“From the Texas Sunset Commission Review to the End of the 2021 Legislative Session, What Happened with the Licensed Breeder Program?”** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. For over a year there has been speculation about the future of the Texas Licensed Breeder Program. It began with the Sunset Advisory Commission recommendation to eliminate the licensing program. This was part of a review that happens every 12 years to evaluate the agency’s relevancy, efficiency, and effectiveness and the programs it oversees. They recommended elimination because the program failed to achieve the self-funding mandate, did little to protect animals, had unenforceable provisions, and the agency lacked sufficient staff to enforce it. However, animal rights activists managed to convince regulators to reject the recommendation. Despite the shortcomings in existing law regarding breeder licensing and regulation, only three bills were introduced in the legislative session related to licensed breeders, which were discussed in the article. None passed.
- \* CFA e-Newsletter, August 2021, **“Illinois Pet Shop Ban and Proposed Animal Welfare Act Regulation Amendments. New Hampshire’s Animal Database Registry.”** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article discussed Illinois House Bill 1711, then before the Governor awaiting signature. After publication of the August article, the bill was signed and Illinois became the 5th state to enact a ban on the sale of cats and dogs from pet stores. Pet shop operators may only offer for sale cats and dogs obtained from animal control facilities or animal shelters, wherever located, that comply with revisions to and the prohibitions on sourcing cats and dogs for resale. In addition, the Illinois Department of Agriculture has proposed changes to the regulations under the Animal Welfare Act, regulating cat and dog breeders and other entities. The new rules propose changes to indoor and outdoor enclosures, animal care, exercise, and veterinary care requirements. The New Hampshire Legislature considered two competing bills to create a state electronic animal records database applicable to anyone transferring a cat, dog, or ferret in the state. The version favored by dog fanciers was signed into law.
- \* CFA e-Newsletter, September 2021, **“Illinois Pet Shop Law Amendments Signed; Horry County, South Carolina: Proposed Ordinance Revisions Include**

***Pet Shop Sale Ban with Restricted Rescue Definition.***” by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article starts with a follow up to the August “What’s Hot”. On August 27, 2021, Illinois Governor JB Pritzker signed House Bill 1711 into law, making Illinois the fifth state since 2017 to enact a version of the “pet shop bans.” Horry County, South Carolina, proposed an animal ordinance update. Numerous changes were suggested to further regulate “commercial” breeding. The proposed ordinance included a ban on sales of pets by pet stores. The proposed changes included a rescue definition prohibiting specified relationships between pet stores and breeders. Parts of the proposal were taken from a 2019 North Myrtle Beach ordinance, a city in Horry County where there had been no pet shops selling dogs and cats. The proposed amendments would place new care requirements on all animal owners. It also creates provisions for community cats

### ***Meetings and Conferences:***

*None were planned within this time period.*

### ***Future Projections for Committee and Legislative Group:***

#### ***Upcoming conferences related to legislation –committed or pending:***

***Pet Night on Capitol Hill*** - Week of October 18th, 2021 in Washington, DC. Created by the Animal Health Institute (AHI) more than 24 years ago, the event is hosted by the Human Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI) and the Pet Leadership Council (PLC). Last year the live event was cancelled due to COVID-19 concerns and replaced with an online Pet Week on Capitol Hill. CFA remains a sponsor of the online event but at a reduced level. It was recently announced that the 2021 event will be entirely virtual. Traditionally Pet Night was held in September as congress returned from their August break. However, this year Pet Week will be later, after the October CFA Board meeting.

***Association for Animal Welfare Advancement (AAWA) Annual Conference***, New Orleans, LA, November 17-19, 2021 and the ***National Council on Pet Population Research Symposium***. Last year’s event in New Orleans was postponed due to COVID-19. Preparations are underway to resume live meetings. The AAWA is for leaders of animal welfare organizations and members of the sheltering community with a pragmatic animal welfare (rather than animal rights) perspective. AAWA partners with the National Council on Pet Population to present a research day symposium in conjunction with the AAWA Conference. CFA was one of the founding members of the National Council. This meeting provides CFA with networking opportunities with leaders in the animal administrator’s community. We’ve worked for years to build respect for CFA and our views within this group. Groups like HABRI are helping educate the public and legislators on the value of pets and the significance of the human/animal bond. Membership is by invitation only. CFA participation in this event is TBD.

***The Pet Industry Leadership Summit 2021***, January 24-26, 2022, Phoenix, AZ. This event is jointly sponsored by the American Pet Products Association (APPA), the Pet Industry Distributors Association (PIDA) and the World Pet Association (WPA). This is the largest

conference for pet industry executives including more than 300 of the pet industry's leaders. The conference is open exclusively to members of the trade organizations. Participating are the leaders and owners of in the pet industry including suppliers, wholesalers, retailers and others. CFA has always had a close working relationship with the groups participating in this event and it is an opportunity to build connections with other groups who support pet ownership and pet owners. George Eigenhauser plans to attend this year.

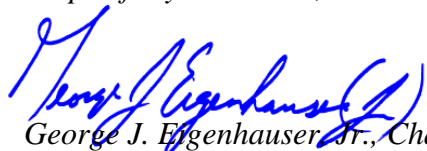
***Ongoing goals -***

- *Networking with the sheltering community, aligned organizations, veterinarians and lawmakers so we better understand the problems and trends that cause homeless animals to be in shelters and develop ways to address the issues that motivate legislation detrimental to our interests.*
- *Continuing to find new methods for presenting perspective on the cat fancy views to those in animal related fields and government.*
- *Working with national and local cat fancy teams to defeat legislation/regulation detrimental to pedigreed cats, feral/unowned cats, CFA's mission and cat ownership.*
- *Enlisting professional help with strategic public relations and communication to build greater public awareness and gain more support for our opposition to mandated sterilization laws across the country.*
- *Increasing efforts to raise funds for the Sy Howard Legislative Fund and to help clubs present projects suitable for funding.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Updates and pending legislative matters.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

  
George J. Eigenhauser Jr., Chair

**Newkirk:** We will move on to Order #16, which is the Legislative Committee/Group. George Eigenhauser, you're recognized. **Eigenhauser:** The Legislative Committee, you have a report. There are no action items. So unless you have questions we're ready to move on.

**Newkirk:** OK George, I don't see any hands up.

17. **EVERYCAT HEALTH FOUNDATION.**



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| <b><i>President:</i></b>                | <b><i>Vickie Fisher</i></b>   |
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| <b><i>Secretary:</i></b>                | <b><i>Steve Dale</i></b>  |
| <b><i>Treasurer:</i></b>                | <b><i>Kelly Bischoff</i></b>  |
| <b><i>Board Members:</i></b>            | <b><i>George Eigenhauser (Liaison to CFA Board),<br/>Brian Holub DVM</i></b>  |
| <b><i>Executive Director:</i></b>       | <b><i>Jackie Ott Jaakola</i></b>  |
| <b><i>EveryCat Staff:</i></b>           | <b><i>Alisa Salvaggio, Virginia Rud, RVT,<br/>Whitney Armentor, Development Director</i></b>  |
| <b><i>Veterinary Consultant:</i></b>    | <b><i>Dr. Philip Kass (UC Davis, College of Vet Med)</i></b>  |
| <b><i>Veterinary Advisor:</i></b>       | <b><i>Dr. Melissa Kennedy (U. of Tenn., College of Vet Med)</i></b>   |
| <b><i>Scientific Advisors:</i></b>      | <b><i>Karen Greenwood (Former Vice President of Project<br/>Management, Kindred Biosciences, Inc., Burlingame,<br/>California)<br/>Dr. Tracey Williams (Senior Principal Scientist, Global<br/>Therapeutics Research, Zoetis, Kalamazoo, Michigan)<br/>Dr. Kari Mundschenk (Professional Service Veterinarian,<br/>IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., Westbrook, Maine)<br/>Dr. Heidi Anderson (Senior Research and Development<br/>Manager, Wisdom Health, Helsinki, Finland)</i></b> |

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**Grant Review Program**

- *EveryCat will hold its annual Miller Trust grant review on October 26, 2021. A total of 15 proposals have been received. With a record distribution from the Trust, exceeding \$222,000, we are hopeful that we will be able to review and fund meaningful research to benefit the health of our feline companions.*
- *EveryCat continues with an independent \$830,000 grant review over two years to investigate the relationship of dietary Calcium and Phosphorous to the development of Feline Kidney Disease. Called the Cap-K Project and sponsored by both Nestle Purina and Mars, Inc., it's the first time these two premier pet food manufacturers have worked together for the benefit of feline health. Additional calls for proposals will occur after the first of the year.*

- *The call for proposals for our main EveryCat grant cycle has been published. We are hopeful that we will receive the quantity and quality of proposals received this year. To that end, the Board authorized the increase in maximum grant amount to \$35,000 (up from \$25,000). Review and award will take place in March, 2022.*
- *To date, EveryCat has funded over \$8 million in feline health research at more than [30 partner institutions](#) worldwide. The interest in and demand for feline health research continues to grow and EveryCat thanks CFA for encouraging and supporting this effort.*

### **Educational Programs**      *(All webinars are available on our YouTube Channel)*

- *EveryCat continued its presentation of educational webinars during the summer. Programs focused on updates on FIP research, tick and heartworm prevention and hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM).*
- *Planning has started for a major, live symposium event in the latter part of 2022.*

### **Donor Programs**

- *EveryCat's Cures4Cats Campaign kicked off in mid-September and will culminate on our special Cures4Cats day, October 17. Antech Diagnostics has sponsored a series of webinars relating to HCM and heart disease in cats which will air during the campaign.*
- *We are "heartened" by a generous, anonymous donation of \$30,000 to act as a matching fund for the campaign and are hopeful that, with a successful campaign, we can fund more research in order to conquer this all-too-common disease.*

### **Upcoming Events**

- *EveryCat attends the American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP) Annual Conference in Phoenix, September 30 – October 3, 2021*
- *EveryCat Board Meeting, October 6-8 - first in person meeting in two years! We are so excited to see each other and meet our new staff members. The focus of the meeting will be an update to our strategic plan as we look to the future.*

*It is with the most sincerest of "thanks" to the CFA Board of Directors, clubs and fanciers for the continued support and commitment to finding cures for cats, one grant at a time, that we respectfully submit this report.*

*EveryCat Board of Directors*

*By: Vickie Fisher, President*

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**Newkirk:** Are you ready to go to EveryCat Health Foundation? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. Same spiel. You've got the report. There are no action items. Unless somebody has a question, we're done. **DelaBar:** George, I notice that Vickie is only president now for a year? There's going to be a new president of EveryCat? **Eigenhauser:** I did not notice that in there. I thought she had a

two-year term. She may only have intentions to stay on which she hasn't disclosed to me, but my understanding is, it's a two-year term. **DelaBar:** OK. It had towards the top of the report "incoming president" or something like that. That's all. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Anyone else have questions for George on EveryCat Health Foundation? No? OK, thank you very much George.

## 18. AWARDS COMMITTEE.

**Committee Chair:** Cathy Dunham  
**List of Committee Members:** Cyndy Byrd, Martha Auspitz, Donna Isenberg

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### Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

*During a discussion at the Annual Committee meeting to wrap up the Virtual Annual, it was asked if the 2019-2020 National Winners were going to be recognized at the upcoming 2022 Annual and what it might look like. After the conclusion of the meeting Allene Tartaglia reached out to the Awards Committee and asked us to conduct an informal survey of the 2019-2020 winners for feedback on what they wanted in a possible recognition ceremony at the 2022 Annual.*

**Newkirk:** We will move on to Order #18, our last Order of the Day. That's the Awards Committee. Cathy Dunham, you're recognized. **Dunham:** Thank you. You have this report in front of you. A couple of things I would like to highlight. The Committee has been fairly busy.

### Current Happenings of Committee:

*The committee conducted an informal survey of first-time national winners as well as multiple year national winners from the 2019-2020 show season. We asked the participants if they were interested in any of the following recognition options at the 2022 Annual.*

- 1. Presenting all NWs by category at one time with Best Cats all coming up together with one song being played for all, prior to the start of the Saturday evening banquet for the 2021-2022 winners.*
- 2. Presenting the NWs on a separate event, perhaps an evening event with hors d'oeuvres or a breakfast event.*
- 3. Allowed the individuals to provide own ideas for the presentation.*

*The overwhelming response fell under the individuals providing their own suggestion to present the 2019-2020 winners during the annual banquet right along with the 2021-2022 national winners.*

*After consulting with Allene Tartaglia, we envision the following for the Saturday night banquet.*

- 1. Move all awards such as star awards and service awards to Friday's delegate meeting which would allow extra time during the banquet.*
- 2. Limit all welcomes and announcements to gain extra time during the banquet.*
- 3. Start the banquet earlier by eliminating the happy hour. We do understand that Region 4 is selling pins that include a free drink and CO will work with the region to accommodate those free drinks.*

4. *Presentation of breed awards would start during dessert.*
5. *On Stage photos for breed wins would be eliminated. These photos are not used in the Yearbook and although it may not seem that long to pose and have photos taken, it's enough of a delay to add up to a significant amount of time by the end of the evening.*
6. *Two separate distinct voices would be used for the different years during the presentation.*

*Central office has provided an example slide show for how the presentation would look. Please understand that the cats on the slides may or may not be the actual winners.*

**Dunham:** Allene asked us to do an informal survey of the 2019-2020 national winners for a possible recognition ceremony at the 2022 Annual. We did conduct that very informal survey and the results were, they really did want the full recognition that is afforded to every national winner. After we consulted with Allene, we would propose that the presentation be integrated in with the presentation of the current winners that will be recognized at that Saturday night banquet, with the following changes for the order of the banquet. We would like to move all the of the awards, such as the Star Awards and service awards, to the Friday delegate meeting to free up some time during the Saturday night banquet. We would like to limit the amount of time used for welcomes and any extra announcements, to gain time during the banquet. We would like to eliminate the happy hour and start the banquet an hour earlier. We do understand that Region 4 is selling pins that include a free drink. Central Office is certainly aware of that and they are going to work with the region to accommodate those tickets for those free drinks if happy hour is eliminated. The presentation of the breed awards would start as we are winding up dinner instead of waiting until dessert is completely over. We would like to eliminate photos on stage for the breed awards. We realize that it doesn't take a lot of time to stage those and take them, but added up over the course of two years' worth of breed awards, that is a significant amount of time. Then, we would use two distinct voices for the presentation of each year's worth of awards, presumably a male voice for one year and female voice for the other year. Shelly, do you have the example of the slide show that you put together that you can bring up please? Shelly, did you hear me to bring up the awards slide show? **Tartaglia:** I'm sure she is looking for it.

**Newkirk:** Rachel, did you have a question? **Anger:** I have a comment if you're ready for it. **Newkirk:** Yes, let's go. **Anger:** This is the Judging Program's input on the impact on the Judging Program service awards in Cathy's #1 to *Move all awards such as star awards and service awards to Friday's delegate meeting which would allow extra time during the banquet.* This was written by Vicki Nye, so when I say "I" it's Vicki. *I'm vehemently opposed to removing the judges service awards from the Saturday Night banquet. This acknowledgment is only given to a judge every 5 years and is an important facet of CFA. This is not for supporting CFA for just one year, like a Cat/Kitten, HHP or Agility award, but for many years of dedicated service to CFA as a judge – 25, 30, 40 and perhaps even more depending on the year. It was discussed that the 2019-20 winner celebration could be done on another night, but those alternatives were declined as the 2019-20 winners deserved their moment in the spotlight. What about our judges' moment in the spotlight?* **DelaBar:** I was going to say, we need to recognize people as much as we do cats, because it's people that are funding the cats, people that are



funding CFA. If we want to speed up the judges' and clerks' awards, maybe we ought to do a photo presentation of 5, 10, 15, even 20 years; then when you hit 25 have the people come up for recognition. That's really longevity, no matter whether we're talking about clerking or the Judging Program. We switch back and forth between the breed awards and the Star Awards, or the second part of the breed awards or whatever. This does not have to be a total marathon production. It can move smoothly, but don't forget the people part of it. **Newkirk:** Any other comments? I don't see anybody's hand up.

*The committee is also reviewing the guidelines for the Star Award nominations in preparation for the upcoming nomination period. CO has used the entire inventory of Star Awards with the mailing to the 2020 and 2021 winners. We need to reorder awards to have for the 2022 winners and we estimate the cost to be \$2500.00, which would include any setup cost that may be needed to produce the award and the ordering of the award for multiple years. The ordering of the awards for multiple years will reduce the cost of the per item piece and allow the funds requested to go further.*

#### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Continue planning the annual awards presentation of the 2019-2020 awards with CO.*

*Continued review/revision to the Star Award guidelines and ordering a new supply of Star Awards.*

#### **Board Action Items:**

**Motion:** *Approve the continued planning of the 2019-2020 awards presentation during the 2022 annual Saturday evening awards banquet with the suggested changes to the Saturday evening program.*

**Newkirk:** Cathy, back to you. **Dunham:** I appreciate the comments from everybody. I will propose the motion to [reads]. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny. Any further discussion on Cathy's committee's continued planning? Any other comments? **Dunham:** I think this is the presentation, just to give you a sense of what would happen. **Newkirk:** Go ahead Shelly.

[**Secretary's Note:** A slide show presentation was given of a proposed awards presentation.]

**Borawski:** There will be different colors and different sounds for each one. **Tartaglia:** These may not necessarily be the winners. These are just examples, in case anybody happens to pick up on that. **Newkirk:** Sure. **Borawski:** We have top cats, too. So, the same thing. There would be a different color and different font from the previous cat. **Tartaglia:** The idea is that in the back of the room – I think you're familiar with how we line up people. We call them in advance. We'll have to be a little more careful and organized. Our plan is that one side of the room will be the 2019-2020 winners, and then on the other side there will be the 2021-2022 and we bring them up so that they would go up the center aisle in the appropriate order. **Newkirk:** Anybody have any other questions or comments? Is there any objection to the approval of the

continued planning for this? **Anger:** I will be objecting. **Newkirk:** No problem, I'll call for the vote. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Hannon, Anger and DelaBar voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Howard Webster, Cathy Dunham, Pam Moser, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, George Eigenhauser, Kenny Currle, Melanie Morgan, Steve McCullough, Annette Wilson, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Sharon Roy. If you will take your hands down, those opposed please raise your hand. Mark Hannon, Rachel Anger and Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, are there any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** That was 13 yes, 3 no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to.

**Motion:** *Approve the purchase of additional Star Awards at a total cost of \$2500.00.*

**Newkirk:** Cathy, do you have another motion? **Dunham:** I do. The Awards Committee is also working on reviewing the guidelines for the Star Award nomination that will be coming up very shortly. Central Office has used the entire inventory for the awards that were just sent out for 2020 and 2021, so we would like to make a motion to *approve the purchase of additional Star Awards at a total cost of \$2500.00.* **Anger:** Rachel seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. We have a motion and a second on the purchase of additional Star Awards at a cost of \$2,500. Any debate? Is there an objection? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent the motion is approved to give the Committee \$2,500 to purchase Star Awards.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Dunham:** Thank you.

**Time Frame:**

*On going*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Update on planning for the 2019-2020 awards presentation and present the revised Star Award guidelines for board approval.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Cathy Dunham, Chair*

**Newkirk:** Do you have anything else Cathy? **Dunham:** No, that will be all for today, thank you. **Newkirk:** Good deal.

**Newkirk:** It is almost 5:00, so 2 minutes before 5. Looks like we are to adjourn at 5:00. Anyone have anything else before we adjourn until tomorrow?

**Anger:** Rachel has a couple comments very quickly. **Newkirk:** Go ahead Rachel. **Anger:** Very quickly, some people asked why we didn't announce the results from the Judging Program

advancements. If you are listening and you were one of those people, we haven't voted on those items yet. What we showed today is where the voting results will appear after we conduct the voting process in executive session. Second, if anyone has a PowerPoint presentation that you are going to present during any board meeting, would you please send it to the Secretary in advance? It's very time-intensive to insert those after the fact and I really love to do it ahead of time. That's it, except see everybody tomorrow. **Newkirk:** Nothing else from anybody? Alright, so we can let Cyndy Byrd know that we don't need her services. Thank you Shelly for being able to hang on until the end of the meeting. We are adjourned until 11 a.m. tomorrow east coast time.

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m., Eastern Time.

**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Sunday, October 3, 2021, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the video conference meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled Quarterly Video Conference. While **Secretary Rachel Anger** was in the waiting room queued to be admitted, a roll call by **Executive Director Allene Tartaglia** found the following members to be present:

**Mr. Darrell Newkirk (President)**  
**Mr. Richard Mastin (Vice President)**  
**Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**  
**Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)**  
**Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)**  
**Mrs. Pam Moser (NWR Director)**  
**Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director)**  
**Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)**  
**Mr. Howard Webster (SWR Director)**  
**Mrs. Cathy Dunham (MWR Director)**  
**Mr. Kenny Currle (SOR Director)**  
**Ms. Yukiko Hayata (Japan Regional Director)**  
**Ms. Pam DelaBar (Europe Regional Director)**  
**George Eigenhauser, Esq. (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mr. Mark Hannon (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)**  
**Ms. Melanie Morgan (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mrs. Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)**

**Also Present:**

**Shelly K. Perkins, Attorney at Law, CFA Legal Counsel**  
**Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director**  
**Shelly Borawski, Zoom Administrator**  
**James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst**  
**Eva Chen, ID-China Representative**  
**Gavin Cao, China Business Advisor**  
**Matthew Wong, ID Representative**

**Absent:**

**None**

**Secretary's Note:** For the ease of the reader, some items were discussed at different times but were included with their particular agenda.

**Newkirk:** OK. It is 11 a.m. I'll call the meeting to order. Allene, I will ask you to go ahead and call the roll. Rachel should be joining us shortly. [**Secretary's Note:** Executive Director Allene Tartaglia called the roll, as reflected above.] **Borawski:** Rachel is here now. **Tartaglia:** She's in the meeting? Great. The gang is all here. **Anger:** Thank you for letting me in.

**Newkirk:** Not a problem. Allene went ahead and did the roll call, Rachel. **Anger:** So, Anger is present.

| CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING<br>AGENDA<br>October 2/3, 2021 |     |   |             |
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| All times are in Eastern Daylight Saving Time              |     |   |             |
| SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021                                    |     |   |             |
| 11:00 a.m.   | 19. | International Division                    | Webb        |
| 11:15 a.m.   | 20. | Breeds and Standards                      | Wilson      |
| <b>Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees</b>    |     |   |             |
| 11:30 a.m.   | 21. | Virtual Annual Committee                  | Mastin      |
| 12:00 p.m.   | 22. | COVID-19 Committee                        | Eigenhauser |
| 12:20 p.m.   | 23. | Entry Clerk Program Enhancement Committee | Dunham      |
| 12:30 p.m.   | 24. | Virtual Cat Competition                   | Zinck       |
| <b>Unfinished Business and General Orders</b>              |     |   |             |
| 12:30 p.m.   | 24. | Unfinished Business                       |             |
| 12:35 p.m.   | 25. | Other Committees                          |             |
| 12:40 p.m.   | 26. | New Business                              |             |
| 12:45 p.m.   |     | ADJOURN OPEN SESSION                      | Newkirk     |
|  |     | LUNCH                                     |             |
| <b>Executive Session</b>                                   |     |   |             |
| 1:30 p.m.  | 27. | Marketing                                 | Bobby       |
| 1:50 p.m.  | 28. | Judging Program                           | Anger       |
| 2:15 p.m.  | 29. | Protest Committee                         | Eigenhauser |
| 2:30 p.m.  | 30. | Central Office                            | Tartaglia   |
| 2:45 p.m.  | 31. | Bennett Incident                          | Mastin      |
|  |     | ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION                 | Newkirk     |
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[**Secretary's Note:** The following items also appear in the corresponding sections of the Show Rules report.]

**Newkirk:** Mark wanted to have the floor to bring up something. **Hannon:** In the notes that went out this morning on yesterday's meeting, it stated that the rules for the Grand of Distinction were extended into the new show season. I wanted to make sure our constituents understood, "new show season" meant the current show season, not the next show season starting May 1<sup>st</sup>.

[**Secretary's Note:** The meeting notes read as follows: *The rules for Grand of Distinction title were formally extended into the next show season.*]

**Hannon:** The other thing was, when we went from requiring two specialty rings to one specialty ring, there seems to be a little bit of confusion in regard to the 6x6 format shows. What the current show rule says is that at least 4 rings between the two shows, so I'm assuming that what we voted for yesterday is changing that to at least two specialty rings between the two shows. It's not just one specialty ring throughout the weekend in a 6x6, it's two specialty rings as

it was in the past. They don't have to be one specialty one day and another specialty the other day, it can be two specialties on one day and the other day to be six allbreeds. **Newkirk:** That wasn't clearly stated, so Mark I think you voted in favor of that, is that correct? **Hannon:** Yes. **Newkirk:** How about we have a motion to reconsider? We can do that, since this is the second day of a session, according to the bylaws, and so one person that voted in favor of it can make the motion to reconsider. Mark, are you willing to make that? **Hannon:** Sure. **McCullough:** Steve will second. **Newkirk:** All those in favor of the reconsideration, please raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion [to reconsider]. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** The motion to reconsider yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Hayata-san, Melanie, Kenny, Carol, Cathy Dunham, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Rich Mastin, Mark Hannon, Steve McCullough, Howard Webster, Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, are there any no votes? I have Kathy Calhoun for a no vote. **Calhoun:** Oh, I'm not a no, sorry. **Newkirk:** No problem. Any abstentions? No abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, so according to Robert's Rules, the motion before the vote was called is the motion that is pending. **Anger:** May I announce the vote for the reconsideration? **Newkirk:** Oh, yes. It was unanimous. **Anger:** It was unanimous, but officially 17 yes, zero no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK great, thank you very much.

**DelaBar:** I do want to remind the board and the constituents, these are notes. Most of the notes are taken in the middle of the night, so if you have something to add or correct let me know immediately and I put out a correction, or somebody else can volunteer to do them. **Newkirk:** Pam, we appreciate your work. Your notes this time were excellent. A little levity was added, which made them even better. I need someone to make an amendment to make this motion clearly state what Mark has brought up. Go ahead Mark. **Hannon:** First of all, let me say it was not meant to be critical of Pam and her notes, it was just to make a clarification so everybody understood what the word "next" meant. I move that Show Rule 4.05 be amended to state that *At least two longhair/shorthair rings between the two shows.* **Newkirk:** Shelly, can you bring up that portion of yesterday's meeting when that Show Rule was addressed, so we can see what the motion was and what we're amending? **Borawski:** Which Show Rule was it? **Tartaglia:** 4.05. **Borawski:** I'll have to find it. **Newkirk:** I just want it up on the screen so that everybody can see it, so we don't make a mistake. **Tartaglia:** I'm not sure if it was Section A, B or C. It was either A or B of Monte's Show Rule report. **Eigenhauser:** I believe it's item 6 of Monte's report. [Discussion to locate the correct proposal and display it on the screen.] **Newkirk:** Rachel, are you able to see how everybody voted on that? Can you bring that up? Were you able to find how the vote went on that? [**Secretary's Note:** The vote was **Motion Carried.** Webster voting no. Currle and DelaBar abstained.] **Mastin:** If you need the votes, I have the yes, no and abstentions. I don't have who did what. **Newkirk:** Tell me what you've got, Rich. **Mastin:** I've got 13 yes, 1 no, 2 abstentions. **Newkirk:** Would the no person be willing to come forward? **Webster:** I believe it was me, Howard. **Newkirk:** I just need to know who is entitled to make the motion to reconsider. OK, so we are reconsidering this. This was Sharon and Melanie who brought this forward. So Mark, would you mind repeating your amendment? **Hannon:** Where it says, *For shows licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings must include at least one Specialty ring for both longhair and shorthair specialties,* let me amend that to state, *For shows licensed in Regions 1-7 or China, the combination of Allbreed, Super Specialty, or Specialty rings must include at least one Specialty*

~~ring~~ *two Specialty rings between the two shows...* **Perkins:** I think you're supposed to be looking at Paragraph 3. **Hannon:** That's where I'm at. Oh 3? **Perkins:** Paragraph 3, and it should say where it's underlined, it says to have one specialty ring, I think you're supposed to say – you're trying to add two specialty rings between the two shows. **Hannon:** Correct. **Perkins:** In the underlined section in Paragraph 3. **Hannon:** OK. So, my motion is what Shelly just said. **Hannon:** That was the easy way out. **Morgan:** Melanie seconds.

**Newkirk:** Let me get the list of participants up here. **DelaBar:** I was one of the abstentions. I believe that it's not right for me to impose a rule like this on my fellow Regional Directors in 1 through 7, so that's why I abstained. If they want this, very good. **Newkirk:** Anyone else? We're all clear that we're amending #3, as Shelly stated, so I'll call the vote. All those in favor, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Kenny Currle, Howard Webster, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy Calhoun, Rich Mastin, Melanie Morgan, Annette Wilson, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy, Pam Moser, Hayata-san, Steve McCullough, John Colilla. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. I don't see any. Gavin, we're voting. **Cao:** Sorry, my mistake. **Newkirk:** No problem. There are no no votes. Any abstentions? Pam DelaBar abstains. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** I do not have a vote from Cathy Dunham. **Dunham:** I was a yes, Rachel. **Newkirk:** Thank you. **Anger:** Thanks Cathy. That's 16 yes, zero no, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, so the amendment is agreed to.

**Newkirk:** Now we need to vote on the amended main motion here. Is there any further debate? Are we ready for the question? I don't see any hands up, so I'll call the vote for the amended motion. Please vote yes now if you're in favor of it.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Annette Wilson, Cathy Dunham, Kenny Currle, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Rachel Anger, Steve McCullough, Hayata-san, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, anyone voting no please raise your hand. No no votes. Any abstentions? Pam DelaBar abstains. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** Thank you. This time I don't have a vote from Kathy Calhoun. **Calhoun:** I'm a yes. **Anger:** You're a yes, thank you. That's 16 yes, zero no, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. The amended motion is agreed to. Mark, do you have anything else? **Hannon:** No, that's it. Thanks a lot. **Newkirk:** You're very welcome.

## 19. INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.

**Committee Chair:** Russell Webb  
**Liaison to Board:** Kenny Currle  
**List of Committee Members:** Gavin Cao, Eva Chen, Richard Kallmeyer, Nancy Dodds, Anne Mathis, Rain Pang and Agnes Sun

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### Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

*The WeChat App for the online entry system will again be investigated next month.*

### Current Happenings of Committee:

**International Division Award Banquet:** *International Division Award Banquet will be held on November 5, 2021 in Chengdu, China. Emails were sent to all the winners. The committee are in the process of designing the magazine and the production of the video. They also will be selecting a venue. The banquet price is \$92.00 per person. They are now in the process of finding sponsors, to defer some cost. The final number of participants has not yet been determined. So, the final budget for the show is not available yet.*

**Newkirk:** Let's move into today's agenda. That's the International Division. Is Russell Webb on the call? **Tartaglia:** Yes, he is. I'm going to promote him right now. **Newkirk:** Good morning Russell. **Webb:** Good morning guys. **Newkirk:** It's midnight Hayata's time and it's late Pam's time too. You are recognized for your report. **Webb:** OK. It's just a quick update on what's happening. I know you all read the report. As far as the annual banquet goes, all the winners were informed about the banquet. There are about 100 winners. Eva got 20 sponsors for November 5<sup>th</sup> in Chengdu at the Hilton Hotel. Eva, do you want to make any comments, because you're running the banquet. **Cao:** No, she doesn't have any comment.

**NGO Approval:** *We did apply for NGO approval for Shanghai and Hainan. As of today, Hainan has been approved for one year. Hainan clubs are now planning shows for the coming months. The Shanghai filing has been delayed because of local covid policies.*

**Hannon:** Under NGO approval, the last sentence, *The Shanghai filing has been delayed because of local covid policies.* I'm told it had nothing to do with COVID practices, but that the woman that was creating issues for us for the past couple years is continuing to create issues for us in Beijing, Shanghai and Shenyang – three of the larger cities in China. I think the board needs to know that that is still ongoing and it was not because of COVID. **Webb:** When I questioned that, that is what I was told. Gavin, do you know more about the situation in Shanghai? **Mastin:** Darrell, may I say something? **Newkirk:** Yes, go ahead Rich. **Mastin:** We may not want to talk about this in open session, depending on how delicate the discussion is. **Newkirk:** I agree with you, Rich. I think if we're going to talk about a certain person and our NGO approvals, it probably should be done in closed session. **Mastin:** Can we move that to New Business in closed session then? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Mastin:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** Is that OK with you, Mark and Annette? **Hannon:** Yes, fine with me.



**Resuming Shows:** *Since the Delta variant is currently under control in some areas in China, shows are resuming, and we expect higher volume of shows starting in October.*

*We continue to support all clubs and exhibitors in China thru open and fair policies and concrete actions.*

**Newkirk:** Annette, did you have a comment to make? **Wilson:** I have just more of a general question. I notice that the number of cats at the shows in China have been quite low. There have been a number of shows, but the entries – cats present – which is what I want to know about, have been like 35-40. I'm curious as to why that is. Is it competition from other associations? Is it COVID? Are the shows being advertised to exhibitors? Maybe I'm just late to the party here without understanding what all of the issues might be, but I'm just kind of curious as to why Hong Kong can get more entries in a 2 ring show than some of these clubs that are putting on shows in China where there's so many more people. **Newkirk:** That's a good question, Annette. **Cao:** First of all, from my understanding, the shows that you see in China have around maybe 80 cats, not 30 or 40. First of all, I think for China is not exactly a bad number. Travel is restricted, so that's one. Sometimes you put off flying because they are afraid that if there is some kind of an outbreak they might get quarantined. When they go back, they might not be able to get back. So, that's one of the reasons. Also, there's the other competition. Right now we have, I don't know how many, maybe 10, but a huge number of local associations are competing with us right now. That also has some kind of effect on us. Right now, I think, given the fact that we have mostly T1 judges, most of them are single specialty so we end up with maybe 2 or 3 full specialty rings per show. Maybe 80 to 100 cat entries is a normal amount to be expected. **Hannon:** My understanding is, there are over a dozen Chinese associations holding shows right now. Rich had recently gotten some numbers from Central Office on the entries at the shows in China because of the Club Sponsorship Committee that he chairs. I would ask him to chime in on how many entries we've been getting over there. **Mastin:** I can get that information after we take a break. I can't multi-task with the laptop I'm using to pull up the document. **Morgan:** I'm looking at the counts right now. For example, Dear Meow had 9 kittens, 18 in championship. I can't see the column – is it 3 in premiership? Wait a minute, give me a moment. I see what you're saying, Annette. They are very, very low. I would be interested to see more. Here's another show, China Dragon. It looks like 33 kittens, 25 in championship, 4 in premiership. So yes, they are disturbing low, given the population and the kind of counts that we've seen in the past. **Newkirk:** I think Gavin sort of elucidated that we have had issues with people afraid to travel to a different province or different area of China and then maybe getting COVID isolation procedures put into effect, because we've had questions about if they have to be quarantined and not be able to return home, are they responsible, the club responsible, or is CFA responsible? So, I think some of the judges are refusing to fly to these areas right now when COVID is still going on. So, I think that really has impacted it but you're right, there are a lot of shows by our competitors going on. **Wilson:** I appreciate Melanie's input. So Melanie and I are looking at cats present, because that's the only information we have available. Dear Meow is actually a Hong Kong club. I only looked at May and June entries. I think it's interesting that the Hong Kong club can get more entries than the clubs in China. I guess where I'm going with this is, one, are the shows being advertised? Two, we're accepting more clubs in China based on the huge population of the city where the club is sited and where they are going to put on a show, but then those are the people that you would expect to enter the show. Now, I appreciate the fact that the judges may not want to travel and get stuck somewhere, and maybe some additional associate

judges will help that – I hope so. I guess I was just kind of disappointed that once shows started up again, we would start to see more entries there. I do hope the clubs are advertising the shows well in advance and accepting all of the entries. I certainly understand if people enter and then are afraid of going, then they might not go. I appreciate that, so thank you for the discussion.

**Mastin:** Once again, I can review all that if you want in closed session when we come back from the break. I just don't have that information available in front of me. **Anger:** Just a reminder that

the issue of judges being stuck in quarantine is coming up as an action item in our closed session report this afternoon. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Gavin Cao, do you have any closing

comments on this? **Cao:** I think from my recollection of the shows I've judged, the least amount of cats we had was about 50. Obviously I'm talking about Chengdu and Chongqing, but it really depends which club. Depending on the club, you might be seeing lower numbers. Also, I just

want to clarify that when I say [inaudible] being quarantined, I'm talking about the exhibitors.

Some of them are working so they can only take the weekend off, but if they end up being quarantined, they will be there for 14 days. That's also an [inaudible] that people would be deterred from entering shows because they could get stuck. Also, realistically speaking, obviously there is much more competition now than before, which we all should be anticipating.

Lastly, with the current judge slate, there's no point for stuffing. **Newkirk:** Thank you Gavin.

**Colilla:** Do we have any kind of count from the other associations? **Newkirk:** Gavin, do you or

Eva have any information on that? **Cao:** Let me ask Eva. Eva knows more about the local shows

here. Other associations, everybody is pretty much in the same boat. All the show counts are

getting divided amongst all the different associations. To her recollection, ICE for example,

sometimes they have 50-70 cats per show, but if you look at the exhibitors, they don't have a lot

of exhibitors. A lot of times, the judges are entering their own cats, so they're not doing much

better than we are, but we are getting affected. **Newkirk:** We can further discuss this when we go into closed session.

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

#### *Update on WeChat App.*

**Webb:** Next is just an update on the WeChat. Is Gavin on? **Newkirk:** He is. **Webb:** If he wants to talk a little bit about the WeChat App and some changes, from what I understand, had to be made with the CFA system. We're waiting for this requirement to move forward on the WeChat App. Do you have any more input, Gavin? **Cao:** Yes. Basically, we've done most of the application. Right now, James is waiting for [inaudible] from our side which was required on CFA's entry system. It won't be something major, but we need to be sure about that requirement. That's all.

### **What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

#### *Updates on programs.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Russell Webb, Chair*

**Webb:** If anybody has any questions. **Calhoun:** Russell, I'm assuming – but I don't want to make that assumption – that no one from the CFA board or the Committee from the United

States will be attending, probably because of COVID. Is that a correct assumption? **Webb:** That's correct. **Calhoun:** OK, thank you.

**Newkirk:** Russell, do you have anything else on your report? **Webb:** No, that's it for me. **Newkirk:** Good deal, thank you very much.

## **20. BREEDS AND STANDARDS.**

**Committee Chair:** *Annette Wilson*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Carla Bizzell, Dennis Gano, Melanie Morgan, Krista Schmitt, Michael Shelton*

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*We thank the previous committee for their work on starting a 'style guide' for creating and updating standards; it's still a work in progress but a good reference for the committee and Breed Council Secretaries.*

*We have updated the BC proposal guidelines on the CFA website and communicated the information to the BCS list. Most of our time since late June has been taken up with working on the 2021 BC Ballot proposals and providing feedback to advancing breeds.*

*We worked with Central Office to update a combined judges report for MISC and PROV breeds, including an on line form which will automatically be sent to our data-gatherer extraordinaire (Krista Schmitt) and to the chair of the committee. We thank James Simbro and Allene Tartaglia for helping with this and also for setting up a procedure to get the judges' reports and catalogs with MISC/PROV entries via scan and email to Krista on a monthly basis.*

*Carla reviewed the Breed Registration Rules changed in the past 10 years (comparing to what was passed and ratified) and sent necessary updates to Central Office.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Twelve Breed Councils/Committees have Ballots this year. Some are undertaking the housekeeping corrections suggested by last year's committee regarding spelling, punctuation, grammar and format.*

*Two MISC breeds (Khao Manee and Toybob) have indicated interest in advancing to PROV at the February 2022 board meeting. We have asked that they use supplied feedback to work on their standards (the Khao Manee Breed Committee Secretary has done so) and will bring their requests to the Board at the February meeting. We'll continue to update and communicate their registration and exhibiting stats which are lacking due to at least a year of no shows.*

*The PROV breed (Lykoi) has shown interest in advancing to Championship at the February 2022 board meeting but agree that their standard needs work and they would like to increase the colors/patterns accepted for showing and also begin registering longhairs. So February 2023 is more likely if they can expand their exhibition numbers and registration numbers. The Breed Committee Chair has done some extensive work on the standard based on judges' feedback to date.*

*We hope the Board members agree that at the very least, a revised and final standard should be in place and advancing breeds given time to be judged to those standards before advancement is considered.*

*One request for a new breed application was received and the material was provided (Tennessee Rex). There has been no information provided.*

*Central Office has asked the Committee to assist with evaluating the BC websites; Dennis Ganoë is taking that on. They have also asked the Committee to assist with assessing the uses and needs for the Cat Ancestral Tracking Service.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*By the time of the meeting, all breed council ballots should be to Central Office for entering into the on line balloting. Breed Council/Breed Committee Secretaries will have a 'last look' at their ballot before voting goes live, hopefully by early November.*

*The Committee will request updated registration and exhibiting details from Central Office to have information available to share to support (or not) the ballot proposals.*

*We will continue working on common color and pattern descriptions (we have a volunteer!). Repeating these for every new breed is repetitive, unnecessary and inconsistent.*

**Board Action Items:**

*None*

**Time Frame:**

*Our next report will be presented at the February, 2022 meeting.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Results of Breed Council/Committee ballot proposals.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Annette Wilson, Chair*

**Newkirk:** We'll go on to Order #20, which is Breeds and Standards. Annette Wilson, you're recognized. **Wilson:** Thank you. I don't have any action items. I do have a little update. It says that we have 12 ballots this year. I just received an update to the Toybob standard this morning, so we will add that to it. That will be 13 Breed Councils and committees with ballots this year. I think we are waiting on that one and one more for review and sending to Central Office. That's all I have. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much Annette for that update.

## Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees

**Newkirk:** We'll move on to Reports of Special Committees.

### 21. VIRTUAL ANNUAL COMMITTEE.

*Committee Chair:* **Rich Mastin**  
*Committee Co-Chair:* **Allene Tartaglia**  
*List of Committee Members:* **Darrell Newkirk, Kathy Calhoun, Rachel Anger, George Eigenhauser, Cyndy Byrd, Cathy Dunham, Vicki Nye, Shelly Perkins, Nancy Dodds, James Simbro, Shelly Borawski, Amber Goodright**

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*A survey of Virtual Annual Meeting participants was conducted and the results and comments are included at the end of this report. The survey request was sent to 219 delegates and we received 111 responses. All but one respondent attended at least one of the last four in-person Annuals (2016-2019). All in all, a good response.*

**Newkirk:** Order #21, Virtual Annual Committee. Rich Mastin, you're recognized.  
**Mastin:** Thank you Darrell. I'm going to turn it over to Allene to review. **Tartaglia:** Everybody has the survey results. I didn't intend on going through that because I just have a summary. We don't have any action items, per se, but we do have some areas that we should probably discuss a little bit.

#### Summary

*Overall, delegates were satisfied with the Virtual Annual. They liked the convenience, not having to travel and the limited to no cost. Not surprising, the social aspect at an in-person event was missed. Somewhat surprising, the technical part was not a detractor for most.*

*The overwhelming majority of the respondents liked the electronic voting for amendments and resolutions and want to use this method at in-person Annuals.*

*Mostly everyone liked that there were few committee reports and would like to see this continue for in-person Annuals. The other committee reports would be printed in the delegate book and available online.*

*For future Annuals, the majority want to attend in-person versus virtually, however, the location of the Annual is a deciding factor.*

*The Virtual Annual Committee met Monday night, September 20, to discuss the survey results and provide the following recommendations for your consideration.*

**Tartaglia:** The Summary, I don't think there were any surprises. Everybody was satisfied with the virtual annual. The things they liked, the convenience of not having to travel limited their cost. That's not a surprise. Everybody really liked the electronic voting, so we do have some further information on some recommendations for that. They enjoyed not having as many

committee reports in person. We didn't have a lot of technical challenges, surprisingly. If anybody has any questions while I'm doing my report, please speak up and I'll just continue.

### **Recommendations**

***Electronic Voting:*** *research the costs and viability of incorporating electronic voting for amendments and resolutions at the 2022 Annual Meeting and present a formal proposal, including costs, at the December board meeting.*

*The electronic voting would be available to only those physically attending the meeting. The committee believes attendance could be negatively affected (lower room pick up, fewer attending the award banquet, etc.) if a hybrid option is available where delegates can vote electronically (online) whether they are in-person or remote.*

*The committee further recommends that hybrid voting not be permitted, i.e. some delegates vote by raising their hand(s) and others vote electronically. Administering and controlling legitimate votes would be near impossible to do with hybrid voting.*

**Tartaglia:** The recommendations that the Committee has come up with. Electronic voting, that is very popular and we recommend that we move in that direction and come up with a formal proposal at the December board meeting. There will be additional costs, but the return on that, everybody seems to be very happy with the accuracy of it. Just to give you an idea, we probably would use the same type of electronic voting we currently use, which would require good internet access for everybody in the meeting room. That will come at a cost, to have that kind of bandwidth. We estimate that that will be about \$5,000 for the day. There are other "local" options. They call them "clicker technology" where you actually have a handheld little clicker thing and you vote yes, no or abstain. Those are very costly. You can rent them, and there's no way to track which club voted which way, so you don't have any of the controls that we send out to the club secretary and president. We don't have any of that, so we will be looking at using the method that we used this past year. If it is something that it looks like we are going to be continuing to use for future years, then we can look at doing a voting app for this purpose. That would be a little bit more streamlined. **Moser:** When I was reading it, I thought that you only got like 211 responses back and 111 were favorable. Maybe I'm reading it wrong. Did I read it wrong? **Tartaglia:** We sent out 219 requests to take the survey and 111 actually responded, which is average. **Moser:** Yeah, that's not very good. I mean, to me that's half, and so on the electronic voting I guess I don't understand why when you're all in a room you can't raise your hand and it would be a whole lot easier than sitting there and trying to find a device, to have to put your vote in on, so I don't know that I agree with this. Like I said, I don't know that what you got back was overwhelmingly that they want to do it electronically. That could be overwhelmingly electronically if you had to do it via Zoom again. **Tartaglia:** These are just options that the Committee is recommending. If the board does not want us to move in that direction, then we just go back to the way we've been doing it. **Hannon:** Having served as president and chairman of that meeting, it's at best a guess as to whether something passed by 50% or 2/3. You are eyeballing the crowd and hoping you're getting it right, but you really don't know. If you get an actual number like what we did this past year, you know for a fact whether it passed or not, or whether it got 2/3. **Newkirk:** Does that mean you're in favor? **Hannon:** I'm just answering Pam's response. When we do it in person, we've done it for years. Why aren't we

going to continue to do it this way? Because it's not accurate. **Calhoun:** I would think that, in my opinion, a 50% response rate is pretty good. You typically get people who don't respond are the people who probably liked it and didn't have a gripe. I echo that the accuracy level is worth to really seriously consider spending the money. I would just ask to make sure that, come December or that we really have a pretty good number as to what that's going to cost and make sure we vote it into next year's budget. **Tartaglia:** While we're still on this topic, I didn't have a motion and I know we don't do straw votes, but does the board want to move in this direction? Do you want us to come back with a formal proposal in December? **Newkirk:** I see some heads shaking yes. **Tartaglia:** OK. **Currle:** I would like to make a motion to have Allene and her Committee explore costs concerning all of the positive things that have been presented today in this report. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Any discussion on Kenny's motion? Is there any objection to Kenny's motion? Pam, are you going to object? **Moser:** No, because it's just to look into it, so I'm not going to object. **Newkirk:** OK great, thank you very much. By unanimous consent, Kenny's motion is adopted.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Newkirk:** Allene, you can pursue that and bring it back to us in December. **Tartaglia:** OK, great.

***Committee Reports:** a very limited number of reports be given live during the Annual with all other committee reports printed in the delegate book and/or published online. The Board to determine the committees which will present live reports, e.g. Treasurer's report.*

**Tartaglia:** Committee Reports. Of the people that responded, they liked having just a few in-person committee reports, with the remainder being in the delegate book and/or published online. The board would determine the committees that would present the live reports, such as the Treasurer's Report. Again, this is something in the board's hands. There's really not much that we have to recommend, other than it seemed to be something everybody liked and it should be considered. **Hannon:** When we had in-person meetings in the past, the Credentials Committee spent all morning counting ballots and preparing their report for us. We didn't have that issue with the virtual meeting because they had done that earlier, but with the whole morning to fill somehow, is why we had numerous committee reports. I tried to limit it to the committees that had significant changes that they wanted to bring to the attention of the delegates. If it was just the same old committee going on, doing the same old thing, I discouraged them from making reports. That's just an explanation of why we were able to cut down committee reports this past year with a virtual meeting.

***Election Ballot Counting:** this topic was not covered by the survey, however, it was discussed by the committee. Traditionally, the appointed Credentials/Tellers physically count ballots Friday morning of the Annual to determine elected board members. Mailed ballots and printed ballots from online voting are brought to the Annual from CO for the physical count. This has traditionally been done Friday mornings at the Annual. However, due to COVID and no in-person option for the past two years (2020 and 2021) ballots have been counted at the CO by an independent accounting firm. The ballots are scanned and then mailed overnight from CO to Nancy Dodds for final verification and counting. Mostly all votes are cast on-line. There was only one faxed/mailed ballot for the 2021 election.*



*Many of you know from experience that the electronic voting system sends a confirming receipt of a club's vote to the club secretary and president. Additionally, the online system provides a report of tallied votes cast online which is automatic and instantaneous. For the past two years we have compared the automated tally to the physical count and they are the same. Adding the mailed-in votes is de minimis.*

*The committee recommends the Board consider eliminating the physical count of the ballots in lieu of the automated count. The Credentials Committee would continue to verify the eligibility of a club to cast a ballot, add mailed-in votes to the automated tally and provide the final election results to the delegation as is customary. An amendment to the By-Laws would be required to allow for this process.*

**Tartaglia:** Which brings us to the election ballot counting. That was a nice lead-in Mark, thank you. I don't have to go through what we've been doing for so many years. Everybody knows what the Credentials and the tellers do. They bring the ballots, they count the ballots. It takes hours and hours and hours. The past couple of years, because we haven't had an in-person annual, we have had an outside accounting firm come in and count the ballots, but because everything is electronic and the votes are cast online, we also have a tally available to us from the online system. They match exactly with what has been hand counted by the independent accountants, by Nancy's team and by the tally that we have available to us immediately. It matches, so the board may want to consider eliminating the physical count of the votes in lieu of the auditing count. That would save an incredible amount of time in the morning. We would have to fill time with committee reports, should you decide to go in that direction. The Credentials Committee would of course still have a job, they would continue to verify the eligibility of a club to cast a ballot, which is something we do in advance of the annual meeting, and if there are any mailed-in votes, which there was only one this year and that was a fax, they would tally that into the automated tally and provide the final election results to the delegates, as is customary. If you wanted to move in this direction, we would have to present an amendment to the bylaws. **Eigenhauser:** Kind of segueing this back into the committee reports, it seems to me like a real waste of time to use committee reports to fill time while ballots are being counted. They should either be something positive and forward going, something that we actually want to hear, rather than just running in place until the ballots get counted. Going to a more electronic version of ballot counting is one option, but as been pointed out that might require an amendment to the bylaws. There are alternatives, such as asking the Credentials Committee to do it the night before or do it earlier on Friday morning so that we could still dispense with the half day of committee reports. So, it's not necessarily an either/or. We could certainly reduce the number of committee reports without changing the balloting procedure to total electronic, just moving it around a little bit. **Tartaglia:** I can't speak for the Credentials Committee but I have a feeling, based on past history, that the entire Credentials Committee as tellers, knowing what the results are Thursday night, would be awkward. That's a group of 19 people, so you're talking about 19 people knowing the results of the election on Thursday night. They're not going to be announced until Friday. I'm not sure they would want to be put in that position. I think that some of the work that the Credentials Committee does, such as verifying the ballots, is something that could be done in advance and we have been doing that in advance. That saves quite a bit of time, so I think probably the amount of time that they spend could be cut at least in half on counting ballots. **Hannon:** I would discourage having them come in even earlier on Friday. They start at 6:30 or 7 in the morning and if it was earlier, I think that is inhumane. **Newkirk:** I think that the

outside independent firm counting those ballots has worked out very well for the last two years. To go back to Central Office printing out all of those ballots and taking them and having them counted by the Credentials Committee – and this is in no way a slam on the Credentials Committee, because they do an awesome job, OK? – but the computer has already tabulated those votes. As Allene pointed out, it has been correct and has matched. So, I think the question is whether we print them out, send them in, let the Credentials Committee – as George pointed out – verify all of those or if we amend the bylaws and go with the automated tabulated system that we have used and those Excel spreadsheets for the regions could be sent to the Committee. Nancy has verified those for the last two elections. Is that correct, Allene? **Tartaglia:** Yes. Just so everybody knows, the printed ballots that we bring and even that the independent auditors count, it's simply a print-out of the confirmation that the club receives. There's nothing magical about it. It's a direct print-out of that screen, is what the Credentials Committee has been counting, as well as the independent auditors.

**Newkirk:** What is the board's position on this? Is there anything you want to do, or are we just going to revert back to the old system of Central Office printing out those ballots, taking them to the annual and having the Credentials Committee count them? **Hannon:** That's nothing I think we have to decide today. Why don't we wait until the December or February board meeting to make a final decision on this and give opportunity for input from our constituents about using the computer in the future, rather than having the Credentials Committee count hard copies? **Newkirk:** That's a good idea. Allene, you'll bring us back an updated report on that at the December meeting? **Tartaglia:** I wouldn't have anything further to report. When Mark said "the constituency," are you talking about having a survey or just Regional Directors asking? How do you want to get that feedback? **Hannon:** I'm open to how to do it. I assume Pam's going to put it in her notes for today's board meeting, which alerts everyone who gets the CFA-News notices that we're looking for input on this. **Tartaglia:** OK. **Newkirk:** Maybe that could be put in bold, Allene. **Currie:** Most regions, if not all, have websites. You can certainly bring that question there. **Tartaglia:** If you would like, I could write up a brief summary of the electronic voting ballot counting and send out to each of the regions to put on their website if you want. **Currie:** That would be great. **Newkirk:** I think if we bring this back in December, Nancy Dodds who Chairs the Credentials Committee, should be invited to give the board input. **Tartaglia:** That's all I have. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much.

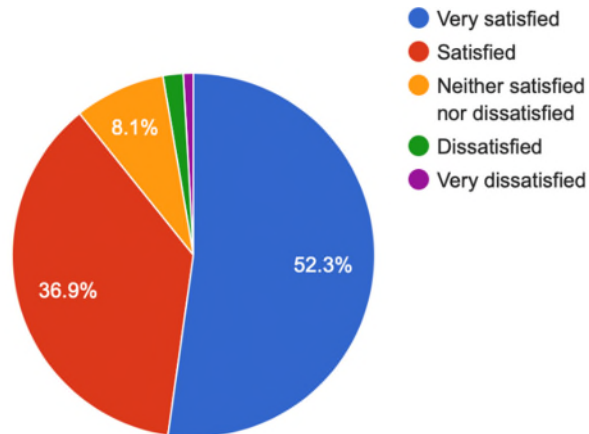
*Respectfully Submitted,  
Allene Tartaglia*

**\*\*\* Survey Results on Following Pages \*\*\***

## Question 1:

How satisfied were you with the 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting?

| Response                           | Total Votes |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Very satisfied                     | 58          |
| Satisfied                          | 41          |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 9           |
| Dissatisfied                       | 2           |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 1           |

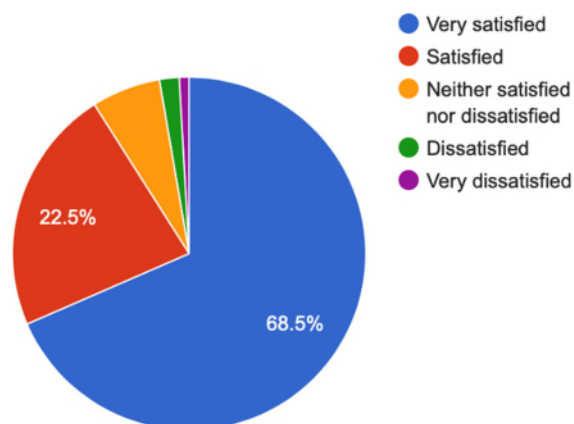


## Question 2:

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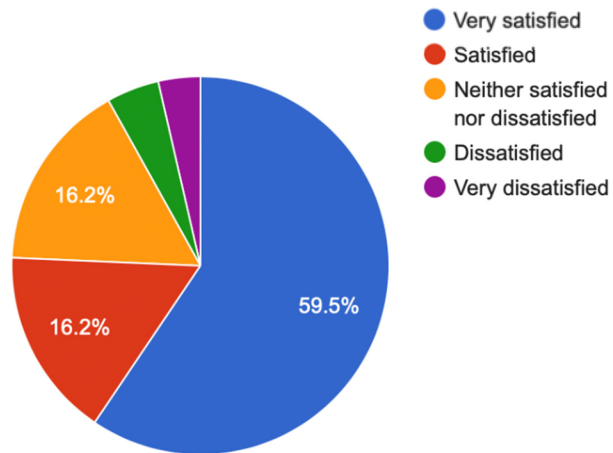
### Convenience

| Response                           | Total Votes |
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| Satisfied                          | 25          |
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| Very dissatisfied                  | 1           |



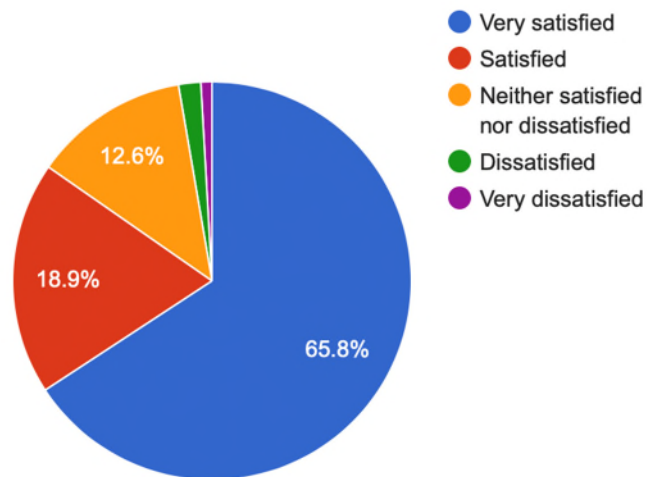
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| Response                           | Total Votes |
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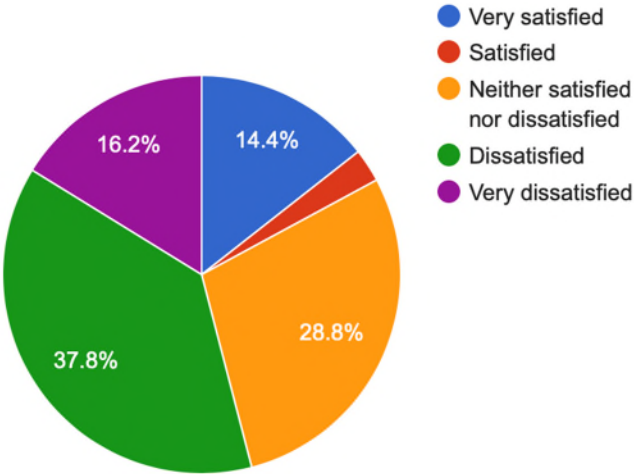
#### Inexpensive, limited or no cost

| Response                           | Total Votes |
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| Very satisfied                     | 73          |
| Satisfied                          | 21          |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 14          |
| Dissatisfied                       | 2           |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 1           |



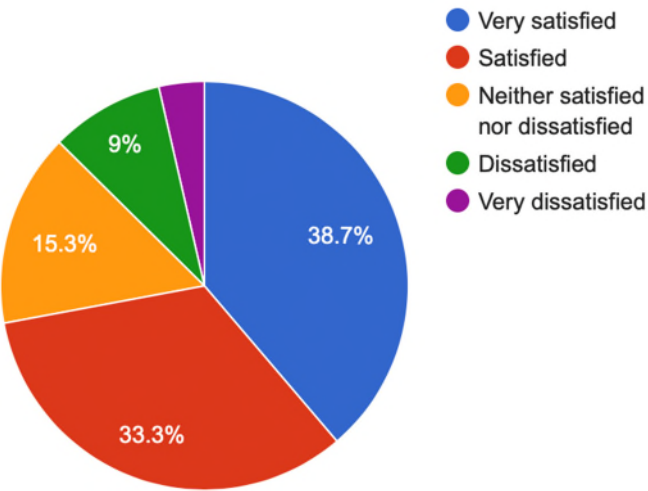
No in-person, social aspect

| Response                           | Total Votes |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Very satisfied                     | 16          |
| Satisfied                          | 3           |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 32          |
| Dissatisfied                       | 42          |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 18          |



Technical challenges

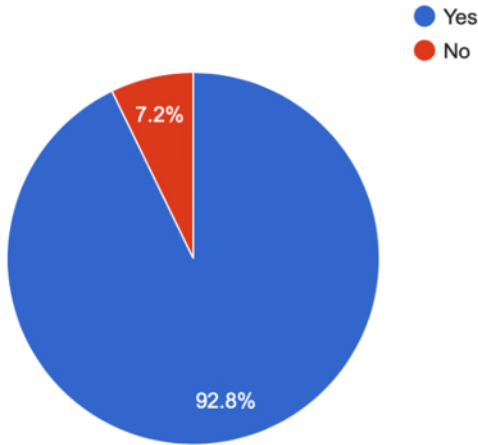
| Response                           | Total Votes |
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| Very satisfied                     | 43          |
| Satisfied                          | 37          |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 17          |
| Dissatisfied                       | 10          |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 4           |



Question 3:

Did you like the electronic voting for amendments and resolutions?

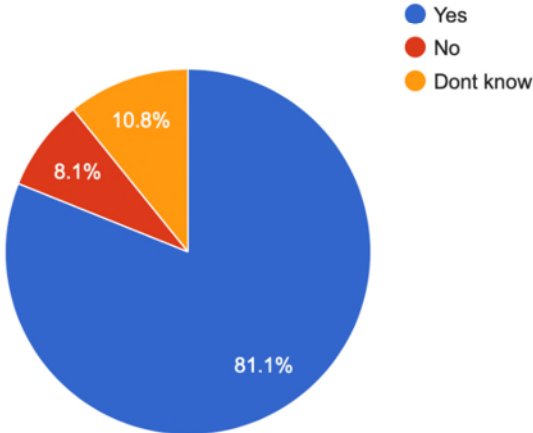
| Response | Total Votes |
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| Yes      | 103         |
| No       | 8           |



Question 4:

Do you want the option of electronic voting on amendments and resolutions if you are physically present at future in-person annuals?

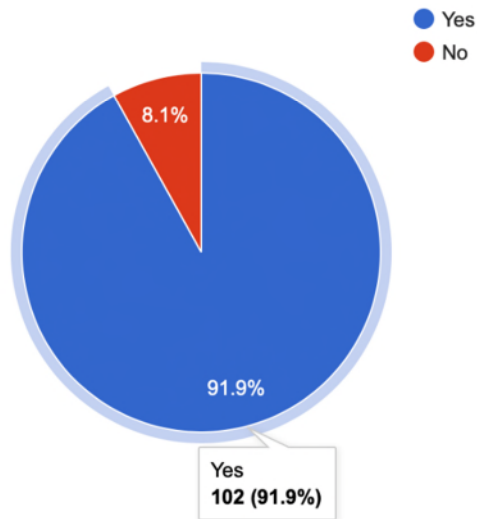
| Response  | Total Votes |
|-----------|-------------|
| Yes       | 90          |
| No        | 9           |
| Dont know | 12          |



### Question 5:

Did you like that there were only a couple committee reports given during the Annual?

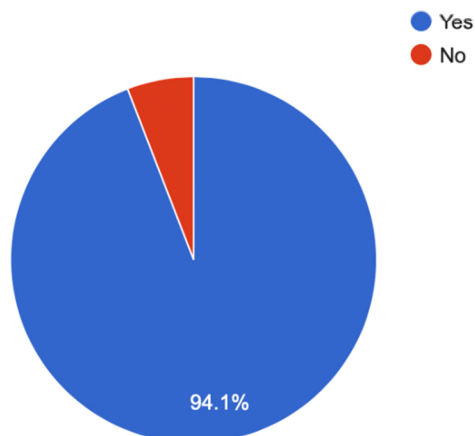
| Response | Total Votes |
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| Yes      | 102         |
| No       | 9           |



### Question 6:

If yes to #5, would you prefer for future in-person Annuals that only a couple committee reports be presented during the Annual with all others printed in the delegate booklet and/or published online?

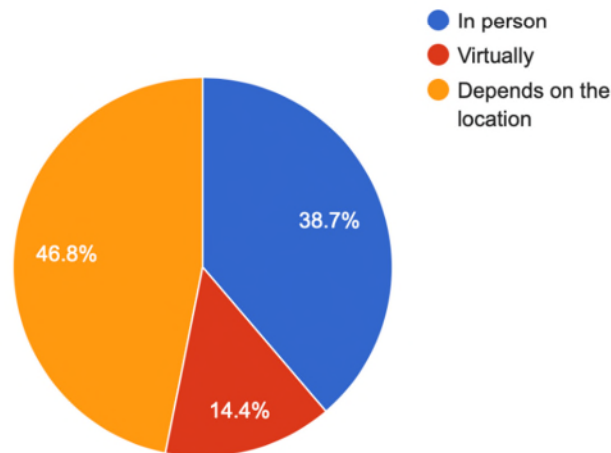
| Response | Total Votes |
|----------|-------------|
| Yes      | 96          |
| No       | 6           |



## Question 7:

For future annuals, do you prefer to attend:

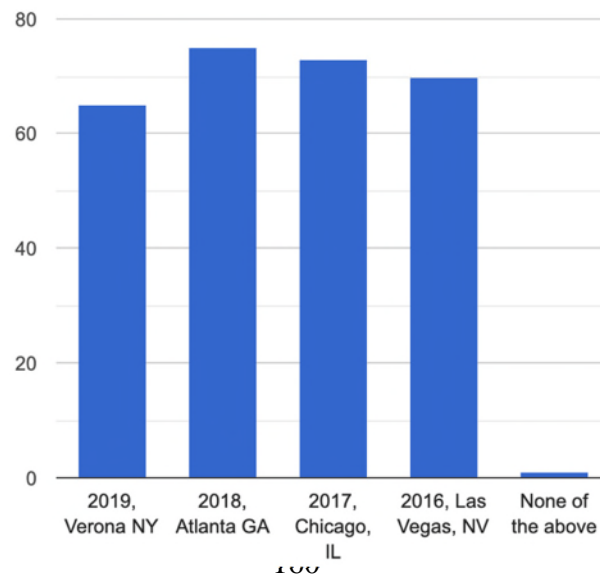
| Response                | Total Votes |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| In person               | 43          |
| Virtually               | 16          |
| Depends on the location | 52          |
| Not sure                | 0           |



## Question 8:

Check the Annual(s) listed below that you have attended.

| Response            | Total Votes |
|---------------------|-------------|
| 2019, Verona NY     | 65          |
| 2018, Atlanta GA    | 75          |
| 2017, Chicago, IL   | 73          |
| 2016, Las Vegas, NV | 70          |
| None of the above   | 1           |





## **Comments Regarding Question 2 (unedited)**

*I did miss the social aspect of the annual meeting.*

*I don't have good internet at my house*

*Ran very smoothly*

*All in all, I thought the ability to get this meeting done (from the technical standpoint) was pretty awesome.*

*I understand this was a first with all it entails. I wasn't able to attend all day. Tried to listen in while working but difficult at times. Hoped I could vote on proposals out of order, which was not possible. Did not see Voting results from previous proposals when I was able to sit in. Mess with quorum but understandable*

*This was a difference experience and should be blended into a revised format for future annuals. I don't think that liking or disliking matters as much as safety due to COVID but if we were to actually have a Banquet for our winners, I would prefer that we are in person. I felt that we lost something in this process - and that would be togetherness.*

*Unhappy with voting procedures. Too little time at first and confusing that results were called while voting was still open.*

*I don't have a camera on my computer and I won't install one. Dissatisfied only because I couldn't get the sound on ZOOM to work.*

*The pre-meeting tutorial session I attended (the first one) prepared me very well. I had no technical issues during the meeting. It all worked very well for me.*

*Personally, in today's electronic age and the increasing cost to travel, I would be happy if ALL future Annuals were held electronically.*

*I love to attend personally, and travel, so that was a bummer. But I appreciated the efforts of CO to get this done for the times we live in. It worked great.*

*Enjoyed great job CFA*

*There was one item that wound up failing due to technical issues that disappointed me very much.*

*Once we were given more time to vote, it was great*

*We did the minimum we needed to do.*

*Miss the social aspect of the Annual as this has been my "vacation" for years.*

*Turn off video for all participants by default so no mishaps occur during Facebook live feed.*

*I'm not tech savvy so it was challenging plus I miss the people and especially the banquet.*

*I have never been to an annual convention because of the distance or the cost. I really appreciated being included this year.*

*All in all, it was OK, only a few votes did not go well, as some participants had transmission problems, but this was resolved later.*

*It was easy but boring*

*I think this offers the opportunity for more people to be involved.*

*I thought for the very first time having a delegate meeting, it went really well. There were a few glitches for sure, yet they were fixed quickly. Overall, I loved the virtual meeting.*

*I am a bit upset about some of the minor voting issues*

*I thought the virtual meeting went very well. It was disappointing not to be in person, but there was no other choice.*

*I thought it went very well. It was easy to access with few problems. It was easy to hear the speakers.*

*I thought it was done very well and went smoothly.*

*I'd say that the biggest disadvantage about a virtual Annual is the lack of social interactions which allow us to make new friends/strengthen old connections. That's vital for the fancy's growth.*

*It was extremely well done. No technical issues and an excellent option for managing the current COVID times.*

*The format worked great since we could not have an in-person Annual.*

*This meeting was so well run, especially with the voting. Future meetings should have some mechanism to use by the attendees to vote so an accurate record can be made. Hats off to everyone on the team. Job well done!!!!!!*

*I thought the on-line Annual Meeting and voting worked very well. I did travel from Washington to Oregon to access the meeting with others through their laptops (I just have an Android phone), but that was fun and required only one day off from work.*

*Technical difficulties were understandable, seemed to be minimal and resolved in a reasonable amount of time.*

*I would like to see all the annual business meetings done this way. Much more efficient and effective*

*Overall, well done for a first time. Congrats to everyone involved.*

*Limited by strength of internet connection*

*The point of the annual meeting is getting together with your friends.*

*I was Ver Satisfied with no social contact ONLY because of the COVID pandemic. Under normal circumstances I would want the opportunity to interact in person.*

*There were some tech challenges but that is to be expected for the first time.*

*It was awesome. There were times in the past I did not volunteer to delegate due to the distance of the annual. With this zoom program, it allows me to delegate every year regardless of location. I like that.*

*I thought it went very well, considering the challenges of this first time as a virtual event. I did miss the in person social aspect a little.*

*Worked well, but not the same as being able to meet and greet other folks.*

*Items A and E (since they have no designation) provide good information but B, C and D they happened and rating it is of no value there was no option to have any other outcome. BIASIS thing else*

*Very quick and easy*

### **Comments – General from End of Survey (unedited)**

*I am worried that if we have the option to have virtual voting at the future annuals, that our attendance at the annual meetings will be greatly declined. The social impact will be affected too. The awards banquet attendance will be greatly reduced too. People will miss out on breed council meetings, etc. plus all the other workshops that are offered.*

*I traveled from my home in Atlanta to my sister's in Jacksonville FL in order to use their internet. Mine is not Very good.*

*The social aspect of the annual is extremely important.*

*My only issue was really how long it ran, especially given the limited number of committee reports.*

*I attendee annuals from 2001 to 2012. Travelling with a young child has made it impossible since.*

*I think the electronic voting was far more accurate. We should keep this.*

*It is always a contention as to how many people are in the room during a close count, and even using tellers the counts are not accurate. Also the President makes the judgment call as to 50% if not challenged to a count. Using the electronic voting eliminates those issues, is fast, and more accurate. It can include those present and those attending virtually for a larger representation of the delegation.*

*I loved the electronic voting. I think that all clubs should now have the opportunity of voting either in person or electronically for each annual.*

*The social/interactive aspects of CFA, both shows and events are important for the health and longevity of our hobby and the organization.*

*The Annual is more than just voting on amendments. The social aspect, interacting with others around the world is an important opportunity. We can share ideas and practices, it's a learning experience. And discussing the various proposals/amendments impact on other areas of the world can be beneficial to all. With the virtual one, we were unable to have that interaction. Not being able to celebrate the winning cats was missed. Some may say that's not important, but we should be able to gather in person to recognize their accomplishments and congratulate the breeders, owners and exhibitors.*

*I think zoom is the future, unfortunately. Meeting in person gives us a chance to truly be a CFA family and meet people we've only seen in show reports or on-line discussions mostly via FB.*

*I am new to the CFA Annual, but have attended many large meetings of this type in my career. I believe that a virtual/in-person blend may result in the highest level of participation, which should be the goal. I think this is a move in the right direction and look forward to next year's Annual Meeting.*

*I think virtual should remain an option. It was very successful.*

*I feel if the annual meeting becomes virtual by default, more clubs will be able to participate thus allowing a more world-wide representation and voice at the event.*

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*I do love to attend, but the cost is usually high for me. I realize some cannot attend. I loved the electronic voting. It is accurate, and prompt. I did feel the one question with the revote got messed up however.*

*CFA did great job*

*I truly appreciate all of the work that went in to making this annual work.*

*I think the online voting was sub-par and very laggy, but I think if it were improved going forward, I would be okay with it. Previous annuals voting was done by estimates, and as people left the room, the estimate of 2/3s changed. I see no reason that if we electronically count votes, the 2/3s estimate can change as well.*

*Organizational dynamics are hindered when the annual meeting is not in person.*

*I think that given the circumstances the virtual Annual was wisely conceived and well executed. It cannot replace the face to face event because the social part is one of the positive aspects of the Annual Meeting.*

*I prefer face to face meetings. We are more productive face to face and it is also better for making connections. There are aspects of the online meeting, such as the electronic voting, that could be added to in person meetings. But I have concerns about a possible hybrid (some participants online, some in person) meeting. It would be difficult to contract hotels in advance when we can't estimate the room bookings until just before the meeting.*

*I like electronic voting as it eliminates trying to count hands for close votes.*

*I did not like the fact that the Quorum number was changed part way through the voting process. I understand why it was done, but I think it would have been a non-issue if sign-in had been stopped at the time the quorum was announced. One resolution had the wrong text in the voting field. The correction was handled very poorly and unfair to that resolution. The correction should have been made immediately and voting reopened before continuing with the next resolution. Instead, it was tacked on to the end after the floor resolutions. When it came to voting it was oh, by the way, while you're voting on WXY go back and vote on Z which is used to be Q.*

*Not announcing how many people voted became a problem, and I feel the later amendments got shafted because of this. I greatly want to see this format used in the future, but with a few tweaks.*

*Glad we could get necessary amendments done but really missed all the personal contact of most annuals.*

*I like the virtual option when the location is not close. Finances prevent me from costly trips but I still want to be able to be a delegate when possible.*

*In order not to have the discussion again about how many people with voting rights are present, it must be clearly regulated by when you have to dial in. Delays cannot then be accepted.*

*I attended annual regularly from 1990 to 2000 so those are the annuals I am comparing to... The debate of issues aspect at this Virtual annual was more tedious and not quite as exciting as when people lined up at the microphones, but the business got conducted efficiently. Hearing the committee reports in person is valuable for assessing the capabilities/personalities of the people giving them so I missed them even though the content of the reports were published and read later.*

*We need to limit discussion from the floor the annual was way too long. If a proposal has that much discussion it may need to be refined and brought back at a later date.*

*Annuals are not only for conducting business but to meet friends, explore the area, exchange cats, BC meetings. I missed the camaraderie. There is nothing like in person meetings. I think they recharge us. Otherwise its just another Zoom meeting.*

*Place committee reports in booklet in the future as well. Electric voting is more accurate than rising hands! Welcome to new millenium CFA!*

*Travel and hotel accommodations prices rise yearly and now retired, it's hard to afford to go to an annual. Covid-19 made this annual virtual, and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Yes, I missed the banquet and the Friday night party, but to save about \$2000 and remain safe in our bubble was much more important*

*I said I'd like to attend the annual meeting in person. That's probably everybodies wish. But the activity must be safe for all. Thank you for all you did 😊*

*Kudos to the CFA staff that made this happen.*

*The detailed voting results were great. I missed the social aspects and meeting people I haven't seen in some time.*

*While I LOVED voting electronically, I do have some concerns about remote voting. When we vote in person, one can vote ONLY a max of 2 votes. Online, at home: there's nothing to prevent someone from obtaining secretaries' info (if they don't already own it...and remember that folks can be secretary for numerous clubs...), and create a voting block across several computers/browsers. Is voting restricted by IP address? That's something to look into perhaps. OTOH, of course delegates may (legitimately) have "annual parties" to get together and vote. One GOOD thing about electronic voting is that it prevents someone who is attending the Annual w/out a vote from voting. And yes, I've seen this happen often...woman in front of us last time wore no badge, kept raising 2 arms to vote, and left when the tellers needed to count.*

*I was unhappy that the total delegate number (total that actually cast votes) went down significantly as the meeting progressed. So proposals mentioned toward the end were already doomed to fail.*

*It was very responsible of CFA to create and manage the online annual. Our CFA family has many aging people and as we learn more about COVID and/or variants emerge it is a safe practice.*

*Everything went very smoothly. Electronic voting was a side effect of having this type of Annual, and I think it should be explored for use at in-person Annuals. I still prefer in-person Annuals. They provide an opportunity to interact with other people I don't always see and a chance to discuss CFA business with them, including the proposed amendments/resolutions as well as ideas on how we can promote CFA and the cat fancy. Sometimes it is difficult to hold those discussions virtually.*

*It was very refreshing to have annual open to all to participate in or at least watch. Not having to take the extra time off for travel was a great benefit. Moving the Annual to virtual is an opportunity to use the International/large CFA*

sponsored show as a social event. CFA should consider limiting speaker time on resolutions. We often run out of steam toward the end of the day due to items in the morning taking too long to discuss. Limiting comments to 2-3 minutes per speaker would help keep the flow going in the morning and saving time for those important resolutions discussed in the afternoon.

This process was so well organized. There was no question how many votes there were and what resolutions passed or didn't. Would like to see something similar done at the in-person meetings. Great job!

I am a breed council secretary. I missed the opportunity of having a yearly meeting at the Annual Meeting for my breed. I missed getting together with friends. I also missed the interaction with all of the delegates, I think in person there is more discussion on resolutions.

Only did I join 2 Annuals, 2013 Vancouver and 2015 Columbus

Perhaps a hybrid Annual might work--maybe more delegates would be accounted for if they had a choice of attending in person or virtually. The Awards Banquet was missed, and that portion of the Annual Meeting weekend has to be in-person.

Nice to have 285 delegates in attendance, and how well everyone in attendance was able to participate and adjust when necessary. Great job to Central Office staff and everyone who assisted in conducting the virtual annual. Unfortunate to have one motion pass than later not pass when represented under it's correct number. Very good suggestion to keep the voting processes open longed. And, pleasantly surprised how well and easy the voting process was, and how quickly the results were available.

Idea: have the annual meeting be virtual. Each region has an awards banquet and the NW could be awarded as part of that regional event. All the money we spend for an overpriced dinner and a 30 seconds walk on the stage seems excessive. We need to invest in other aspects of the assoc

Committee reports are good - if done in 5 minutes or less, and the next presenter is queued up and ready to go. Less important ones can just be printed in the booklet.

I want to be in person and see peoples hands being raised for voting.

The pre-convention practice sessions were very well done and invaluable with helping the Annual run smoothly. Most glitches and technology learning curves were addressed before the actual meeting. Having support personnel available throughout the meeting was also very beneficial.

I thought the virtual discussion on the amendments and resolutions was better than it usually is from the floor of the Annual. If we could vote electronically at the annual then we would t ever have a debate as to the count and need to count votes on the floor.

It went on far too long - there really was no reason for it to take so long and that needs to be addressed for any future ones.

You folks did a great job at putting this together. Thank you so much. It was professional,,and I had a great time.

I am hoping that in the future that a hybrid system can be set up so that more people can attend and vote even if they aren't there in person. Perhaps that means that we can select smaller, less expensive venues as there will be fewer in person attendees. Maybe we can even start moving the Annual around to every CFA Region, including Internationally, if that means people who cannot afford to travel Internationally can still attend.

Disappointed that only very few people actually spoke, with the exception of the usual negative, nit pickers.

Loved the electronic tally....no guesswork on close votes. Missed the social aspect of the Annual, but monetary saving personally (and probably for CFA) was great. Would still like to have in person Annuals.

Getting together face to face to renew friendships and connect with other breeder that are out of your area is a real benefit. Same for the international show.

Question 5 and 6 are misleading. why not ask if you want no reports or some reports. you are creating a bias response with leading questions this is WRONG. Question 7 would be better with options of in person/depends on location and virtually/depends on location. Attending has always been depends on location for many. This is survey

*could be much better that is my main disappointment here. I am not sure any of this data should be used for future decisions as written.*

*Electronic voting went well. Would like that at future annuals. I enjoyed it virtually although I did miss the in person social aspect.*

*While I think the 2021 Annual Meeting went amazingly well, there is always the possibility that it will 'glitch.'*

*The voting timings were disorganized and inconsistent. I get that this was a new process, but there was at least one item I didn't get to vote on because it was closed too fast and I didn't realize it was voting time. In addition, one item that got re-voted on due to an input error did not have the same number of votes on 2nd vote, which tells me there were some who dropped off, not knowing a 2nd vote was happening. I don't know what the solution should have been, but there really should not have been decisions made either way on that item because the voting was skewed. Perhaps live voting is not the way to go when you are doing a virtual meeting. Perhaps having all items available to vote on throughout the meeting would be a better idea, then at the END of the meeting, the final tally could be announced.*

*First time asked to be a delegate*

*I was frustrated that the question that had to be re-balloted happened!*

*It was kind of weird sitting at my desk top "listening" to the meeting. I found it rather impersonal. There wasn't the usual "meet and greet" at an in person annual - BC meetings, JA meeting, dinner with friends, in person BCS meeting with the Board. You could not look at people's expressions when they were speaking or get a feel of the mood of the room.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Allene Tartaglia*

## **22. COVID-19 COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** *Rich Mastin*  
**Co-Chair:** *George Eigenhauser*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Kathy Calhoun, Brian Moser, Merilee Griswold MD, Allene Tartaglia, Cyndy Byrd, Shelly Perkins, Darrell Newkirk*

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*At the August 3, 2021 meeting the CFA Board approved a revised version of “CFA’S Minimum COVID-19 Requirements for the Well-Being of Clubs and Participants at CFA Events” effective immediately and continuing in effect through December 31, 2021. The updated document is currently available on the CFA web site.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Since the last CFA Board meeting, an issue arose regarding a judge who officiated at a CFA cat show who later tested positive for COVID-19. Following a show on September 11-12, 2021, a judge who had officiated at the show experienced some cold-like symptoms. The judge took a PCR test on Wednesday and on Friday (9/17/21) the results came back positive for COVID-19. The judge notified the CFA Board, cancelled an upcoming judging assignment, and began isolation for a minimum of 10 days.*

*On Friday, September 17, 2021, CFA was contacted by the show manager, who had been informed that “someone” at the show held the previous weekend tested positive for COVID-19. He wanted to know what CFA protocol he should follow, including the notice to send out to participants.*

*CFA does not have a protocol for steps to follow after a COVID-19 exposure is discovered. Due to the urgency of the matter, there wasn’t time for a COVID-19 committee meeting. Rich Mastin and George Eigenhauser worked with Allene Tartaglia to help the club with notifications. A copy of the “COVID occurrence” that was sent to the show manager is provided at the end of this report.*

*The “COVID occurrence” is rough and needs additional work before it can be presented to the Board for approval. The COVID-19 Committee has begun reviewing the draft by e-mail and will likely schedule a committee meeting in the near future to discuss this and other issues. However, several committee members questioned CFA’s role in assisting clubs with notice of possible exposure at cat shows. There are likely state and local ordinances in effect that require notice if there is a confirmed COVID-19 case. It has been suggested that CFA policy be to defer to those local, state, and facility guidelines and not provide any additional requirements or guidance.*

**Newkirk:** Order #22, George Eigenhauser, COVID-19 Committee. **Eigenhauser:** Let me start by saying I had really hoped this Committee would have worked itself out of a job by now, but we had an incident in September. You’re all familiar with it – I tried to be as vague as possible in the report – where there was a positive test result for COVID following a cat show.

The show manager reached out for some help in notifying exhibitors and other participants. Rich, Allene and I, because this was really time sensitive, just did a quick down and dirty notice which is attached to the end of the report. The idea was to send this to the COVID-19 Committee for further discussion and to come up with a better wordsmithed version of the notice, but the question came up, is this even what the board wants? Does the board want us to set up a procedure whereby CFA would assist clubs who have some sort of exposure to get notice out. The thought was in my mind yes but some of the committee members suggested that maybe this was something that we should just leave to state and local government, and not do anything at all. I personally happen to disagree with that. I think that when clubs need help, CFA should step in and help. I think that's part of our responsibility to CFA, and also we can provide additional notice in addition to whatever any state or local requirements may be. There are tons of forms out on the internet these days. Companies that are sending out notices that "we had an exposure so we're notifying our employees" or "we had an exposure so we're notifying event participants."

#### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Continue reviewing and revising CFA practices during the COVID-19 pandemic and make recommendations to the Board.*

#### **Board Action Items:**

*That CFA create a policy and sample form for shows or other CFA events to provide notification to persons who may have been exposed to COVID-19 at CFA events. Such notification to be in addition to any state, local, or facility minimum notice requirement.*

**Eigenhauser:** The core question, and it's in the form of a motion, do you want the Committee to come up with a policy and a sample form, or is this something you want to leave to clubs to either work out on their own or work out in conjunction with the local government? So, just to get the discussion started so we have something to talk about, I move we accept the one action item. **Mastin:** Rich will second.

**DelaBar:** I asked at my Zoom meeting about notification. Now yes, people want to be notified, especially when cross-country borders – I've got people going from Germany to Monaco to Spain, wherever, all over. We have in several of the countries, this is a COVID exposure app that we have in Finland. We don't have that in all countries. I know that most places in the U.S. don't have it. I think we need to have this. The exhibitors I talked to would be happy to be notified, because then they would know to watch for anything or to go in and get a test 72 hours after the show or whatever. I think this is a service that we can provide our constituents. **Morgan:** I may be over-reacting but I hope you will understand where I'm coming from. First of all, I support the creation of a policy and a support system for exhibitors, but I think that the scope needs to be expanded. The situation we experienced on September 11<sup>th</sup> is one that we should be prepared to handle. Because of the nature of our activities, impacted individuals aren't necessarily limited to the attendees at that actual September 11 show. Our judges have contact in one way or another with nearly every exhibitor in every show weekend. As they handle each of the cats, the cats to back to the exhibitors, etc., and as such they become potential vectors. Because we have no restrictions on attending shows – much like GCCF says



that you have to go I think every 14 days or whatever that is, we don't have corresponding restrictions like that – the show the following weekend falls well within the incubation period, as far as what I understood from what the pundits are saying. I definitely received a number of concerned calls and emails from exhibitors who attended the show the following weekend, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Four of the judges on the Saturday slate, September 18<sup>th</sup>, officiated at the September 11 show where there was a positive COVID result. The exhibitors at the September 18 show received no official notification of the positive COVID test, although we had people who were very up front about what had gone on in social media, etc. At any rate, the judges in question didn't mask, they didn't social distance, there were lots of pictures taken of them arm in arm with exhibitors. So, there were a number of exhibitors who felt like – and I quote from one of the calls I received – that they were “being set up”. That doesn't need to happen if we take charge and set up protocols, which is what I think our COVID Committee is trying to do. So, I would like us to address possible guidelines for judges and procedures for COVID-positive situations and again, that follows my support here. My thoughts would be that we should consider, (1) requiring a negative COVID test for judges who judge consecutive weekends and mandatory mask wearing/social distancing when they are in the ring, or (2) requiring a negative COVID test for any judge who judged a show where there was a confirmed positive, along with mandatory mask wearing and social distancing. There may be people who are vehemently against COVID testing for judges. I think then that we might want to consider then just the mandatory mask wearing for the judges who judge on consecutive weekends. So, I understand I may be stretching here and I may be over-reacting, but it's important to consider all of the aspects. In addition to the risk for exhibitors and ring help is the unknown of transmission between species. There's some evidence pointing to the fact that big cats at least have been exposed to and get COVID from their handlers. So, if that's possible for domestic cats, as well, then theoretically an exposed judge who is maskless could be putting every cat they handle at risk. None of the cats have been vaccinated. We might have been, but they haven't. Truly, it may be inconvenient for our judges. It may not even be all that useful. It might be overkill, but isn't it better to err on the side of caution, and protect our exhibitors and cats while still moving forward with our shows? I just want to throw that out there for discussion. Of course, I support what George is proposing here. Sorry to go on for so long.

*[NOTE: the following is a public apology from Melanie Morgan] In the open session of the CFA Board meeting on October 2, 2021 during the COVID-19 committee report, reference was made to four judges who judged the September 18 show. Those individuals were referenced in order to illustrate the need for guidance for all our judges via an official CFA policy regarding COVID positive protocol and were in no way, shape, or form meant to be defamatory or to imply that the four judges were in any way behaving irresponsibly.*

*Sincerest apologies.  
Melanie*

**DelaBar:** If we require COVID testing for judges or for anyone, if we require it we should pay for it. In my case, if I get a PCR test, that costs €169. Now, the prime rate I can tell you is over \$175. If that's required, as I said, then CFA – if CFA requires it, CFA should pay for it. **Krzanowski:** I think it's important to note that there were also exhibitors at that September 11 show that were exhibiting also at the September 18 show, so it goes beyond just the judges. There may have been clerks involved too, I don't know, in both shows but I'm not aware of that.

I do support what George is recommending. **Eigenhauser:** On some of the issues involving judging, I'm not really sure how much this crosses over with the Judging Program Committee. I just want to point out that their input into this would be welcome, as well. I agree with a lot of what Melanie said, but at this point if we could just vote on this motion and if people want to add additional items for discussion by the Committee, I certainly have no objection to having a discussion but I would like to focus on just the motion on the floor. **Calhoun:** I just wanted to comment on Pam DelaBar's comment about CFA paying for judges if we require COVID testing. I would agree that if we require it, we should pay for it. Now, in most cases in the U.S. – and I don't know about other countries, but insurance companies, it's free if you have insurance. You just provide your insurance card and there's no charge for COVID testing. In the United States that's universal. I don't know how that might work in other countries. I guess that might be a question, do we have with the CFA insurance, is there any policy or program that would cover judges from COVID testing? That might be a question maybe Rich could ask the carrier at an alternate time. **Anger:** To me, this action item is just to proceed with coming up with something. If we adopt the action item, I'll certainly poll the Judging Program Committee subchairs and we'll give a unified response as far as what the input will be from that Committee. So, we are definitely participating. Up until now there hasn't been a need but we definitely will, thank you. **Dunham:** Just as a clarification, I don't know about any other portion of the United States, but here in the Midwest the free testing has pretty much ceased. The only way that tests are being done is if you can prove that you were exposed. So, there is some consideration to that. I agree with what George is proposing, but if we move forward to add additional requirements, that's something to keep in consideration. Some areas are not doing the free testing any longer and you have to prove you were exposed to be able to have a test done. Thanks. **DelaBar:** Just for Kathy's clarification, it's \$195.90 if I want the test. If I'm exposed and have been told I'm exposed to COVID, I go in and it's free. So actually there's two different criteria for the COVID testing. As Cathy said, and I was just in Illinois a few weeks ago, at that time down in the Springfield area they could get free tests but now from what my sister is telling me, no they don't. **Calhoun:** Just real quick, I can only provide what I've been exposed to. In the Chicago area, you can still get a free test. There is a questionnaire, and one of the questions is, do you think that you have been in an environment where 6' social distancing, you cannot consistently apply that 6' social distancing. If that was a yes, it was a yes that you could get a free COVID test. **Newkirk:** I think this is all controlled by state health departments. That right there is the driving force. The other issue to consider is, many times our judges are flying out of their home state to another state and so that has to be worked out, is which state department is going to get notified? So, if you test positive, your local health department is going to contact you and they're going to tell you what you have to do. **Mastin:** What I would like to do is just remind the board that the motion that's in front of us is to create a policy for notification for somebody who tests positive after attending a show. What I would encourage all the board members to do is, send George and I your suggestions so we don't go on any further with all kinds of ideas and take up a bunch of time. Send us your ideas and we will bring them all to the COVID Committee team and we'll review them and report back to the board in December what the Committee decided to do with them. So, if we can just stick with the motion here, that will be helpful. **Newkirk:** Is there any objections? Anyone object to George's motion? There being no objections, by unanimous consent, George's motion is adopted.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Time Frame:**

Ongoing.

Respectfully Submitted,



George J. Eigenhauser, Jr., Co-Chair

**DRAFT ONLY:**

**COVID Occurrence**

*If a club becomes aware that a participant (exhibitor, judge, clerk, spectator, etc.) at a show held recently tested positive for COVID, we recommend show management take the following steps as soon as possible:*

- *Notify judges, exhibitors, clerks, stewards, the show hall, and other participants (when possible) of the outbreak, recommending they talk to their doctor and check with their local health officials about actions to be taken such as testing or quarantine.*
- *Contact the appropriate authorities and/or local health department with the information and ask about additional steps which should be taken in addition to the notification outlined above.*
- *Below is a sample notification to send to show attendees in as quickly a fashion as possible (email). Be sure to fill in the information regarding the show name, date and location.*

*This letter is to inform you that you may have been exposed to an individual who attended the XXXXX (show) on XXXXX (date) at the XXXXX (location) and has tested positive for Coronavirus 19 (COVID-19).*

*Please contact your healthcare provider if you develop symptoms such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath and refer to the CDC website or your local health department for quarantine and isolation guidelines: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>*

*Additional steps you can take to keep yourself and others around you safe from COVID-19 include:*

- *Frequently washing your hands with soap and water, especially before eating, after using the bathroom and upon returning home*
- *Covering your mouth with your arm when you cough or sneeze*
- *Avoiding touching your eyes, face and mouth*
- *Staying home*

Respectfully Submitted,



George J. Eigenhauser, Jr., Co-Chair

## **23. ENTRY CLERK PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** Cathy Dunham  
**List of Committee Members:** Sheryl Zink, Paula Noble, Dick Kallmeyer, James Simbro

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The committee met to discuss all the possibilities for improvement to the entry clerk program, including but not limited to cleaning up the information in the data bases, eliminating the need for entry clerks to re-entry data that is available in other data bases, adding new reporting features, and finding a solution to provide the show packet to CO in a more cost-effective way. We also viewed a new master clerking program that Dick Kallmeyer is developing.*

*We asked James Simbro to get some quotes for the programming changes that would be necessary to complete the corrections and enhancements we would like to pursue.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Three immediate issues have been brought to the committee:*

- 1. When the entry clerking program was first developed CFA did not have any breeds in the Provisional status, so this category was never programed in the breed summary report. Since we now have Provisional breeds and need to have accurate breed summaries for shows we have submitted a support ticket to get this report corrected so our shows are providing accurate information to exhibitors and CO.*
- 2. Contact information in the program does not allow for duplicate email addresses when entering an existing email address. We are working to address the issue in the enhancements and for now we are helping entry clerks with options for entering duplicate email addresses. While this is not perfect it is the only thing we can do until programing to correct the issue can be completed.*
- 3. It was brought to our attention that the MISC and PROV entries must have a CFA registration number to be entered and counted toward the numbers of cats shown to meet the criteria for advancement. Also, MISC and PROV breeds only allow specific colors for exhibition. We are including these checks and balances in our list of enhancements, but in the short term we will work to educate the entry clerks to watch for these things when entering a MISC or PROV breeds.*

*In addition to the above issues the committee has identified the following issues that we will address as time and funding allows:*

- 1. Auto fill color description for those color classes that only have one color option.*
- 2. Linking the Entry Program to the registration database so data can be verified which will eliminate many changes/corrections that occur in the show hall because information was entered incorrectly and never corrected in the Entry Program.*

3. *Add additional reporting options to the system. Example: Many clubs are doing box lunches and that information is collected by the entry clerk and currently being hand counted.*
4. *Implement a stand-alone Master Clerking Program, currently being developed by Dick Kallmeyer. Part of the development would require accessing the show data file, which we will include in the enhancements to allow the show data file to be sent to the Master Clerk for upload to this program. Another side benefit to using this Master Clerking program is a reduction in paperwork that needs to be sent to CO and a reduction of items that need to be included in the show packet.*
5. *Clean up of the Entry Clerk databases which would include achieving everything except the last two years of data, duplicate contact information, duplicate cat information, and duplicate email addresses. We were hoping this could be a simple download of the data and the committee could clean up these things ourselves. However, it is a little more complicated and we will have to have Dyn Edge complete the cleanup. The databases are searchable, a feature that is very important, and the data is all inter linked. If a link is inadvertently broken the system will no longer be searchable. We have estimated that it will take \$11,000.00 to complete this cleanup, which would be completed on early 2022 prior the next budget cycle.*

**Newkirk:** Let's go on to #23, Cathy Dunham, the Entry Clerk Enhancement Committee.

**Dunham:** Thank you. The report has been provided. A couple of things to point out. James alluded to it in yesterday's meeting that Dick Kallmeyer is working on a stand-alone master clerk program. It looks like a very promising program. We're very excited about it. He is planning on beta testing it in November and December, hopefully to have additional information to bring back after that. The big thing that we are concentrating on right now is the clean-up of the entry clerk information data bases. Part of that clean-up is due to the fact that there is lots of duplicate information in there. Some entry clerks enter the information without even knowing that some are already there, or they try to make changes and the change doesn't go through correctly so new information has to be entered. We would like to clean all that data up. We had hoped that it was an easy process that we could just have Dyn Edge download the data bases and let the Committee clean it up and upload it again. That is not the case, because it is integrated into each other to make the entire program and the data bases searchable for the entry clerks.

#### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Continue to review the enhancements for the program and beta test the Master Clerk program.*

#### **Board Action Items:**

**Motion:** *Approve Dyn Edge to cleanup of the Entry Clerk databases for \$11,000.00.*

**Dunham:** To that end, we are hoping that the board will allow us the funding to be able to move forward with this data base clean-up. It is part of the process to the end result James alluded to, that we could connect the entry clerking program to the CFA data bases to be able to check accuracy of data which would eliminate potential changes in the show hall for the judges and for the exhibitors to have to do corrections. To that end, I make the motion to approve Dyn

Edge to clean up the entry clerk databases for a cost of \$11,000. **McCullough:** Second.

**Newkirk:** Thank you Steve. **Mastin:** I just wanted to get a clarification. Is this not in the current year's budget? **Simbro:** No, not really. **Mastin:** Not really, or no? **Simbro:** That amount of money was like \$10,000 like the enhancement we did. We did take that out of the fund for maintenance, but this may ultimately be only a couple thousand dollar job. I really don't know at this point. **Mastin:** The reason for my question is, if it's already in the budget we don't need the motion. If it's not in the budget, then we do need the motion. **Simbro:** OK. I would feel better asking for the money, just because of the unknown. **Mastin:** I'm OK with it, then. **Eigenhauser:** Maybe I'm just being dense and not getting it. My understanding is, the ultimate goal in this is to have no entry clerk data base; that what we're ultimately going to have is, they're going to punch in an entry and compare it to CFA's records to determine if it was accurately entered and all the information is correct. Why are we still having an unofficial data base for the entry clerks that isn't the CFA data base? Does that question make any sense? **Newkirk:** Cathy, can you answer George's question? **Dunham:** Yes George, it does make sense. Part of the reasoning is, there are still cats that would not be potentially in the CFA data bases, such as unregistered kittens, cats that are being registered via TRN numbers. Those potential cats are not registered, so they're not in the main data base. They have to live somewhere until they are actually registered for entry in the shows. That's one thing. The way James explained it – and James, please jump in here – is that even though we are checking everything against the CFA data bases, we are not actually using the information. We are not actually using that data base to populate the entry clerking system. Am I right, James? **Simbro:** Yeah. There's a couple things going on. There are two distinct systems. There are different companies that wrote them. We've got our in-house system which is managed by Sonit. Dynamic Edge wrote the stand-alone entry clerk program that uses its own stand-alone data base. Now that we've used it for a number of years, all of that historical data from past shows and entries and stuff, you have to keep that live or else you're just going to be throwing away all that data. So, you would be best to have that link. That's why we couldn't just say, "this is a duplicate, delete it." Well, that duplicate could be tied to actual real data and if you ever wanted to go back and look at that for historical purposes or statistics, it would be gone. Even going forward, when you're entering a cat into the entry, you will still have to record the entry. The entry will be a copy of the data that's on CFA's data base. That's what we're looking to do, is make sure that the data between the two tables or databases, if you want to call it, are in sync to minimize having to do corrections and finding errors. **Wilson:** I guess my question is, if the money is spent – however much it costs – and the databases are cleaned up, what process will there be to keep it cleaned up on a going-forward basis up and until it's linked to the system?

**Newkirk:** James, do you want to answer that? **Simbro:** Sure. I think that now the entry clerks have used the system for years now, we can probably minimize the duplication. Also, I think there's also some talk of doing some additional logic checks in that process so that it will warn the user that, "hey, this cat already exists over here" or something like such. So, there are some mechanisms that can be put into place. **Tartaglia:** First, I just realized I can raise my hand now. Anyway, I did have a comment. There is redundancy and it really doesn't make a whole lot of sense to have two data bases. Ideally, the entry clerk would be able to match to our database right away, download the information and just have a more streamlined process. James and I haven't really talked about it much. Why don't you give us an opportunity, along with the Entry Clerk Enhancement Committee, that we discuss this and come back in December to look at further information. Certainly, it's a valid point. If we spend \$11,000 to clean up this database, well, could that have been \$11,000 we could put towards having a better system all along? **Cao:** I just

want to resonate what Annette said. I think cleaning up the database is fine, but I think we need to put in a logic check to ensure that new entries will not produce duplicates. It should be some kind of unique identifier to do that. To me, it should be automated in this edition because we cannot rely on people or people's operations to insure everything goes smoothly. I've done the entry clerk myself, so I've used the system. Right now, the logic, obviously you are able to create duplicates. If the system allows it, it will happen. So, we don't want to in a few years end up spending another \$11,000 to clean up the same problem. My recommendation would be to fix this issue once and for all, so the logic check should be mandatory. **DelaBar:** Considering this is a five figures cost, and I don't think Dynamic Edge is part of anything that CFA has, does this reach the realm of contracts? **Newkirk:** James, do you want to answer that? **Simbro:** I'm not sure I could answer that. **Newkirk:** Allene, do you have an answer? **Tartaglia:** We don't have a contract per se with them, but they certainly maintain this entry clerk software for us. **Simbro:** I will chime in. If changes are made at our request – large changes – we would ask for a quote of time and go from there. We wouldn't say, "just do it". I know that there are some – I think that Tim Schreck has alluded that he may even have a list of some changes that they have been wanting to make for a while now, so we may be rolling some of those changes into this cost of \$11,000 to put these checks and balances in, archive the data. I don't think this money is just strictly to do the archiving and cleaning up of the database.

**Mastin:** I have maybe a couple questions and comments here. James, you just mentioned that this may incorporate a few other things than the [entry] clerking program, is that correct? **Simbro:** I'm not aware of what other changes have been requested, so I would need to get with Tim. **Mastin:** Allene, you had recommended that you get with James and try to fine tune this number. This \$11,000 is just an estimate, correct? **Tartaglia:** Correct. **Mastin:** OK, so I'm not sure that the board should be comfortable calling the question on this and voting in favor until we have a more comfortable number. The other question I had, and I think somebody touched on it earlier is, yesterday James talked about a full revision or update or conversion. We should get into that some other time on a further discussion, given the numbers you are throwing around are pretty big. You can go ahead and make the update to this program and any other programs. Does that mean we've got to rewrite all the work that we have done on these programs for the conversion or upgraded system? **Simbro:** No. The relationship to the entry clerk program, it wouldn't affect that. One of the things that we put into place for the WeChat app is something we will probably actually use for the entry clerk program, so we've already spent that money and that technology is in. **Mastin:** OK, very good. **Simbro:** We're now integrating show entries, where somebody could go into eCat and their cat could populate the entry clerk database through the entry clerk system. There is going to be some cost in that. That's something we would want to do as part of the revision. **Mastin:** If that's the case, is that going to make this new program and update obsolete? Would they be able to talk to one another? **Simbro:** They will be able to talk to one another, but no, the changes like the checks and balances that even Gavin says we should have, those would need to be done regardless. **Mastin:** OK, so I still think we need to wait on this until December so we have more information on the actual cost and what-all is included in this. **Simbro:** Allene and I do have a meeting next week with, we have a new representative from Dynamic Edge. This is one of the things we can talk to him about and maybe get a firmer cost on what cleaning up the database would entail. **Newkirk:** Anything else, Rich? **Mastin:** I'm done. **Newkirk:** If you don't want to proceed, do you want to make a motion to table this until December? **Mastin:** If it's not withdrawn I'm just going to vote no on it right now. **Colilla:** What I would suggest, I'm probably going to get a lot of people not very happy

about this. I would like to see us vote in the all cats, even kittens, must have a registration number. Then this will eliminate most of the problem because the minute you change the entry clerk program, the CFA database will include that. That's all I'm suggesting. **Hannon:** I'm concerned. Yesterday James talked about doing a whole rewrite of our IT structure at potentially half a million bucks. Why can't this be rolled into that? Why use separate contractors? It would seem to me that, going forward, once we have the new IT structure in whatever language it is, C# or whatever, it would be simpler to have everything under CFA's controls with one contractor.

**Dunham:** I'm withdrawing the motion. **Newkirk:** Who was the second? **McCullough:** Steve. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Are you OK with the withdrawal? **McCullough:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is withdrawn. Cathy, anything else on your committee? **Dunham:** No, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you.

**Time Frame:**

*Ongoing*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Update on database cleanup and beta testing of Master Clerk Program.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Cathy Dunham, Chair*



## **24. VIRTUAL CAT COMPETITION COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** Iris Zinck  
**Liaison to Board:** Cathy Dunham  
**List of Committee Members:** Michael Altschul, Deirdre Gerhardt, Nancy Kerr

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### **Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Beginning immediately after the Annual, the Committee supported the Wild Rose Cat Club's fundraiser VCC, which attracted 600 entries (a significant percentage of which came from outside North America) and provided starter funding for the club's planned in-person show in February 2022.*

*Following completion of the Wild Rose VCC, the Committee took a 2-month recess to enable several committee members to focus on prior commitments to in-person shows.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Committee is now at work on a new VCC for New England Meow Outfit, Inc. (NEMO) which will feature an additional conformation class for blue cats. We expect the event to open for entries shortly after the Board meeting with judging taking place just before the end of October. We will be in contact with the Breed Council Secretaries for the Russian Blue, Chartreux and Korat breeds to enlist their help in involving exhibitors from those breeds. This special "blue class" will also be open to blue pedigreed cats of other breeds.*

*Board Liaison Cathy Dunham met with the Diversity and Inclusion Committee on September 14<sup>th</sup> to explore their potential involvement in a VCC. She provided information about VCC events, how they are run, how the committee would be involved (other people that they would need to recruit to help with the event), what information might be available about the entries (country of origin, state, etc.). She also explained what support VCC committee members provide and which ones receive compensation (entry clerk, publicity manager). Should this Committee decide to move forward with an event, we will set up a joint Zoom meeting to discuss details and possible dates.*

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*In conjunction with preparing the NEMO VCC, we will be training a new entry clerk and hope to involve her in future events. We have also discussed expanding the committee; it has become apparent that most of the clubs interested in producing VCCs do not have sufficient volunteers to cover the necessary work and the committee has made up the shortfall. We hope to add two more members by year-end.*

### **Board Action Items:**

*None*

**Time Frame:**

*Ongoing*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Report on progress of NEMO event*

*Updates on future events*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Iris Zinck, Chair*

**Newkirk:** The next Order is 24, Virtual Cat Competition Committee, Iris Zinck. Is Iris available? **Tartaglia:** No, she's not here. **Dunham:** Darrell, I'm not sure she is available. She was going to be in flight coming back from a show. **Newkirk:** Alright, so are you going to present her committee report? **Dunham:** Yes. We have no action items, so unless somebody has a question about the report itself, it just needs to stand as is. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Any questions anyone?

**Morgan:** I know we don't have any action items and are trying to move forward, but it struck me as we were looking at all these committee reports, and specifically this one, that we have a ton of committees out there with volunteers who willingly commit hundreds of hours of their time to help move CFA forward. This one was really no exception. It's a totally new program and I think it's a program that has a lot of merit, even as we continue our regular shows. So, I wanted to take this opportunity to commend Iris for the excellent job she has done managing and promoting this very valuable program for CFA. It's not easy to put a totally new program in place and she has really risen to the occasion, so just kudos to Cathy and to Iris for that. **Dunham:** Thank you. I will pass that along. **Newkirk:** Thank you.

**Newkirk:** That concludes our reports of Special Committees.

## **Unfinished Business and General Orders**

### **25. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

**Newkirk:** We will move on to Unfinished Business and General Orders. Are there any Unfinished Business items to bring forward?

**26. OTHER COMMITTEES.**

**Newkirk:** Any Other Committee reports? I see no Other Committees.

## 27. NEW BUSINESS.

**Newkirk:** We have New Business. I will recognize Rachel. **Anger:** Thank you. The Hong Kong Pet Show is coming back to Hong Kong in February of 2022. The same as before, the Hong Kong Black Cat Club will host the show in conjunction with this big event and will have a fun show that goes with it, besides the regular CFA show. They are hoping to recruit more newbies to our cat fancy, so they would like to seek board approval before they proceed. They are having it at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, if you all recall that phenomenal facility that we have attended. The sponsor is the Hong Kong Black Cat Club and I'm sure you all know Phebe Low that this request came from. The CFA show will be 2 rings on Saturday, February 12, judged by Suki Lee and Kit Fung. It's a super specialty/Household Pet format and the entry limit is 225 entries. The fun show is Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup>. They will have non-pedigreed cats there at the Convention Centre. Suki and Kit are going to be the presenters, along with two experienced local breeders. There will be 4 rings in total, 100 entries at the fun show. Our Approved Judge Administrator Vicki Nye has already approved Suki and Kit to officiate at the fun show, so I would like to make a motion that the Hong Kong Black Cat Club be allowed to host a fun show on February 13, 2022 in Hong Kong. **Calhoun:** Kathy Calhoun seconds. **Newkirk:** Do we have a copy of this that we can screen share? **Anger:** Sure. I can send to Shelly [Borawski] what I received from Phebe. It will take me just a second. **Newkirk:** The option would be that Shelly can allow you to screen share. **Anger:** There it goes. She should have it up in just a minute. **Newkirk:** I agree, but I just would like to see it up on the screen so that everybody can see what we're voting on. **Anger:** Of course. While we're waiting, for those of you who have not been to the Hong Kong Convention Centre, back when we first made an appearance in Hong Kong it was not unusual to have 80,000 spectators through a day. If you want to talk about a sea of cameras and deafening camera shutter clicking going on, it was just like being a rock star I've got to tell you. For those of you that have shared that experience with me or attended that show, I'm sure you know exactly what I'm talking about. Of course, they are trying to bring that back. The fancy in Hong Kong has really exploded and we have a tremendous amount of competition there, so I am very proud of Phebe and the Black Cat Club, and of course Suki and Kit for all the work that they are doing, and Phebe's team. There is her proposal on the screen for you. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much for sending that, Rachel. Suki and Kit are the only two CFA judges that are judging in Hong Kong, and they are judging almost every weekend. So, they are doing yeoman's work keeping CFA alive and keeping cat shows alive. I don't see any hands up. Anybody have any comments on the approval of this? Any objections? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent this proposal is approved.

**The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Anger:** Thank you everyone. I'll let Phebe know right away.

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**Currle:** It has been suggested to me, perhaps we can use our regions as an additional method to reach our constituents concerning these DNA test kits that we're advertising. What I would like to propose is, for each region to receive 1 Optimal Selection smart breeding test kit, as well as one basic health trait DNA panel. They can use them as a fundraiser, much like we do raffles at a show, to make those that may not be aware of CFA News what's going on as an

enhancement. This would cost CFA a total of \$1,304.91 to be able to provide this to 9 regions. I would make a motion as such so that CFA can get these out to the regions, or at least have them available to distribute as a fundraiser. **Newkirk:** Anyone want to second that? **Calhoun:** Kathy will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kathy. **Tartaglia:** I think we should talk with Roger. Maybe you already did, Kenny. I'm not sure they are things that we can just send out to people. I guess we could. The ordering process usually starts with the person wanting the DNA and then they deal directly with the company. So, I would prefer that if the board wants to do this, that you let us work out the details with the regions. **Currle:** Absolutely. I'm certainly going to count on you, Allene. **Tartaglia:** OK. **DelaBar:** This is going to sound strange but I swear it's the truth. Different countries in Europe have different criteria for raffles. If I hold one in Finland, then I have to give people if they buy a Euro ticket, then they must get at least something in return for that. There's no DNA Optimal Selection test kit and then nothing else. We haven't had raffles in Europe because of these different rules, so I would have to study how to do this because it just would not be feasible right now. **Eigenhauser:** First, if Pam wants to work out kind of a different arrangement for Europe I'm fine with that. I don't think it has to be a raffle. I think the regions can deal with them in whatever way works best for that region. I think that's part of why we're doing this regionally is to let the Regional Directors decide, but I have a question. Would this be useful for the ID? **Currle:** I don't mind adding that, George. I have no problem with it at all. **Eigenhauser:** I would like to add the ID to this, as well. **Newkirk:** OK George, so you're making an amendment to add the ID? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. **Currle:** I'll accept the amendment. **Newkirk:** Is there any debate on the amendment to add the ID? I don't see any hands up. Any objections to adding the ID to this motion? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent – Kathy Calhoun your hand is up. **Calhoun:** My comment was not in adding the ID, just in the administration of how we would do this. **Newkirk:** I'm not clear. **Calhoun:** OK. So, what we would do is, we would ask for some budget for this, so it would be a budget increase under the donations category, and let's say you said it was \$1,300 before the ID, so let me – **Currle:** Now it would be \$1,459.86. **Calhoun:** So, just as an amendment to the motion or whatever, this would be an increase of \$1,500 to the donation budget. **Currle:** Correct. **Newkirk:** Good deal. I think Kenny is OK with that. **Currle:** I'm fine. **Calhoun:** So am I. **Newkirk:** Alright. Any objections to the amendment? Seeing no objections, the amendment is agreed to.

**The primary amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Newkirk:** Now we have Kenny's motion which has been amended, and that's to include the ID and up the dollar amount to about \$1,500. Is there any debate? Is there any objection? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent the amended motion is agreed to.

**The main motion, as amended, is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny. Is there any other business before we adjourn? OK, I see no hands up. So, we're 15 minutes ahead of time, so we are going to come back at 1:30 in executive session. This meeting is adjourned.

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The open session meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

**28. PROTESTS.**

**Protest Committee Chair George Eigenhauser** gave the Protest Committee report containing recommendations for disposition of pending matters. **Motion Carried [vote sealed].**

**Committee Chair:** *George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*  
**Committee Members:** *Dick Kallmeyer, Betsy Arnold, Norman Auspitz,  
Joel Chaney, and Brian Moser*  
*Animal Welfare: Charlene Campbell*  
*Europe Region liaison: Pauli Huhtaniemi*  
*Japan liaison: Takako Kojima*  
*Judging liaison: Victoria Nye*  
*Legal Counsel: Shelly K. Perkins*

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**Brief Summation/Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Protest Committee met via Zoom on September 15, 2021. Participating were George Eigenhauser, Dick Kallmeyer, Norm Auspitz, Betsy Arnold, Joel Chaney, and Brian Moser. Pauli Huhtaniemi submitted comments on the one matter in advance of the meeting.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Ongoing protest investigations and recommendations.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

  
*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*  
*Protest Committee Chairman*

## 29. **DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS.**

**Disciplinary Hearings And Suspensions:** Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to the Board. The following cases were heard, tentative decisions were rendered, timely notice was given to the parties, and no appeal and/or appeal fee was filed. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

*None.*

**Board-Cited Hearing:** The Board may consider any protest filed by any member of a member club or in any other manner brought to the attention of the Executive Board. The Board may delegate authority to one or more persons to review, investigate, and determine if probable cause exists for the filing of a formal protest. This case was heard on direct cite by the CFA Executive Board. Timely notice was given to the party, and the matter was heard in open session, at the request of the respondent.

*None.*

**Appeals:** Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to and heard by the Board, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the party, an appeal and/or appeal fee was timely filed, and the appeal was heard by the Board of Directors. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

*None.*