## TRANSCRIPT OF ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS FEBRUARY 5/6, 2022

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**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Saturday, February 5, 2022, 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)

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 Matthew Wong, ID Representative

#### **Absent:**

Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director) Eva Chen, ID-China Representative 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. I'll call the meeting to order. Madame Secretary, will you do the roll call please? **Anger:** I would be happy to. [**Secretary's Note:** Secretary Rachel Anger called the roll, as reflected above.] With the exception of Mr. McCullough, we do have a quorum. I will turn it back over to you, Mr. President.

## TRANSCRIPT

## 1. **BOARD CITE.**

[Secretary's Note: A board cite was held in executive session. See Agenda Item #31.]

## Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

#### 2. <u>APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.</u>

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	CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING					
	AGENDA					
		February 5/6, 2022				
		All times are in Eastern Standard Time				
		SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022				
		Executive Session				
11:00 a.m.	1.	Board Cite	Perkins			
		LUNCH				
		Meeting Called to Order				
1:00 p.m.	2.	Approve Orders of the Day	Newkirk			
		Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committe	es			
1:05 p.m.	1:05 p.m. 3. Minutes (corrections/additions); Ratification of January					
1.03 p.m.	Teleconference Minutes; Ratification of Online Motions					
1:10 p.m.	4.	Judging Program Report	Anger			
2:00 p.m.	5.	Central Office Report	Tartaglia			
2:10 p.m.	6.	Marketing	Bobby			
2:20 p.m.	7.	IT Report	Simbro			
2:30 p.m.	8.	Treasurer's Report	Calhoun			
2:40 p.m.	9.	Budget Committee	Calhoun			
2:50 p.m.	10.	Finance Committee	Mastin			
3:00 p.m.	11.	Companion Cat World	Black			
3:10 p.m.	12.	Mentor-NewBee Report	Black			
3:20 p.m.		BREAK				
3:30 p.m.	13.	Legislative Committee/Group	Eigenhauser			
3:40 p.m.	14.	EveryCat Health Foundation	Eigenhauser			
3:50 p.m.	15.	International Division	Currle			
4:00 p.m.						
4:20 p.m.	17.	Show Rules	Krzanowski			
4:40 p.m.	18.	Yearbook/Publications	Morgan			
4:50 p.m.	19.	Virtual Cat Competition Committee	Zinck			
5:00 p.m.						

**Newkirk:** Our first order of business is to approve the Orders of the Day. Are there any additions to our agenda for today's meeting? **Anger:** Yes. I have an addition. We have under New Business, Pam DelaBar is bringing forward an issue regarding border control, is what my notes say. So, it's really not a change to the agenda, just an addition when we get to that agenda item on Sunday's schedule. **DelaBar:** No. No, no, no. The agenda item actually has to do with TRNs and that's why I wanted to bring this up under New Business when we get to that. It's a different issue from – **Anger:** From what I said. OK, thank you. **Newkirk:** My agenda item doesn't have this stuff on it. Rachel could you just quickly email me an updated – because it's not on here either. **Anger:** The New Business is on Sunday's agenda. **Newkirk:** Oh, it is. OK. Got it, sorry for the confusion.

## [Calhoun and Moser join the meeting]

**Newkirk:** OK, so we have a couple additions there. Is there any objection to accepting the amended Orders of Business? Without objections, the Orders of the Day are accepted.

The Orders of the Day were accepted without objection and became the Orders of Business.

# 3. <u>SECRETARY'S REPORT: ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES;</u> <u>RATIFICATION OF ON-LINE MOTIONS</u>

#### (a) <u>Additions/Corrections to the Minutes.</u>

None.

**Newkirk:** Rachel, you are up. **Anger:** Thank you. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes.

## (b) Ratification of January 4, 2022 Teleconference Minutes.

Action Item: Approve the January 4, 2022 teleconference minutes, as published.

**Anger:** We will go to subparagraph (b) and I will make a motion to approve the January 4, 2022 teleconference minutes as published. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Any objections? OK, so moved by unanimous consent.

### The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

#### (c) <u>Ratification of Online Motions.</u>

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote				
	MOTIONS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE RATIFICATION						
1.	1. Anger Mastin O1.16.22 Approve a leave of absence from the Judging Program for Pam Moser until September 1, 2022. Moser abstained.						
No dis	cussion.						
2.	Anger Mastin	Approve a leave of absence from the Judging Program for Irina Kharchenko from February 1, 2022 until July 31, 2022.	Motion Carried.				
No dis	No discussion.						

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote		
		MOTIONS THAT REQUIRE RATIFICATION			
1.	Executive Committee 01.10.22	For the Angel Fairy Sphynx club show January 16, 2022 Chongqing, China, grant an exception to Show Rule 6.35.c. to allow the club to extend its closing date by two days to 9 PM China time on Thursday, January 13, 2022.	Motion Carried (subject to ratification).		
No disc	No discussion.				

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote		
2.	Executive Committee 01.16.22	Due to the recent outbreak of Omicron in Hong Kong causing government reinforced social distancing measures, grant an exception to Show Rule 4.04 to delay the Hong Kong Black Cat Club's show date from February 12, 2022 to April 2, 2022.	Motion Carried (subject to ratification).		
No dis	No discussion.				

**Newkirk:** Go ahead Rachel. **Anger:** Thank you. Subparagraph (c) is ratification of the online motions. We have several motions that require ratification, if Allene can scroll down to make sure it ends at #2. I don't have my reference document here. I move that we ratify the two Executive Committee motions that you see there. They were unanimously carried by the Executive Committee. **Mastin:** Rich will second. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Rich. Any comments? OK, any objection? The motion is adopted by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Anger:** Thank you.

#### 4. <u>JUDGING PROGRAM</u>.

#### JUDGING PROGRAM REPORT

Chair: Rachel Anger

Subcommittees and Subchairs

Applications Administrator: Kathi Hoos
Trainees/Advancing Judges: Loretta Baugh
CFA Approved Judges: Vicki Nye

Guest Judges: Vicki Nye, Wendy Heidt

China Associate Judge Program:

Judges' Workshop/Tests/Continuing Ed:

Education and Mentoring:

Breed Awareness & Orientation:

Anne Mathis

Anne Mathis

Loretta Baugh

Barbara Jaeger

Domestic File Administrators: Nancy Dodds; Marilee Griswold

Japan File Administrator: Yaeko Takano
ID-China File Administrator: Anne Mathis
Europe File Administrator: Pam DelaBar
ID-International Div File Administrator: Allan Raymond

Ombudsman: Diana Rothermel

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

At the December 2021 teleconference, Director at Large Melanie Morgan made a motion that leaves of absences, retirements and resignations be reviewed and approved by the Judging Program Chair. Once approved, the Judging Program Chair will inform the board. Concerns were expressed that this may be a reduction in the judge's status. The constitution requires that board action be involved in the case of the reduction in a judge's status. It was also brought up that the board frequently delegates constitutionally-mandated tasks such as licensing shows. Following discussion, the motion was subsequently withdrawn with the understanding that it would be brought back in February, giving board members the opportunity to perform research if they so choose.

#### **Board Action Item:**

<u>If allowed by the bylaws,</u> that leaves of absences, retirements and resignations be reviewed and approved by the Judging Program Chair. Once approved, the Judging Program Chair will inform the board by including the approval in its next board report.

Respectfully Submitted, Rachel Anger, Chair CFA Judging Program

**Anger:** So, we can move on to the Judging Program Report? **Newkirk:** Correct. **Anger:** The first report is, I have an action item here. I apologize, I usually have my own separate

document that has all my notes on it and a little script, and I'm not able to access that for some reason today. Thank you to the internet. In December Melanie brought up a motion that was discussed, and we decided to table it until this board meeting. You see the action item there that is stated, and I will read it for the record [reads]. That's my motion. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds. Morgan: I know we discussed this to some extent at our last meeting and one of the concerns was that we wanted to be in compliance with our constitution. In my opinion, delegating this responsibility to the Judging Program is not a violation of our constitution, based off of our existing activities. I may be wrong, but I don't believe that a reduction of a judge's status is the same as a leave of absence or retirement or resignation. So, again, that holds in with our constitutional requirements that the board must be in charge of any reduction in status. In addition, we have precedents set in a number of other areas where the board has delegated the authority to other parties such as committees or Central Office for things like show licensing, etc. Should this motion pass, the Judging Program would inform the board of any and all actions taken, but we are alleviating the need for rubber stamping that goes with approving a retirement or resignation which is point in fact something that we really frankly do not have a lot of control over, as well as the awkwardness of asking for a leave of absence, which often is well after the effective date. Mastin: I'm in full support of this. I just want, Shelly, if you would comment on this? In your opinion, are we OK with it from our bylaws standpoint? **Perkins:** I'm not sure what the definition of "it" is, so can you give me the exact question you want to know is OK with the bylaws? Mastin: Yes. The action item that Rachel motioned and Carol seconded, can we go ahead and proceed and be in line with our current bylaws? What it's doing is, it's allowing the Judging Program Chair to inform the board of any leave of absence, retirements and resignations of judges. Perkins: You need to give me a few minutes. I can look that up. I just want to verify in the bylaws and then I'll let you know. If you want to pass the motion if allowed by the bylaws, then you can move forward. Newkirk: Rachel, are you OK with that? Anger: I will agree to that amendment, sure. Newkirk: Carol? Krzanowski: Yes, I agree. Yes. Newkirk: Alright, any further discussion? Is there any objection to the motion? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent it is agreed to, as amended.

#### The main motion, as amended, is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Anger:** Thank you, and we are happy to do that. The Judging Program is an arm of the board, so however we can best serve the board is great.

[Secretary's Note: CFA Attorney Shelly Perkins provided the following information and recommendation subsequent to the discussion.]

Bylaws: With the exception of disciplinary action as defined in Article XV, any action to drop, permanently suspend, or reduce in status any individual in the Judging Program shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Executive Board present. The vote of the individual Board members shall be report[1]ed in the public minutes of the meeting.

Motion: That leaves of absences, retirements and resignations be reviewed and approved by the Judging Program Chair. Once approved, the Judging Program Chair will inform the board by including the approval in its next board report.

#### Legal Recommendation and Rationale:

As long as everyone agrees that a leave of absence, retirement, or resignation does not "reduce in status" the judge within the judging program, then I am okay with this. My interpretation of the Bylaws is that reducing a person's actual standing/status in the judging program is similar to discipline or making them ineligible for some reason, not voluntary changes in personal ability to judge. I provisionally determine that this motion does not conflict with the Bylaws but am open to additional commentary.

[From prior to Legislative Report] **Perkins:** The bylaws actually have a provision in it that says under Article XV I think [sic, XIV] that any action to drop, permanently suspend or reduce in status an individual in the Judging Program shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Executive Board present. The vote of the individual Board members shall be reported in the public minutes of the meeting. So, I don't see any problem with the motion, so my recommendation is that it's fine as it stands. **Newkirk:** We appreciate that.

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

Asia ID-other Associates have begun to judge shows.

The T2 China Associate trainees have presented their first handling videos, and will prepare and present at least two more sets for review.

#### Future Projections for Committee:

The T2 China Associate trainees should be ready for advancement by the CFA Board at the April meeting. They will need to complete their handling videos, take their final test, and sign the disclaimer. It will be determined at the time whether there is a need for a T3 for other areas.

#### **Board Action Item:**

Advance the following T2 Asia-Other Associate trainee to Associate, so that he may begin to judge.

#### Thailand:

*Istzy Rattanaweerawong (Shorthair)* 

We are asking that the approval for Istzy Rattanaweerawong be done immediately, so that he may begin judging. He has completed all the materials in the program.

**Anger:** If we can scroll down to the next item, which I believe is the Associate Judge subcommittee. You see an action item there. I would also like to take this opportunity to make a standing motion to approve all motions on the Judging Program Report, both open and closed session. There is an action item here that will be dealt with in executive session, to advance our ID-Asia Other Istzy from Thailand.

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

An update on the program will be provided.

Respectfully Submitted, Anne Mathis, Subcommittee Chair

## Trainee and Advancing Judges Subcommittee

Subcommittee Chair: Loretta Baugh

File Administers: Nancy Dodds, Marilee Griswold – US;

Pam DelaBar, Allan Raymond, Yaeko Takano,

Anne Mathis

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#### Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activity:

Continue to update files and prepare reports for trainees coming to the Board for advancement.

Monitor and advise advancing judges and trainees of ways to improve performance working withfile administrators and Mentors.

#### Current Happenings of Committee:

Keep advancement files current. File Administrators continue to support and encourage. Advancing judges are being hired now that there are more shows.

#### Future Projections for Committee:

Work with James Simbro and IT people to find ways to make FileVista safer, easier and cleaner and/or look at alternative systems such as EFile Cabinet. Due to the Holiday season and pandemic concerns this has not been accomplished as yet.

Continue working on the Manual for Judges.

Continue monitoring progress of all trainees and advancing judges.

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

Any individuals who are eligible for advancement will be presented.

Respectfully Submitted, Loretta Baugh, Subcommittee Chair **Anger:** Here you see our Trainee and Advancing Judge subcommittee report. There are no judges coming forward for advancement at this board meeting.

## Approved Judge Administrator Report

Sub-Committee Chair: Vicki Nye

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

#### <u>Leaves of Absence</u>:

#### Compiled listing:

*Laura McIntyre* 4/26/21 to 4/26/22

Wain Harding 8/20/21 to 2/20/22 08/31/22

 Ellyn Honey
 11/22/21 to 5/22/22

 Gene Darrah
 8/1/21 to 5/31/22

 Irina Kharchenko
 2/1/22 to 7/31/22

 Pam Moser
 1/13/22 to 8/31/22

 Donna Fuller
 12/1/21 to 11/30/22

**Anger:** Our next subcommittee report is the Approved Judge Report, if we can scroll down. Vicki Nye has provided us with a list of the judges who have a leave of absence. There are many, so this will be a great tool for us.

[Secretary's Note: The following transcript also appears under Agenda Item #30, section (b), New Business.]

Newkirk: OK Rachel. Anger: The second one came in after our deadline but I wanted to get this approval going, that we grant an extension to Wain Harding's leave of absence until August 31, 2022. That's my motion. Currle: Kenny seconds. Newkirk: I thought that was in the Judging Program Report. It's not? Anger: It was not. In the minutes I will be sure to include it there, in the Judging Program Report, but it came in after so this would be the appropriate place to put it. Newkirk: Alright. Well, I'm confused again because I thought for sure I read that in the Judging Program Report. Anyway, OK. Perkins: Don't we vote that you voted that this could be within the purview of the Judging Program, so it's not a motion. It's just notice, is that right? Newkirk: Correct. Perkins: Yeah, you voted and I approved that the Bylaws do not prohibit the Judging Program from just making notice to the board of these types of things. Anger: Excellent. So, this will be our first such reporting. Newkirk: OK, you can scratch out action item. Anger: Thank you.

#### Notice of current judges now deceased:

#### Mrs. Yuko Nozuki December 21, 2021

Mrs. Yuko Nozuki lived in Sapporo, Hokkaido Japan which is in the northern part of Japan Region 8. She was the breeder of Ragdoll, Persian, Norwegian Forest Cat, Russian Blue and

British Shorthair for more than 30 years. Her cattery name was Fieldmoon Cattery. She was a member of Mt. Fuji Northern Cat Club with Secretary Hiroko Abe. After 10 years she established Northland Cat Fanciers. She hosted many cat shows in Sapporo where many east exhibitors visited her cat show and enjoyed sightseeing Sapporo. As a breeder she has bred 33 Grand Champions. Her first GRC was named GRC Fieldmoon Crystal Bell, a Persian in 1988. She was in CFA's judging program for 9 years. She has been approved Longhair judge since 2013 and the Shorthair Trainee. Yuko's last show was January 2020 which was Japan CFA Regional Cat Show in Tokyo. Then she was in hospitalized with medical leave of absence from May 1, 2020.

Takase (Japan Singapura Cat Club) and Sugita (Ameridream Cat Club) had a special friendship with Yuko. After Yuko's one year in hospital, they kept in touch with Yuko. She returned home from hospital on December 19. Three days later, she passed away beside her son Jin, holding her hand, she closed her eye.

She died on December 21, 2021 at age of 60. Her cattery and the club will take over by Mr. Jin Nozuki. On December 24, 2021 many of her club members and friends visited her funeral ceremony. All Japanese Cat Fanciers are missing her a lot, especially Takase san and Sugita san. We will never forget her judging with lovely smile. and very gentle judging of each cat.

Yukiko Hayata, CFA Japan Regional Director

I would like to offer my thanks to our Japan Regional Director, Yukiko Hayata for writing such a lovely tribute to Yuko Nozuki. –Vicki Nye

#### Mrs. Carolyn W. Owen January 24, 2022

Carolyn Owen of Burleson, Texas, a CFA judge since 1975, passed away in January 2022. Her cattery name was O-Wen and she was a longtime member of Ozark Cat Fanciers, Fort Worth Cat Club and Lone Star Cat Club.

She is survived by her husband, Kerry, and a niece.

Carolyn loved cats and judging them. She had a smile as big as Texas for each one and often massaged them on the judging table. She was particularly fond of Abyssinians and Persians, particularly brown tabbies. She showed GRC Queen Tiye's Renaissance of O-Wen to 16th Best Cat and Best Aby in 1974. Her last show cat was a brown Persian tabby, GRC/RW FancyPaws George Patton of O-Wen, Gulf Shore Region's 4th Best Kitten in 1996-97.

Carolyn and I became friends when I began clerking for her in the early 1990s. After I became a judge, we often shared a room at shows and other events. A University of Texas at Austin grad, her blood was burnt orange. I quickly learned that when her beloved Longhorns were playing, she ruled the hotel TV remote; I retreated to my iPad.

After I retired in 2016, we began meeting for lunch and talked about cats, the shows we had judged and life in general. One day she arrived with gifts from her book collection: Harrison

Weir's "Our Cats and All About Them" (1889), "Four Centuries of Cat Books" (1570-1970) by Claire Necker and the 1965 and 1967 CFA Yearbooks.

I will miss her very much, but am blessed that our paths converged.

Marsha Z. Ammons

Thank you Marsha Ammons for graciously volunteering to write this tribute to Carolyn Owen's legacy in CFA.—Vicki Nye

**Anger:** We have a couple of judges that we have lost that were former or current judges. You see Mrs. Yuko Nozuki has passed away. Then our next one you will see is Carolyn Owen from Texas. We had a third one a day or two ago, judge Bob Bryan from Region 6 has passed away. All of us give our deepest sympathies to the families and those who cared about these judges.

<u>Relicense Judges</u>: All Approved and Approval Pending judges are presented to the Board for relicensing, which requires the affirmative vote of a majority of board members present.

In an executive session action, all judges in good standing were relicensed.

## Guest Judging Administrator Report

Sub-Committee Chair: Vicki Nye

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

Judge	Assn	Sponsor	City/Country	Date
Teo Vargas	Fun Show	Central Breed Club	Bangkok, Thailand	12/12/21

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

Judge	Assn	CFA Show	City/Country	Date	Status
Hamalainen, Satu	FIFe	Central Breed CC	Bangkok, Thailand	12/26/21	AP GJ
Du Plessis, Kaai	WCF	Central Breed CC	Bangkok, Thailand	1/29/22	AP GJ
Hamalainen, Satu	FIFe	Central Breed CC	Bangkok, Thailand	1/29/22	AP GJ
Grebneva, Olga	RUI	Cat-H-Art	Perpignan, France	3/5/22	AP GJ
Kolczynski, Kamil	WCF	Cat-H-Art	Perpignan, France	3/5/22	1/5/2022
Nazarova, Anna	WCF	Chatte Noir	Moscow, Russia	3/6/22	AP GJ
Pochvalina, Viktoria	RUI	Chatte Noir	Moscow, Russia	3/6/22	1/4/2022
Savin, Artem	WCF	Chatte Noir	Moscow, Russia	3/6/22	1/4/2022
Korotonozhkina, Olga	RUI	Rolandus Cat Club	Kiev, Ukraine	3/19/22	AP GJ
Slizhevskaya, Tatiana	RUI	Rolandus Cat Club	Kiev, Ukraine	3/19/22	AP GJ
Ustinov, Andrew	RUI	Rolandus Cat Club	Kiev, Ukraine	3/19/22	1/19/22

Respectfully Submitted, Vicki Nye, Judging Program Committee

#### Guest Judging Program

**Anger:** If we can move on here and scroll down please. There is a list of our guest judge assignments that have been approved by Vicki.

#### Breed Awareness and Orientation School Subcommittee

Subcommittee Co-Chairs: Barbara Jaeger, Loretta Baugh

#### Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities

Another successful on-line Breed Awareness and Orientation School was conducted on November 5-7, 2021

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

We had 30 attendees from Canada, China, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand South Korea and USA. We had two new instructors at this BAOS. In addition to our regular team of Barbara Jaeger, Loretta Baugh, Vicki Nye, the new instructors included Bob Zenda and Russel Webb. The revenue received for the school was \$3,975.00. Expenses submitted for reimbursement for the instructor fees and Zoom costs were \$1,504.07.

#### Future Projections for Committee:

Projected on-line BAOS for Spring 2021. We are currently looking at the first week of May. We want to make sure we have adequate staff to run the school The next in person school is still planned to be in in conjunction with the next International Show, Fall 2022.

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

Discussion pertaining to fee restructuring for the BAOS which will be held in person in conjunction with the International School next fall.

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

Anger: Scrolling down again, is a note from Barbara Jaeger about the Breed Awareness and Orientation School that's coming up. We will be having another one in the fall. That's the end of the report, thank you very much. We'll take it up again in executive session tomorrow. Newkirk: Thank you Rachel. Any comments or questions for Rachel in her report? Anger: I would obviously like to thank all the members of the Committee and the subcommittee chairs. They do a tremendous amount of work behind the scenes. They are doing a great job. I appreciate them and hope you all do, too. Newkirk: Thank you very much, Rachel.

#### 5. <u>CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.</u>

Submitted by: Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director

## CFA's Checking Account Fraud Protection

CFA's bank, Huntington, recently informed me they've seen an increase in fraud with checks and recommended CFA sign up for Positive Pay service. Positive Pay requires a match occur between information we provide to the bank for a check issued and the check that is actually presented to the bank to process a check. The same applies to electronic payments, commonly referred to as ACH (automated clearing house) transactions. The Finance Committee agrees this is a valuable tool and we have signed up for the service. Also, we will keep only sufficient funds in the operating account to cover normal expenses and transfer excess funds to a Money Market account. This will further reduce our exposure to fraud yet still provide us with quick access to additional funds if necessary.

#### FileVista - Online File Management Tool Used by Board Members and Judging Program

To address concerns regarding the security and access to files in FileVista, the full ability to view, write, modify, delete, download and upload files has been modified to include only those individuals who require this level of access. All board members are able to read and download files. The log in information for board members has not changed. No changes have been made for access to Judging Program materials at this time.

**Newkirk:** Our next Order of Business is the Central Office Report. Allene Tartaglia, you are recognized. **Tartaglia:** The first two items are really just for information only regarding fraud protection in our checking account. The other is, we did a little bit of maintenance and tightening up of the File Vista online file management tool used by the board members. If anybody has any questions, or if you have no questions I can move on to the other items. **Newkirk:** I don't see any hands up. Allene, go ahead and proceed.

## Election Ballot Tallying

The Virtual Annual Committee recommended electronically tallying ballots as an alternative to the counting of paper ballots done by the appointed Tellers/Credentials Committee. The electronic tallying of ballots is instantaneous versus a hand count which typically takes 3-4 hours. An amendment to CFA's Bylaws is required to facilitate this option and the proposed amendment follows. Please note this amendment provides the option of an electronic tally and does not remove the ability for a paper ballot count. The passing of this amendment by the delegation would make it effective for the 2023 Annual. The hand counting of paper ballots will be done for the 2022 Annual.

Article VI – Officers and Directors, Section 2 - Elections

e. Election Procedure. On or before April 25 of each election year, the Central Office shall send by electronic means or mail to all member clubs in good standing and eligible to vote, ballots listing all candidates for whom timely declarations were received. Central Office

shall establish procedures, subject to approval by the Executive Board of Directors, for optional electronic voting which shall include securing, printing, and appropriately destroying electronic ballots. Returned ballots must be received by the Central Office by June 1 of such year in order to be counted. Ballots returned by mail shall remain sealed until the Annual Meeting, at which time duly appointed inspectors will supervise the opening and counting of the ballots. Electronic ballots may be tabulated electronically or Electronic ballots shall be individually printed by Central Office and brought to the Annual Meeting to be tabulated by the inspectors with the mailed ballots. Ballots that are illegible, incomplete or those containing write-in candidates shall be considered void. Ballots in elections for Directors-at-Large selecting less than five (5) candidates (or less than all declared candidates if fewer than five) shall be considered incomplete. Results shall be announced at the Annual Meeting as soon as the ballots have been tabulated. Ballots shall remain under the control of the inspectors until a motion to destroy the ballots is passed at which time the ballots shall be destroyed under the supervision of the inspectors. No person other than a duly appointed inspector shall have access to the ballots until after they are destroyed. If the duly appointed inspectors are unable to conduct in-person tabulation of ballots, the Board shall establish a procedure to assure ballots are tabulated by a neutral audit firm with results reviewed and approved by a subcommittee appointed by the chair of the Credentials Committee.

**Board Action Item:** motion to include a board sponsored amendment at the 2022 Annual Meeting to Article VI – Officers and Directors, Section 2 – Elections, for the option of electronic tallying of ballots.

**Tartaglia:** About the automated election ballot tallying at the annual meeting. We talked about this at prior meetings and what I'm presenting here is an amendment to go to the delegation at this year's annual sponsored by the board which simply allows the option of tallying electronically of the ballots that are cast online. So, instead of printing them out, bringing them to the annual and hand counting them, if we do the electronic tallying which is very accurate – we've actually done it for the past two years in addition to the hand count – we'll save quite a bit of time and it's accurate. So, that's what this is presenting to you. I did run this amendment by the legal time and they are all OK with it. Morgan: I think it makes sense. In this instance, my understanding is, it doesn't require that we do it this way but it gives us the option, so I think it makes sense to think ahead and build that in, so I support it. **Hannon:** Does this account for people that prefer to send it by mail or fax or some other way? Does it have to be online? **Tartaglia:** No, they do not have to be online. The practicality is that all ballots except one or two are cast online, and we will of course bring those to the annual meeting and those would be added into the count by the Credentials Committee. I think we had one last year that came in by fax. The rest were online. I also wanted to point out that there would be no change to how the ballots are counted this year at the annual. They would be a hand count, because currently the constitution does not allow for electronic tallying over the past two years, which is a special exception during COVID. Mastin: I don't believe we have a motion on this yet, so I'll go ahead and make the motion. Eigenhauser: George will second. Newkirk: Thank you George. Rich, comments? Mastin: Just that if this is not in our bylaws it will have to be changed and I like how it's being presented for this upcoming in-person annual meeting. We can include it in future meetings as an option. Newkirk: Any other comments? Any objection to the presented motion? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent it is agreed to.

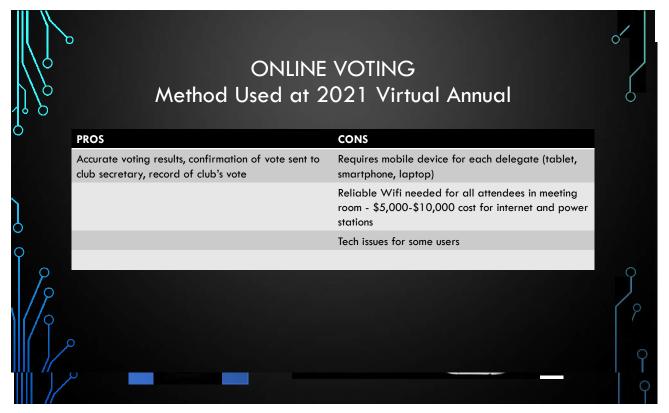
#### The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Eigenhauser:** Excuse me. Before we go to the next item, can we finish the last one? Who is going to write the rationale? **Tartaglia:** I can write the rationale and run it by you if you would like. **Eigenhauser:** We just need somebody assigned to the task or it won't get done. **Tartaglia:** OK. **Newkirk:** Thank you George.

#### Amendment & Resolution Voting Method

Voting online for amendments and resolutions was introduced at the 2021 Virtual Annual and well received by most delegates. So well received that delegates requested CFA consider continue using this method for voting on amendments/resolutions at in-person Annuals. Clubs liked the accuracy of the vote and that there was an official record of how a club voted. As you will see from the slides below prepared by Amber Goodright, methods other than the raising-hand method at an in-person Annual are doable, but there are pros and cons for each.

A motion to formally adopt one of these methods is requested for the 2022 Annual Meeting.





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**Newkirk:** Go ahead Allene. **Tartaglia:** Thank you. The second item is also something that we have discussed in the past and it's about the type of voting method we want to use for amendments and resolutions. The online voting proved to be quite popular at last year's virtual annual and we were tasked with researching the possibilities and what the costs are for the various options. There are three options for voting on amendments and resolutions. #1 of course

is the way we have traditionally done it with the hand count vote, but the other two options I have outlined. One is the online voting, which is what we used in 2021. We have listed the pro's and the con's and what everybody liked about it. The voting results were very accurate. Confirmation of the vote was sent to the club secretary and there was a record of the club's vote. Although we didn't share that, it was available if we had any question. The con's for an inperson meeting to vote in that method would be that each delegate would need a mobile device, whether a tablet, smart phone or laptop. We would need to purchase reliable wifi for the meeting room. We have checked with the hotel and that cost is in the area of \$5,000 and up to \$10,000 by the time we have wifi access to everybody. It's a lot of bandwidth for that many people and also there will probably need to be power stations. The last thing we want is a delegate losing power all of a sudden in the middle. There would be some technical issues for some users. We would be there in person to troubleshoot, but I think the main issues are requiring a mobile device and reliable wifi. Does anybody have any questions on that particular option? Newkirk: Allene, did you get any complaints from any delegates that they didn't have the availability of accessing the voting process? Tartaglia: No, not really. During last year's virtual annual? Newkirk: Correct. **Tartaglia:** No. In fact, everybody was very positive about it. **Wilson:** A question I have on this, and if it's answered somewhere I apologize, but is this going to require people to actually be in the room or is it going to allow for people to vote remotely, whether they be at home or by the pool? Delegates I mean. Tartaglia: I think we discussed previously that voting would be done only by those delegates who have checked in and are present, actually attending the meeting. There would be no virtual online voting of delegates. Wilson: Thank you. Moser: Allene, on that, what would prevent somebody that was sitting at the pool as long as they have a wifi connection for voting? Tartaglia: There is nothing that would prevent it if they had that wifi access and that availability. They probably wouldn't unless they use a personal hot spot or something. Moser: Are you saying that that would only be available in the room? I didn't know that you could do that. I would think that if you were outside the room you might be able to still have that access. Just a question. Tartaglia: You may, it just depends on the hotel and the type of wifi access they provide. Newkirk: If they weren't in the room, they wouldn't hear me or whoever is present call for the vote and say the voting is open unless somebody is texting them and telling them that they should vote. **Morgan:** While I like the ability to get real-time numbers for votes, and I thought that the procedures used in our virtual annual worked amazingly well, if we're having an in-person annual with all the related expenses – and they are significant – I don't see that adding an additional \$5,000 to \$10,000 to the expense column is truly necessary when we have a method in place for our in-person meetings and as brought up by these other people I think it opens us up for unintended consequences of usage that may not fall within our guidelines for what counts as a seated delegate. **Dunham:** Just as a point of clarification, usually if an event conference wants a closed network for a specific purpose, that is something that can be requested from the hotel. So, if we have a closed network that is contained within our delegate meeting room, then you would have to be close enough to that network and have the correct logon to be able to log on and then access our voting application. So, we could limit the access to somebody being at the pool unless the pool is right next to the room. So, it is a possibility and can certainly be researched for cost. **Newkirk:** Cathy, thank you for your area of expertise there. **DelaBar:** I am of course taking the notes to type up later, but I got a message in. Have we given further thought to having a hybrid annual, being onsite and remote? Tartaglia: Can I speak to that, Darrell? I think the board has discussed that and the Virtual Annual Committee discussed it. It was determined that a hybrid annual would not be a good thing for a couple of reasons. One of

the main concerns is that it would decrease attendance at the actual meeting. We would have issues picking up our room count that we have already contracted for, basing it on a strictly inperson annual meeting. So, there would be additional cost to do a hybrid meeting but I think the main thing is that it would decrease attendance at the annual meeting and that would come at a large cost to the association. **DelaBar:** Thank you. I just needed that verified. I have already bought my plane ticket so I'll be there. **Tartaglia:** The only other, just another option which is what they call an automated response system. We call it clicker voting. It's what they use in the U.S. House of Representatives and it's used extensively. Unfortunately, that comes at a large cost, too, because we have to buy the system, we buy the clickers, administration of the system and keeping track of those distributed clickers could become a challenge, I guess you could say, but the worst thing is the cost. So, in lieu of either of those, I have a couple of motions here. Motion #3 is really out of order because it's what we already do and it's what our default is, so I just presented these motions in case you want to consider them, or we don't have to. It's up to you.

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

1. Motion to adopt the Online Voting method for the 2022 Annual Meeting.

**Newkirk:** Does anyone want to make a motion for #1?

No Action.

OR

2. Motion to adopt the Clicker Voting method for the 2022 Annual Meeting.

**Newkirk:** OK, motion #2?

No Action.

OR

3. Motion to adopt the Hand Count voting method for the 2022 Annual Meeting.

No Action.

**Newkirk:** OK, it looks like we will conduct the meeting in its usual. **Tartaglia:** Thank you. I didn't have anything else. **Newkirk:** Thank you Allene.

Respectfully submitted, Allene Tartaglia

#### 6. MARKETING.

Submitted by: Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director

#### **Current Happenings:**

#### 2022 International Show

Our hired PR agency that was going to handle CIS sponsorship, The Impetus Agency, has stopped operating and therefore will not be able to assist with the 2022 CIS as planned. This project is now on hold.

#### **Analytics**

Web Analytics: Unavailable. We are not currently tracking analytics but will on new website. Instagram Followers: 17.6k up 2.7k since December 2021

Facebook Followers: 73k up 7.9k since December 2021

#### Breeder Assistance and Rescue Program

Havana Brown Issue – CFA is partnering with Alpena Animal Control on a joint statement/press release to announce the positive outcome of the event and to thank everyone involved.

Marketing is working closely with Charlene on 1) developing a crisis management policy 2) developing a branding plan that will support future outreach.

#### CFA Brand Refresh/Website Project

Report provided by Mark Hannon on project status.

#### DNA Service Campaign

A new discount code is available as of end of January. An email and social campaign will commence to release this information.

#### Education

Allene and Desiree are exploring potential educational solutions that would support the needs of new breeders emerging into the fancy. We expect to have more details at a future board meeting.

#### Events - Virtual Events

We do not have any more planned. We are exploring other options for future educational events as mentioned above.

#### Insurance Partnership with Felix

The draft contract is currently under review with Legal and Finance. Once the contract is signed, our partnership will commence with a very specific campaign offering coverage to cats that are already registered with CFA; even with pre-existing conditions.

#### Social Media

Breed of the Week / Preservation Breeder Campaign on Facebook and Instagram

Launched on January 2, this campaign's goal is to educate our followers on pedigree breeds and express appreciation for the preservation breeders that protect them. Each FB and IG post was developed specifically with pedigreed cat lovers in mind and are shareable, educational, supportive, and fun.

We are encouraging our CFA family to share the content also which includes:

- 1. Breed specific photo/video contest
- 2. A support preservation breeders vignette
- 3. A preservation breeder statement
- 4. A breed themed name game
- 5. An inspirational cat themed quote
- 6. A breed winner highlight
- 7. A breed trivia question
- 8. A breed contest participant highlight
- 9. Show schedule and show tips

#### Social Media Policy:

We are in the planning stage of a social media policy that will detail content sharing policies and procedures for clubs, VCC's and other CFA touchpoints.

#### Top 10 Breeds

The registration stats have been released and we are working on a small campaign to announce them which will include:

- 1. An official PR Newswire press release Early Feb
- 2. A photo slideshow video Early Feb
- 3. A video with owners/cats March/April

#### Video/Photography Content Creation

Videos garner the most engagement on social media but unfortunately, good quality video of good quality cats is hard to come by. Even the most prestigious stock video suppliers do not have clips of true to standard pedigree cats.

Starting in Columbus in February, we will have Sarah Baker, a videographer/photographer for the Center for Missing and Exploited Children, attend some shows to help solve this video content problem. We will sign exhibitors up in advance to have short clips taken of them with their cats in a studio environment at the show. We will make time also to take video clips of the show as it takes place. Additionally shows will be announced after confirmation is made with the show managers. We are hoping shows will support our efforts and will help us communicate with the exhibitors.

Video content developed will be for CFA's social media purposes.

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

None

Respectfully Submitted, Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director

**Newkirk:** Marketing is next. Desiree, you're recognized. **Bobby:** Hi everybody. I think everything is pretty self-explanatory on the report, but if you have any questions about any of these topics, I will be happy to discuss them. Did you want me to go through every item? **Newkirk:** No, everybody can read. Anybody have any questions for Desiree on her report? She has no action items. OK thank you Desiree. It looks like no one has got their hands up. **Bobby:** OK, thank you.

#### 7. <u>IT REPORT</u>.

Systems Administrator: James Simbro

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

Genetics Project: 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. Testing should begin by the end of February.

**People Records/Clerk License Status Project:** Programming is in progress.

Emailing Grand Certificates: Programming is complete, and the new process is live in the system. A new Grand Certificate design was created for this project and a sample image is provided below.

**Pedigree PDF's:** Programming is complete, and the new process is live in the system. In addition to customers receiving their printed hard copy, we will email them an electronic copy.

**Newkirk:** Let's go to the IT Report. That's the next Order of Business. James Simbro, you're recognized. **Simbro:** Thanks Darrell. Not much to report there. You see on my report the first couple of items – Genetics Project. We're trying to get that moving along on the eCat side. We have completed two projects with the PDFs printing availability for the grands and pedigrees. Those turned out very nice.

#### **Future Happenings**

Computer System Revision: The registration systems base platform, which includes eCat, is in its eighth year of use. To meet future growth, speed up the development of new features, and reduce future maintenance costs, we should consider moving forward with a system overhaul. This overhaul would eliminate programming code that is no longer used, re-write many existing processes so that they are faster and more agile to change, and give us more flexibility to change or add features in the future. Expanding eCat features and enhancing the show scoring process are two of the biggest areas we expect to focus on.

For budgetary purposes we received an estimated quote of \$155,00 to \$200,000 for this work. This would cover the system overhaul and many of the eCat enhancements.

**Simbro:** Other item there, we did receive a preliminary quote for the system revision, if you want to call it that. That is to be considered for the next budget. Quite frankly it came in quite a bit less than I was expecting, so that was a nice surprise. I know there was some concern last time when this was brought up about the language it was written in is really not antiquated but it's also a language that's not used anymore. If anything like this is developed new, nobody uses the [inaudible] anymore. The primary reason for doing this is to kind of get a refreshed look. It is a website. Our system is really not much different than an actual website. Websites you have to revise every so-many years just to keep them more user friendly and add features to

them. That's where we get into cost. Adding features now has kind of gotten costly because our programming that we're dealing with now, we're finding it very inefficient. They frequently are a point where they look at fixing something or adding a feature and it's to the point where it would be quicker and easier to just rewrite it from the beginning. We would like to get a new foundation to reduce our overall maintenance costs in the future. That's something, just kind of a head's up number for budgeting reasons.

**Mastin:** Darrell, can I ask questions regarding the system revision before we go on to the action item? Newkirk: Sure, go ahead. Mastin: OK, I've got a couple questions. James, thanks for obtaining a more accurate quote on this. Are there any other estimated costs, whether it be third party or hardware, for the system revision? Simbro: No, no. It currently resides in Microsoft Azure hosting, which we have found to be much better than we had with our prior company. It's much more stable and the performance is much more scaleable. It would stay on that. Mastin: OK. Your budgeted number, your projected \$155,000-\$200,000, that's all inclusive of all expenses? Simbro: Yes. Mastin: OK, then my second and last question is, if the board approves this investment for next year's budget, what's the estimated start date and what's the estimated completion date? **Simbro:** Once approved, they can probably get started on it within a couple of weeks. They are kind of itching to do that. As far as time frame, this is a fairly large project. We're planning on adding features. It's not just a revision. This is going to allow us to revamp eCat, add a lot of features to eCat that we have been getting requests for, for many years now. So, there's some growth there and some new stuff. That will add to the time. I am going to estimate 8 months to a year to complete. Mastin: OK, thank you. Calhoun: A question for James regarding this computer system revision. So, the detailed proposal will be sent to the Budget Committee shortly? Simbro: Yes. Calhoun: OK, because that's going to take some time to digest and I think we may have to have a separate Zoom call on that, because it may be the technical nature computer lingo that we probably need to dig deep. \$155,000 to \$200,000 is still a pretty big gap. Yeah, it is. You're not asking the board to do anything today? **Simbro:** No. **Calhoun:** So, your comment that they are itching to get started, that wouldn't happen until May. Simbro: Right, yeah. Jeremy, who is our contact with the programming, he is really good at explaining why he feels that this is a good direction to move. He's not trying to sell us on anything. He is really looking out for our best interests. He sees how inefficient this was originally written. He likened it to, it was designed by somebody who is a database designer, rather than a process designer, so he sees a lot of inefficiencies in there as far as the interface could be much faster and simpler.

#### **Board Action Items**

WhatsApp WeChat Entry Clerk Integration (for China): additional requirements have been requested which will require development work by the company supporting the entry clerk program. This is required for sending alerts to the app when changes have been made to an entry. Previous work authorized was for connecting our registration database to the app. The registration system and the entry clerk system are separate systems.

We are requesting an additional \$5000 that the budget line item for this project will be increased to a maximum spend of \$14,500 for these development costs.

Newkirk: James, before we move on to your action item here, is it WhatsApp or is it WeChat? Simbro: WhatsApp. That's the WeChat, I'm sorry. I get the two confused myself. The WeChat program that Gavin has been working on. Newkirk: Gavin told me he sent you all the updates when he told me he couldn't come to the meeting, so that needs to be changed to WeChat Entry Clerk correct? Simbro: Correct. Newkirk: OK. Simbro: Thanks for catching that. The WeChat app, the original request that Gavin made was for programming that would allow it to speak to our registration system for verifying information back and forth. That had been completed quite a while ago and they had developed to that point, but he realized that they needed a way of being notified if the entry itself in the entry clerk program if an entry had been changed, and that would alert the person using the WeChat app that some type of information had been changed, perhaps a registration number or some key piece of information for the entry. That's what this additional money is being requested for, for the interface to talk to the entry clerk program, which is separate from our registration system. Newkirk: OK, I need somebody to make that motion. Currle: So moved.

**Calhoun:** I have two questions, and one of those as to that computer system revision. James, we would need to get something set up in the way of a call with the programming – with your contact before February 11<sup>th</sup>, because the budget discussion is going to start on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Simbro: I can see what we can do. Calhoun: OK, and then what is the spend to date on the WeChat? Simbro: What did we originally budget? The chart was attached. Calhoun: Is it on there? I didn't see it. Simbro: No. Tartaglia: I think it's about \$9,500. Calhoun: That's the spend to date? Tartaglia: Yes. Newkirk: Anything else, Kathy? Calhoun: You're asking to spend this in this fiscal year, the additional 5,000? Simbro: Well, that's up to – I'm not sure how fast Gavin wants to do all this. If he can delay it until the next budget cycle. Calhoun: I can't answer that. I don't know. I just need to know. Simbro: I would say yes in this current budget cycle unless he agrees to move it to net year. Calhoun: Last question. Darrell, I apologize. So, if it's delayed until next year, what's the downfall of that? Simbro: Just delays in getting that app going. Morgan: I think, Kathy, you kind of asked a couple of the questions I was looking at, because I'm a little bit confused by this project. I looked back at the minutes, at the initial proposal, trying to get some clarification for it. I found it in November of 2020, so a year and a half ago, with an approved expenditure of approximately \$12,000 and a projected completion date of 4-6 weeks after the work was authorized. So, according to those minutes, that work was approved right after the meeting. Clearly, the scope of the work seems to be larger than what we originally anticipated, which I guess is one of my questions. Given the amount of time that has elapsed since November 2020 and now, I'm kind of need of a refresher as to what exactly we're trying to accomplish here and whether this additional expenditure is completely within the scope of the project. For example, we're asking for \$5,000. If we've only spent \$9,500 out of the projected \$12,000, then it's really not a true addition of \$5,000 if that's still falling within the \$12,000. I spoke to Gavin about it briefly and he explained that they need this web interface – which James, thank you for that additional explanation. So, I just want to clarify that the additional expenditure is outside the \$12,000, how much of it is outside, and if it really is necessary to add additional functionality and actually just get a quick refresher on what exactly this program is that has been ongoing since November 2020. **DelaBar:** James, do we have this type of ability with our current entry clerk program? I'm not an entry clerk now and I'm really not familiar with the intricacies of the workings, though I am familiar with what Gavin is trying to do with the WeChat entry clerk program. Do we have the ability to get this feedback with what we're doing for the rest of CFA? **Simbro:** I'm not sure I follow along there. The entry clerk program currently doesn't talk to anything else, other than itself. It's really just a record keeping of the entries for a show. It is used to produce all the show materials, the judges' books, the show catalog and all that. So, there has been no interface. One of the things that we are planning on budgeting for next year is getting eCat and our registration system to talk to the entry clerk. We're going to basically repurpose the money we have already spent for what we're doing for Gavin already. We're looking to repurpose all that, to get the registration system to talk to the entry clerk system so that the entry clerk system is always picking up the most current information. So, what this additional stuff, it would only come into play if we decide to do our own app that we would want it to talk to the entry clerk system for entries. **DelaBar:** OK, thanks. You said what I was thinking. I just needed it verified, thanks.

Mastin: I have a number of questions for you, James. Getting back to what Melanie was referring to, is this work in addition to the original \$12,000 project back in November of 2020? **Simbro:** I am not aware – maybe I made the assumption that we had spent the amount of money that was budgeted for what Gavin had originally requested. I know that we didn't go over it. I would say if we did – you said it was \$12,000 that we had approved? Morgan: Yes. Simbro: I would have to get with Allene to look at the numbers to see really if we spent \$9,500 on it. Mastin: James, my point is, I'm just trying to determine if this is additional work from what was originally projected back in November. Is this extra work? Simbro: Yes, the work is definitely extra. Mastin: OK, so it's not something that was originally planned back in November 2020? Simbro: Correct. Mastin: OK. So, assuming you did spend \$9,500 and you projected \$12,000. you didn't spend the full \$12,000 so there is a \$2,500 savings. If the board approves this request and you want it in for this year, same question as before – when is the start date and when is the completion date? **Simbro:** This is a different company – Dynamic Edge – that handles the entry clerk program. They indicated they could start on this within two weeks of approval. **Mastin:** OK, and a completion date? Simbro: I think they said 2-4 weeks on that. Mastin: Last question, is Gavin in agreement with everything that you are proposing here? Simbro: Yeah. When he sent me the additional requirements they were asking for, I passed those on to Dynamic Edge. They came back with a number and I passed that on to him. He didn't seem to think that was out of the ordinary or anything. I then asked him if he wanted me to present it or if he wanted to present it. He asked me to present it. Mastin: OK, thank you. Calhoun: James, can you add this with all the detail to the project list so that we will have that? Simbro: Yes. Calhoun: Are you fairly confident that this incremental request will be all that will be requested to spend on this project? Simbro: I would hope so. Since we're not involved with the program and the project directly, the design and what-all it does, hopefully Gavin has identified this as the last of what they need. Calhoun: So, would it be possible for you to get the answers to all these questions and bring it back in April? Simbro: Well. Newkirk: So James, if we don't approve this, then the project stops. Is that correct? **Simbro:** Yes. They really haven't done much on it for a while now, so it was kind of on hold for other reasons. Gavin didn't get into specifics, but maybe just because of COVID and everything he is kind of holding off on moving forward with some of the work. It's essentially on hold right now. Newkirk: Kathy, any more questions? Calhoun: My concern is that I don't want it to be a delay further and a continual request for additional funds to get this up and going. I'm not sure that maybe Gavin needs to come and give us an update with all the details on this, that's all.

**Dunham:** I just have a couple points of clarification from Pam DelaBar's question. James is correct. The entry clerk program right now is a stand-alone system and I am an entry

clerk, so entering information into the database, we either enter a new cat that is being shown into the system or we change data on an existing cat that is in the database. If we change existing data, currently the system sends out an email to the person that originally put the data in, which is another entry clerk, and it sends an email to the owner of the cat saying that data has been changed. So, my assumption without Gavin being here is that he is looking for the same kind of confirmation through the WeChat app that he is working on so that the owner of the cat would get that same kind of information currently. James is also correct that the Entry Clerking Program Enhancement Committee is working with him to hopefully through the redesign of the system and the budget gets approved, that eventually the Clerking Program would talk to eCats and the registration system to verify the data even more so that less errors occur, because we are all human and we do make mistakes when we are keying data. Mastin: This question goes out to James, Cathy Dunham and Kenny. Do we know for sure that once the system is built out, Gavin is intending on putting it into use immediately and not let it sit for X period of time? Then I do have one last question for James and I'll get that out right now. James, is the \$5,000 you are requesting confirmed? Is there a chance we could expect this to be \$10,000 or \$4,000? Did you get a quote on this? **Simbro:** I got an exact quote. Yeah, that's the dollar amount we were looking for. Mastin: Thank you. Can Kenny, Cathy and James comment on how soon this would be used? Currle: His intention is to get it up and running as soon as possible. Just like James, I refer to there are still problems with COVID in China. Their approach to COVID is much more strict than what we have here, but the intention of this attempt by Gavin is to simplify the entry process in China where people can better understand and have these cats that are already in the database be very simply entered in their shows in consecutive fashion. I know his intention is to get this up and running as soon as he possibly can. Newkirk: I know that Gavin told me he sent this information to Russell Webb, too. He is a sitting panelist. I don't know if we want to invite him in to get any comments from him. Mastin: That's OK with me, sure. Newkirk: Allene, can you bring Russell in? Tartaglia: He just has to accept being promoted to panelist. He is on his way. He's in. Newkirk: There he is. Hey Russell. Webb: Hello. Newkirk: You've got some information you can help shed on the subject? Webb: What I understand from Gavin is that as soon as this goes through he will immediately start the process on this WeChat program. It's not something that's going to be delayed. Newkirk: OK, so if he gets the budget request, then he can start immediately. Webb: Yes. Calhoun: Do we have – maybe Russell has some input on this. Do we have any idea why it was put on hold? James mentioned that this project was on hold. Webb: Actually, I think it was to try to hook up with the CFA program. Right Jim? Simbro: No. The initial request he made for us, it has been done for quite some time and that's the portion that allows it to talk to our registration system. Webb: I know he also had some personal things going on. That could have held it up a little bit. Newkirk: Thank you Russell. Appreciate it. Webb: You're welcome. Newkirk: Allene, you can send Russell back to the attendees.

Wilson: I have a little bit different question on this. I did not go back and look at anything from 2020, so this is a little new to me. I just want to make sure I know what we're talking about. Gavin is developing a WeChat application to use for entry clerking. This is a request to spend additional money to link that to our registration database. Can someone fill me in a little bit about what the security is within this application, or should I talk to Gavin directly? Once we open up our registration database to an outside application, I'm assuming James you may have some idea what's being built in there so that this doesn't open up our registration database any more than it already is, or to users that aren't authorized to use this application, I guess. Simbro: Yeah, Annette. The application can only access our records, based on a cat's

registration number. So, you have to use a valid registration number. It only passes back the bare minimum of information, the same information you get in a show catalog, so there's nothing you can really glean from it that you couldn't find in a show catalog. The application itself has a security key and it's an encrypted connection to communicate between the two, so nobody is going to use it for anything other than its intended use. We do need to get in place a data privacy with Gavin before the launch of the system, so that is something that still needs to be done. **Wilson:** Thank you.

Newkirk: Any other comments? Calhoun: I'm sorry. I know I asked too many questions over my limit. So, are we going from \$12,000 to \$17,000? Is that the ask, a budget from \$12,000 to \$17,000? Does that include the security piece that you just mentioned? **Simbro:** It does include the security. The security is already one. That's a given. Newkirk: I think Rich's number, Kathy, was an additional \$2,500. Calhoun: But I didn't hear this from James. I heard it from Rich. Is this what you're asking? I just want to make sure the board is crystal clear on what we're asking and what you're asking. Simbro: We're asking for \$5,000 on top of what has already been spent. I apologize, I probably should have nailed down that number. I think I talked to Allene. I was under the assumption that we had used the budgeted amount already for that, so I didn't look to see what the budget was and how much it actually missed that. I was under the assumption that this was in addition to what we had already spent. We could rephrase this as \$5,000 on top of what has already been spent. Calhoun: How about this. Can we say we are taking the budget from \$12,000 to \$14,500? Simbro: Yes. Calhoun: You said you have spent \$9,500 and you want another \$5,000, so it would be \$14,500, right? Simbro: I see what you're getting at, yeah. Calhoun: At least we have a hard stop. Newkirk: So you're changing the motion. Simbro: Yes. Don't make me restate it. Newkirk: The motion is that we have on the floor we're debating is giving you an additional \$5,000. If we do that, that will make the budget line item \$14,500, as Kathy stated. So, we can do the motion we've got here with the result that the budget would be increased automatically to \$14,500; or, we can eliminate this motion and then make a new motion to make the budget line item \$14,500, and so that would give you the additional \$5,000 to spend. It's one slice of bread on the other slice of bread. It just depends on how you want to do it. **Simbro:** Let's do it as, just increases the total cost to the \$14,500. Newkirk: OK. Who made the motion and will you withdraw it? Currle: I withdraw the motion and I move what James just stated. Newkirk: OK, so the motion is that the budget line item for this project will be increased to \$14,500. That's what you want, Kathy? Calhoun: Yeah. You can just eliminate – yeah, that's fine. There's really not a category line item for this. It's kind of all in one, but the maximum spend, the budget for this project, this WeChat Project, will be \$14,500 all in. Newkirk: So, that will give them the \$5,000 they are requesting? Calhoun: Correct. Newkirk: Alright, Kenny made the motion. Who is going to second it? DelaBar: I'll second it. Newkirk: So, we have beat this horse to death. Can we vote on it? Anybody have any additional comments before we call the question? So the question is, shall we increase the budget for the WeChat entry clerk integration to \$14,500? Everybody in favor raise your hand.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, John Colilla, Pam DelaBar, Kenny Currle, Kathy Calhoun, Sharon Roy, George Eigenhauser, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Melanie Morgan, Hayata-san, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster, Rachel Anger. If you will take your hands down, the no votes are Pam Moser. The abstentions? No abstentions.

Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** Thank you. That's 15 yes votes, 1 no vote, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to.

**Newkirk:** James do you have anything else? **Simbro:** No, that's it Darrell, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. You'll let Gavin know, or I can WeChat him.

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

Updates for completed, ongoing and future projects.

Respectfully Submitted, James Simbro

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Project Name	Requirements sent to Sonit	Est. Completion Date	Completed Date	Budgeted Cost	Spent to Date	Final Cost	Notes
Genetics Module Phase 1 – eCat logic Phase 2 – Color Check Tool		March 2022 June 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		April 2022		\$45,000	\$0.00		* These two projects are combined as one.
*Clerk License Status Records		April 2022		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		January 2022		\$20,000			Currently working on program requirements.
Computer System Revision (includes eCat)		TBA		ТВА			Will propose for the 2022- 23 budget.

## Example of new Grand Certificate

WWW.	The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.	
ANNUA SERVICE SERVICE	Grand Championship	
	GC FLUFFY CAT OF ALLIANCE	
	Owners: Mike and Barbara Smith	
	Registration Number: 1233-01234567 Date Achieved: January 8, 2022	
	Darrell Newkirk, CFA President	

## 8. TREASURER'S REPORT.

#### MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### Submitted by Kathy Calhoun, CFA Treasurer

## **Key Financial Indicators**

#### **Balance Sheet**

Cash reserves have increased 9.95% over prior year.

#### **Profit & Loss Analysis**

Total registration, which includes litter registration and individual registration, contributed \$724,878 to the bottom line. This represented a 5.78% reduction compared to the same period last year and 102.8% of budget.

	May - Dec, 2021	May - Dec, 2020 (PY)	Change	% Change
Total Litter Registrations	\$254,197	\$260,262	(\$6,065)	-2.33%
Total Individual Registrations	\$470,681	\$509,062	(\$38,381)	-7.54%
Total Registrations	<i>\$724,878</i>	\$769,324	(\$44,446)	-5.78%

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

	May - Dec, 2021	May - Dec, 2020 (PY)	Change	% Change
HHP / CCW - \$13	\$5,418	\$3,155	\$2,263	71.74%
Registrations, Cattery - \$75	\$212,056	\$229,050	(\$16,994)	-7.42%
Championship Confirmation - \$15	\$24,402	\$6,949	\$17,453	251.16%
Club Dues	\$29,760	\$27,680	\$2,080	7.51%
Certified Pedigrees	\$108,210	\$86,900	\$21,310	24.52%
Registration via Pedigree - \$40	\$74,848	\$42,367	\$32,481	76.67%
Show License Fees	\$14,975	\$3,150	\$11,825	375.40%
Show Entry Surcharge	\$29,098	\$3,317	\$25,781	777.17%
Show Insurance	\$15,575	\$3,600	\$11,975	332.64%

Categories that show significant increased revenue include Championship Confirmation, Show License Fees, Show Entry Surcharge and Show Insurance. These increases are primarily driven by shows occurring this season that were cancelled the prior year due to Covid -19.

Total Ordinary Income contributed \$1,452,773 to the bottom line compared to \$1,366,141 to the prior year. This represents a 6.3 % increase compared to prior year and 111.6% of budget.

**Newkirk:** Our next Order of Business is #8 and that's the Treasurer's Report. Kathy Calhoun, you're recognized. **Calhoun:** Thank you. You have had visibility to the Treasurer's Report for the time period May 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. I'll just touch on a few highlights. Total registration is down almost \$45,000 but that's against a budget of \$705,000 where we budgeted to be, so we're ahead of budget by 2.8%. The key indicators are consistent with shows coming back on board, so we're seeing income in those key categories increase.

<u>Publications:</u> In both the Almanac and the Yearbook financials, contracted labor and salary expense have been moved to Central Office which is consistent with how CFA manages similar categories.

<u>Almanac (Cat Talk/ePoints):</u> Net income decreased 32%. A proposal is included in this report which supports a significant reduction in expenses while offering flexibility and portability to the subscriber.

	May - Dec, 2021	May - Dec, 2020 (PY)	Change	% Change
Income	\$19,257	\$28,116	(\$8,859)	-31.51%
Expenses	\$22,663	\$30,693	(\$8,030)	-26.16%
Net Income	(\$3,406)	(\$2,577)	(\$829)	-32.15%

**Yearbook:** Income decreased 54.5% primarily due to a reduction in advertising.

	May - Dec, 2021	May - Dec, 2020 (PY)	Change	% Change
Income	\$15,989	\$35,117	(\$19,127)	-54.5%
Expenses	\$78	\$33,017	(\$32,940)	-99.8%
Net Income	\$15,912	\$2,099	\$13,812	657.9%

**Calhoun:** There will be a separate discussion on Publications. I just wanted to call out on the Yearbook that the expense piece for production cost of the book, the invoice has not arrived at this point, so that net income of \$15,900 will not hold.

<u>Marketing, Central Office and Computer Expense:</u> These three expense categories are performing under budget or at budget:

• Marketing: Income and expenses are below budget. In addition, it is noted that Marketing Salary has been reallocated to Central Office.

- Central Office: 104.6% of budget. The reallocation of salaries from publications and marketing to Central Office are contributing factors along with increases in legal fees.
- Computer: 64.2% of budget primarily due to a reduction in programming expense.

**CFA Programs**: Overall CFA programs through October 31 are 80.9% of budget.

• Donations to Every Cat, Cat Writers and the CFA Foundation donations have been disbursed as budgeted.

<u>Corporate Expense</u>: This category is 102.1% of budget.

**<u>Legislative Expense:</u>** This category is at 96.3% of budget.

## The Bottom Line:

	May - Dec, 2021	May - Dec, 2020 (PY)	Change	% Change
Gross Profit	\$1,502,523	\$1,456,7693	\$45,7533	3.14%
Total Expenses	\$1,304,579	\$1,329,612	(\$25,033)	-1.88%
Net Operating Income	\$197,944	\$127,158.	\$70,786	55.67%
Other Income				
Interest Income	\$5,409	\$6,393	(\$986)	-15.42%
Rental Income	\$17,600	\$11,000	\$6,600	60.00%
Unrealized Gain/Loss	\$44,317	\$215,053	(\$170,737)	-79.39%
Total Other Income	\$67,325	\$232,448	(\$165,123)	-71.04%
Other Expenses				
Total Other Expenses				
Net Other Income	\$67,325	\$232,4486	(\$165,121)	-71.04%
Net Income	\$265,270	\$359,606	(\$94,336)	-26.23%

CFA realized a profit of \$265,270 which is 436.7% of budget.

**Calhoun:** Beyond that, dropping to the Bottom Line, we're showing a net income. If you scroll to the end of the spreadsheet, we have a net income of \$265,000 compared to last year. That's a \$94,000 change but compared to what we anticipated in the budget, it's actually 4 times as much as we anticipated in the budget. Actually, 436.7% because the budgeted number at this point in the year was \$61,000. So, we are ahead of budget which is good news. Anybody have any questions on that portion of the Treasurer's Report? **Newkirk:** No questions.

#### Regional and International Division Funding

During the December Board Meeting, the Board passed a motion to have a Virtual Board Meeting in February 2022. One of the benefits, related to that decision, was that it provided a significant cost savings to CFA. The commitment in the December Board Meeting was to discuss the allocation of those funds in the February Board Meeting.

The following motions, if passed, will authorize the distribution of those funds, saved by meeting virtually, to the Regions and the International Division. The funds are specifically earmarked for Regional and International Division Awards and Banquets.

While funding for awards and banquets is greatly needed, the Regional Directors and ID Chairs may need some flexibility in the use of funds to address other needs within their areas. Therefore, there is a second motion, allowing the Regional Director or ID chair to spend funds at their discretion to support CFA and our clubs.

*The total donation is \$30,000.* 

**Newkirk:** Go ahead Kathy. **Calhoun:** The next section here is about Regional and International Division funding. When we met in December, the commitment was, once we decided not to have the February board meeting in person and to be virtual, the commitment was to come back to the board and make some recommendations on allocating those funds to the regions and the ID. Primary reason for that is that the regions and the International Division have not gotten the surcharge funds or the rebates that they have gotten in the past because of a reduction in shows, and yet they're expected to have a similar spend to a normal year in the way of awards and banquets and those sorts of things. So, we wanted to give back that savings to the regions. The total donation would be \$30,000 which is approximately what we spend for an inperson meeting.

#### Motion #1

CFA will donate \$2,000 to each Region and \$2,000 to the International Division for the purpose of supporting Regional and International Division's Awards and Banquets.

Calhoun: The first motion [reads]. Mastin: Rich will second. Newkirk: Thank you Rich. Any discussion on Motion #1? Currle: Doing the math, that's \$20,000 including the ID. Where is the other \$10,000 going? Calhoun: Next motion. Currle: So #1 and #2 are going to be together. Calhoun: #1 and #2 add up to \$30,000. Currle: OK, so basically I would like to know why you separated them. Calhoun: Because the first motion earmarks the purpose of the funds. Currle: [inaudible] the awards banquet. Calhoun: Right. The second motion gives the regional director or the International Division the discretion to use that additional \$1,000 where they see fit – if it be to promote shows, wherever they see fit. It could be to the regional banquet and awards, but it gives them the flexibility, that's all. Newkirk: Anything else, Kenny? Currle: That will do it. Newkirk: Any further comments on Motion #1. Is there any objection to Motion #1? OK, I'll call the vote. All those in favor of Motion #1 raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried. Hannon voting no. Moser abstained.

Newkirk: The yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, John Colilla, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Kenny Currle, Hayata-san, Pam DelaBar, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Sharon Roy, Howard Webster, Rachel Anger. Mark, your hand was up. Is it not up anymore? Hannon: Correct, it's not up anymore. Newkirk: OK, thank you. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. Mark Hannon. Take your hand down. Abstentions? Pam Moser. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. Anger: That's 14 yes votes, 1 no vote, 1 abstention. Newkirk: OK, the motion is agreed to. Tartaglia: I just have one quick question, the timing of these donations. I just want to be sure everybody knows when to expect or not to expect it. So Kathy, is that something you want done right away? Should we make this in May? Calhoun: In this fiscal year, because it is a savings this fiscal year, not next year. Tartaglia: Then I will go ahead and do the paperwork and get this done in February. Newkirk: Thank you Allene.

#### Motion #2

CFA will donate \$1,000 to each Region and \$1,000 to the International Division to be used at the Regional Directors and the International Division Chair's discretion to support shows and address hardships due to the COVID pandemic.

**Newkirk:** OK Kathy, you can proceed with Motion #2. Calhoun: Motion #2 [reads]. Mastin: Rich will second. Newkirk: Thank you Rich. Currle: I would like to propose an amendment. I would like, CFA will donate \$1,000 \$2,000 to each Region and \$1,000 \$2,000 to the International Division. Newkirk: I need a second. Colilla: I will second it. Newkirk: OK, we have an amendment to change the \$1,000 to \$2,000 in the motion. Anger: The way I calculate it, that's an increase of \$10,000. Generally, with a \$10,000 spend, there is some sort of documentation, accountability, something. I'm in favor of the motion but to double it, that's making me a little nervous and I would just like some reassurance what all that is going to go for. **Newkirk:** The motion is, it's their discretion, Rachel. The motion is to amend it to \$2,000. Anger: Certainly. I understand that, but "their discretion," I just want more accountability. Maybe I am overstepping a little and coming off as not trusting the people who are handling the money, but to me \$10,000 out the door makes me a little nervous. Calhoun: To Rachel's point, I understand that. I think there is an element of trust in both motions, that we trust. We are not asking for receipts and those sorts of things. As to the motion to increase it to \$2,000 for each region and \$2,000 for the International Division, the predecessor to this motion was to give back \$30,000 to the regions because we did not spend that for this board meeting. In my mind, if we wanted to have a motion to have an incremental \$10,000, that's a separate conversation in my mind. Currle: I understand the premise and appreciate the premise, but our clubs are hurting. I know what I would do with the money, and I can certainly provide you with documentation that I do support the clubs within the region. I really do feel that you can't look at it as one board meeting. I think we have been maybe three or four board meetings where we have had a substantial amount of savings. This is just a reflection and a small gesture on behalf of the association to show appreciation to our respective regions and our International Division. So, I really don't think there's much harm in moving forward with an extra \$1,000 in this regard. **Hannon:** We've seen a big increase at the corporate level over what was anticipated, and I don't think the regions can say the same thing. I think that it's only fair that if we're making more money than we expected to make in this fiscal year, then we share some of that with the regions. Newkirk: Any other comments? Calhoun: I don't disagree with developing some sort of

sponsorship or additional monies to the regions and the ID. I don't disagree with your thought, but I'm going to go back to a comment that Kenny made, that we have not had many board meetings. The difference here is that the other board meetings that we did not have, we did not budget for. The February board meeting we did budget for and the board approved those dollars. So, since we didn't spend the money that we did budget for, that is the purpose of this allocation. Whether or not we support the regions beyond this still in my mind is a separate conversation. This is just to designate how we spend the money budgeted for February that we did not spend. Mastin: For the board to be fiscally responsible for this request, Kathy's report is only through 8 months of this year, there is still some uncertainty of what's going to happen in the near future and long term. What I would like to see happen is, the board approves Kathy's original motion, Kenny consider withdrawing his amendment and bring it back at the end of the year report, maybe in May, and we entertain it then so at that point in time we have the full financials, at least the unaudited financials, and then we can give those funds to the regions four months from now rather than doing it today without know where the rest of the year is going to be. Newkirk: That's up to Kenny if he wants to pull the amendment. Currle: In the interest and in cooperation of the board, I certainly would consider that. I would like to hear some more comments as far as doing it right now. I know that we won't shirk our responsibility to our clubs and our regions. I just feel it's high time that we show more appreciate towards them, and we are showing a profit. We showed a profit last year, we showed a profit this year, and the COVID-related we haven't really had the expenses that we have been faced with in the past. I do realize hopefully coming out of this COVID pandemic and working into an endemic, we're still going to have to be watching or funds, but I hear from my constituents and even though I did support the masks, we spent \$15,000 on masks and we can't help our clubs or help our regions? To me, it's a little bit one sided. So, this is why I was really proposing this, but I will be more than happy if the board feels – **Newkirk:** Kenny, you are not obliged to pull your motion. **Currle:** I'll keep my motion up then. Newkirk: Any other comments? Eigenhauser: I agree with Rich on this. I believe we should have a comprehensive program for helping the clubs, but just throwing little dribs and drabs randomly at them isn't really the way to go. This came up today because there was a specific fund available from a specific expense that we are not incurring – the February board meeting – and we're spending those specific funds. Are there other funds we can look to, to help the clubs? Sure, but it should be thought out, budgeted comprehensive and pre-noticed so I'm going to oppose the amendment but I support the underlying motion. Morgan: I agree with George. I fully support the intent of this motion. We have to come up with a program to support our clubs who are struggling mightily, even more so in this current environment. That said, Kathy put together a proposal that is consistent with a specific situation. By changing the dollar amounts, we then go outside of the scope of that motion, so now you have put me in a position where there is a motion out there that I support in theory but I will not support in practice, and that's frustrating to me because I would like to get at least this portion of the dollars allocated and then move forward with an ongoing comprehensive plan, once we have our figures together. So, I won't be supporting the motion as submitted. Newkirk: You're not going to support the amendment. Morgan: Yes. Hannon: I don't see why we can't do both. If we give them the additional \$1,000 they get it now. If we talk about let's look at a comprehensive look at this whole thing, that's putting it off. These clubs could use it now. Newkirk: Mark, this is an amendment just to up it. Hannon: I know. Newkirk: OK, so let's vote on Kenny's amendment, and that's to increase it to \$2,000. If you're in favor of Kenny's amendment to change the \$1,000 in the motion to \$2,000 please raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Hannon, Currle, Colilla and Hayata voting yes. Moser, Roy and Anger abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, John, Colilla, Hayata-san. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Pam DelaBar, Rich Mastin, Howard Webster, Annette Wilson, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy Calhoun, Kathy Dunham. If you will take your hands down, abstentions? Pam Moser, Sharon Roy, Rachel Anger. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote once you have it tabulated. **Anger:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** This only requires a majority vote since it's pre-noticed. **Anger:** I have 4 yes votes, 9 no votes, 3 abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is not agreed to. Sorry, Kenny.

**Newkirk:** We're back to the main motion now, which is Motion #2 as presented on the screen. Is there any further discussion? Is there any objection to Motion #2? OK, I'll call for the vote. All those in favor of Motion #2 raise your hands. That was Pam Moser who objected.

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

**Newkirk:** [yes votes] Rich Mastin, Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Melanie Morgan, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Kenny Currle, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Sharon Roy, Rachel Anger, Hayata-san, Pam DelaBar, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, are there any no votes? Any abstentions? Pam Moser abstained. Rachel, you can announce the vote once you have it tabulated. **Anger:** That's 15 yes votes, zero no votes, one abstention. **Newkirk:** Thank you. The motion is agreed to.

#### Publications - Cat Talk Magazine and ePoints - Unbundling and Digital Platform

The printed version of Cat Talk Magazine currently costs \$49.00 (for mailing in the U.S.) if purchased alone or \$59.00 when bundled with ePoints.

The consideration to move the printed version to a digital platform provides a number of benefits to the subscriber while covering some, although not all, of the costs to CFA. The primary difference between the cost of the printed version and the digital version is the cost of printing and mailing.

By moving to a digital platform priced at \$20.00 per yearly subscription, CFA may offer a competitively priced digital option while covering a portion of the cost to produce the digital version.

By offering ePoints as a standalone subscription priced at \$25.00 per yearly subscription, subscribers have additional flexibility to choose which offer best suits their needs.

**Newkirk:** OK Kathy, go ahead. **Calhoun:** The next discussion is around Publications – Cat Talk Magazine and ePoints – unbundling and going to a digital format. Currently, Cat Talk Magazine is bundled with eCats. You can get Cat Talk Magazine for \$49 but the only way that you can get eCats is to subscribe to the bundle for \$59. As you notice, earlier in the financials we show that Cat Talk Magazine and ePoints consistently lose money. The consideration is to move from the printed version to a digital version, and this will provide a number of benefits. It will

reduce the cost, because primarily the cost is around printing and shipping of the printed version of Cat Talk Magazine, ePoints already being digital. By moving to a digital platform and pricing it competitively at \$20 for a yearly subscription, CFA can accomplish this, given the reduction in cost, and still cover a portion of the cost to produce the digital version. The upside of the digital version, aside from the fact that it would be available for \$20 for yearly subscription, is that it's portable, people will be able to access it from their computers, their Smart phones, their tablets. Then, the ePoints would be a stand-alone subscription at \$25 for the yearly subscription. This gives the subscriber the option of subscribing to Cat Talk Magazine or to ePoints, and even if they decided to subscribe to both, the cost would be \$45 as opposed to the \$59 spend today. So, we will go directly to the motions. Newkirk: I have a question here. There's going to be no printed copy going forward? Calhoun: There would be no printed copy going forward. The issue, Darrell, was right now we have a very small subscriber base. If we print any of the magazines, the incremental cost per unit to produce a printed magazine at an even lower volume would be unacceptable. Newkirk: I understand. I just want to make sure everybody understands or there would be no point in the copy going forward. Calhoun: There would be no point in the copy going forward. **Hannon:** I'm the one who proposed bundling them together and the purpose of that was because we had very few subscribers to the magazine, so my feeling was in bundling them, it forced people into getting the magazine. By leaving it that way, we really have no idea how many people are interested in that magazine. A lot of people I assume are subscribing to ePoints and the only way they can get it is to also get the magazine. If we separate them out, we'll find out how many people really are interested in that magazine and how many really just wanted ePoints. DelaBar: Had we had the ability to go digital, we still would probably have the CFA Almanac. The production costs were just out of hand. Right now, you have a very low subscribership from Region 9. It costs too much money for a print edition – far too much. Going digital, you're going to see more interchange coming from Europe, you're going to see more information coming back to Europe with this digital subscription. Plus, the other thing is now, and I wrote Kathy. I said, I like this a lot because we get charged VAT – value added tax – on subscriptions. So, if it's not built into the price and CFA is paying each EU country that little extra piece of money to allow that magazine to come in to the EU, then we're paying it on the receiver side. I think that this is the way to go now, to reach all of CFA. I hate to say this Mark, you're talking U.S. We've got to talk world. Morgan: I would like to point out first of all that Motion #1 does not discuss taking Cat Talk digital, although subsequent motions do. This is basically talking simply about unbundling ePoints and Cat Talk, which while it may not be popular I fully support. Subscribers should be able to select the services they want, and the unbundling as Mark mentioned will give us a far better perspective on the true level of interest in the Cat Talk publication. Eigenhauser: Fortunately, I think some of the people that are interested in Cat Talk are interested in it as a hard copy magazine. If we turn it to entirely digital, it's going to be like the online Almanac, it's just going to disappear. I think that unbundling it is pretty much the end of Cat Talk. I may be wrong, and one of the ways to mitigate against that is, maybe we should ask our subscribers before we eliminate the hard copy version. Yes there are advantages to having an online version. I agree with everything Pam DelaBar says, but there are also people that get it specifically because they're looking for a hard copy publication, so maybe we should just poll the subscribers. How many of you would be willing to subscribe to a hard copy version for X dollars? How many of you would be willing to subscribe to an online version for Y dollars? Then come up with a plan based on our subscribers' interests and needs, rather than just kind of pulling out of thin air here. **Hannon:** When we

unbundle this, there is absolutely no doubt we're going to lose subscribers to the magazine. There are a lot of people who are currently subscribed that only want ePoints, so when we unbundle this, we're not going to have enough to make it cost effective, to have a hard copy. Let's say now 500 people are getting it. What if only 200 want it? The cost to print only 200 is going to be much higher. **DelaBar:** If you're only going to survey those that are currently subscribing, you have absolutely no idea what your increase could be by allowing to go digitally. **Newkirk:** I'm not sure what John Smithson's *Felis Historica* membership is, but he does a beautiful job producing that, and that's an online format. Any other comments?

#### Motion #1

Effective May 1, 2022, unbundle Cat Talk magazine and ePoints. Those subscribers to the bundled version would be given the opportunity to apply any remaining subscription to either Cat Talk or ePoints or receive a refund.

**Newkirk:** Let's start with Motion #1. All those in favor raise your hand. **Mastin:** Darrell, we really don't even have a motion and nobody seconded it, unless Kathy has a standing motion. I'll second Kathy's motion if she has a standing motion. **Calhoun:** I have a standing motion. **Mastin:** OK, I'll second it. **Newkirk:** Alright, thank you. **Mastin:** You're welcome.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Mark Hannon, Pam Moser, Cathy Dunham, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, Hayata-san, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Howard Webster, John Colilla. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please. I have Kenny Currle. Take your hand down Kenny, thank you. Abstentions? No abstentions. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote on Motion #1. **Anger:** Thank you. I was actually a yes, but I was taking the votes and didn't get my hand up. **Newkirk:** OK, no problem. **Anger:** That was 15 yes votes, 1 no vote, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to.

#### Motion #2

Effective May 1, 2022, establish a subscription price of \$20.00 for a yearly subscription to Cat Talk Magazine in a digital format. The digital version would commence with the June 2022 digital magazine.

**Newkirk:** Let's move on to Motion #2. **Calhoun:** Do you want me to read it, Darrell? **Newkirk:** Yes, please read it into the record. **Calhoun:** [reads]. **Mastin:** Rich will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rich. Any discussion on Motion #2? OK, I'll call the vote. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser and Colilla voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Rich Mastin, Pam Moser, Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Rachel Anger, Carol Krzanowski, Pam DelaBar, Hayata-san, Cathy Dunham, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hands. The no votes are George Eigenhauser and John

Colilla. If you will take your hands down, abstentions? No abstentions. You can announce the vote, Rachel, when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** That's 14 yes votes, 2 no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. The motion is agreed to.

#### Motion #3

Effective May 1, 2022 establish a subscription price of \$25.00 for a yearly subscription to ePoints.

**Newkirk:** Let's move on to Motion #3. Kathy, if you will read that into the record. **Calhoun:** [reads]. **Mastin:** Rich will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rich. Any discussion? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor of Motion #3.

Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Rich Mastin, Mark Hannon, Pam Moser, Sharon Roy, Carol Krzanowski, Melanie Morgan, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Cathy Dunham, John Colilla, Rachel Anger, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar and Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, are there any no votes? I see no no-votes. Any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated? **Anger:** That's 16 yes votes, zero no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much. The motion is agreed to.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Calhoun, CFA Treasurer

Newkirk: Kathy, do you have anything else? Calhoun: I do not, thank you.

## 9. <u>BUDGET COMMITTEE</u>.

Committee Chair: Kathy Calhoun

List of Committee Members: Rich Mastin, Teresa Sweeney, Matthew Wong,

Allene Tartaglia

## **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**.

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

Current Happenings of Committee: Budgets are being added to the Budget Tracker. Those committees that have not submitted a budget will receive a reminder email from the Budget Committee. While the deadline for submission has past the committee will accept requests through February 11 2022.

If no budget is received, the Budget Committee will make a concerted effort to predict the needs of the committee.

## **Budget Development:**

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

#### **Budget Approval:**

Wednesday	03/02/2022	Preliminary Budget due to the Board. Board members are requested to submit questions regarding the preliminary budget before 03/11/22.
Tuesday	3/15/2022	8:00pm – 9:00pm ET Preliminary Budget Review – ZOOM
		Conference with CFA Board and Budget Committee.
Thursday	03/31/2022	Budget Document due to CFA Secretary (estimated date).
Tuesday	04/05/2022	April Telephonic Board Meeting – 2022/2023 Budget Approval

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

None

#### **Time Frame**:

Ongoing

## What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Review preliminary budget.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Calhoun, Chair

Newkirk: Let's move on to the next Order of Business, which is the Budget Committee. Kathy, that's you. Calhoun: This report summarizes where we are from a budget perspective. I mentioned earlier that we would be putting together a tracker. What I'm going to do with the tracker is to post it in File Vista so that you can verify and check that your budget request has been received. I have been responding back to those that have submitted so far. In addition, if you have not submitted a budget request, you're beyond the deadline. I will be sending emails to all of those who should be submitting budget requests. I will be sending a reminder email from the Budget Committee. We would need to get that information by February 11<sup>th</sup>, which is pretty soon and we are beyond our deadline that was published since October, so that we can prepare for our meetings the next week. I outlined the Budget development meetings Wednesday, Monday and Wednesday of the following week. I'm starting with the 16<sup>th</sup>. The preliminary budget would go to the board by March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We would have a meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Rachel, I need to work with you to figure out how we orchestrate that, so you and I can talk about that offline. Hopefully everyone can pencil that in your calendars so that we can review the budget. If there are questions, we need to get those questions about budget line items or where we landed on or before March 11th because we need to have time to prepare, so we'll have all the answers for the board on March 15th. Then a final document on March 31st to be included and the final vote being on April 5<sup>th</sup>. I believe that would be the April telephonic board meeting. **Newkirk:** Any questions for Kathy on the Budget Report? OK, I don't see anything. Thank you very much, Kathy.

#### 10. 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 and discuss contractual agreements as presented.
- Follow up to insurance coverage questions presented to CFA's insurance broker (Scott Allen of Whitaker & Myers):
  - o Question #1 -
    - Are all attendees in the show hall covered under CFA's liability insurance, should they get bit or scratched by a cat/kitten that needs medical attention (regardless, if the person received permission to touch the cat/kitten)?
  - o Responses
    - CFA's liability program (referring here to CGL and Umbrella) is a public liability program protecting CFA and it's 'agents' from claims made against it (for primarily bodily injury & property damage) by 3<sup>rd</sup> parties (any and all members of the public ppl who are not CFA employees, or other excluded groups). So, yes, CFA is protected for claims made against it by those injured in the show hall by cat bites.
    - From a RISK MANAGEMENT perspective, it's another discussion: who is permitted in what areas, who signs waivers (if applicable), what training they must meet before they can do certain things, etc. etc. All this is to mitigate risk but it doesn't change what is stated in paragraph 1 above.
  - Question #2
    - *Are all Club Treasurers bonded under CFA's insurance policy coverages?*
  - o Responses
    - Yes. In fact, this came up back in 2009 (Annual was in Palm Springs) when Chubb was asked to confirm that Treasurers of CFA's <u>foreign</u> clubs were covered by the CRIME/Dishonesty coverage just as are the domestic club treasurers.
    - Chubb responded YES. Upon reading the coverage form back then it appeared silent on the question so we felt we needed to ask the carrier.

- Remember, I always like to remind our clients that these claims always begin with a police report upon discovery, and eventually prosecution.
- They aren't real ..... until there is a criminal report that claims so.

**Newkirk:** Rich, you're up next with the Finance Committee. **Mastin:** Thank you. On the first page of the report are the two questions to Scott Allen from Whitaker Myers. The first question came from a board meeting. It was either October or December, referencing judges going into the training program or individuals interested in going into the Judging Program, and being able to handle the breeds at the show. The question was posed to Scott. He responded. The second question came from a secretary from a region. It was presented to Scott and he responded. Does anybody have any questions or comments on the questions and responses?

## **Current Happenings of Committee:**

- Working with and accessible to Allene Tartaglia (Executive Director), Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer) and Shelly Perkins (Legal Counsel).
- Reviewing and discussing 2022 International Show contract(s) with Allene Tartaglia and Cyndy Byrd.
- 2022 International Show profit and loss projections.
- Review and monitor weekly bank account balances and bi-weekly payroll reports.
- Current combined all account balances (including long term investments):
  - o As of January 21, 2022, \$3,312,145.72.
  - o As of February 4, 2022, \$3,304,570.87.
- Current long-term investment balances as of January 21, 2022:
  - $\circ$  Synchrony CD is \$342,811.11 (+\$5,392.76 / +1.57% since 5/1/21).
  - Wells Fargo blend of stocks & bonds is \$1,552,221.57 (-\$2,709.06 / -.17% since 5/1/21).
  - o Wells Fargo bonds is \$642,742.87 \\$625,321.96 (-\$6,761.17 / -1.08%).
  - o Combined long-term investments is \$2,520,354.64 (-\$4,077.47 / -.16%).
  - Unstable market conditions has recently impacted investments, our current risk is low based on the two Wells Fargo account blends.
- Ongoing review of long term investments (bonds and stock allocations) and required cash on hand, large portion of cash on hand in checking account is being moved to Money Market Account.

**Mastin:** Current Happenings. I do have a type-o. It is the Wells Fargo bond amount. That was an incorrect amount. For the record it should be \$625,321.96. The current combined all account balances including long-term investments as of yesterday is \$3,304,570.87.

## - CFA Show Sponsorship Programs:

- Regular Show Sponsorship \$1,000 per club per show up to two shows per year
  - \$90,000 originally budgeted, Board of Directors approved \$80,000 increase to the original budget at, December 7, 2021, board meeting increasing the total budget to \$170,000.
  - \$126,000 requested and approved, \$79,000 paid out.
- New Show Sponsorship \$1,000 per club per show
  - *New Show is a new show added to the schedule.*
  - Show moved from traditional date or different location (city, state, or country) does not qualify as a new show.
  - Club not having a show for the past two years due to Covid concerns and bring back their show is not considered a new show.
  - \$22,000 originally budgeted.
  - \$17,000 requested and approved, \$11,000 paid out.
- o In-Conjunction Show Sponsorship \$1,000 per club per show
  - \$4,000 originally budgeted.
  - \$2,000 requested and approved, \$2,000 paid out.
- o Agility Ring Sponsorship \$300 per club per show
  - \$1,200 originally budgeted, Board of Directors approved \$1,200 increase to the original budget at, October 2, 2021, board meeting increasing the total budget to \$2,400.
  - \$1,500 requested and approved, \$600 paid out.
  - Action item required below.
- Submit sponsorship request form 30-days in advance of the show, to Lisa Brault at <u>LBrault@cfa.org</u>
  - 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.
- Region 9 Incentive up to \$1,400 per show (\$700 per judge for bringing up to two out of region CFA judge(s))
  - Board of Directors approved up to two (2) sponsorships at \$700 each per show for clubs contracting CFA judges outside of the Region at, December 7, 2021, board meeting.
  - Submit request to Lisa Brault and Pam DelaBar (also approved by Pam DelaBar).
  - \$14,000 budgeted.
  - \$2,800 requested and approved, \$2,800 paid.
- All sponsorship awards will be sent after show's paperwork and entry surcharge fee is received at Central Office.

**Mastin:** Then there is an overview of the CFA Show Sponsorship program. There is no action item below. It says under agility ring, we already addressed that at the last board meeting.

#### **Time Frame:**

- Ongoing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rich Mastin, Chair

**Mastin:** Any questions or comments on the report? **DelaBar:** Rich, you know I'm going to be bringing up further questions on show sponsorship tomorrow when we have our meeting. I think we need something more definite than what is listed under New Show Sponsorship, what is actually considered a new show, new area, even new club. So, I'll bring that up tomorrow. **Mastin:** OK, thanks Pam. **Newkirk:** Any other questions for Rich on his Finance Committee report? Thank you very much, Rich.

#### 11. <u>COMPANION CAT WORLD.</u>

Committee Chair: Kathy Black
Liaison to Board: Kenny Currle

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

We have had a shelter in each Region for this show season (Regions 1-7). 10% of each CCW Registration from that Region will go to the identified shelter in May. We hope they appreciate this donation from CFA and will continue to include our pamphlet with each placed cat.

CCW Registrations have significantly increased over the previous year. Total registrations from October 13, 2019, to end of 2019 were 95. Total from 2020 were 328. Total in 2021 were 538, a 64% increase. For 2022 we already have 35 registrations as of the writing of this report.

Meowy Hour mentions CCW during each episode. However, this program would greatly benefit from advertising to the general public. More emphasis needs to be spent on Facebook, Instagram, and advertisements in Caster and similar publications. Advertising to our current CFA audience is not where we want to be. We hear from many of our Meowy Hour guests that they will not support CFA with their audience/followers due to their impression of our lack of emphasis on all cats.

## Current Happenings of Committee:

CCW is mentioned each week during Meowy Hour. Ongoing discussions with Marketing regarding CCW advertising. Meowy Hour features a pedigree breed each week. We are matching the breed highlighted with the Marketing's efforts of the breed of the week. (Alphabetically through the breeds)

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

Continue to work with our shelter partners, expand the CCW advertising, and find a suitable sponsor. Work with Marketing for ideas to promote CCW at our shows including the CIS.

Newkirk: We'll move on to Mentor and NewBee. Allene, is Kathy in the attendees' area? Tartaglia: I'm checking. She is not. Newkirk: OK, Kenny? Currle: Kathy is substitute judging at the show in Wichita, so she will be unable to join us. She basically wanted everyone to take note that – this is not NewBee. NewBee I'm not in charge of. I'm in charge of CCW and I think you skipped over that. Newkirk: You need to go back, Shelly [Borawski]. Currle: This basically is her report. Registrations have increased up 65% so this is becoming a more and more well-known project that she has had. She has done a fantastic job. Again, COVID-related, we're going to be using this program spearheading our registrations hopefully very soon in India, as things do improve worldwide with this endemic. I don't have anything else to add, unless there are any questions about the program, but it has been successful.

## **Board Action Items:**

Get feedback from the Board regarding best options to advertise and grow CCW.

**Newkirk:** So, she is asking for some feedback about options to advertise and grow CCW. Anyone have any comments on that? **Currle:** If you don't want to comment verbally now, if you can send her suggests, she would certainly appreciate it. We want this to be a global reach and she has certainly worked hard towards that goal. Newkirk: Thank you Kenny. DelaBar: I would like to see it go more globally. We are needing something here to be a catch to get more Household Pets as part of our shows. It's additional entries for the clubs and it provides us, especially in some needed areas where we are seeing increases in animal rights groups and breed restrictive legislation going on. It's hitting the dog fancy very hard, but we need something to come back and really bring up the visibility of cats, especially within Region 9. **Hannon:** I think that this program has not been fully successful, based on what we were told initially. I think part of it is the marketing. I would love to see them do more marketing, because I think there's some great potential from this program to bring in a lot of registrations for CFA. Calhoun: I just wondered if Kathy has committee members that may have some diverse backgrounds that might be able to help brainstorm new ideas. I don't see any committee members listed. Maybe that might be a good step. Newkirk: Kenny, you can take that back to Kathy. Currle: I'll take all those to her. They are all excellent suggestions. Thank you very much for your input.

## What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

**Updates** 

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Black, Chair

**Newkirk:** Any other questions? Thank you Kenny.

#### 12. MENTORSHIP/NEWBEE REPORT.

Committee Chair: Kathy Black

Liaison to Board: Carol Krzanowski

List of Committee Members: Chris June, Vicki Jensen, Leesa Altschul, Mariane Toth,

Lee Dowding, Janet Moyer, Leslie Carr, Pam DelaBar

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

The year 2021 had 75 requests for Mentors. That is 75 people who came to CFA asking for help with their cattery, showing a cat, or learning about CFA. Mentorship requests have come from across the US, India, Malaysia, China, Philippines, and Europe.

A new questionnaire form for both the protégé application, and for those requesting to be Mentors has been completed and is available on the CFA website. All completing the application are asked to read and agree to the Breeder's Code of Ethics. Please consider mentoring a new person by complete the form at Mentor Associate Application – The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc (cfa.org)

The NewBee Facebook page is highly active with new people joining every week. Currently over 1,200 have joined in the past year. Only those who complete the questionnaire are accepted. We have a wide range of people from those with a CCW cat, to those with their first show cat. The group is fantastic to answer their questions and encourage them at shows.

Very important for the entry clerks to identify those who are first time exhibitors to be paired with a show mentor. The entry clerk should forward this information to their Regional NewBee Coordinator. This makes a huge different in their first show experience. Thank you to all the Regional Coordinators and those Associates working with the new exhibitors at our shows.

The website <u>www.cfanewbee.org</u> is mostly completed. Needs some additional content which will be completed this year.

I have a spreadsheet of those agreeing to be Mentor Associates, and those who have requested a mentor. I share the list of Mentor Associates regularly to aid in the Regional Coordinators selecting a mentor for the protégé applicant.

One need was a Mentor coordinator for Asia and China. A few have volunteered to coordinate, and I appreciate them helping promote this program. There have always been breeders, judges, and exhibitors who have helped NewBees outside of this program, and that is recognized and applauded. Tracking through the program gives us numbers of people being helped, and also provides support outside of the show hall, or if the mentor no longer wishes to be involved.

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

We are dividing the Mentor Coordinator duties and creating Regional NewBee Coordinators. It is a lot of work to do both finding a mentor for the proteges and working with the new exhibitors. The Coordinator can't always be at the show to assist the new exhibitor. Each Regional Director

has been asked to provide two names, one for the Mentorship Regional Coordinator and one for the NewBee Regional Coordinator. If you are interested in one of these positions, reach out to your Regional Director.

I have named Leesa Altschul my NewBee Vice Chair to work with each Region's NewBee representative to instruct and guide the processes for welcoming new exhibitors. We only have one chance at a first impression, and Leesa has perfected her processes and will pass those processes on to the other Regional NewBee Coordinators.

Each Regional Director will name the two Coordinators for their Region, one for Mentorship and one for NewBee.

Continue to update the website, work with new exhibitors at our shows, and promote CFA and our pedigree breeds.

## **Future Projections for Committee:**

Add additional coordinators for China and other Asian countries. Continue to promote the program and identify ways to improve the first show experience for new exhibitors.

## What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

**Updates** 

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Black, Chair

Newkirk: Mentor/NewBee report. That's also Kathy. Carol, you're the liaison since she's not here. Krzanowski: Kathy just wanted to mention, and you see in her report that the request for mentors and also the interest in the NewBee program have increased dramatically in recent months. We're very encouraged by that. It shows a lot of new interest in CFA and cat shows and breeding in particular. The main take-away from the report is that, while the Committee has been working with regional coordinators, they have determined that it's really too much work for one coordinator to handle both Mentoring and NewBee requests, so they are wanting to break that into two separate coordinators. Kathy is requesting that the regional directors please provide names for each of those positions to her, if you have not already done so. We feel that's the best way to continue to grow both programs and allow people to concentrate more on specific areas. If you have any other questions, I would be happy to answer them. Newkirk: Carol, you are saying she wants to keep it as one committee with two subsections? Krzanowski: Yes. The Committee is still together – the Mentor and NewBee Committee – but up until now we've been working with one coordinator for each region or division. Since the Program is actually growing now, it has been determined that it's a lot of work for one person to coordinate everything, so they would like to have an individual to handle Mentor coordination and an individual to handle the NewBee coordination for each region. **DelaBar:** For what this is worth Carol, for Europe because of the language variations throughout the region, I have asked Kathy to send everything to me and then I farm it out to the appropriate people, depending upon of course their country and the languages they speak. We don't have full English language within the cat fancy here, so it's often times an Italian has to go to Italy. I can't

even always depend upon a Spanish person to mentor somebody from Portugal because Portuguese is not equivalent to Spanish. So, that's why there's only one person for Region 9, is it's easier to be a clearinghouse, based upon culture and language. **Krzanowski:** I'll be sure to pass that along to Kathy. Surely, she will understand that situation. **Newkirk:** Anything else on Mentor/NewBee? **Krzanowski:** I don't have anything else unless someone has questions. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much.

**Newkirk:** We have a scheduled break next. Do you want to take a break and for how long? The break is scheduled for 10 minutes. Do you want to take 20? I see a lot of yesses and smiles. So, it is about 2:50 out on the east coast, so let's come back at 10 past. We will stand in recess on a break until 3:10.

BREAK.

## 13. <u>CFA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.</u>

Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser gave the following report:

Committee Chair: George Eigenhauser

List of Committee Members: Joan Miller, Phil Lindsley

CFA Legislative Group: George Eigenhauser, Sharon Coleman, Kelly Crouch

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

The beginning of each new calendar year brings a flood of proposals for new laws at the federal, state, (and even local) levels affecting animals, animal owners, pet enterprises, and hobby breeders. Congress has returned to Washington, DC at the end of their holiday recess and most states have resumed their legislative sessions. Many states, as well as the Federal government, have two-year legislative sessions. A few state legislatures only meet in odd-numbered years. This year marks the second year of two-year sessions in several states so the CFA Legislative Group was already tracking many state bills carried over from last year as well as numerous local (city/county) legislative matters.

PIJAC continues to provide state and federal tracking information for CFA as they have been doing for many years. PIJAC searches through proposed federal and state legislation, as well as local proposals as available, based on our established search words, which we update as needed. We then review each bill for interest to fanciers and mark those for ongoing tracking. PIJAC then sends us updates on each bill we track, which may include amendments, committee assignments, hearing dates, and other information. We also watch for animal related bills which, for whatever reason, initially failed to match our search criteria and do not appear on our tracking list but which may need tracking later. These often include bills which have been amended to include new provisions which may impact cat fanciers. We subscribe to and monitor many pet-related lists on the Internet. We often rely on our "grassroots" network of fanciers to report proposed pet-related legislation in their area. It cannot be stated strongly enough: "You are the eyes and ears of the fancy."

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 620 page-likes, and 670 page follows. From September 20, 2021 to January 23, 2022, our 45 new posts have reached 1,407 people and generated 69 post likes, comments, shares, and other post engagements. The Ocoee, Florida pet shop ban posts (two) generated the most reaches. Second for the number of reaches achieved was the Citrus County, Florida animal ordinance updates requiring breeders, rescues, and owners of 11 or more companion animals to register with the county. CFALegislativeNews:

While the Facebook page is our broad spectrum news site, The Legislative Group Blog provides additional access to news and alerts. The CFA Legislative Group blog continues as our platform integrated with our other social media activities and communications strategies to create an online presence that we can manage ourselves with public links to our materials. We have been re-publishing the monthly What's Hot articles as posts so that these are readily available for later reference. Other special articles or news are also posted as they happen. Readers may follow the blog and receive a notice when a new post is published. The URL for posts can be posted on CFALegislativeNews Facebook or other pages we follow or as topics come up in other contexts. <a href="https://cfalegislativegroup.wordpress.com">https://cfalegislativegroup.wordpress.com</a>

## **Current Happenings of Committee:**

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

#### **Federal**

CFA is currently tracking a small number of federal bills relating to animals in general and breeding catteries in particular.

HB 6100: "Goldie's Act" would amend the Animal Welfare Act to increase enforcement including authorizing the USDA to have access at breeding facilities at all reasonable times, make inspections at least once per year, document any violation noted during the inspections, and do follow up inspections. Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.

#### State and D.C. Issues

California AB 702, the 2021 version: Would have required local governments to issue cat and dog breeding permits in accordance with complex procedures and requirements. However, the bill author cancelled the first hearing on the morning of the hearing, the last day the committee could have heard the bill and effectively ended the bill for 2021. California does have a "2 Year Bill" designation that, when applicable, can allow an undefeated bill introduced in the first year of a 2-year session that did not advance to be heard and/or amended in January of the second year. If a 2-year bill can meet and pass all the very restrictive January deadlines and pass its house of origin by January 31, it can move forward in the second year. One sometimes practical strategy is to "gut and amend" – replacing all bill content – and try to move a new bill forward without using legislators' limited allotment of bills. This is typically done when the "new" subject has strong support, because the January schedule has no time or patience for complex bills. On January 3, AB 702 brought a New Year's surprise with a total replacement of content, becoming The Dog and Cat Bill of Rights. There was an extensive list of findings and declarations covering extensive rights and entitlements of dogs and cats. The substantive portion of the bill would have added to the Food and Agricultural Code the Dog and Cat Bill of Rights with specific entitlements and amended a Penal Code provision, to suggest an enforcement mechanism. A quick analysis of rules and dates revealed the futility of moving the bill, because it remained in the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions that does not have jurisdiction for

the Codes in the amended version and would not hear a bill outside its scope. The quick deadlines left no time to remove the bill to other committees, leaving sighs of relief along with concerns about a reappearance of this type of bill here or elsewhere. February 18 will be the deadline for introduction of new bills for this second year of the session.

Florida HB1061/SB 1750: Would amend Title XLVI, Chapter 828, § 829.29 to require that if a pet sale is terminated under the consumer warranty law, any financing agreement must be terminated without cost, strikes the provision that reimbursement for veterinary costs may not exceed the purchase price of the animal, requires a mandatory waiting period of three days if the pet purchase transaction is financed. Assigned to Criminal Justice & Public Safety.

Florida HB 1341/SB 1806: Would amend Title XLVII, Ch. 943: Adds new §425 to provide for an animal abuser registry and require pet dealers check the registry prior to sale. Anyone transferring an animal must take steps to ensure they do not transfer an animal to an abuser. To the Judiciary Committee, Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.

Florida HB 1343/SB 1804: Would require an animal abuser register annually and pay a yearly fee. Judiciary Committee, Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.

Indiana HB 1370: Would establish a domestic violence registry that contains a record of individuals convicted of a crime of domestic violence including animal cruelty. First reading, referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.

Indiana SB 68: Would require an animal care facility to adopt policies and procedures that govern the return of lost or stray dogs and cats to the dog's or cat's owner. First reading, referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Kentucky SB 85: Proposed pet shop ban on the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits. Referred to Agriculture Committee.

Maryland HB 22, a carryover of HB 445: Would prohibit certain declawing or tendonectomy procedures unless necessary for a therapeutic purpose. Sent to Environment and Transportation Committee.

Utah HB 158: Would preempt local governments from limiting the sale of animals obtained from shelters or similar entities. Sent to House Rules Committee.

Virginia HB 373: Would amend existing law to authorize shelters to engage in TNR. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources.

Virginia SB 87 Would add cats to certain import provisions prohibiting dog breeders from importing dogs from breeders with certain AWA citations. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources.

Virginia SB 89 Would prohibit a pet shop from selling a dog or cat unless it has first been spayed or neutered. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources.

Washington, D.C. B24-0560 Proposed declawing prohibition, costs of seizure, and pet shop ban for cats, dogs, and aquatic turtles. Referred to Judiciary & Public Safety and Health Committees.

#### Local

Houston, TX: The Houston City Council, has unanimously passed a major revision to its animal ordinance, the first since 2014. All Houston ordinances are currently considered on an emergency basis allowing ordinances to be passed on the first reading. Dog and cat licensing was replaced with mandatory microchipping and registration. There will be an extensive education effort the first year before enforcement. A retail pet store sales ban allowing sales sourced from shelters and nonprofit organizations (not affiliated with breeders or breeding) will become effective after one year. Also included was the community cat concept, replacing sanctioned care limitations for feral cats only to programs for feral as well as socialized but unowned cats. Other substantive changes involve dogs.

Branson, MO rejected a proposed overhaul of the animal ordinance.

Pinellas County, FL adopted Ordinance 21-30 placing a one-year moratorium on expanding the number of retail pet shops selling cats or dogs while staff research the issue.

Caddo Parish, LA adopted mandatory spay/neuter with certain exceptions such as animals registered with nationally recognized organizations with proof of registration and participation in shows.

Horry County, SC ordinance addressing pet shop bans, breeding operations, confinement, and community cat care was adopted on 11/2/21.

Palm Springs, Riverside County, California had originally considered breeding restrictive amendments to its animal control ordinance in 2018, covered in the August 2018 issue of What's Hot, Will Palm Springs, CA be the next city to categorize in-home breeders as "backyard breeders?" The City Council passed a first reading in February 2020 that included a dogs/cats breeding permit for \$100, a year unaltered dog license for \$100 a year, \$500 fines for violations and more. It had been scheduled for a second reading in March 2020 when the staff removed it from the agenda to be postponed to a later date, presumably due to implementation of Covid procedures for the Council and public services. Quietly, the ordinance returned in April 2021 and passed with an unusual change attributed to advocacy, "The breeding permit shall authorize no more than three (3) dog or cat litters per domestic household in any thirty-six (36) month period, or the offering of a male dog or cat for stud three times in any thirty-six (36) month period. The dog or cat should, as much as practicable, have a twelve (12) month period between litters or the offering for stud." The 2020 version authorized only one litter or stud service per household in a one-year period.

The actual breeding permit in the 2021 ordinance remains a one-year permit renewable annually.

## 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 October 2021 CFA Board meeting:

- \* CFA e-Newsletter, October 2021, "Massachusetts Cat Breeder Licensing Legislation" by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. Massachusetts legislators are once again trying to regulate cat breeders with proposed Senate Bill 1322. Existing law requires breeder licensing. Dog owners with four or fewer dogs may voluntarily apply for a personal kennel license to avoid licensing each dog separately. However, they would be subject to inspections and other licensee requirements. Senate Bill 1322 defines a cattery as a premise maintaining a collection of cats for breeding with the offspring sold as household pets. Licensing would be required of personal catteries or kennels where "not less than 5 or more sexually-intact female dogs or cats are kept for the purpose of breeding the dogs or cats and [where they] sell the offspring as household pets." The bill would also add a new section charging the Department of Agriculture Resources with promulgating rules and regulations for licensed entities covering a wide variety of topics.
- \* CFA e-Newsletter, November 2021, "Federal and State Legislature Sites, Part 1" by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article was the first of two that provides fanciers with links to federal and state legislative information. This first part focused on why obtaining this information is crucial as well as providing links to about half the state web sites. While there is a great deal of legislative information available online not all of it is reliable. News accounts may only present one side of a story and few reporters are experts in animal law. Some reporters may not even read the proposed bill but rely on the "experts" who authored or sponsored the legislation. Those experts will

introduce their spin on why the bill is important. They will even gloss over or ignore the more controversial aspects of the bill, including elements that may be important to breeders and fanciers.

- \* CFA e-Newsletter, December 2021, "Federal and State Legislature Sites, Part 2." by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article was the second of two that provide fanciers with links to federal and state legislative information. The first part focused on why this information is crucial as well as providing links to about half the state web sites. This second part includes links to legislative information on the other states as well as discussion of information available through these web sites. The wealth of available information on the state legislature websites extends beyond the bill history. In addition the basic history information may be found as to the bill's committee assignment(s), text, amendments, status, and deadlines for action. Upcoming hearings may be noted with the opportunity for citizen comment.
- \* CFA e-Newsletter, January 2022, "2022 Ushers in the New and Out the Old: States in Session this Year and a Recap of 2021 Bills (CO, CT, HI, IL, MA, NH, NY, OK, TN, and UT)" by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. Many states have already begun new legislative sessions. Some still have business which may carry forward from 2021. This article provided a table showing the outcome of several selected bills we had been tracking in 2021.
- \* Cat Talk Almanac, October 2021, "State Breeder Laws Every Resident Fancier Should Know!" by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, Legislative Legal Analyst. This article is the 7th installment of the State Breeder Law Series. This installment covers the U.S. States of Region 1: Connecticut, Maine, Delaware, and Massachusetts. The laws take a varied path, with some regulating dogs and cats while others only regulate dog breeders. Some administer the laws at the state level, while others require that local jurisdictions administer and enforce the state mandates. Some states also spell out consumer protection provisions for animals purchased while others do not. This article is a starting place for readers in those states to begin their analysis of the law and determine whether and how it applies to them. This article is not intended as a legal review.

#### Meetings and Conferences:

VIRTUAL ONLY: 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). The 2021 event was entirely virtual. CFA remains a sponsor of the online event but at a reduced level.

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. Did not attend due to COVID-19 surge.

The Pet Industry Leadership Summit 2022, 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). Did not attend due to COVID-19 surge.

## Future Projections for Committee and Legislative Group:

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

HSUS Humane Care Expo, April 19-22, 2022, in Orlando, Florida. Our continuing CFA presence at the Expos each year gives us an opportunity to reinforce CFA's goal of promoting respect for all cats with an emphasis on public education. This conference provides positive networking with a variety of animal groups and leaders who are often unaware of our devotion to the welfare of cats and our common love of animals. It is uncertain whether CFA will be represented 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.

#### **Action Items**:

None at this time.

## **Time Frame:**

Ongoing.

# What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

*Updates and pending legislative matters.* 

Respectfully Submitted,

George J. Figenhauser, Jr., Chair

**Newkirk:** Next is the Legislative Committee. This would be a good time for Shelly to give us a ruling on what she was researching about the leaves of absence, so Shelly why don't you go ahead and do that? [transcript goes to Judging Program]

**Newkirk:** George, you're up for Legislative Committee, item #13. **Eigenhauser:** That's information only. There are no action items. Unless somebody has a question, I'm done. **Newkirk:** Let me look and see if anyone has any questions here. No hands are up.

## 14. EVERYCAT HEALTH FOUNDATION.



President: Vickie Fisher

Immediate Past President: Drew Weigner, DVM
President Elect: Dean Vicksman, DVM

Secretary: Steve Dale Treasurer: Kelly Bischoff

Board Members: George Eigenhauser (Liaison to CFA Board),

Brian Holub DVM

Executive Director: Jackie Ott Jaakola

EveryCat Staff: Alisa Salvaggio, Virginia Rud, RVT,

Whitney Armentor, Development Director

Veterinary Consultant: Dr. Philip Kass (UC Davis, College of Vet Med)

Veterinary Advisor: Dr. Melissa Kennedy (U. of Tenn., College of Vet Med)

Scientific Advisors: Karen Greenwood (Former Vice President of Project

Management, Kindred Biosciences, Inc., Burlingame,

California)

Dr. Tracey Williams (Senior Principal Scientist, Global Therapeutics Research, Zoetis, Kalamazoo, Michigan)
Dr. Kari Mundschenk (Professional Service Veterinarian,

IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., Westbrook, Maine)

Dr. Heidi Anderson (Senior Research and Development

Manager, Wisdom Health, Helsinki, Finland)

# Grant Review Program

- EveryCat held its annual Miller Trust grant review on October 26, 2021. A total of 15 proposals were received. The following are the research proposals approved by the Board for funding:
  - o *MT21-001*: "Impact of the secondary bile acid ursodeoxycholic acid (Ursodiol) on the feline gut microbiota and metabolome." Principal Investigator(s): Jenessa A. Winston, DVM, PhD, DACVIM; The Ohio State University.
  - o MT21-003: "The role of microbial indole catabolites of tryptophan in host-microbiome cross-talk in cats with chronic enteropathies." Principal Investigator: David Williams, University of Illinois.

- o MT21-005: "Prospective evaluation of unlicensed GS-441524-like antiviral therapy for treatment of feline infectious peritonitis." Principal Investigator: Samantha J.M. Evans, DVM, PhD, DACVP; The Ohio State University.
- o MT21-006: "The Prognostic Value of Circulating Galectin-3 in Feline Heart Failure." Principal Investigator: Ryan Fries, University of Illinois.
- o MT21-010: "Non-genetic enhancement of feline adipose mesenchymal stromal cell immunomodulation with adenosine-loaded nanoparticles." Principal Investigator(s): Natalia Vapniarsky, Boaz Arzi, Gang-yu Liu; University of California-Davis.
- o MT21-012: "Precision Medicine Genomics for Cats (using the new cat reference genome)." Principal Investigator: Leslie A. Lyons, PhD; University of Missouri.
- o MT21-013: "Investigating Pectus Excavatum in Cats Using Rigorous Phenotyping and Population-Scale High- Throughput Sequencing." Principal Investigator: Brian W Davis; Texas A&M University.
- o *MT21-014*: "Determining the genetics underlying diabetes mellitus in the domestic cat." Principal Investigator: Dr. Rory Todhunter; Cornell University.

We are grateful for the contribution of \$212,024.72 from the Miller Trust which funded these great projects.

- 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. The sponsoring companies have approved the award of larger dollar grants. The next review cycle will be in May, 2022.
- The call for proposals for our main EveryCat grant cycle is now closed. We received 41 proposals and look forward to the review and selection for award in March, 2022.

#### **Educational Programs**:

• EveryCat Health Foundation, in collaboration with Maddie's Shelter Medicine Program at the University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine, is hosting a feline-specific health symposium July 8 and 9, 2022 at the University of Florida, Gainesville. The program and speakers are still in the process of being finalized but the program will include a wide range of contemporary topics. The first day of the symposium will focus on FIP updates.

Presented as a hybrid event, this event will be open to the public and offer opportunities to engage with researchers and other prominent veterinary professionals in the world of feline medicine and behavior. In-person enrollment is limited to 150, on a first come, first served basis. Registration will open in early 2022. More details very soon.

## **Donor Programs**

- EveryCat's Cures4Cats Campaign kicked off in mid-September and culminated on our special Cures4Cats day, October 17. Antech Diagnostics sponsored a series of webinars relating to HCM and heart disease in cats that aired during the campaign. We are happy to report we received nearly \$45,000 from the campaign to be used for HCM research!
- Our year end appeal kicked off with Giving Tuesday, which raised very close to \$10,000, and proceeded with additional appeals resulting in an additional \$130,000 through the end of December (with more to come).
- A huge thanks to all the cat loving donors around the world for supporting feline health research!!!

## **Upcoming Events**

• Our outreach efforts continue with scheduled appearances at veterinary conferences, expos and cat shows. We welcome invitations from cat clubs who want to help "spread the word" by handing out our brochures and swag, placing our advertisement in the show catalog (found on CFA website), or hold a special raffle for us (we might be able to help with a raffle item, too).

We never tire of extending our most sincere 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.

EveryCat Board of Directors By: Vickie Fisher, President www.everycat.org

**Newkirk:** We'll move on to the next, which is the EveryCat Health Foundation. George, that is also you. **Eigenhauser:** That is also for information only. There are no action items. **Newkirk:** Any questions for George?

## 15. <u>INTERNATIONAL DIVISION</u>.

#### **ID-MAINLAND CHINA**

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

## Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

On the progress of the WeChat App for the online entry system it is still being investigated.

## **Current Happenings of Committee:**

Shows & NGO Filings in 2021, China had shows in Chongqing, Chengdu, Jia'Shan and Hangzhou. In addition, Hainan province was successfully filed: however due to Covid clusters since November, the location has yet had a chance to produce a show. Starting in November, due to Delta Omicron clusters and the upcoming Chinese New Year January 31<sup>st</sup> -Mid February, show productions have significantly reduced to about 1-2 shows per month on average. We expect to see significant rise in show numbers starting in March as long as Covid situation is relatively stable. Last but not least, a few cities including Shanghai are still being worked on at the moment.

The International Division Award Banquet was held at Chengdu Hilton Hotel on November 5,2021 with a great turnout. The event had over 20 Cat product/ service companies attending and more than 75% of the China awards were picked up in person. The event gave a muchneeded boost to our Chinese fanciers' morale and was equally important marketing wise to liaison with industry players and companies.

We are currently pending an additional web service to synch CFA entry system data to the WeChat APP. As it was consulted with James Simbro, the additional web service cost estimated by CFA vendor would bring us just slightly over the board approved budget. James shall bring forth the budget issue separately in his report.

#### Future Projections for Committee:

New update on the WeChat App.

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

None

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

*Updates on where we are in shows and programs.* 

Respectfully Submitted, Russell Webb, Chair

Newkirk: Next is #15, which is the International Division. Kenny Currle, you're recognized. Currle: I'm not sure if Russell is in the participants' audience or not. If I can bring him in to say something or if there are any questions that somebody may have for his particular portion. I would like to offer the same to Bob Zenda, that he is also in the participants' audience. Newkirk: Russell is there. Allene, can you promote Russell? Tartaglia: I've got Bob and I'll promote Russell right now. Newkirk: OK, thank you. Tartaglia: They both should be here any second. Newkirk: Are you there, Russell? Webb: Yep, I'm here. Newkirk: How about you start and then we'll go to Bob. Webb: The report was just an update on what is happening in China, so unless there are any questions. You guys read everything. Newkirk: I don't see any questions there.

## ASIA (OUTSIDE OF CHINA)

Committee Chair: Bob Zenda

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Newkirk: Bob, is yours in a separate report? Zenda: Yes, and thanks for the opportunity. Melanie had sent me a message saying that she had heard there were some changes to show scheduling in Asia and asked if I could explain to the board what was going on. Have you all had a chance to read the documents that Rachel put up? I was trying to provide the answer and all the information about what has been going on in ID-Asia, particularly in Malaysia. If you have not, I'll go through it. Morgan: I can wait until Bob goes through it, whichever is easiest. Newkirk: Why don't we let Bob do what the plan is, and then there may be some questions as a result of that. Zenda: You really have to get back to the background of it. The board may not be aware of exactly how this all happened and how the scheduling works in Asia [reads report].

#### Show Scheduling in ID-Asia:

Some of the current BOD may not be aware of the some of the history of show scheduling in ID-Asia, so a little background might be useful.

Several years ago, when Pam DelaBar was CFA President, Darrell Newkirk was the ID Chair and I (Bob Zenda) was the Asia Liaison, Nadia Jaffar (Singapore) was appointed as the ID Show Scheduler and she continues to serve in that position today. The concept was that clubs desiring to license shows would contact her in advance to reserve date(s) and whenever a different club desired the same date within 600 miles of the reserved date(s) they were put on a waiting list. That system worked very well and there were very few conflicts that could not be worked out through communication and compromise. Then came the pandemic when everything came to a screeching halt.

When COVID restrictions began to loosen a bit in Thailand and Hong Kong (the only two countries with CFA Judges), clubs again began requesting show dates. At that point CFA Vice President Rich Mastin, who was also in charge of the Show Sponsorship \$\$ Program, wanted a procedure in place that would ensure that any show licensed by CFA would be in full compliance with all Government COVID rules and restrictions in any country where a show was proposed.

Thus, Matthew Wong and I were tasked to verify that this policy was being followed before any CFA show in ID Asia (except China) was licensed. We did that by requiring clubs to provide detailed information on how their shows would be conducted to comply with local government requirements, and the CFA Central Office began referring all show license requests to Matthew and I for approval before issuing a show license. That process is still in place, and it happens in the background.

After the CFA Associate Judges were approved for Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore, activity started increasing dramatically, particularly in Malaysia.

**Zenda:** This seemed like a really, really good thing because hey, we wanted to keep visibility and let our new associates get busy and keep the shows going and start the shows going again in all those areas. [continues to read report]

However, things got a bit out of hand when three clubs outside Malaysia reserved all of the 13 available weekends during February thru April with Nadia, making it virtually impossible for any actual club in Malaysia to book a show.

As a result, I issued a Show Scheduling message (see below) that continued to allow clubs to reserve show dates anywhere they desired, but that priority for any show date for any country in ID, Asia will be given to CFA clubs in the country where the show will be held whenever a conflict exists.

I also stated that if the group(s) of people actually organizing these shows on the ground in Malaysia (licensed by club outside Malaysia) wanted the privilege of hosting CFA shows, they should apply to become a CFA club.

That's it in a nutshell.

**Zenda:** Of course, what that did, it caused at least one conflict where we had to bump somebody who had a show date reserved for a club in Borneo, actually, and give it to the club in Malaysia. There have been a couple other conflicts, but we resolved them since my message, because what it has done is it has caused them to start communicating and we have been able to work out any other difficulties thus far for the rest of the season. It turned out that the 13 dates that were booked by the clubs in Hong Kong, Borneo and China are actually being run by two different people, Benny and Eric. If we didn't do something about it, there's absolutely no incentive for them to do anything about forming a CFA club. I told them if they wanted the privilege of hosting CFA shows, they should become a CFA club. So, actually, that's where it's at right now.

**Morgan:** First, I really want to thank Bob and Matthew who I think has been working with Bob for all the hard work they're doing. I know it's a complicated scenario out there. I appreciate the update on the scheduling issues. I don't necessarily have any issue with these guidelines, and it's certainly not my intention to question their decisions. They're the ones who are down there in the trenches, for sure. My concern is that if these individuals in good faith were following the existing protocol that we had for show scheduling and requesting dates, and they were given the impression that they had an approved spot, they may – and I emphasize "may" because it may not be the case but I think we should look into it – they may have already

committed resources in anticipation of their upcoming shows, given the fact they thought they had approval. So, they could have show-related expenses, they could have already secured sponsors, etc., so while I wouldn't presume to question the choice to implement this policy, and I think in fact it's a good policy, I worry that applying it with an effective immediately date may cause undue hardships on clubs if those outlays have already been made for shows that they thought they had dates approved. I just wanted to make sure that this was not the case in the situation and I appreciate the update to the board in terms of a policy change. I thought you did a really fabulous job with that Bob. Thank you very, very much. **DelaBar:** I have to agree with Mel on several of the points she made. Malaysia, I understand, did have approval from the show scheduler. Malaysia is still under COVID restrictions, so judges from Thailand cannot go to Malaysia, cannot go to Indonesia, and that is one of the reasons that they're using their Associate Judges so well, except for the fact, one thing that I am hearing coming out of Malaysia is, there is a great deal of dissatisfaction over the way that the shows are formatted, and that's 3 longhair rings, 2 shorthair rings. The shorthair exhibitors are basically not getting their money's worth. They feel that things are stacked against them by that one extra ring for longhairs being able to amass points for divisional wins, when the shorthairs cannot have that. I definitely know about scheduling process, but in agreement with Mel I believe that we should have had a 1 May effective date on this, rather than effective immediately. Clubs put out money for show halls, they put out money for rosettes, they contract with sponsors. I would recommend looking more at evening the show formats immediately. Colilla: I know it's a fact that they incurred expenses for the shows in Malaysia, like chairs, tables and they have sponsors already, so this is just information for you folks to decide what we can do with this. Thank you.

Currle: Bob was faced with a situation that arose out of us allowing these Associate Judges in and he tried to mitigate this and be as fair as possible, which I certainly appreciate and I think we all do. This was an unintended consequence and he is handling this the best that he possibly can. It may be mitigated pretty much immediately, so we are faced with a situation. Perhaps the Associate Committee in the Judging Program could delve a little deeper into this problem, but there's always going to be problems when all you have are specialty judges over there at this particular point. We still become somewhat relevant. We would like, in a perfect world, to be able to get back to where we were but we're doing the best that we possibly can. Fairness is something we have to agree upon and I think in this case Bob did the best that he possibly could. I want to thank him publicly for doing just that.

**Zenda:** Let me address the couple of issues that Melanie and Pam talked about. There was only one conflict where someone had spent a lot of money, and that was for the 19<sup>th</sup> of March show and we worked it out. The minute I sent my message out, Hafidz from the Malaysian cat club sent out an olive branch message to all of the folks and said, "hey, we understand what you've done and we don't want to cause that much disruption. We'll be happy to work with you and even help you license your shows." Well, none of them bid on that. They wanted to stay with the Hong Kong license and the China license and the Borneo license. So, the one conflict we did have as on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March, and so I got together with Hafidz and he got together with them and he said, since they had already invested the money – and this is the only club that had at this point in time – invested the money in that show and one on the 26<sup>th</sup> of March, they would graciously give up those dates and support the show any way they can. There are no other conflicts at this point, through the end of this show season so that thing was solved and we started communications.

**Zenda:** The other issue happens to be with the 3 longhair Associate Judges and only 2 shorthair Associate Judges, because one of the shorthair nominees didn't complete the program. So, the issue is that the clubs are deciding what kind of a format they want to put on and they are using all 5 of those judges – 3 longhairs and 2 shorthairs, except for the Malaysian Cat Fanciers which is going to have 2 and 2. So, I don't think we can do a heck of a lot with that at this point and until travel again is possible within those regions, we're kind of stuck with that. I just don't see us dictating to a club, "hey, you can only use 2 and 2" or whatever it is, but that would be something you may want to consider. **Hannon:** As I understand the process – it's not new – they had to first get the show authorized by the show scheduler for the ID outside of China. The second step was to get Bob and Matthew to agree to it. It sounds like Bob and Matthew had not agreed to all these 13 shows yet. If that's the case, then these clubs that committed the funds hadn't gotten the approval process yet. They jumped the gun. They paid for chairs, show halls, rosettes, whatever, yet they didn't have Bob and Matthew's approval. Newkirk: Mark, I think that that conflict has all been resolved. Is that correct, Bob? **Zenda:** Yes. At this point in time, we don't have another conflict through the end of the show season. They all understand and we have worked out the two shows that are going to be held by those clubs outside of the region. DelaBar: We have allowed in the International Division for a long time to have the other country clubs sponsor shows within the International Division. Whether, like if Hong Kong is sponsoring something Malaysia. Malaysia has always been sort of a touchy point because it has been the breeding ground of southeast Asia for a certain organization that we do not bring up in open meetings because they have judges right in Malaysia who are doing everything that they can to subvert our activities in Malaysia, but we have had no problems with that previously. As I said, my problem is when you put in a new policy and make it effective immediately, I hope you have all your ducks in line. Make sure everybody is covered. I still am concerned. Nothing says that all Associate Judges have to be used at every show. I really encourage you to consider being very fair with your formats and evening up with your longhair and shorthair formats. I'll bring the other question up in executive session on the judges, but by all means please, please consider that because it's really getting a negative connotation within Malaysia. Newkirk: Well Pam, how do you suggest they do that? They've got 3 longhair and 2 shorthair. DelaBar: They don't have to use all three longhairs. **Newkirk:** One of the shorthair people didn't complete the course. **Delabar:** For reasons I will bring up in executive session, Darrell, and I'm not going to do it now, but you do not have to use all three longhair judges at every show. Newkirk: I don't think Bob is asking for the board to micromanage what they do in Malaysia. DelaBar: I am bringing up what has been brought to me as a big concern within one of our ID countries. I'm bringing that forward so people know there is a problem, and if it should come back and bite us in the butt later, at least we have been informed. Newkirk: I look forward to seeing what you present, Pam.

**Newkirk:** Bob, do you have anything else to add? **Zenda:** No. My only concern, there is a real concern that the shorthair people are getting short changed because there's 3 longhair and 2 shorthair rings at every one of those in those other shows that are being held in Malaysia. But, I don't think we have the authority to dictate to the clubs that are sponsoring and licensing the show on what kind of format they use. Unfortunately, that's what we're stuck with at this point in time unless the board wants to, again, get in there and make some kind of a ruling. Thank you.

**Newkirk:** Anybody have any questions for Bob or Kenny or Russell? OK, thank you guys. Continue the great work you do over there. Bob, if you and Russell will go back to the attendees. **Zenda:** I'm also involved in the club applications and a show rule issue, so I can

either stay on or come in and out. **Newkirk:** That's fine. Both you guys stay on. I forgot that's next on the agenda. Anybody else for the ID Committee Report? I see no hands up.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Zenda, Chair CFA International Division, Asia (except China)

#### Fwd: Show Scheduling in ID, Asia

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Hello Everyone,

This message applies to all the clubs in ID, Asia and is intended to correct a specific situation that currently exists in Malaysia but could well occur elsewhere. It also serves as a reminder that clubs must reserve show dates with Nadia (our hard-working ID show scheduler/coordinator) before submitting the show license package to CFA and requesting approval of Matthew and myself.

Thirteen (13) of the weekends available during February through April were reserved/blocked with Nadia by clubs outside of Malaysia, making it virtually impossible for any actual CFA club in Malaysia to hold a CFA show.

#### Specifically:

A CFA club in Hong Kong reserved/blocked six (6) weekends in Malaysia A CFA club in Indonesia reserved/blocked four (4) weekends in Malaysia A CFA club in China reserved/blocked three (3) weekends in Malaysia

While I applaud what I believe are probably well-meaning efforts to maintain CFA visibility and activity during these trying times where travel between countries in ID Asia is not permitted, it is not fair to the CFA Clubs in Malaysia to permit others who do not have a CFA club to organize shows in conflict with any date desired by the Malaysian clubs.

If the people who are actually organizing these shows on the ground in Malaysia want the privilege of hosting a CFA show, they should apply to become a CFA club.

Clubs may continue to request that Nadia reserve show dates anywhere they desire; however, effective immediately, priority for any show date in any country in ID, Asia (except China) will be given to CFA Clubs in the country where the show will be held whenever a conflict exists. This does not affect any show that has already been licensed by CFA or has already submitted a complete show license package with all contracts and fees paid to CFA as of January 30, 2022.

I regret any inconvenience this may cause and apologize for my lack of cognizance or coordination with Nadia to recognize and better understand this situation earlier.

I have also asked Nadia to provide everyone with updated policy & instructions governing responsibilities of all clubs in ID, Asia to submit show date reservation requests.

v/r,

Bob Zenda, Chair CFA International Division, Asia (except China)

#### 16. <u>NEW CLUB APPLICATIONS.</u>

Committee Chair: Carol Krzanowski

#### **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 Resignations

Two clubs indicated to Central Office that they are resigning from CFA membership: KingPower Cat Lover Club, International Division - China; and San Francisco Revelers, Region 2.

*Motion:* Accept with regret the resignation of KingPower Cat Lover Club, effective December 18, 2021.

**Newkirk:** Let's move to club applications, and that's Carol Krzanowski. **Krzanowski:** Thank you Darrell. Before we go on to the new club applications, there are two club resignations that we are aware of. I have motions, and they are to accept them. It's strictly a formality but I would like it to be on record. The first motion is to accept with regret the resignation of King Power Cat Club, effective December 18, 2021. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Any debate? Any objections? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, with regret we accept the resignation of King Power Cat Club.

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

Motion: Accept with regret the resignation of San Francisco Revelers, effective January 6, 2022.

**Krzanowski:** My second motion is to accept with regret the resignation of San Francisco Revelers, effective January 6, 2022. **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you George. **Eigenhauser:** With regrets. **Newkirk:** Yes, no kidding. That's big news. That's a big club or has been in the past anyway. Any debate? Any objection to accepting with regret the resignation of San Francisco Revelers? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, the resignation is accepted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

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

## New Club Applicants

Four clubs were pre-noticed for membership (Attachment A). The applicants are:

- 1. Exotics Fans Club, International Division Asia; Bob Zenda, Chair
- 2. Hong Kong Cats, International Division Asia; Bob Zenda, Chair

- 3. Hong Kong Devon Rex Society, International Division Asia; Bob Zenda, Chair
- 4. Starboard Cat Club, Region 8; Yukiko Hayata, Regional Director

#### Club Statistics Pertaining to New Club Applicants (Attachment B)

Dick Kallmeyer has provided statistics, along with 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 (note the height of the green column for one of the new clubs could not be controlled), existing clubs with shows are indicated in red, and existing clubs with no shows are indicated in black. Many thanks to Dick Kallmeyer for once again providing this valuable information.

The first three new club applicants are all located in Hong Kong but in different districts. Ma On Shan is located in the Sha Tin District of the New Territories, Mong Kok is an area in Kowloon, and Tai Po District is in the New Territories. Currently we have 11 clubs in Hong Kong, nine of which have produced shows within the past few seasons. It is interesting to note that Hong Kong registrations are about 80 percent of those in Region 5, Southern California. For comparison purposes, Hong Kong's population is 7.5 million vs. Southern California's population of 24 million.

**Newkirk:** Go ahead, Carol. **Krzanowski:** Moving on to the new club applications, I will make a standing motion to accept the new club applicants, reserving the right to vote no. The first three club applicants are located in different districts of Hong Kong, which has a total population of 7.5 million. Currently, we have 11 existing clubs in Hong Kong, and 9 of them have produced shows within the past few seasons. While there is membership cross-over between the Exotic Fans Club and the Hong Kong Cats, the two clubs have distinctly different philosophies, goals and business models.

The fourth new club applicant is located in Japan Region where we currently have 79 clubs, 23 of which have produced shows since 2018. There are five clubs in Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, and one of these clubs has produced a show within the past few seasons. There is also a show-producing club in Kasugai, which is located in the Aichi Prefecture.

# Exotics Fans Club (Attachment C) International Division - Asia; Ma On Shan, Hong Kong Bob Zenda, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 14 members. Two officers and two directors are officers and directors on the Hong Kong Cats club application. Several members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members exhibit pedigreed cats or household pets. Some members have show production and clerking experience, two members are CFA Judges and two are retired CFA Judges. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to conduct breeding seminars and clerking schools, and produce four shows a year in Hong Kong. The club's primary focus will be to encourage and educate new breeders of pedigreed cats. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to volunteer animal rescue associations. This club was pre-noticed and no negative

letters have been received. The International Division - Asia Chair and the International Division Representative support this club.

**Krzanowski:** The first application is Exotics Fans Club. This club is located in Ma On Shan in the Sha Tin District of the New Territories of Hong Kong. Ma On Shan is a new town on the east coast of Tolo Harbour. The Sha Tin District is situated generally in the central area Hong Kong and has a population of 660,000. Several members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, and some have show production and clerking experience. Two members are CFA Judges, two are retired CFA Judges, and the remaining members exhibit pedigreed cats or household pets. This club's main goal is to attract new breeders and promote responsible breeding of pedigreed cats. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to produce four shows a year in Hong Kong, as well as conduct clerking schools and breeding seminars. The International Division Chair, International Division – Asia Subcommittee Chair and the International Division Representative all support this club.

Wilson: When these clubs were first announced in the CFA News, I wrote to Carol and asked her why there were two clubs with the same president and secretary, just reversed – so the president of one is secretary of the other and vice versa. It was interesting to read the membership and the reasons why they want to do this, but I guess I don't quite really understand it. So, Exotics Fans has 5 members listed that are in the U.S. and they have members that are in Kowloon, Hong Kong, New Territories and Mong Kok. They give us one of the reasons that they want it spread out a little bit. Hong Kong is a big city and this allows more people to become members or whatever, and that they want to exist to do different things, and yet each of them is saying – I realize I'm speaking to both the first two – that they want each one to put on 4 shows a year, which is 8 shows. That's wonderful. There are not a lot of judges in Hong Kong. Did we not get any feedback at all from any of the other clubs in Hong Kong? I guess I'm struggling with why you need two different clubs to put on 4 shows each, when the membership is either half in the U.S. or is already spread out all over Hong Kong. It's not like it's a new area of the entire Hong Kong metropolitan area, so I would just like some information on that. Newkirk: Howard, will you let Carol address that and then I'll call on you. Krzanowski: Thank you Darrell. I did not receive any input from the existing Hong Kong clubs. I did do a lot of follow up with these club applicants. I requested on several occasions that they submit reasons why they felt they could contribute to CFA, and I was concerned about the cross-membership. I also contacted Matthew and Bob Zenda to get their input about these clubs, and also Kenny, as the ID Chair. They all support them. It's not unusual to have members from outside of a particular country or, in the U.S., a particular state as a member of a club, so as far as that goes, that's not concerning to me at all. I think that the difference between these clubs is that one wants to promote more of the Household Pet/Premiership type of thing. They are geared toward just kind of trying to bring in new people into the cat fancy on that level. The Exotics Fans Club, they are more interested in promoting responsible breeding of pedigreed cats. They have different business models, they have different sponsors lined up already. I don't know what else I can add about it. I did not receive any particular objections to any of these clubs. Perhaps Bob Zenda and Matthew can both add some thoughts about these particular applicants. **Newkirk:** Howard? Webster: It was by accident. Calhoun: I just wonder if the goals of the two clubs – the Exotics Fans Club and Hong Kong Cats – why do those goals require separate clubs? They don't seem to be mutually exclusive. You can't do both, so I'm just not clear on why their business models are driving their requests for two clubs at the same time. Morgan: I actually had almost exactly the

same questions both Annette and Kathy had when I read these clubs' applications, and I spoke to a couple of the proposed members of these clubs to try to get some clarification. While I understand exactly where you're coming from, Kathy, about why does this need to be two different clubs to do this, I think that we need to take into consideration the cultures that we're dealing with and given different business models, as Carol mentioned, I actually think there may be a place for these clubs. I think it's unfortunate that all three of the applications that are coming through here, and certainly these first two, came through at the same time. I think had they come through in subsequent meetings, we probably would have applauded the fact that we are adding access to our CFA stable of positive clubs, but because they are coming up right in front of each other, it's kind of like really obvious that, wait a minute, some of these same people are playing ball. I actually think in this instance the fact that we're not getting any objections from the existing clubs and that both Bob and Kenny are supporting these as well garners my support for them, which I went into this not thinking I would give, but the research that I did gave me a much better feel and understanding of where they're coming from. Although while I might not agree with that here in the U.S., we need to start thinking globally and recognizing different approaches. I think that comes into play here. **Newkirk:** Thank you Melanie. Anybody else?

Newkirk: You have a standing motion for these clubs, Carol? Krzanowski: Yes, I do have a standing motion but I don't believe we've had a second. Newkirk: That's what I'm asking. Eigenhauser: Can I make a standing second to all of them, again reserving the right to vote no. Newkirk: George, thank you. So, we have a motion maker and a second motion maker that are standing for all four of these clubs. Any further debate on club #1, Exotics Fans Club? Wong: Just a bit more background. I did speak to Alex Luk, who is founding this Exotics Fans Club. His approach is 20-something. He is cat breeding in Exotics and is very breed-focused. As was mentioned, he will be very focused on the Exotic standard breeding. I also know he lined up some sponsors, probably adding more high end and people who are wanting to really go into breeding and showing cats. The second Hong Kong club is by Gloria. She has been showing mainly Premiership. She participates in pretty much all the cat events in Hong Kong from fun shows to CFA shows. She wants to bring in more of the casual Household Pet, Premier, nonbreeding crowd. So, while the number of participants will be a little shorter, but they do have very different philosophies. I can imagine they will put on very different shows in terms of style, standard and sponsor. After further thinking, I support that they should go a separate way in terms of forming two different clubs. Newkirk: Thank you Matthew for adding that input. We appreciate it. I'll go ahead and call for the vote on Exotics Fans Club. Raise your hand if you're a yes.

#### Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, John Colilla, Rich Mastin, Pam Moser, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, Melanie Morgan, Annette Wilson, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Sharon Roy, Hayata-san and Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please. No no-votes, Rachel. Abstentions? No abstentions. I didn't see your hand raised, Rachel. **Anger:** I was waiting to speak. I was trying to vote yes, but taking the votes at the same time. It all happened very quickly. I have 16 yes votes, zero no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. The motion is agreed to.

# Hong Kong Cats (Attachment D) International Division - Asia; Mong Kok, Kowloon, Hong Kong Bob Zenda, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 12 members. Two officers and two directors are officers and directors on the Exotics Fans club application, and another officer is a member on that application. Several members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members exhibit pedigreed cats or household pets. Some members have show production and clerking experience, and two members are CFA Judges. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to conduct educational seminars and clerking schools, and produce four shows a year in Hong Kong. The club's primary focus will be to promote exhibiting in premiership and household pet classes. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to the Hong Kong Dogs and Cats Rescue Association. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - Asia Chair and the International Division Representative support this club.

Newkirk: Let's move on to #2, Hong Kong Cats. Carol? Krzanowski: The next application is Hong Kong Cats, which we have already discussed somewhat in conjunction with the first club application. This club is located in Mong Kok in the Kowloon area of Hong Kong. Mong Kok is very densely populated and is one of the major shopping areas of Hong Kong. Kowloon has a population of 2.1 million and is situated generally in the southern area of Hong Kong north of Hong Kong Island across Victoria Harbour. Several members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, and some have show production and clerking experience. Two members are CFA Judges, and the remaining members exhibit pedigreed cats or household pets. This club's main goal is to attract new fanciers and promote exhibiting in the premiership and household pet classes. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to produce four shows a year in Hong Kong, as well as conduct clerking schools and educational seminars. The International Division Chair, International Division – Asia Subcommittee Chair and the International Division Representative all support this club. Newkirk: Any comments on this one? No comments? OK, I'll call for the vote. All those in favor, raise your hand.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, John Colilla, Carol Krzanowski, Pam Moser, Pam DelaBar, Melanie Morgan, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, Sharon Roy, Howard Webster, Rachel Anger. If you will take your hands down, the no votes? Annette Wilson is a no vote. If you will take your hand down, thank you Annette. Any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** That's 15 yes votes, 1 no vote, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much.

Hong Kong Devon Rex Society (Attachment E) International Division - Asia; Tai Po, N.T., Hong Kong Bob Zenda, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 18 members. One officer is an officer and/or director for three other CFA clubs, two officers are each currently officers and/or

directors for two other CFA clubs, and one officer is an officer in one other CFA club. Three members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members exhibit household pets. Three members have show production experience, one is a licensed Certified Clerk and one is a licensed Master Clerk. This is an allbreed club with a special interest in Devon Rex. If accepted, the club plans conduct educational seminars and produce one or two shows a year in Hong Kong. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to local animal-related charitable organizations. This club was prenoticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - Asia Chair and the International Division Representative support this club.

Newkirk: Let's move on to the next one. Carol? Krzanowski: The third application is from Hong Kong Devon Rex Society. This club is located in Tai Po, a district in the New Territories of Hong Kong. Tai Po District has a population of over 300,000 and is situated generally in the central area of Hong Kong, just to the north of the Sha Tin District. Three members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, three have show production experience, one is a licensed Certified Clerk and one is a licensed Master Clerk. The remaining members exhibit household pets. This club's main goal is to promote interest in the Devon Rex breed by conducting breed specific activities and seminars. They also wish to participate in the Ambassador Program to help attract new fanciers and encourage interest in CFA. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to produce one or two shows a year in Hong Kong. The International Division Chair, International Division — Asia Subcommittee Chair and the International Division Representative all support this club. Newkirk: Any debate on accepting this club? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor please raise your hand.

#### Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Howard Webster, Melanie Morgan, Pam DelaBar, George Eigenhauser, Rachel Anger, Kathy Calhoun, John Colilla, Carol Krzanowski, Hayata-san, Kenny Currle, Pam Moser, Cathy Dunham, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin. You can take your hands down. Anyone wanting to vote no? No no-votes Rachel. Anyone abstaining? No abstentions. You can announce the vote, Rachel, when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** That's 16 yes votes, zero no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to. Welcome to the club.

# Starboard Cat Club (Attachment F) Region 8; Nagoya, Japan Yukiko Hayata, Director

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 17 members. Two officers are officers of other CFA clubs, three directors are each officers and/or directors of two other CFA clubs, and one member is a member of another CFA club. Ten members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, and the remaining members are actively exhibiting pedigreed cats. Five members have show production experience, and one member is a licensed Master Clerk. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to conduct grooming seminars and produce one show a year in Nagoya or Tokyo. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a local animal-related charitable organization. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The Japan Regional Director supports this club.

**Newkirk:** Carol? **Krzanowski:** The final application is from Starboard Cat Club. This club is located in Nagoya, the capital of Aichi Prefecture in Japan. Nagoya is situated between Tokyo and Osaka and with a population of 2.3 million, it is the third most populated city in Japan. We currently have five existing clubs in Nagoya, and one has produced a show within the past few seasons. Ten members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors, five have show production experience, and one is a licensed Master Clerk. The remaining members exhibit pedigreed cats. This club's main goal is to promote cat shows and CFA in Nagoya to attract new interest in CFA and the world of pedigreed cats and cat shows. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to produce one show a year in Nagoya or Tokyo, as well as conduct grooming seminars. The Japan Regional Director supports this club. Newkirk: Hayata-san, would you like to speak to this club? Hayata: Yes. I think that Mrs. Kaji the secretary is a Persian cat breeder. She is an exhibitor and also master clerk. She is showing many times in Tokyo but she wants to have a cat show in Nagoya, I think. So, I recommend very much having this cat club there in Nagoya. I'm sorry, my English is so bad. Do you understand what I mean? I hope you understand. She wants to travel to Tokyo and have club members also. I think she has friends, club members, in Kyoto, Nagoya. It's closer. They are going to Tokyo by Shinkansen, so that I think they want to have a show in Nagoya often, I think. Thank you very much. Wilson: Carol, in the actual application packet, the PDF file, the application is signed but it's not completed. Am I not seeing something? Krzanowski: I'm not sure what you're saying. Wilson: I'm saying, where you include the applications? Krzanowski: Yes. Wilson: OK, it's blank except that it's signed. Krzanowski: It's blank? Wilson: Yes. Krzanowski: I wish someone had contacted me. Wilson: Does anybody else see it? Maybe it's me, but I can read the others. Moser: I agree with Annette. I saw that too. It's all blank except for the signature. Krzanowski: Someone should have said something. Wilson: I just saw it now. I just saw it now. Moser: I had seen it earlier. I just didn't – Wilson: It's OK, I just want to make sure. Krzanowski: I can read it to you. Wilson: No, I just want to make sure you actually got a completed one. Krzanowski: Oh, I do have it, yes. Wilson: I'm good with that. Krzanowski: Let me just go through it really briefly. There are actually 18 members of the club. Wilson: You don't have to read them. Not for me. Krzanowski: No, I'm not going to read all of that, but I just wanted to say, all of their information was in order. I don't know what might have happened with the file, but it's a shame no one brought it to my attention sooner. I could have sent it out to you. There are members that are involved in other clubs, but not that many of them. Otherwise, everything was in order. Newkirk: Thank you Carol. [Secretary's Note: The application as originally provided to the Board of Directors was complete. The blanks are due to individual users' system irregularities.]

**Newkirk:** Any more debate on acceptance of Starboard Cat Club? OK, if you're in favor of accepting this club, please raise your hand.

#### Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Kenny Currle, Mark Hannon, Melanie Morgan, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Hayata-san, Pam DelaBar, Annette Wilson, John Colilla, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Cathy Dunham, Howard Webster, Rachel Anger, Kathy Calhoun and Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, I think that's everybody but I'll call for the no votes and I'll call for the abstentions. OK, no abstentions. If you will announce the vote, Rachel. Anger: That's 16 yes votes, zero no votes, zero abstentions. Newkirk: That club is accepted. The motion is agreed to.

# **Future Projections for Committee:**

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

# Time Frame:

February 2022 to June 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

#### 17. **SHOW RULES.**

Committee Chair: Monte Phillips
Liaison to Board: Carol Krzanowski

List of Committee Members: Cathy Dunham, Kathy Gumm, Shirley Michaud-Dent

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

The Committee has reviewed and prepared show rule proposals to address the exceptions that were put in place for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 show seasons, and whether those exceptions should be extended into the 2022-2023 show season, or in a couple of cases, made permanent show rule changes.

# **Current Happenings of Committee:**

Updating rules based on Board requests.

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

The committee will be preparing a new handout for publication on the CFA website to identify show rules that are modified or not in effect for the 2022-2023 show season only, and updating the rules associated with that season based on proposals passed over the course of the last year that are to take effect with the beginning of the 2022-2023 season, which starts on April 29th, 2022.

Newkirk: The next committee report is Show Rules. Carol, that's you. Krzanowski: Monte is one of the attendees. Perhaps Allene can promote him. Newkirk: That's what I was just getting ready to ask her to do. Tartaglia: I'm promoting him right now. Krzanowski: In the meantime, I will make a standing motion to approve all the action items, reserving the right to vote no. Newkirk: Anybody want to make a standing second? Currle: Kenny makes a standing section. Newkirk: Kenny, thank you. OK, go ahead. Monte, are you ready? Phillips: I'm ready. Newkirk: Monte, hang on a minute. Pam DelaBar has a comment. [Transcript goes to item #12 in this report.]

#### **Action Items:**

1 – Extend exception to Show Rules 3.09, 3.10, and 3.11 - Due to the COVID19 virus pandemic and for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 show seasons only, judges under contract with shows already licensed were allowed to cancel their contract up to six weeks prior to the opening day of the show and may exhibit at a show that weekend. We recommend these exceptions be extended for the 2022-2023 show season as well as shows have still not recovered from the pandemic rules affecting the ability to obtain venues and requirements on spacing/contact within them.

**Newkirk:** Alright Monte, you're on. **Phillips:** Alright, let's start off with #1. This is the extension we have that's been in effect for the last two show seasons due to COVID-19 regarding judges being able to basically change assignments or decline assignments as a result of

COVID. There's another issue here that has come up that I hope somebody is going to address, and that's that a judge that used this exemption to actually go and enter a show, but that's a different issue. I hope that comes up. Anyway, this extension would extend it to the 2022-2023 show season. COVID is still around and things haven't changed much. In this particular location, Cook County for example, you can't go to anything without showing your vaccination card and ID. If you don't have one, you don't get in. **Morgan:** I understand COVID is still around. I suspect it will be around for the foreseeable future. That said, we are moving forward with shows thankfully, thanks to the hard work of our clubs out there and our exhibitors. While I was a huge advocate of this particular exception initially, I don't see a reason to extend this exception at this time. If judges feel safe enough to go out and exhibit, then I think that they may or may not feel safe enough to go and judge. If they don't, that they shouldn't be using that particular exception as an opportunity to circumvent the Show Rules, so I do not support this. **Newkirk:** Anybody else? Are you ready for the vote? We have a standing motion and a standing second, is that correct? **Anger:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Alright, so I'll call the vote on action item #1. All those in favor of extending the exception of Show Rules 3.09, 3.10 and 3.11 due to COVID, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Currle, Hayata and Dunham voting yes.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Kenny Currle, Hayata-san, Cathy Dunham. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hands. The no votes are Mark Hannon, Rachel Anger, Melanie Morgan, Howard Webster, Sharon Roy, Pam DelaBar, Pam Moser, Annette Wilson, John Colilla, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Kathy Calhoun. If you will take your hands down, abstentions? No abstentions. You can announce the vote, Rachel. **Anger:** That's 3 yes votes, 13 no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is not agreed to. Just as a housekeeping, I don't think Russell and Bob need to be on the panel. I think their business is conducted unless there's a show rule coming up that they need to address. **Zenda:** Yes. I'm addressing #8. **Newkirk:** Not a problem.

**2 - Extend exception to Show Rule 3.13 to the International Division and Regions 8 and 9-**Show Rule 3.13 was waived to allow up to 50% guest judges, excluding regions 1-7, for the remainder of show season 2021-2022. We recommend this waiver be extended for the 2022-2023 season for the ID and Regions 8 and 9 for the reasons stated in action item 1.

Newkirk: Let's go on to #2 Monte. Phillips: The next item has to do with Show Rule 3.13. What it does basically is allow the International Division, Regions 8 and 9 to use more than 50% guest judges. The exception is Regions 1-7. That would be just for the 2022-2023 season. DelaBar: Monte, it is not to have more than 50%, it's to have up to 50% guest judges. Phillips: Sorry, that's what I meant to say. Morgan: Again, the pandemic is here to stay. However, the volatility of international travel at this point is still completely in flux, so I think it's totally reasonable to extend this through the next season, given the situation out there with international travel. I support this. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Hannon: With all the CFA judges that we have in Japan, I don't understand why we're making an exception for guest judges. Do they have many guest judges in Japan, with all the CFA judges that live in that country? Newkirk: Hayatasan, would you like to address this? Hayata: There are TICA judges here, but it is very difficult to invite. They agree but we try to ask the CFA office to accept, but the one lives very close to Tokyo/Osaka. So close. We have to have guest judges like 200 miles away or something, so it is very difficult to invite. I would love to have them as a guest judge. I would try. Newkirk:

Unfortunately, we dissolved that opportunity to involve TICA judges. **DelaBar:** Part of the problem with Japan is that they weren't able to get from one island to another island because of COVID restrictions. That was one of the reasons they were put into this exception, to allow them to get some extra judges. I don't know the availability of their guest judges, but I know that restricted travel was one of the reasons that they were included, to answer Mark. Newkirk: I do believe that there is a Japan Cat Fancy. I don't know if they would be able to tap those judges or not. Mastin: Pam just did a nice job of leading into my question. Are there any current restrictions in Japan where they need this? In the past 6 months, have they used up to 50% guest judges in their last 6 months' worth of shows? **Newkirk:** Hayata-san, have you used – **Hayata:** No, no. We applied. I think I applied. She lives very close to Tokyo and also Kobe, someplace very close so that we couldn't get permission from CFA. We want to use them but we couldn't. Wilson: My recollection is, there is no standard guest judges in Japan, so if they were going to use guest judges – and it may have changed since I was involved, but if they're going to use guest judges, they would be from Russia or Europe. I don't believe there's any in Japan that they have used in the past. Does anyone want to make a motion to strike Region 8? Hannon: So moved. Newkirk: That would be an amendment. Krzanowski: Carol will second. Newkirk: So the motion now is, Extend exception to Show Rule 3.13 to the International Division and **Region 9.** Is there any debate on that? Is there any objection to the amendment? I see no objection, so the amendment is agreed to.

# The primary amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Newkirk:** So now we have an amended main motion where Region 8 is stricken from the motion. Is there any further debate? No debate, is there any objection to the amended main motion? I see no objections, so by unanimous consent the amended main motion is agreed to.

#### The main motion, as amended, is ratified by unanimous consent.

3 - Extend the Waiver of Show Rule 4.03 Whereby Cancelled Shows During the 2022-2023 Show Season Do Not Count Against a Club's Traditional Date. This rule exemption was already voted on and extended for the 2022-2023 show season at the December 1, 2020 board meeting. It is being listed here for completeness of exemptions to be in effect for the 2022-2023 show season.

**Newkirk:** Alright Monte, #3. **Phillips:** #3 we already voted on and passed back in December for the 22-23 show season. I just listed it here so when I go to put the list together I have it.

#### No Action.

4 - 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 the 2021-2022 show season only. Extend table for the 2022-2023 season as well due to the rationale presented in action item 1.

Country/Area	GC Points Required	GP Points Required
North America, Regions 1-9		
except as noted, China	200	<del>75</del>
Maritime Provinces of Canada,		
United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta,		
Hawaii , Russia east of the Ural		
Mountains, International Division		
(except Hong Kong, China, Malaysi	<del>a.</del>	
Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, & Indon		<del>25</del>
Hong Kong	75	<del>25</del>
Thailand, Indonesia	75	<del>25</del>
Malaysia	75	<u>25</u>
<del>Ukraine</del>	200	25 25
Taiwan and Vietnam		<u>25</u>

Phillips: The next one we're actually going to talk about is #4. Last show season we lowered the grand requirements for everywhere in the International Division outside of China to require just 75 points for the Grand Champion title and 25 points for the Grand Premier title no matter what. You will see the table has a whole lot of 75's and 25's. This extends it into the 2022-2023 season. Colilla: I would like someone to explain to me how come China is not allowed to lower their points like the other International Division. Phillips: They have a lot of shows. Colilla: They don't have a lot of shows. Phillips: As a matter of fact, I think for last show season they had about as many shows as the USA, all regions combined. Newkirk: They sure seem to post a lot of shows on FaceBook. Anybody else? John, do you have more comments? Colilla: No, I'm just curious why we're not matching them with the other ID, that's all. **Wilson:** I'm not so sure I'm reading this right. Is the 200 grand points – where it says *North* America, Regions 1-9 except as noted and then when you go down further where it says (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia ... does that first line of 75 and 25 apply to Hong Kong China, Malaysia, Thailand – I'm not getting this. **Newkirk:** [inaudible] **Wilson:** Thank you. I knew there was a word for it. Newkirk: Monte, where is the break? Where does it cut off? Phillips: It starts with Hong Kong at 75/25. That first 75/25 is in the wrong place. Wilson: That doesn't help me figure it out. Newkirk: It should have been formatted a little bit differently so it would be a little easier to understand. Krzanowski: The exceptions are as noted. They are the things in parenthesis – Hong Kong – I don't know why China is in there – Malaysia, Thailand. Yeah, this isn't written right. I don't know what's wrong. It should be Hong Kong, Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, not Ukraine, Taiwan and Vietnam that have the lower points. Phillips: The problem is that first 75 and 25 doesn't belong there. Krzanowski: China should be 200/75. Ukraine should be 200 and 25. Other than that, they should all be 75/25. It is kind of confusing the way it appears here. **Phillips:** It may look confusing, but now that I look at it, it actually is correct. That 75/25 starts off with the Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains. Newkirk: OK, I've got it. Wilson: OK, that makes sense now. Newkirk: Yeah, OK. Everybody understand it? Phillips: If I had put spaces in between, that would have helped. Newkirk: Yes, that would have been better. Morgan: I think we all understand what it's saying at this point and in terms of what it is saying I have to support it, because at this point it's still difficult to bring in judges from outside areas, so extending the exception for any area that's isolated such as these makes total sense to me. Mastin: Monte says

it's correct; however, (China) needs to be stricken. **Phillips:** China is 200/75, just like North American Regions 1-9. Mastin: OK, so it needs to be stricken from the parenthesis, because below that lists each of them individually. Hong Kong is listed in parenthesis, Thailand and Indonesia is listed in parenthesis, Malaysia. Ukraine is listed with 200/75, then Taiwan and Vietnam. China needs to be restricted. **Phillips:** China is restricted. See China? It says, North America, Regions 1-9 except as noted; China at 200/75. Newkirk: Down below in International Division, except Hong Kong, China. Rich is right. China needs to be taken out because China is up above. Phillips: Got it. Mastin: Thank you. Phillips: This is still correct, because the International Division includes China and so that's an exception because China is up above. You are correct. Newkirk: We have to take it out down below, Monte. Phillips: No. Again, because China is up above and they are in the International Division. Newkirk: But they don't have the same point requirements that the rest of the ID does. Phillips: Correct. Newkirk: Well, you've got it in the exception down below, so that they only have to have 75 points. **Phillips:** No, that's not what it says. It says, 75 points for the International Division except these following countries. In the case of China, it's up above where it's 200/75. **Tartaglia:** That's right. **Newkirk:** Well, that makes it confusing. It would have been much better if you had just listed the countries that require 200 and then the countries that require 200/25 and then the countries that require 75 and 25. **Hannon:** I don't understand why it says North America then Regions 1-9. Regions 1-9, doesn't that include North America? It would seem to me that if we had on the first line, Regions 1-9 and China, 200/75. Phillips: Except as noted. For example, the Maritime Provinces of Canada are a part of Region 1. **Hannon:** And that's an exception? **Phillips:** Yes. **DelaBar:** The problem is that this is skewed. All the numbers are skewed and not properly aligned. When Allene presented this at the last meeting – I think it was the last meeting – everything was typed nice and it came out nice. Sometimes when these get transcribed over into our reports, we can see the numbers are all over the place. **Phillips:** I think we do need to blow it up and put spaces in between each line. **DelaBar:** It needs to be neater so people can actually see, but it is correct – Monte, please don't talk over me, especially when I'm trying to back you, so don't talk over me. It states, International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, & Indonesia), except for those countries, so they are drawn out. China is not part of that because it is excepted from International Division. If this was cleaner and presented in a nice non-skewed manner, it would be easier for the board to see. Otherwise, everything basically is there, it's just sort of a puzzle to bring out. Perhaps it would be possible to pull this out and maybe Allene or Rachel could bring up from the meeting where this was brought up in a nice, pretty table and then we can go back and perhaps look at this a little later. Newkirk: Is that OK with you guys? Wilson: Yes, I agree with Pam. Maybe we could look at this later. Whenever there's an exception within an exception, I think it's really confusing. So, it says except as noted and then it says *except* again the parenthesis and then those countries are listed separately. Meanwhile the other ones aren't. There's got to be a better way to show this. That's all. **Newkirk:** Does somebody want to make a motion to table this and let him rework it and bring it back? Mastin: Rich will. DelaBar: Pam will second. Newkirk: Do you want to make it a Special Order tomorrow? Yes or no? Mastin: I'm fine with that. Newkirk: Let's vote on the motion to table. Is there any objections to tabling the motion? Alright, so no objections. **Mastin:** Since we're going to rework this, is the grand premier points required for Ukraine correct? **DelaBar:** I need to double check that. I'm on my iPad. That's where my Show Rules are, except for downstairs. I'll have to double check. I think it's 75. Mastin: Thanks Pam. Newkirk: Any

objection to tabling this until tomorrow? OK, no objections. By unanimous consent, #4 is tabled until tomorrow.

# The motion (to table) is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Newkirk:** Who is going to work on reworking this chart? **Phillips:** I'll do that. **Newkirk:** You will do that, Monte? **Phillips:** I'll just send Rachel. Which email address should I use? **Anger:** The AOL address, thank you. **Phillips:** Got it.

[Secretary's Note: The following transcript also appears under Unfinished Business, at which time it was taken off the table and voted on.]

4 - 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 the 2021-2022 show season only. Extend table for the 2022-2023 season as well due to the rationale presented in action item 1.

Country/Area	GC Points Required	GP Points Required
China, Regions 1-9 except as noted <del>, Ukraine</del>	200	75
<u>Ukraine</u>	200	25
Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malte Hawaii, Russia east of the Ura Mountains, International Divisi	l on	25
(except China)	75	25

**Newkirk:** Is Monte in? **Tartaglia:** I did something also regarding this, as far as the chart. Maybe this is fine. Newkirk: It looks OK to me. Did you let Monte in? Tartaglia: I'm sorry, hold on a second. All the points aren't there. There are some other exceptions, like for 90/40, so I'm not sure that this is complete. Let me get Monte in. Borawski: I let Monte in. Tartaglia: Thank you Shelly. **Phillips:** The only mistake on there is, I should not have put Ukraine, because it is part of Region 9. **Tartaglia:** Alright, but I think there is – **Phillips:** All the other sections would be 75/25. That's why I reduced it, to make it simple. **Tartaglia:** Taiwan and Vietnam, there's 90/40 I believe. I'm pretty sure. If you take a look at what was presented yesterday. Newkirk: Yesterday Ukraine had 25 for Premiership. Phillips: No, it didn't. It had 75. Newkirk: I must have been hallucinating but Ukraine was down and you had several 75/25, 75/25 and you had Ukraine listed on that list, if I recall correctly yesterday, 200 for grand points and 25 for Premiership. I think that was on yesterday's chart. Pam is shaking her head yes. Tartaglia: Taiwan and Vietnam are 75/25. Thailand and Indonesia. Phillips: You're right. Newkirk: Allene, did you do an update? Tartaglia: Let me just show you what I have and see if it makes things a little more clear. You may or may not like it, I'm not sure. I may be wrong on the Taiwan and Vietnam. I looked at the October 2020 minutes that Bob Zenda referred to. I did this quickly, so I could have that wrong with the 90/40. This could be another possible way to do this. Newkirk: You have the 200 for grand and 25 for grand premier on Ukraine. Phillips:

That's what it should have been, yes. **Tartaglia:** Perhaps what we could do is verify that what are the points? Bob Zenda seemed to feel that what we had for Vietnam was incorrect. **Phillips:** No, what Bob was talking about was the way we have the countries divided up into areas. Vietnam should be in with Thailand. That's proposal #8. We haven't got there yet. Tartaglia: So, Vietnam should be there, is that what you're saying? **Phillips:** I forget the exact two countries off the top of my head. I want to say Myanmar and Brunei. Newkirk: OK, it looks like this needs work. Mastin: I just wanted to clarify what the Ukraine was. Was it 200/25? I thought Monte said yes. Phillips: Yes, that's correct. Mastin: OK great, thank you. Phillips: That's if we want to extend them. Newkirk: So, this thing that got sent out today has grand premier points at 75 for Ukraine. **Phillips:** Ukraine should be its own separate little line at the bottom, 200/25. **Newkirk:** OK, so that's not good. We can't use that. Instead of wasting time trying to figure this out, somebody needs to take the lead on this and figure out what the countries are. Allene, I like your chart. Maybe we can further develop that to make sure we have all the countries and the points. **Phillips:** You will only have three lines. China, Regions 1-9 except as noted 200/75, Ukraine is 200/25 and then Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except China) is 75/25. That's it. **Newkirk:** And that includes Vietnam, it includes Taiwan. **Phillips:** Yes, they are all part of the International Division. Newkirk: Does everybody understand that? Do you want to use Monte's thing here with three columns [sic, lines]? I need some comments what we want to do or we're going to have to send this back to work on it. Krzanowski: I will move to use this chart with the addition or the change of Ukraine being a separate line item for 200 points in grand championship and 25 points in grand premiership. Newkirk: OK Allene, put your chart back up. Tartaglia: Were you referring to Monte's chart? Newkirk: Your chart. Anger: Rachel will second while we are doing that. **Phillips:** That's what normally was required. The exception that was made was to lower all those other numbers except for China to 75 on the left for the grand champion points and 25 on the right for grand premier points. That happened in Taiwan, Vietnam, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam, Hong Kong, etc., etc. That's why you need to look at mine. **Krzanowski:** Monte is correct. What we're talking about is – **Phillips:** I'm talking about the current rule. Krzanowski: We are talking about extending these exceptions for point requirements for the next show season. That's what this is about. **Phillips:** The exception was to lower those numbers for all those other areas to 75/25. Krzanowski: Yes. Newkirk: What Allene is saying is, all those countries are not listed. **Phillips:** They don't need to be individually listed. They are part of the International Division. **Krzanowski:** That's correct. **Newkirk:** Alright. So, what we need to do is, in between these two columns, take Ukraine out of the first column. Phillips: Right. Newkirk: And then make another column in between these two. Phillips: Or below them, either one. Newkirk: Well, I don't care. 200 and then 25. Phillips: There you go, that's it. **Newkirk:** And take except as noted out. **Phillips:** The question is whether you want to extend the exception or not. Newkirk: Exactly. Phillips: You do need that except as noted. Eigenhauser: Yes, you need that, because Hawaii is one of the exceptions. Phillips: Because Hawaii is an exception. So are the Maritime Provinces of Canada, so are Russia. Newkirk: Well, Hawaii is listed in the second one. Phillips: Right, but it's part of Regions 1-9. Newkirk: OK, so you need that. Hannon: Darrell, this is late, we're not thinking clearly. I think we could be making some mistakes here. I suggest that they bring this back to us later, rather than fixing it on the fly. Fixing it on the fly isn't going to work. Phillips: This is exactly what it's going to look like. Newkirk: That's what they are going to bring back to you, Mark. **Krzanowski:** Once again, this is only the exceptions for the grand scoring that were in

place for this season that we're considering extending for the next show season. These were the point requirements that we had in place for the current season. We're trying to make a decision as to whether they should be extended for the next show season. The way the chart appears now is correct. **Newkirk:** Is everybody OK with the chart? Are you ready for the vote? OK, thank you. Everybody in favor of extending the grand and grand premier points into the next show season raise your hand, as listed on the screen.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, John Colilla, Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hands. Mark Hannon is a no. If you will take your hand down, thank you Mark. Abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 15 yes, 1 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much. The motion is agreed to.

5 - Extend the Waiver to Article XXXVI for Eligibility to Allow an Exhibitor to Win an Award Without Showing in the Final Region/National Area of Residence. For the 2021-2022 show season, exhibitors were waived from the requirement to attend a show within their region to be eligible for a regional award, but only for those regions or divisions in which no shows were held during that show season. We recommend this exemption be revised to address that a cat/kitten may still not be able to attend a show in its region in its category of competition even though there is a show in that region. As an example, suppose a kitten is a kitten during the months of July thru October, but its region only has shows in May, June, December, and April. That kitten could never attend a show in its region as a kitten, but shows were held in the region, so it would be ineligible for a kitten award in its region because it never attended a show. We think the better exemption should state: "Article XXXVI for Eligibility is amended for the 2022-2023 show season only to exempt a cat/kitten from attending a show in its own region/division as long as there is no show in its region/division for which the cat/kitten would have been eligible to attend in its category of competition (championship, kitten, or premiership). Again, the reason for the extension is provided in the rational for action item 1.

Newkirk: Let's move on to #5. Phillips: #5 extends the exception of whether a cat needs to be shown within its own region or division to get a regional award. The exception that we put in place for 2021/2022 had to do with whether or not there was a show within that region. I modified that slightly because of the situation you could have where a kitten may have shown outside of its region and they only had a show in that region while it was a cat. So, it never could show as a kitten in that region, but there was a show within that region during the show season. DelaBar: Monte, how does this take into consideration the requirement that regional wins for Region 9, and I also think for Region 8, can only be based upon the points earned in those particular regions? I cannot have a regional winning cat in Region 9 without earning its points in Region 9, so if it's shown in the ID or let's say somebody decides to go to Turkey, which is basically Europe anyway, those points would not count for a Region 9 regional win. Does this take that into consideration? Phillips: That's a different set of show rules. DelaBar: True, but – Phillips: We haven't addressed that at all here. That's a whole laundry list of where you can earn

points, depending on where you live. **DelaBar:** But you're bringing up more in your verbiage here, above and beyond. **Phillips:** The way that we put it effective for the 2021/2022 show season, we modified it to allow a cat or kitten had to show within its own region if there was a show within its own region. The original exemption that was in place for 2020/2021 didn't care whether there was a show in that region or not. It automatically waivered the requirement to show within its region. **DelaBar:** I think you would be better off by stating to exempt if there's no show during its period of being a kitten – or not. Let's go back to the table.

Morgan: I actually want to do an aside statement. Monte, we have so many people in CFA who work as volunteers and I want to thank you for all the work you're putting into all of this and hope that you know that we really appreciate all of that, because this is not an insubstantial task you have taken on. I appreciate the work you have done putting this together for us. So, my thanks. In terms of this particular show rule, to my knowledge, this exception came about when we had situations where there were multiple regions who simply weren't putting on shows. Phillips: Correct. Morgan: As far as I know, I think all of our regions and our divisions are producing at least fun shows at this point, so I think it's time for us to cut off this exception and reinstate the in-region or regional requirement show rule. If there's a situation that involves, say, a kitten where there were no viable opportunities during that kitten's career for a show in-region, then I think the board should be willing to entertain a specific exception with valid justification, but I think it's time to get back to our show rules wherever we can. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Mastin: I thought it was the October board meeting we spent some time reviewing this for the extension of this year and the board agreed to do it for kittens and not for cats. Is that correct, or am I incorrect on that? I thought that's what we did. Newkirk: Allene, do you remember? Tartaglia: I think it was for kittens and cats. It was just that some of the kittens aged out before there was a show in their region, was the issue. We don't have that problem with adults. Mastin: As I recall, I thought Pam DelaBar brought some good points why we wouldn't include cats and we limited it to just kittens. I thought the board agreed to do something as an exception for kittens for this year. I would like to know what we did. I'm kind of starting to lean towards Melanie. However, I can see there would be a concern for kittens if there's no shows produced in that region while they are eligible to be shown. Newkirk: Anybody else? OK, so I'll call for the vote. All those in favor to extend the waiver for eligibility to exhibit [inaudible] has to be in the region. If you are a yes, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Hannon, Currle and Dunham voting yes. Hayata abstained. Webster did not vote.

Newkirk: I have Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle and Cathy Dunham. If you will take your hands down, the no votes? The no votes are Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Pam DelaBar, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Kathy Calhoun, Rachel Anger, John Colilla, Pam Moser, Rich Mastin. If you will take your hands down, the abstentions? Kathy Calhoun and Hayata-san. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: I have a couple problems. I have Kathy Calhoun as a no and an abstention. Calhoun: I was a no. I just was slow in getting my hand down. Anger: I thought so, OK. Then, I did not get a vote from Hayata or Webster. Newkirk: She was an abstain. Anger: Oh, that's right, OK. Hayata: I was abstain. Anger: Thank you, I'm sorry. Then Webster I did not get a vote from. Is Howard still on the call? He stepped away from his chair. I have 3 yes votes, 11 no votes, 1 abstention, 1 did not vote, however we want to count that. Newkirk: Thank you Rachel. The motion was not agreed

to. I guess the regional directors, if you get an issue where there was a cat that did not have an opportunity to exhibit, then that should be brought to the board's attention so an exception could be made. I think that's what Melanie was getting at when she brought up her points.

6 - Extend the Exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Awards - International Division Awards for Hong Kong. For the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 show seasons only, shows in Hong Kong were allowed to count a Super Specialty ring as two rings towards the formula for the number of awards in Hong Kong. We recommend this exception be extended to the 2022-2023 show season as well based on the rational presented in action item 1.

**Newkirk:** OK Monte, move on to #6. **Phillips:** #6 may or may not be around, because it depends on whether we vote on #8 or not. We'll get to that. This would allow Hong Kong to count Super Specialty rings as two rings in the formula for awards. Right now we use a formula for awards that determines how many awards a particular area within the International Division gets, based on how many rings they actually hold during the show season. So, this would count Super Specialty as two rings, where it would normally count as one. **Newkirk:** — which we are doing currently. **Phillips:** Right, that is what we're doing currently. **Newkirk:** Any comments? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, DelaBar, Anger and Moser voting no. Roy abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, Rich Mastin, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Cathy Dunham, John Colilla, Hayata-san, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster and Kathy Calhoun. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please? The no votes are Melanie Morgan, Pam DelaBar, Rachel Anger, Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, abstentions? Sharon Roy abstains. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 11 yes votes, 4 no votes, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is agreed to.

[From Sunday] Newkirk: Alright, Melanie and Kenny, you have something related to something we've already done or what's coming up? Morgan: We just did. Newkirk: OK, go ahead. Morgan: OK, so if we just passed this last show rule change where we are figuring out rings and regional awards, doesn't that negate what we did yesterday about super specialty rings in Hong Kong? Phillips: Yes. Morgan: I'm just throwing that out there. DelaBar: It can be rescinded. Newkirk: Yes, you're exactly right, Pam. I was just going to ask if someone would like to rescind that. Morgan: I move that we rescind the vote on double counting super specialty rings in Hong Kong, given the fact that we changed it. DelaBar: Second. Newkirk: Shelly, all I can see is the top of your head and I don't see you shaking your head no. Who made the motion, Melanie? Morgan: Yes. Newkirk: OK, and Pam you seconded? DelaBar: Yes. Newkirk: Alright, so is there any discussion on rescinding what we did for Hong Kong rings counting double, since it is now nullified? OK, is there any objection to the rescinding of that vote? I don't see any objections, so by unanimous consent that's nullified, rescinded.

The motion (to rescind) is ratified by unanimous consent.

# 7 - 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. We recommend this requirement be incorporated as a show rule for all future show seasons, and it is proposed as follows:

Article XXXVI - National/Regional/		
Divisional Awards Program -		
Awards - Regional Awards		

#### **Show Rule Committee Proposal**

# **Regional Awards**

The awards presented each year in regions 1-9 are:

Best-25th Best Cat\*

Best-25th Best Kitten\*

#### **Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership\***

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#### Best-10th Best Household Pet\*\*

\*\*The title of Household Pet Regional Winner (HRW)\*\* is limited to cats receiving the above awards. A minimum of 100 points is required to win these awards.

# Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third Best of Breed/Division.

#### Best of Color; Second Best of Color

The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

**Note:** Regional/Divisional/Hawaii Agility Awards are at the discretion of the Regional Director, but will go no further than 10 deep and any cat earning the award must earn a minimum of 150 agility points for such award.

# Proposed Wording Regional Awards

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To obtain any regional award and its associated title (Regional Winner - RW or Household Pet Regional Winner - HNW), the cat/kitten/HHP must earn a minimum number of points over the duration of the show season in the category to which the award will be earned. Those minimums are as follows:

- for championship cats, the cat must earn a minimum of 200 points; for kittens, the kitten must earn a minimum of 100 points; for premiership, the cat must earn a minimum of 100 points, for Household Pets, the cat/kitten must earn a minimum of 50 points. Cats failing to meet these minimums are not eligible for any regional award or title.

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award must earn a minimum of 150 agility points for such award.

**RATIONALE:** This proposal was made at the April 20,2021 board meeting to incorporate point minimum requirements for regional awards. This proposal would put that requirement into place for all future show seasons. The board is always free to adjust these minimums before any show season if they see fit to do so.

**Newkirk:** Let's go on to #7, Monte. **Phillips:** #7, last year we instituted 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. What we're recommending is to take what we put in place for just that one show season and make it in place as a regular rule for all show seasons, which would institute a point minimum requirement for regional winners which we have for this season, but in the past it depended on what region you are in whether there was ever a requirement at all. I still remember going to an awards show in Region 4 – sorry John – where they gave an award to a cat that got 5.65 points, which means it got a 2<sup>nd</sup> best at one show in all rings, and it got a regional breed win. Morgan: I feel the minimums provided here personally are a little bit low, especially for the kittens, but I wholeheartedly support the concept. If accepting lower-than-ideal minimums is what it takes to get it approved, I can support this. Colilla: I just want to say we increased the point minimums like the other regions for the last couple years. Roy: I'm going to agree with Melanie on most of it, but I do believe the Household Pet minimum, at least for my region, is much too low. I would like to see that at 100 like premiership and kittens. **Eigenhauser:** We're still in the middle of a pandemic, and it's going to be awhile until things get back to normal. I say let's go with this. If we want to tweak it in a year or two when we have a little more shows behind us we can do that, but for right now today this is better than what we've got and I'm voting yes. DelaBar: I would love to be able to say that I had cats reach 200 points last show season but it did not happen. Let's have a base to go on that we can grow later. This will do just fine. Newkirk: Any other comments? OK, is there any objection to this? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, the motion is agreed to.

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

8 - Create an Exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Awards - International Division Awards - for the Determination of Number of Awards to be Granted in a Divisional Area (Number of Rings Held). This was presented at the April 20, 2021, board meeting as a proposal for the 2020-2021 show season only, and although it passed as such the show rules committee believes this should be a full amendment to this section of the show rules, so it is presented below as a show rules amendment proposal. Point minimums can be modified by the board if they feel it should be raised.

Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Awards - International Division Awards	April 20, 2021 Board Proposal	
<b>Existing Wording</b>		Proposed Wording
International Division Award	S	International Division Awards

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#### **International Division**

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#### Awards are as follows:

Best - 25th Best Cat, as appropriate\*
Best - 25th Best Kitten, as appropriate\*
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# Best-10<sup>th</sup> Best Household Pet, as appropriate\*\*

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**RATIONALE:** This proposal was made at the April 20,2021 board meeting to address conditions in parts of the international division where divisional awards were based on number of rings held within those divisions, regardless of how many points a cat/kitten had earned throughout its career in its competitive category. The appropriate section of the discussion at the April board meeting is included as follows:

Cao: I can only speak for the China Division. This season I think we will have about 24 shows by end of season, but only maybe around 80+ rings. This is not because clubs are not willing to invite more judges, it's just that we don't have enough judges. This season is also the first time we see a lot of shows coming back to China for CFA and our exhibitors are supporting us. Even though we only have 2 rings or 3 rings, they are still picking us over all the other associations. So, right now, I checked the Scoreboard for the different areas in China. There are quite a few cats that are already within the 25 spots, but depending on how the shows go they may not make it into top 15, which is what we would have right now if we count the 80 rings. I think it's 75-95 would be 15 spots for divisional wins for each area, so what we want to propose is, we're wondering if it is possible to award 25 divisional wins to all the China areas, as long as the point minimum for the divisional win is met. Also, as I understand it, there's no ring requirement for all the RWs in the United States, as long as minimum points are met. So, that's my take on it. Newkirk: Somebody want to make that motion? Morgan: Melanie will make that motion. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Currle: Kenny will second. Newkirk: Alright, are we making amendment to Monte's #10? Is that what we're doing, or is this a stand-alone motion? Phillips: It sounds like stand-alone to me. Newkirk: Alright, so it will be a standalone motion. Wong: I think that's a great idea. If Hong Kong and the rest of the ID can have the same, just to 13 count the minimum points rather than the number of rings. Newkirk: OK, so you want to amend it to include all the ID plus ID-China? Wong: Yes, please. McCullough: Steve seconds. Newkirk: He can't make the motion. I need someone to make the motion. Morgan: I will. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Currle: Kenny will second again. Newkirk: Thank you. Alright, so it's to award not based on rings but on points, is that correct? Gavin, is that correct? Matthew, correct? Cao: Right, as long as minimum requirement for the points are met, we should be granted top 25. I don't know what the number is for Hong Kong or ID-Other. Newkirk: We're taking away the ring requirement and just basing it on points. Alright, any debate on that motion? I've corrected it to include all the ID. Alright, I don't see any hands up. Since we made a motion and we basically amended it, let's vote on the amendment. Any objection to the amendment? Hearing no objection the amendment is agreed to.

The amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Let's go on to the next one, Monte. Phillips: On #8 I have a problem here and I'm going to start off with my mistake. As I listed the International Division definitions, I grabbed the wrong copy of the rules so what I have here is not correct. So, the part that doesn't have an underline or a cross-out is not going to be changed from what the current rule really is. So, the International Division definitions are not changing, which means Malaysia, Vietnam, Brunei, also includes Thailand and I don't have that correct here. So, just a head's up on that one, but what this does is changes the whole philosophy behind how we give out divisional awards. Right now we give out divisional awards based on rings. If you have so-many rings in your divisional area, then you get to have so-many awards in that area. The problem we ran into last year was, we had cats that competed outside of their area because of course they had no show

and they earned points, but that also meant they were ineligible for any award because there were no rings in their area; hence, no award. So, we made an exception and based them strictly on points. What this would do is put that point requirement in place and eliminate the requirement for number of rings by area. I have the text of that discussion as part of the rationale. Newkirk: Let's get Bob Zenda's input on that. **Zenda:** It's a little messy because the wording you've got at the beginning which defines the definition of who gets awards and what the countries are is totally incorrect. Phillips: I just said that. Zenda: I know, but I'm going to go a little further here. It's correct where it is printed in the Show Rules, except that they never deleted the word Vietnam from Malaysia, Vietnam, Brunei, even in that instance, so no matter how many times we try to get this done and Shelly probably remembers when we brought it to her attention when it wasn't published yet, etc., etc., we still had no matter where it is it's still not correct on what was voted on by the board in October of 2020. So, I'm not sure how you can vote on this dog gone thing until those things are corrected. **DelaBar:** I actually like this concept better than the Super Specialty counting as two rings for Hong Kong because it brought in the points in line with everyone else. This is another one I think should be tabled and brought back correctly for the board to consider. I think it's got merit and it puts everybody somewhat on the same set of rules or same concept for regional and divisional wins. Mastin: Monte, is this just for the 2022/2023 season or a permanent change? **Phillips:** This would have been a permanent change. Mastin: Thank you. Newkirk: Pam made a motion to table. Morgan: Melanie seconds. Newkirk: Thank you. Bob, can you and Monte get together to make sure that the rule is correct so that it can be implemented throughout our Show Rules? **Phillips:** No problem. **Zenda:** We have no problem with the points. Phillips: I'll get it back this afternoon, Bob, or it's more like evening. Newkirk: So we have a motion to table. Any objections to the motion to table? I see no hands up. By unanimous consent we have tabled this one and that will be brought back corrected for us to vote on tomorrow.

#### The motion (to table) is ratified by unanimous consent.

[Secretary's Note: The following transcript also appears under Unfinished Business, at which time it was taken off the table and voted on.]

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\*\*The title of "Household Pet Divisional Winner (HDW)\*\* is given to cats receiving these awards.

**RATIONALE:** This proposal was made at the April 20,2021 board meeting to address conditions in parts of the international division where divisional awards were based on number of rings held within those divisions, regardless of how many points a cat/kitten had earned throughout its career in its competitive category. The appropriate section of the discussion at the April board meeting is included as follows:

Cao: I can only speak for the China Division. This season I think we will have about 24 shows by end of season, but only maybe around 80+ rings. This is not because clubs are not willing to invite more judges, it's just that we don't have enough judges. This season is also the first time we see a lot of shows coming back to China for CFA and our exhibitors are supporting us. Even though we only have 2 rings or 3 rings, they are still picking us over all the other associations. So, right now, I checked the Scoreboard for the different areas in China. There are quite a few cats that are already within the 25 spots, but depending on how the shows go they may not make it into top 15, which is what we would have right now if we count the 80 rings. I think it's 75-95 would be 15 spots for divisional wins for each area, so what we want to propose is, we're wondering if it is possible to award 25 divisional wins to all the China areas, as long as the point minimum for the divisional win is met. Also, as I understand it, there's no ring requirement for all the RWs in the United States, as long as minimum points are met. So, that's my take on it. Newkirk: Somebody want to make that motion? Morgan: Melanie will make that motion. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Currle: Kenny will second. Newkirk: Alright, are we making amendment to Monte's #10? Is that what we're doing, or is this a stand-alone motion? Phillips: It sounds like stand-alone to me. Newkirk: Alright, so it will be a stand-alone motion. Wong: I think that's a great idea. If Hong Kong and the rest of the ID can have the same, just to 13 count the minimum points rather than the number of rings. Newkirk: OK, so you want to amend it to include all the ID plus ID-China? Wong: Yes, please. McCullough: Steve seconds. Newkirk: He can't make the motion. I need someone to make the motion. Morgan: I will. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Currle: Kenny will second again. Newkirk: Thank you. Alright, so it's to award not based on rings but on points, is that correct? Gavin, is that correct? Matthew, correct? Cao: Right, as long as minimum requirement for the points are met, we should be granted top 25. I don't know what the number is for Hong Kong or ID-Other. Newkirk: We're taking away the ring requirement and just basing it on points. Alright, any debate on that motion? I've corrected it to include all the ID. Alright, I don't see any hands up. Since we made a motion and we basically amended it, let's vote on the amendment. Any objection to the amendment? Hearing no objection the amendment is agreed to.

The amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Let's go to Monte's other one. OK Monte, go ahead. Phillips: #8, the only thing we did here was adjust to actually – what we had wrong was the International Division definitions in the original proposal weren't what they really are. This is what they really are. There are no changes there. The proposed change was whether we were going to impose regional and divisional point requirements for setting regional and divisional awards. Right now we do that for the regions, but for the divisions it's based on the number of rings that are held within the particular area that individual lives in. The concern that came up last year, and I'm sure it will probably come up again this year, is we have divisional cats because they don't have a show within their own division, going to another area and getting points there, but then they really can

never win any award at all because in their own area there were insufficient number of rings to generate an award. So, what we did last year was, imposed a point requirement and got rid of the ring requirement. This proposal would make that a permanent change. **Newkirk:** Any comments? I don't see anybody's hand up. I'll call the question. All those in favor of this – this is a show rule change – raise your hands.

#### Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, Pam DelaBar, Mark Hannon, Carol Krzanowski, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Hayatasan. Phillips: Everybody. Newkirk: I don't have a vote from Kathy Calhoun. So, the no votes please. Abstentions? Kathy, which way are you voting? Kathy Calhoun. Calhoun: I voted yes. Newkirk: OK, thank you. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: 16 yes, zero no votes, zero abstentions. Newkirk: OK, the motion is agreed to.

9 - Grant an exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/ Divisional Awards Program - National Awards - Reduce the number of rings scored and point minimums required 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.

**Newkirk:** OK Monte, #9. **Phillips:** #9, for this show season that we're currently in we lowered the number of ring requirements and the point requirements. This proposal would put that in effect for the following show season, as well. We reduced the rings from 100 rings to 50 rings and 2,000 points in championship, 20 rings and 700 points in kittens, 50 rings and 1,000 points in premiership, 50 rings and 500 points in Household Pets, and highest 7 shows for agility. That's what's in effect for the end of this show season. This would extend it for the next show season, as well. Hannon: I'm out there showing a lot and I'm getting a lot of feedback against this rule. If they don't like it for this season, they certainly aren't going to want it for next season. I think one of the things that we're planning to do later is appoint some people to come back at the April meeting with recommendations for scoring for next show season, such as minimums, and I think we can include this in April, rather than deal with it now. I can't support this. I have too many people telling me that they think that the 50 rings is creating chaos, and 20 for kittens is insufficient because you can do that in a couple shows if you get enough points. Currle: I'm in agreement with Mark, only because of what has transpired since these things were originally passed. The uncertainty of the future, and as we have seen our show counts have gone up really far and exceeding my expectations. Yes, this is probably way outdated from what we need. If things continue to improve, which I hope they will, I don't see any reason why we can't go back to our original scoring system. I do agree that we cannot move on this today. I would like to see this tabled until April when we can get more feedback and maybe even do a poll with our people throughout CFA to see what they would like to have implemented in the next show season. Morgan: Like Mark, I have heard a whole lot of feedback, almost 100% negative, about the changes in our ring requirements. In my opinion, given the fact that we're having shows nearly

every weekend in most of our areas, or at least across our regions, there's absolutely no reason in my opinion to extend this adjustment. You only have to look at the standings to see the cats have easily met and exceeded the 100 and 40 ring requirements, yet we are looking at 50 and 20, which I think is negatively impacting on entries for shows coming forward. So, lowering the number of rings, as we have done, creates a hardship for the clubs. Given the fact that there's a number of opportunities out there to earn points and rings, it's really unnecessary. As Mark said, with a kitten in two weekends with 6x6's, you can easily meet your 20 rings and then there's no reason to enter your kitten at all. I don't support this. I see no reason why we can't vote on this now. Mastin: I agree with everybody that spoke before me. In addition, I would like to, when this is reworked if that's the direction this goes, we do need to include what show season it's for. It's not listed here. It doesn't say, "for 2022/2023 show season". **Phillips:** All of these proposals are for 2022/2023. I would just as soon get rid of this, just like Melanie would. Mastin: Some of them have that in the rules, "for 2022/2023 show season" and some do not. I think we want to be clear on that. Krzanowski: I guess I should have mentioned at the beginning when I made my standing motions that these are all exceptions that were in place for the current season. The board had requested we bring them back in February to look at them again for next season, so it's kind of a blanket heading that should have been on there, that they were all being proposed for the next season. In regard to the number of rings and points, I do agree with some of the comments that were made. I have been getting a lot of feedback as well. I think it's way too low. We are having more shows now. Perhaps it's not quite time to go back to what we had before, but I think if we wait until April to review this again, we might have a better feel for how things are going to look for next season. I just don't think it's a good idea to go with this right now. While our intentions were good when we put this in place, and I think our constituents realize that we were trying to be kind to everyone, they soon realized that it just wasn't feasible and it wasn't practical to have such a low number. Tartaglia: I just wanted to mention that if we don't determine what these requirements are until April sometime, then we will already have an addendum to the Show Rules because they will have been printed. Just so you know. DelaBar: I just want to state that basically you-all are talking about Regions 1-7. I just counted up. We're lucky to have 24 rings done in Region 9 so far. Our last show was not all that far away from Bergamo and if you have any consideration for COVID then you know that Bergamo, Italy was a tragic, tragic disaster. We've got some outstanding cats that cannot make the higher ring requirements. I don't understand, 50 rings you have to have as a base minimum. 2,000 points as what you have to have is a base minimum. Why doesn't anybody want to exceed for the joy of competition? Just know that you're talking about the U.S. and Canada, because you're not looking at the rest of the world.

Newkirk: So, we've got two options here. We can table this and bring it back, or we can vote on it and if it gets voted down then the scoring system will go back to what it was, because the exception will not be granted. I don't know what's the best way to do this. Does anybody want to make a motion to table this and bring it back for April? DelaBar: I will make a motion to table and bring back in April, knowing full well we will probably have an addendum to the Show Rules. Tartaglia: Darrell, I need to know. What are we going to print in the Show Rules? Just leave them as they are then? Newkirk: Yes, and then you will have to print an addendum that will provide this exception if it's granted. DelaBar: We haven't voted on the tabling yet though. Newkirk: I understand. I'm waiting for a second. Eigenhauser: George seconds. Newkirk: Thank you. Krzanowski: I just want to comment that these exceptions that we are passing today will not actually be printed in the current Show Rules. They are printed as

exceptions for the current season. That's what we have done before, and so if we change the scoring it would be included in that list. I believe that's what we have done before, so I don't think there will be a problem postponing this until April. Newkirk: Allene, do you want to address that? Tartaglia: That's fine. The ones that have been passed for the next show season will go into the printed Show Rules, and those that have been tabled or failed, the Show Rules will just stay where they are. Newkirk: Just another sheet to put in your Show Rules. Tartaglia: Yes. Just a little more confusion for everybody. Newkirk: Any other comments on the motion to table? I think Pam made it and George seconded, is that correct? Anger: Yes. Newkirk: Alright, so I'll call for the motion to table. All those in favor of tabling this.

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

Newkirk: I have Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Kenny Currle, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Howard Webster, Sharon Roy, Kathy Calhoun, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Hayata-san, John Colilla, Annette Wilson. If you will take your hands down, the no votes? Melanie Morgan, Rachel Anger, Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote to table when you have it tabulated. Anger: That's 13 yes, 3 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, so who is going to take the lead on bringing this back in April? Monte, is that you and Carol? **Phillips:** We will bring it back in April. **Hannon:** I thought you were going to later in the meeting appoint some people to come back in April for next show season's scoring situation. Couldn't we give it to that group? Newkirk: Don't you think the Show Rules Committee should be involved in that? **Hannon:** My understanding was that Monte was one of the people you were going to appoint. Tartaglia: I do have a question. The items that are going to be considered in April or brought back in April regarding scoring, I'm going to assume that's not regarding the scoring software, but instead we're talking about point minimums, number of rings, something like that? April is not enough time to make any changes to the scoring software and have it ready to go by May, depending on what that changes. Newkirk: Monte, do you want to answer that? Phillips: I'm going to assume that if we make any changes in April it's going to be for the 2022/2023 show season, the one that starts in May. So, I would hope you have time to adjust it so that it is correct by the time we get to May of 2023. **Tartaglia:** Well no. If you're talking May of 2023 – you're talking a year from now? I think they are talking about changes for 2022/2023, or am I wrong on that? It's the show season coming up. Phillips: That's correct. Tartaglia: Yes, and if it's not done until April and there is any major programming changes, we will not have enough time to do that, is what I was saying, and have everything changed, tested and ready to go by that first weekend. Actually the first weekend of next show season is April 30/May 1, which makes it even more of a challenge. Newkirk: You're basically saying that if the number of rings go up, then the software would have to be changed? Tartaglia: Yes. Some minor changes, that we can accommodate. I'm talking if there's any major programming changes. For instance, changing to we're going to score cats by the number present and competing. If there's 100 cats, we do 99 for the count. I'm talking major programming scoring. Newkirk: I think this motion here only deals with how many rings are we going to count. **Phillips:** I'm assuming we're just talking rings and points. Newkirk: Yes. Tartaglia: OK, I just want to make sure. Colilla: I hate to say this. Can we bring it at the March meeting? I hate to say this. Newkirk: I see some heads wagging no. Allene, if it's just points and rings, you'll be able to do that? Tartaglia: That's fine, yes. Newkirk: OK, alright. So, that's been tabled.

10-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.

**Newkirk:** Monte? **Phillips:** #10 is easy. It changes the number of points required for a breed or color win from 200 to 100. That's in effect for this show season. Again, I didn't write it down but it's only for the 2022/2023 show season, if you wish to extend it. **Newkirk:** Any comments? **Morgan:** With the possible exception of Region 9, I think the points and opportunities are out there and I don't see a need to extend this. **Newkirk:** Anybody else want to comment? Alright, I'll call for the vote. All those in favor of the extension, please raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Eigenhauser and Webster voting yes.

Newkirk: The yes votes are George Eigenhauser and Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please? The no votes are Kenny Currle, Melanie Morgan, Mark Hannon, Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar, Rachel Anger, Carol Krzanowski, John Colilla, Sharon Roy, Annette Wilson, Rich Mastin, Kathy Calhoun, Hayata-san. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? Melanie Morgan, I thought you were a no. Morgan: I was a no, sorry. Newkirk: Alright, Carol Krzanowski is abstaining. Krzanowski: I'm sorry, I was a no. Newkirk: OK Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: I either didn't get or didn't hear Cathy Dunham. Dunham: I was a no, Rachel. Anger: OK, thanks. That's 2 yes votes, 14 no votes, zero abstentions. Newkirk: OK, the motion is not agreed to, so there won't be an exception for the breed/division award points.

11-Although Not a Show Rule, Continue Fee Exception. The fee structure for licensing shows was adjusted for shows with one to four rings to \$50.00 (plus applicable insurance fees) for the 2020-2021 season. This exemption was permanently put in effect at the April 20, 2021 board meeting, and is presented here for the purpose of completeness.

**Newkirk:** Monte? **Phillips:** #11 was already voted on and made effective permanently.

12- That show license late fee exceptions for Regions 1 – 9 currently in place be suspended at the end of the current (2021-2022) show season. The exception is that we will license shows up to 30 days out without any penalty fee.

[From beginning of report] **DelaBar:** I was hoping that we would hold item #12, since that's one of the items I'm bringing up on Sunday as part of the Region 9 Report. I'll read it. **That show license late fee exceptions for Regions 1 – 9 currently in place be suspended at the end of the current (2021-2022) show season. The exception is that we will license shows up to 30 days out without any penalty fee. I am asking for a reconsideration in my report, so I would like to have this pulled out until tomorrow. <b>Newkirk:** Why don't we just table it and make it a Special Order in your report. **DelaBar:** I request then. I move that we table this and I will make it a special item in my report. **Mastin:** Are we voting on these all together or are we doing them one at a time? **Newkirk:** No, we do them one at a time. **Phillips:** I assume one at a time. **Mastin:** OK great, thank you. **Newkirk:** So I need a second on Pam's motion to table, is it #12? **DelaBar:** Yes, #12. **Mastin:** Rich will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rich. Any objection to

tabling #12 until Sunday in Pam's closed session report? **DelaBar:** It's not closed session. **Newkirk:** Oh, it's not? That's right, it's a new business item. Sorry, I forgot. You understand, any motion made will require 2/3. **DelaBar:** Correct. **Newkirk:** I just wanted to point it out. **DelaBar:** No problem. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. **DelaBar:** Except it is pre-noticed in my report, Region 9. It's not New Business. **Newkirk:** We'll let Shelly look at that and make a ruling. Let's call the vote on the motion to table item #12. If you're in favor of the table, please raise your hand for the motion to table.

Newkirk called the motion (to table). Motion Carried.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Howard Webster, Carol Krzanowski, Rachel Anger, Rich Mastin, George Eigenhauser, Pam DelaBar, Sharon Roy, Hayata-san, Kenny Currle, John Colilla, Cathy Dunham, Annette Wilson, Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun, Melanie Morgan. If you will take your hands down, any no votes? Any abstentions? The motion to table is agreed to.

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**Phillips:** #12 you have already agreed we are going to discuss tomorrow, so that's it.

[Secretary's Note: See Agenda Item #25.]

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

We do not anticipate making a presentation to any future meeting that would be part of the new rulebook. Current Point Minimums for National Awards (for championship, for kittens, for premiership, and for household pets) will remain in effect unchanged.

Respectfully Submitted, Monte Phillips, Chair

#### 18. YEARBOOK/PUBLICATIONS.

Committee Chair: Melanie Morgan

List of Committee Members: Laurie Coughlan, Nancy Petersen, Teresa Keiger, Shelly

Borawski, Allene Tartaglia

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

The 2022 Yearbook went to press the end of December and the books are scheduled to ship to the Central Office the end of January/early February. Central Office staff will handle shipping the individual Yearbooks. We anticipate it will take the office the same amount of time to ship the Yearbooks than it did the mail house and we will not incur the additional handling fee.

It was determined at a previous board meeting that the purpose for the Yearbook is to preserve CFA's history, a chronicle of what happened during the CFA year. The 2022 Yearbook features two articles documenting CFA's history: 1) CFA Changes: 2010/2011 to 2020/2021 by Mark Hannon, and 2) 2021 – Jumanji, The Next Level by Mary Kolencik (an overview of the 2020-2021 show season which had no National Winners).

We believe a lower price point for the Yearbook may be attractive to more purchasers and we were able to offer the 2022 Yearbook for a pre-publication price of \$24 and post publication of \$27. The goal is to keep the Yearbook at or under 200 pages and this was easily accomplished because there were no national winners in the 2020-2021 show season, thereby saving approximately 150 pages (no National Winner pages, no NW articles, smaller breed sections, fewer grands, etc.). Fewer pages also equates to more affordable postage (\$12 in the U.S. and \$25 all other locations).

#### Future Projections for Committee:

The committee will meet to determine how to include National Winner info in the 2023 Yearbook while staying within 200 pages. The editor, Shelly Borawski, is already working on some layout ideas.

Respectfully Submitted, Melanie Morgan

Newkirk: Let's go on to our next, Yearbook/Publications. Melanie Morgan, that's your wheelhouse. Morgan: Super, thank you. We understand that on paper the Yearbook is a hard sell, doubly hard in a year where there was little to no show activity, but sometimes those intangibles that are out there outweigh the numbers. I am very, very thankful that CFA – both the board and our constituents out there – support what the Yearbook represents. It's a snapshot in time that documents the love and the passion that we have for our association, and that legacy is incredibly important, given the fact that if we have learned little else over time, it's this; you can't know where you're going if you don't know where you are coming from. I also want to commend Allene and Shelly, as well as the contributing authors for this last Yearbook for their hard work on this year's publication. It was a tough issue in that we were documenting a year of a pandemic with little to no show activity.

**Morgan:** So, a quick update on the progress since the writing of this report. Like many other things in our lives, the Yearbook completion has been impacted by COVID-19, with production delays at the printer due to supply issues. The good news is, they will start to ship the Yearbooks for this past season the week of February 14<sup>th</sup>, so in approximately a week or so from now. Other than that quick update, we have no action items at the moment so I will open it up for any questions for Allene and myself, and barring that, celebrate the briefest report I have ever given. Newkirk: Anybody have comments or questions for Melanie? Tartaglia: I did want to mention something. Because there has been a delay in getting the books, our plan is to ship all of the books that we have pre-orders for out via UPS instead of the United States Postal System. It should prove to be faster receipt. That's all. Calhoun: Do you have any idea what the increased cost will be regarding that? **Tartaglia:** Not really. I think what we are charging for shipping will mostly cover the cost to ship UPS. I don't think we'll be too upside down on that. Going forward, any orders that come in going forward we will ship the most efficient method as far as cost. It's just getting these initial ones out. **DelaBar:** Allene, how are you going to ship to Europe and internationally? Tartaglia: What do you recommend? DelaBar: Well, nothing that goes through Customs and border protection. I don't know. I really do not know. Tartaglia: We'll take a look at what we have to ship into Europe and I'll get in touch with you. We can try to figure out a good solution. DelaBar: Whatever we get, we're still going to get hit with valueadded tax, however it comes in. Unfortunately, I don't have a chance to come in and pick up 30some odd books to bring back to Europe. I wish I could. Tartaglia: I'll get in touch with you and we can make it maybe at least a little better. **Newkirk:** Anything else on Yearbook/Publications? Colilla: Do you have the books right now, Allene? Tartaglia: No. We're expecting them next week. Colilla: Oh, OK. I thought if you had them and you can mail me 10 books, I can probably sell them to you at my show next weekend. I'm sorry, I tried. **Tartaglia:** That's OK. **Newkirk:** Not a problem. Any other comments?

# 19. <u>VIRTUAL CAT COMPETITION COMMITTEE</u>.

Committee Chair: Iris Zinck
Liaison to Board: Cathy Dunham

List of Committee Members: Michael Altschul, Deirdre Gerhardt, Nancy Kerr, Denise

Mangold

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# Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Committee completed its work with the New England Meow Outfit, Inc. VCC event.

We would like to welcome Denise Mangold as a new committee member; she joined us in late November. Her area of focus will be sponsorship, prize coordination, and assisting with data downloads from the platform database.

# **Current Happenings of Committee:**

The Committee met in late November to discuss trends w/regard to entries as the New England Meow Outfit club was disappointed with the number of entries received for its VCC. The club had a successful event with 469 entries but net results were lower than previous VCCs. Opinions were divided as to the likely causes, with some feeling that the wildlife-charity Scarlett Fox virtual show hurt NEMO's entries by taking place at exactly the same time. In addition, we had hoped for more promotional support from the Breed Council Secretaries of the three all-blue breeds highlighted in the show.

Another focus of the discussion was finding ways to streamline and simplify the workload involved in putting on a VCC. Although much positive feedback has been received in the past regarding the video finals, it was noted that only a relatively small number of exhibitors are now viewing the finals (the platform displays the number of viewings per final). At show management's request, the next VCC event—a fundraiser for the Midwest Region—will have an experimental finals format. A simple automated slide show will be used for each final and judges will not be asked to provide video commentary.

The Committee is now focused on this Midwest Region VCC, entitled "For the Love of Cats" which featuring a Valentine's Day theme. Entries close on February 14<sup>th</sup> and judging gets underway a few days later.

#### Future Projections for Committee:

We are currently looking for new VCC concepts and for organizations that might be interested in sponsoring a VCC. The calendar is open after the conclusion of the current event.

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

No action items

#### Time Frame:

**Ongoing** 

# What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Report on entry and exhibitor trends over the past few shows.

Report on progress of Valentine's theme event.

Updates on future events.

Respectfully Submitted, Iris Zinck, Chair

Newkirk: Let's move on to the Virtual Cat Competition Committee report and that's Iris. Cathy Dunham, I don't know if Iris is on. I looked and I don't see Iris in the attendees.

Tartaglia: She is here. Newkirk: Oh OK, alright. Tartaglia: I just promoted her. Newkirk: Hi Iris. How are you doing? Zinck: This should be very short and sweet. We just wanted to let everybody know that we're still here, we're still putting on virtual shows and we are taking entries for one right now, as a matter of fact. We just had a request to do one this summer, which we will be working on as we get the chance. We have a new member to help us coordinate prizes and sponsorships. We made one change to our format for the upcoming show at the request of the show manager. We are going to dispense with the video part of the finals and just do our finals as slide shows, which will save an absolutely incredible amount of time. So, we are going to see how this is received and if we need to go back to the video format for future shows, and of course we will. Newkirk: Good deal. Thank you Iris. Anybody have questions or comments for Iris? OK Iris, it doesn't look like anybody has any questions for you. Thank you very much for your report. We appreciate it. Zinck: OK.

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**Newkirk:** That's the last Order of Business for today's open session. If someone has any last comments before I adjourn, raise your hand quickly. **Eigenhauser:** Can we get 5 minutes between, so we can take a break? **Newkirk:** Yes, very good. It is 5:03, so why don't we come back at 5:15? OK, thank you all very much. Nice work everybody. The meeting is adjourned.

# 20. <u>CFA INTERNATIONAL SHOW.</u>

Committee Co-Chairs: Rich Mastin and Mark Hannon

List of Committee Members: Kathy Calhoun, Rachel Anger, Allene Tartaglia

[Secretary's Note: Report withdrawn. See Agenda Item #23.]

**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Sunday, February 6, 2022, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the video conference meeting to order at 10:00 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)

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) – joined the call later

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 Matthew Wong, ID Representative

#### **Absent:**

Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director) Eva Chen, ID-China Representative 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.

[Secretary's Note: Secretary Rachel Anger called the roll, as reflected above.] Anger: I will turn it back to you Mr. President, thank you. Newkirk: Thank you Rachel. So, we have a quorum.

#### CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING **AGENDA** February 5/6, 2022 All times are in Eastern Standard Time SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2022 **Open Session** 10:00 a.m. **Breeds and Standards** Wilson Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees 2:40 p.m. China Region Amendment Committee DelaBar 23. Show License Late Submission Fees 2:50 p.m. DelaBar 3:00 p.m. 24. Region 9 Issues DelaBar Branding and Website Redesign 3:15 p.m. Hannon 25. **BREAK** 3:30 p.m. **Unfinished Business and General Orders** 3:45 p.m. 26. **Unfinished Business** 3:50 p.m. 27. Other Committees 3:55 p.m. 28. New Business

**Newkirk:** Let's approve the Orders of the Day. We do have three tabled items from yesterday and we need to plug those in under, I guess, unfinished business. Rachel, is that where you had planned to put those three items? **Anger:** That is correct. That would be the correct place to put them. **Newkirk:** Does anybody need a refresher on what those are? No? OK good. Any additions or corrections to the agenda? Any objection to accepting this as our Orders of Business? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent this is our Order of Business.

ADJOURN OPEN SESSION

4:00 p.m.

The Orders of the Day were accepted without objection and became the Orders of Business.

# 21. BREEDS AND STANDARDS.

Committee Chair: Annette Wilson

List of Committee Members: Carla Bizzell, Dennis Ganoe, Melanie Morgan, Krista

Schmitt, Michael Shelton

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

13 breeds submitted ballots for standard changes, registration changes and/or informational items. Thanks to Central Office staff and Breed Council/Committee Secretaries for being responsive and easy to work with! On line voting seemed to go very well. All Breed Council proposals passed!

Newkirk: #21, Annette Wilson, Breeds and Standards, you're up. Wilson: Thank you. Good morning everyone. On File Vista, the report that is #21 – Breeds and Standards is the one that has all the entire report, including the breed proposals, the status reports and everything in it, and then there's another smaller Excel file that is a summary of the proposals with the votes for each that you can read across. I'm going to kind of go along with that, as well as the basic report. I want to start by thanking the members of my Committee. Everybody worked really hard on this. I want to call out particularly Carla Bizzell and Melanie Morgan, who helped review the proposals. I want to thank Central Office, who does a ton of work on this. They prepared all of the ballots, they reviewed them, did a double check on proofing them, got them set up for electronic voting and were very good to work with, so Allene, if you could pass that on to everybody who worked on this, I would appreciate it. And James Simbro for stepping up and providing registration and exhibit data when requested to support some of these proposals. The Breed Council Secretaries that had proposals this year were very good to work with, very responsive, very understanding of what is required, and I want to compliment all of them because every one of their proposals passed their breed councils. I don't know if that's a record or not or if it just happened this year, but to me that shows that they are communicating well with their Breed Council members. I also wanted to mention Krista Schmitt on our Committee. She updates the input from the judges' reports on advancing breeds every month. James Simbro sends her a report at the end of every month indicating what cats were actually exhibited and present in each ring, and then she gets the judges' reports and inputs the data from those. Central Office was able to make an online judges' report form for advancing breeds that has been very helpful. So, I think we accomplished quite a bit this year and again, it's really all about the Breed Council Secretaries.

**Newkirk:** Annette, I have a question. Carol Johnson is our genetics advisory committee chair. Is there a reason she is not part of your Committee? **Wilson:** I actually thought she was the chair for Central Office, so I apologize if I misunderstood that, but I certainly have asked her questions when they came up. **Newkirk:** I'm just trying to clarify if she is part of your Committee or do you just use her on a consultant basis. **Wilson:** We haven't really had to consult on too many things, so that has been nice, but yes, I am relying on her and I'm relying on other people when there is a question. There just haven't been too many questions, but I would be happy to add her to the Committee. That's not an issue. I think maybe the reason there aren't a lot of questions is because if Central Office is using her as a resource, then they don't need to

come to me. **DelaBar:** I just want to thank you for putting this Excel format together. It really helps, so thank you for doing that extra bit of work. **Wilson:** You're welcome. I actually did that two years ago, too. It helps me when the report comes in. Of course, two years ago when I did this, I couldn't figure out how to do a percentage to make it right, but anyway it was helpful to all of us, I think. I'm able, because it's short, to copy and paste the results to each individual Breed Council Secretary.

#### Current Happenings of Committee:

Registration data was requested and received (thank you, James Simbro!) to provide support to the breeds requesting additional colors/patterns and breaking out of color classes. You will see that information immediately following the respective ballot proposals.

Committee member Krista Schmitt kept current with the exhibit data on the three advancing breeds and status reports including this information has been provided to each of those breeds (MISC: Khao Manee and Toybob; PROV: Lykoi). The status reports also include registration data since each breed was accepted. Those reports will be presented after the appropriate ballot proposal.

## Future Projections for Committee:

Work on a common format for all standards to have that ready to present in June at the BOD meeting with the Breed Council Secretaries.

Gather input for agenda for BOD Meeting with BCS at June Annual.

# **Board Action Items:**

- 1. A standing motion to pass the proposals that met the appropriate voting percentage of the breed councils. For references purposes, these are the minimum required percentages to pass the BC:
  - a. standard change requires 60% of the BC members voting
  - b. registration rule change requires 50% of the BC members voting
  - c. color class (show rule) change requires 50% of the BC members voting

Wilson: I'm going to scroll up on my other computer here. I would like to have a standing motion for each of the passed proposals, reserving the opportunity to vote no. Anger: Rachel will make a standing second. Wilson: So, Darrell, I'm not sure how you want me to run this. Do you want me to start out each one? Newkirk: It's up to you. You go ahead. Let's start with the first breed and go to the action items, and then we'll query the board if there are any questions. If there are no questions, then we'll call for the vote. Wilson: Thank you.

2. Move to advance the Lykoi from PROV to Championship (reserving the right to vote no), per request by Breed Committee Chair, Desiree Bobby. Advancement to Championship requires 2/3 vote of the CFA Board.

- 3. Discuss the notice of the current Toybob Breed Committee Chair to resign due to personal reasons. Her suggestion for a replacement is not a current member of the Breed Committee but will join May 1. (Suggest we address this at June meeting).
- 4. Discuss issue of high cost of entries for MISC and PROV breeds, clubs do not seem open to reducing fees for these breeds. A \$60 \$80+ entry fee is one reason we don't see more of these cats at shows. Can CFA provide an incentive to reduce entry fees somehow to help these breeds advance?

#### Time Frame:

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

# What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Breed Council/Committee Secretaries annual meeting with CFA Board, agenda to be determined with input from both parties.

Address Toybob Breed Committee Chair vacancy.

Respectfully Submitted, Annette Wilson, Chair

**Breed Council Ballots** 

Breed	Members	Ballots Returned
American Shorthair	35	23
Bengal	71	62
British Shorthair	37	20
Burmese	33	21
Exotic	63	41
Japanese Bobtail	25	15
Khao Manee	2	2
Lykoi	12	5
Ragamuffin	21	13
Scottish Fold	28	12
Siberian	12	11
Somali	14	8
Toybob	3	3

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# 2021 BREED COUNCIL POLL

NOTE: "No action taken" indicates that a breed standard proposal did not meet or exceed a 60% (standard change) or 50% (registration issue) favorable vote from the voting members (i.e., no rounding down). Deleted text is shown with a strikethrough and new text is underscored.

# **AMERICAN SHORTHAIR**

Total Members: 35 Ballots Received: 23

1. PROPOSED: Add Color Descriptions for accepted "& White" patterns CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE, BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE, and BLUE PATCHED SILVER TABBY & WHITE, and CREAM SHADED CAMEO & WHITE and provide color and eye color descriptions for each.

#### **AMERICAN SHORTHAIR COLORS**

SHADED CAMEO & WHITE: ...

**CREAM SHADED CAMEO & WHITE**: white with portions of cream shaded cameo. **Eye color:** gold.

SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE: ...

BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, or ticked): white with portions of blue silver tabby. Eye color: green or hazel.

BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, or ticked): white with portions of blue silver patched tabby. Eye color: gold, green or hazel.

CREAM TABBY & WHITE: ...

<u>CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE</u> (classic, mackerel, or ticked): white with portions of cream cameo tabby <u>Eye color:</u> gold

**RATIONALE:** Add color and eye descriptions for tabby & white and shaded & white colors that are missing. Removes ambiguity that may arise regarding the existence and acceptance of tabby and shaded colors referenced elsewhere in the standard but not fully described.

YES: 19 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 1

#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 22 60% of Voting: 14

Wilson: Carol Johnson is on the call. Could she be made a panelist so she can answer questions? I think she wanted to make a brief statement, also. Tartaglia: She is on. She's on mute. Newkirk: Can you hear us, Carol? Johnson: Yes, I can. Wilson: Good morning Carol. Did you want to be available for questions, or did you have a statement you wanted to make to the board? Johnson: I would like to make a statement when we get to the [Scottish] Fold. I don't need to make a statement right now. Wilson: OK, so we'll go to Proposal #1, which is adding color descriptions for "and white" colors that are missing – these are colors already accepted, already shown, but not described in the standard. Any questions? It passed by 60%. Morgan: I'm always in favor of providing more detail on our color descriptions. I want to just say kudos

to the Breed Council – Carol, your Breed Council – and Annette for putting this together. I wholeheartedly support this. **Newkirk:** Any other comments? Any objections to Proposal #1 on the American Shorthair standard? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, it is adopted.

### The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2. PROPOSED: Add color descriptors to these existing Color Classes:

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

## **American Shorthair Color Class Numbers**

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Tabby & White (including Vans)7072	7073
(Silver, Brown, Blue, Blue Silver, Red,	
Cameo, Cream, Cream Cameo [tabby colors	
in mackerel or classic and, where applicable,	
patched patterns])	
Shaded & White (including Vans)7026	7027
(Shaded Silver & White, Chinchilla Silver &	
White, Shaded Calico, Dilute Shaded Calico,	
Blue Shaded Silver & White, Shaded Cameo	
& White, Cream Shaded Cameo & White,	
Shell Cameo & White)	

**RATIONALE:** Include these colors in the appropriate Color Classes. (Note: Ticked Tabby, Ticked Tabby & White – including patched – are in a separate Color Class).

YES: 19 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 3

#### SHOW RULES (passes)

Votes: 20 50% of Voting: 10

**Wilson:** Proposal #2 adds color descriptions where they are missing to Color Classes 7072 and 7026. This is a show rule, because the color classes are part of the Show Rules, not part of the standards, so it's just adding colors that aren't listed there. This helps when you are judging, to make sure that – and also for entering, to make sure where the color belongs and in which color class. **Newkirk:** Any questions on #2? I'm sorry, Annette. **Wilson:** I just want to say it passed by 50%. **Newkirk:** Any objections to Proposal #2? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent American Shorthair Proposal #2 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

3.) **PROPOSED:** Add gold eye color to the BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY standard:

**BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY** (Pewter Patched Tabby) (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color, including lips and chin, pale, clear bluish silver with classic, mackerel

or ticked tabby markings of deep blue with patches of cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. A blaze of cream on the face is desirable. **Eye color:** gold, green or hazel.

**RATIONALE:** In color combinations containing coat colors with both silver and red, both gold and green eyes are possible and aesthetically pleasing.

YES: 19 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 1

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 22 60% of Voting: 14

Wilson: OK, Proposal #3 adds gold eye color to the Blue-Silver Patched Tabby description. It already called for green or hazel. This adds gold. Morgan: Maybe I'm missing something here. My question here is actually based on the next two proposals, #4 and #5, which reference the fact that a standard sets ideals and asks for the addition of the preferred eye color. Proposal #5 which addresses the patched tabby actually specifies preferred green or gold. This is Blue-Silver Patched Tabby, so it seems inconsistent to not include the preference here if we're considering it in the other areas, or is there a reason that it was omitted here? If so, I would love to know what that reason is. Newkirk: Carol, would you like to address that? Johnson: I thought we did. Do we have a proposal later for that? Let me scroll down. Wilson: The later proposals are Blue-Silver Tabby and Blue-Silver Tabby & White, and Silver Patched Tabby and Silver Patched Tabby & White. Johnson: So then, Melanie, to answer your question, I think that that was probably an oversight. Let me just kind of give you a little preface here. We're currently going through our breed standard, trying to make it more consistent. These are the ones that we caught this year. We're going to continue doing that. We need to actually reorganize our breed standard too, so you can actually find the colors in it, so we may have missed that one. Morgan: Thank you Carol. **Newkirk:** Any other comments? Any objection to Proposal #3? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, American Shorthair Proposal #3 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**(4.) PROPOSED:** Add "green preferred" to the BLUE SILVER TABBY and the BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE standards.

**BLUE SILVER TABBY** (Pewter Tabby) (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color, including lips and chin, pale, clear bluish silver. Markings sound blue. **Nose leather**: blue or old rose trimmed with blue. **Paw pads**: blue. **Eye color**: green or hazel, green preferred.

**BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE:** If PROPOSAL #1 passes, the eye color should be the same as the related established color without white. **Eye Color:** green or hazel, green preferred.

**RATIONALE:** Standards set ideals. Eye colors should not be a list of all possibilities and when two colors along same end of spectrum are listed, the preferred should be stated. The Tabby color and its Tabby & White counterpart should contain the same eye color descriptions.

YES: 20 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 2

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 21 60% of Voting: 13

**Newkirk:** Let's go to #4, Annette. **Wilson:** #4 qualifies the eye color of Blue-Silver Tabby and Blue-Silver Tabby & White to add *green preferred*. **Newkirk:** Any questions on Proposal #4? Any objection to the adoption of Proposal #4? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent Proposal #4 of the American Shorthair proposals is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**5. PROPOSED:** Add "green or gold preferred" to the eye colors in the SILVER PATCHED TABBY and the SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE standards:

**SILVER PATCHED TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color, including lips and chin, pale silver with classic, mackerel or ticked tabby markings of dense black with patches of red and/or cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. A blaze of red and/or cream on the face is desirable. **Eye color**: gold, green or hazel; gold or green preferred.

**SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of silver patched tabby. **Eye color:** gold, green or hazel; gold or green preferred.

**RATIONALE:** Standards set ideals for breeders to strive for. In color combinations containing coat colors with both silver and red, either green or gold eye colors are possible and aesthetically pleasing. Listing hazel without indicating preference for either definite green or definite gold gives equal weight to a color that most do not consider ideal. Even though we recognize that hazel eye color happens, the preferred should be stated. In this instance gold OR green are both preferred to hazel.

YES: 19 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 1

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 22 60% of Voting: 14

**Wilson:** Proposal #5 qualifies the eye color in silver patched tabby and silver patched tabby & white, including a preference for green or gold. **Newkirk:** Any questions on Proposal #5? Any objections to the adoption of Proposal #5 in the American Shorthair standard? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent it is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**PROPOSED:** Housekeeping proposal – Insert the statement "All American Shorthair tabby colors may come in Classic, Mackerel or Ticked Tabby Patterns" after the tabby pattern definitions and immediately prior to the listing of tabby color descriptions and remove the phrase "classic, mackerel or ticked tabby" from each individual tabby color description.

All ASH tabby colors may come in Classic, Mackerel or Ticked Tabby Patterns.

**BROWN PATCHED TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color brilliant coppery brown with classic, mackerel or ticked tabby markings of dense black with patches of red and/or cream

clearly defined on both body and extremities; a blaze of red and/or cream on face is desirable. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. **Eye color**: gold or hazel; shades of gold preferred.

**BLUE PATCHED TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color, including lips and chin, pale bluish ivory with classic, mackerel or ticked tabby markings of very deep blue affording a good contrast with ground color. Patches of cream clearly defined on both body and extremities; a blaze of cream on the face is desirable. Warm fawn overtones or patina over the whole. **Eye color**: gold.

**SILVER PATCHED TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color, including lips and chin, pale silver with classic, mackerel or ticked tabby markings of dense black with patches of red and/or cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. A blaze of red and/or cream on the face is desirable. **Eye color**: gold, green or hazel.

**BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY** (Pewter Patched Tabby) (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color, including lips and chin, pale, clear bluish silver with classic, mackerel or ticked tabby markings of deep blue with patches of cream clearly defined on both body and extremities. A blaze of cream on the face is desirable. **Eye color**: green or hazel.

**SILVER TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color, including lips and chin, pale, clear silver. Markings dense black. The silver tabby genetically is a shaded cat expressing the agouti pattern, therefore the undercoat should be white. **Nose leather**: brick red. **Paw pads**: black. **Eye color**: green to hazel; green preferred.

**BLUE SILVER TABBY** (Pewter Tabby) (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color, including lips and chin, pale, clear bluish silver. Markings sound blue. **Nose leather**: blue or old rose trimmed with blue. **Paw pads**: blue. **Eye color**: green or hazel.

**RED TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color red. Markings deep rich red. Lips and chin to match the color around the eyes. **Nose leather and Paw pads**: brick red. **Eye color**: gold.

**BROWN TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color brilliant coppery brown. Markings dense black. Lips and chin the same shade as the rings around the eyes. Back of legs black from paw to heel. **Nose leather**: brick red. **Paw pads**: black or brown. **Eye color**: gold or hazel; shades of gold preferred.

**BLUE TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color, including lips and chin, pale bluish ivory. Markings a very deep blue affording a good contrast with ground color. Warm fawn overtones or patina over the whole. **Nose leather**: old rose. **Paw pads**: rose. **Eye color**: gold.

**CREAM TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color, including lips and chin, very pale cream. Markings of buff or cream sufficiently darker than the ground color to afford good contrast but remaining within the dilute color range. **Nose leather and Paw pads**: pink. **Eye color**: gold.

**CAMEO TABBY** (classic, mackerel or ticked): ground color off-white. Markings red. The cameo tabby genetically is a shaded cat expressing the agouti pattern, therefore the undercoat should be white. **Nose leather and Paw pads**: rose. **Eye color**: gold.

**CREAM CAMEO TABBY** (Dilute Cameo) (classic, mackerel or ticked): undercoat white, ground color off white. Markings cream. **Nose leather and paw pads**: pink. **Eye color**: gold.

**TABBY & WHITE** (including vans)\*: white with colored portions, the colored portions conform to the currently established tabby classes; classic, mackerel or ticked. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have white feet, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. An inverted "V" blaze is desirable.

**SILVER TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of silver tabby **Eye color**: gold, green or hazel.

**SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of silver patched tabby. **Eye color**: gold, green or hazel.

**CAMEO TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of cameo tabby. **Eye color**: gold.

**BROWN TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked) white with portions of brown tabby. **Eye color**: gold or hazel; shades of gold preferred.

**BROWN PATCHED TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of brown patched tabby. **Eye color**: gold or hazel; shades of gold preferred.

**BLUE TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of blue tabby. **Eye color**: gold.

**BLUE PATCHED TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of blue patched tabby and white. **Eye color**: gold.

**RED TABBY & WHITE**: (classic, mackerel or ticked) white with portions of red tabby. **Eye color**: gold.

**CREAM TABBY & WHITE** (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of cream tabby. **Eye color**: gold.

And, should **Proposal #1** pass, then these also:

BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel or ticked)....

BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel or ticked)...

CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel or ticked)...

CREAM SHADED CAMEO & WHITE (classic, mackerel or ticked)...

**RATIONALE:** Currently the phrase "classic, mackerel or ticked" is repeated 25 times. Our standard is so long that it is difficult to read and to quickly locate specific color descriptions. The addition of this single statement, preceding the tabby color descriptions, will reduce the need for the many repetitions that are contributing to the problem. Also, since some of the tabby color descriptions did not contain the phrase while others contained it twice, this change will also bring more consistency.

YES: 22 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 23 60% of Voting: 14

**Newkirk:** Now we'll go back to Proposal #6. **Wilson:** Which consolidates the Tabby, so it removes the *Classic, Mackerel or Ticked* after each Tabby color and puts that as already up in the upper part describing Tabby, so there's no reason to put it in here. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #6? Any objection to #6? By unanimous consent, #6 is adopted.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**7. PROPOSED:** Housekeeping – Remove "And White" from the following 2 existing color descriptions.

SHADED CALICO & WHITE: white with portions of Shaded Calico. Eye color: green or gold.

**DILUTE SHADED CALICO & WHITE**: white with portions of Dilute Shaded Calico. **Eye color:** green or gold.

**RATIONALE:** Including "& White" is redundant because by definition calicos have white.

YES: 21 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 2

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 21 60% of Voting: 13

**Newkirk:** Let's go to #6 [sic]. **Wilson:** Proposal #6 removes and white from the two Shaded Calico headings because it's redundant. **Newkirk:** Any questions on #6? Any objection to #6? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, Proposal #6 is adopted. **Wilson:** Proposal #7 – I'm sorry, I described #6 wrong. Proposal #6 consolidated the tabby pattern description. So basically the heading for Tabby will describe Classic, Mackerel. **Newkirk:** We just actually voted on #7. **Wilson:** Yes, we did. **Newkirk:** Rachel, can you make that notation, that #7 has been passed by unanimous consent? **Anger:** I will.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

# \* \* \* Informational to the CFA Board \* \* \*

**8. PROPOSED:** Add an end date to the Scottish Fold (and Straight Eared) outcross to American Shorthair, effective with litters born May 1, 2022 and after.

**RATIONALE:** The American Shorthair breeders have been generous in sharing bloodlines with the Scottish Fold breeders since the Scottish Fold breed's inception; at that time straight-eared Folds were AOV only. However, now that the straight eared variety of Scottish Fold can be exhibited in championship (eff. 5.1.2021), there is heightened concern among American Shorthair breeders about contributing to a breed that resembles ours in many ways. In addition, there is now a genetic test to determine whether cats carry the Scottish Fold gene, so it is no longer necessary to use another breed.

Should the Scottish Fold Breed Council be successful with moving the straight-eared offspring from a Color Class to a Division, we respectfully request that a cut-off be set which will specify the date at which outcross of Scottish Fold to American Shorthair will no longer be permitted. Specifically, breeding American Shorthairs to Scottish Straight Ears would seem to be a way to make more "lookalikes."

YES: 11 NO: 11 ABSTAIN: 1

#### INFORMATION ONLY

Votes: 22 Yes = 50%

**9. PROPOSED:** Add an end date to the Scottish Fold (and Straight Eared) outcross to American Shorthair, effective with litters born after December 31, 2027 (5 years).

**RATIONALE:** See Proposal 8. The addition of 5 years is more than enough time to allow Scottish Fold breeders to find alternatives to using American Shorthairs as outcrosses. Should there be a need to extend the outcross beyond 5 years, the American Shorthair Breed Council can address it prior to expiration.

YES: 12 NO: 9 ABSTAIN: 2

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 22 Yes = 57%

**10. PROPOSED:** Add an end date to the Scottish Fold (and Straight Eared) outcross to American Shorthair, effective with litters born after December 31, 2032 (10 years).

**RATIONALE**: See Proposal 8. The addition of 10 years will allow time for Scottish Fold breeders to make plans to retire American Shorthairs from their breeding programs. If there is a need to extend the outcross further, then the American Shorthair Breed Council can address it prior to the expiration.

YES: 9 NO: 12 ABSTAIN: 2

## **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 22Yes = 42%

Newkirk: Let's go to #8. Wilson: #8 through #13 are info to the board regarding the Scottish Fold/Scottish Straight issue, so I think Carol wanted to make a comment on this. Johnson: May I comment? Newkirk: Yes, you are recognized. Johnson: Sure. I would like to say that we greatly appreciate being able to know when breeds that use our breed as part of their breed standard or accepted as for an outcross, we greatly appreciate being told what changes they are going to make so I can take it to our group and just get an idea how we feel our breed is being used. So, we greatly appreciated this year to be able to be polled for this. As you can see, none of these got 60%. I would like to encourage the panel to continue encouraging the Breed Councils to talk among themselves. That's it. Newkirk: Thank you Carol. Very nice comment. Wilson: #8, #9 and #10 are information to the board from the Breed Council regarding the

outcross. The next one puts a 5 year date when it ends, and #10 puts a 10 year date at the end. What the Breed Council preferred was a 5 year date ending it. As we all know, ending an outcross if you don't already have an end date is a difficult thing and it doesn't mean it can't be continued. While none of these got 60%, it is basically a registration rule and doesn't require 50%. So, I don't know if the board wants to just move on by this and maybe come back to it when we talk about the Scottish Folds, or if you want to discuss it. **DelaBar:** In the past, the board has taken this as an advisement but until such time as we have had concurrence from all breeds that are affected, we have not acted on it. So, I don't see a precedent being set now. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Do you concur with that, Annette? **Wilson:** I do concur with it. I hope my breed is never used as an outcross. I concur that it's a precedent.

# **Registration Outcross Related Items for Scottish Fold**

The Scottish Fold Breed Council is considering the following three Registration Rules. Since the American Shorthair is an outcross for the Scottish Fold & Scottish Straight-Eared divisions, please review these proposals and vote in the context of how you wish the American Shorthair breed to be considered for outcross breeding. Your votes will be informational to the CFA Board.

11. **PROPOSED:** Scottish Fold/Straight-Eared outcrosses (British Shorthair and American Shorthair) must be CFA-registerable or have the most recent three generations be clear of unregisterable characteristics (e.g. chocolate, lilac, pointed or longhair for British Shorthair).

**RATIONALE:** This proposal clarifies the current registration rules for Scottish Folds regarding registration by pedigree.

YES: 11 NO: 8 ABSTAIN: 4

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 19 YES = 57%

12. A less restrictive version of #11.

**PROPOSED:** Allow all colors, patterns and coat length acceptable for a Scottish Fold registration to also be acceptable in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 3<sup>rd</sup> generations, even if the color or coat length is unregisterable in the outcross breed (for example, a chocolate, lilac or pointed American Shorthair).

**RATIONALE:** In 2018, the Scottish Fold started accepting all colors and patterns, including chocolate, lilac and pointed, colors which are still disallowed in the British Shorthair and American Shorthair. Because there was no specific restriction outlined at that time indicating an unregisterable British Shorthair or American Shorthair of these colors were disallowed in the pedigree of a CFA registered Scottish Fold (chocolate, lilac and pointed), there is some confusion as to whether or not a chocolate, lilac or pointed British SH or American SH is acceptable in the pedigree of a Scottish Fold and the Scottish Fold is registerable. The rationale for opening the Scottish Fold registry to all colors and patterns was to broaden and diversify the gene pool and disallowing Scottish Folds to be registered because of this color issue impedes the expansion of their gene pool.

Currently, a 3-generation pedigree is required to register a Scottish Fold by pedigree in CFA. The presence of an unregisterable in the 4<sup>th</sup> or earlier generation doesn't impact the registration of the Scottish Fold and the cat is registered.

If the unregisterable outcross is limited to the  $2^{nd}$  and/or  $3^{rd}$  generation, the sire and dam could be only CFA-registered, or CFA-registerable cats.

YES: 4 NO: 15 ABSTAIN: 4

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 19 YES =21%

#### 13. A non-restrictive version of #11.

**PROPOSED:** Allow all colors, patterns and coat length acceptable for a Scottish Fold to also be acceptable in the pedigree, even if the color or coat length is unregisterable in the outcross breed (for example, a chocolate, lilac or pointed American Shorthair).

**RATIONALE:** This proposal expands the use of the British Shorthair and American Shorthair of an unregisterable color/pattern/coat length into all generations.

YES: 6 NO: 14 ABSTAIN: 3

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 20 YES = 30%

**Wilson:** #11, #12 and #13 actually relate to something else that we'll talk about when we get to the Scottish Folds. I didn't want to explain it until we get to that point. Again, 50% preferred #1 in that one, but I've got a note in the Scottish Fold. We'll come back to that, because it's a registration issue that needed to be resolved because of registrations sent in to Central Office. That concludes our American Shorthair proposals. **Newkirk:** Thank you Carol. Appreciate your input.

#### **BENGAL**

Total Members: 71 Ballots Received: 62

(1.) **PROPOSED:** Clarify what constitutes a tail fault, in the Disqualify Section.

**DISQUALIFY: Rosetted / Spotted Tabby, Marble Tabby, Charcoal Tabby, Snow Tabby Patterns** – Belly not patterned. Any distinct locket on neck, chest, abdomen, or anywhere else. Kinked, or otherwise deformed tail. Visible kink in tail. Cow hocking. Crossed eyes.

**RATIONALE:** Miniscule tail faults are commonplace in this breed, and there also exists a large amount of variation in normal skeletal structure of tails. Tail faults have no impact on the health or normal function of the cat, and we feel that this should be moved to the penalty section instead.

YES: 53 NO: 9 ABSTAIN: 0

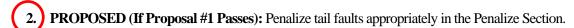
#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 62 60% of Voting: 38

Wilson: Next is the Bengal proposals. Sami Kerr is in the meeting. Kerr: I'm here, yes. Wilson: Oh, you're here. As you know, every year we have seen a number of Bengal proposals for their standard ever since they were accepted to Championship, and I want to congratulate Sami for proposing some that actually passed her Breed Council and for not having 77 proposals this year. So, Proposal #1 is to change the Disqualify section of the standard to change kinked or otherwise deformed tail to visible kink in tail. Morgan: I want to add my congratulations to Sami for putting together some very well thought out and well supported proposals. Unfortunately, on this first proposal, I can't support it. In fact, I'm disappointed although not surprised to see it here. I think they brought it up last year, as well. I'm hopeful that we as a board will not support this proposal which quite clearly takes the standard, in my opinion, the wrong way. Breed standards should be aspirational. We shouldn't devalue our standards and we shouldn't take them down to the cats that we are breeding; we should take our cats up to the standards that we uphold. I believe I've mentioned this before when other breeds have tried to take their standards down, rather than striving to breed the ideal, but in this instance with a breed so closely related to the Egyptian Mau it's even more apropos. Back in the late 90's in its infinite wisdom the Egyptian Mau Breed Council proposed and overwhelmingly approved a resolution very similar to this. Thankfully back then the board was wise enough to save us from ourselves. The problem is, once we start to allow abnormalities, the problems associated with them start to escalate and before you know it the minor, little issues that were simply an annoyance that kept a cat from the show ring become health issues that impact negatively on your breeding program. You start to say these little things are OK and you start down that slippery slope and you can't stop the slide. It just starts getting worse and worse. This is not the way we want to see our breed standards evolve. I think it's really the wrong direction, so I strongly hope that we override this Breed Council request. There's precedent for that. We've done that with the Tonkinese just recently. We did it with the Egyptian Mau back in the 90's, we've done it in several other breeds. I know I'm repeating myself, but I strongly feel we should do everything in our power to avoid taking our standards backwards. I think we should strive to breed cats that meet the standard, with the understanding that not every cat that we produce will be a show cat. It doesn't mean they can't contribute to a breeding program if you personally feel you want to go forward with cats like that. However, once you start breeding cats with issues, you have pretty much guaranteed you won't eliminate the problem. If we start rewarding cats with structural issues in the show ring, we take away the incentive for people to raise the bar and send a wrong message to the breeders and to the world at large. **DelaBar:** With an economy of words, I was going to say this board has never supported dumbing down a standard. I cannot support doing such with this proposal. Eigenhauser: Ditto everything Pam and Melanie said. Currle: In my understanding, the Bengal has been in our Championship classes since 2018, if I'm not incorrect. We've seen many of these changes. I totally agree with Melanie, Pam and ditto with George. We cannot dumb down the standard. I look at all of these proposed changes that went through. These are not the standard changes that I want to see in this particular breed. A standard is an abstract aesthetic ideal. It's really not what the cat is – this is what we're really trying to do. We try to breed for a specific type of ideal cat and this definitely looks like it is the beginning of dumbing down the standard to acquiesce to what's already being bred. We should never be able to breed the most ideal example of any particular breed. There are other things that are down the road in this proposal that I certainly can't support either. Anger: I think I am going to be the dissenter here, and I'll make it brief. To me, this is not dumbing down the standard. What it's doing is putting the focus on the essence of the breed. The essence of the breed isn't a perfect tail. A Bengal doesn't need a tail that is not kinked or otherwise deformed to get across what the breed is all about. This is a breed about a beautiful pattern, about that phenomenal body, the wild appearance, and to the people who are invested in this breed, putting visible kink in tail is where they want to go. To me, this does not affect the structure of the cat. Wilson: So Rachel, I appreciate your input but that just kind of sets me off. So, pretty much then, the tail isn't the essence of any breed. I agree with everything Melanie said. It's a structural issue. I think it needs to be addressed. I would like to see it be a disqualify in every breed, but that's up to each individual breed council. I don't think we should vote to include this here. Thank you. Newkirk: Any other comments? Sami, do you want to make a comment before I call the vote? Kerr: I do, actually. Part of the reason why this keeps getting brought up is not just because it is a common issue, but also because of the kind of overhandling of Bengal tails that we've seen since it became, I guess more noticeable that it was a disqualification. What I'm trying to say is, we wanted to move this to Penalty because we felt like it would not weaken the standard but at the same time we would have more overall fair judging when it came to the cats, so that people weren't focusing just on the tail and whether or not it was a disqualification. I don't know if that makes sense, I'm sorry. Newkirk: OK, thank you. I'll call the vote. All those in favor of Proposal #1 please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. Motion Failed. Hannon and Anger voting yes.

Newkirk: I have Mark Hannon and Rachel Anger. The no votes, I have Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, Kathy Calhoun, Melanie Morgan, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, John Colilla. If you will lower your hands, are there any abstentions? Sharon Roy and John Colilla. Colilla: No, I didn't get to lower my hand, sorry. Newkirk: Alright. Sharon, are you an abstain or a no? Roy: I'm a no, sorry. Newkirk: OK, no abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: Thank you. That's 2 yes, 14 no, zero abstentions. Newkirk: OK, so this proposal is not agreed to.



**PENALIZE: Rosetted/Spotted Tabby Pattern** – Rosettes or spots running together vertically forming a mackerel tabby pattern. **Marble Tabby Pattern** – Circular bull's eye pattern. **Snow Tabby Pattern** – Substantially darker point color as compared to color of body markings. <u>Palpable tail faults.</u>

**RATIONALE:** Miniscule tail faults are commonplace in this breed, and there also exists a large amount of variation in normal skeletal structure of tails. Tail faults have no impact on the health or normal function of the cat, and we feel that this should be moved to the penalty section instead.

YES: 49 NO: 13 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 62 60% of Voting: 38

**Newkirk:** We can skip over #2 since #1 didn't pass.

No Action.

**3. PROPOSED**: In the General description, change "preferably" to "may be" with regards to glitter and remove the term "silky" from the General section coat description.

The Bengal is a medium to large cat with a sleek, muscular build. Boning is substantial. Hindquarters slightly higher than shoulders. The tail is thick, with rounded tip, and carried lower than the back. The Bengal's head, expressive nocturnal look, and stunning markings give the breed a wild appearance. The coat is like no other: short, <u>close lying</u>, soft, <u>silky to the touch</u>, luxurious, and <u>preferably may be</u> glittered. Bengals are alert and active, with inquisitive, dependable dispositions. Males are generally larger than females.

**RATIONALE:** Breeders disagree on whether there should be a preference for glitter. This question polls the Council. In addition, the term "silky" is defined as fine, and with regards to the coat, this is not the feel we want to describe.

YES: 51 NO: 11 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 62 60% of Voting: 38

**Newkirk:** Let's go to #3. **Wilson:** #3 is, in the General description, to remove the *silky* coat texture reference, qualify glittering and add close lying. This is the general description that goes immediately up to the point score and this addresses the sentence that says, The coat is like no other. It adds close lying, so that sentence now reads, The coat is like no other, close lying, soft, luxurious, and may be glittered. Morgan: I'm torn here. While not all Bengals are glittered, the glittered coat has long been a hallmark of the breed. The word *preferably* speaks to the aspirational aspect of the standard. While glitter is not in itself breed defining for this breed, the desire for it does contribute to the uniqueness of the breed. So, I don't think that leaving the word preferably unduly penalizes those cats which are otherwise exceptional, and I am supportive of them encouraging the aspects that define each breed and make them completely unique. For those reasons, although I understand where they are trying to go, I cannot support this proposal. Currle: This item #3 removes the word silky which is from what my understanding is, part of every Bengal standard in the World Cat Congress. I think this change also weakens the standard, which should be included in the ideal cat. **Newkirk:** Can I just add a point of information here? Chris Kaelin at Stanford has probably done more research on Bengal coats and patterns than anyone. We feel that glitter is a recessive gene. Only I think about 63% or 64% of Bengals either have the gene or carry the gene, so about 1/3 of the breed population does not have glitter. Carol, I don't know if you want to add anything to that. **Johnson:** No, Chris is the expert on that. Newkirk: OK. I would like Melanie – I don't know how I feel about taking preferably and making it may be, because I don't want to get into the specifics but there's a couple of different kinds of glitter. You can read about that on your own if you want. Morgan: I may be wrong and

this may not be relevant, however it's my understanding that all the Bengals that actually exhibit that or have that recessive can trace their lineage directly back to the New Delhi, Indian Maus, Toby Delhi, India. The Egyptian Maus get the recessive gene from the same place. As I said, I could be wrong and it may not be relevant, so it is certainly something that we don't see in every, single Bengal. That said, preferably to me just doesn't unduly penalize and I do think it's an important factor in the breed. **Newkirk:** It's important from a historical perspective, Melanie. Wilson: I would like to reference another breed that calls for something that probably isn't addressed very often by judges, and that's the Birman standard where it says the golden mist and this is actually in the body of the standard under Color. It is desirable in all point colors. A faint golden beige cast on the backs and sides, and is somewhat deeper in the seal points and may be absent in kittens. Yet probably much more than 30% or 60% of the Birmans we judge don't have it and I don't think the breeders care about it too much, so I think that saying it may be glittered, based on the genetics of it, is actually what this breed has. It may be glittered. I want to note that there's a proposal – I think it's the next one – that actually describes glitter, which hasn't been described in this standard before. So, I don't think they are minimizing it. I think actually this is central. Thank you. Newkirk: Any other comments? Sami, any comments? Kerr: Yes actually. May be glittered was included because there seemed to be some kind of confusion identifying glitter and it depends on the lighting, on cats that only have one copy to actually exhibit glitter on the feet and nowhere else, so it's a variable expression. It makes it a little bit harder to identify it. What we're trying to say here is that it is irrelevant to the overall cat. It should be just icing on the cake, not something that we look for to warrant whether or not that cat is being rewarded. Newkirk: Sami, can I ask you, what makes the Bengal distinct? Kerr: Well, the type. It's supposed to be a small jungle-dwelling cat. The pattern, the coat texture, there's a lot of things that make it distinct. Newkirk: I ask because I'm getting comments from board members that this doesn't matter, that doesn't matter, that doesn't matter, so I just want to make sure that we're all on the same page of what makes this breed distinct. **Kerr:** That's only the pattern. I mean, when it comes to the glitter, it is like I said variable expression and it seems to be one of those things that is very dependent on lighting and grooming, so it has been a harder thing to identify. Newkirk: Thank you very much. OK, I'll call the vote. All those in favor of Proposal #3 raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, Currle and Eigenhauser voting no.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Annette Wilson, Pam DelaBar, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, Pam Moser, Rachel Anger, John Colilla, Howard Webster. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hand. Melanie Morgan, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? No abstentions Rachel, so you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 13 yes, 3 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Proposal #3 is adopted.

**4. PROPOSED:** In the COAT section, remove preference for glitter and the allowance for longer coats in kittens.

**COAT**: With qualities unique to the breed, the Bengal coat is Short, close lying, soft, silky, luxurious, and ideally glittered with minimal resilience. May be glittered (iridescent shimmer to the coat, caused by light reflection or refraction at hair tips). Allowance for slightly longer coat in kittens.

**RATIONALE:** Breeders disagree on whether there should be a preference for glitter; this question polls the Council. Allowance for slightly longer kitten coat is addressed in the allowance section so this is unnecessarily redundant.

YES: 50 NO: 12 ABSTAIN: 0

#### **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 62 60% of Voting: 38

**Newkirk:** Let's go on to #4. **Wilson:** #4 clarifies the texture, describes glitter and removes the allowance for longer coats in kittens. So, coat now would read, *Short, close lying, soft, luxurious with minimal resilience. May be glittered (iridescent shimmer to the coat caused by light reflection or refraction at hair tips). Any questions? Morgan: I love the fact that the glitter effect is defined here. It's one of the first attempts I have seen to do it and I think they did a really good job. I also like the fact that the texture definition is refined in the standard, although this removes the word <i>ideally* for glitter which, of course, I don't like. I voted against the other. I can support this here for consistency's sake. **Newkirk:** Any other comments? Any objection to Proposal #4? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, #4 is adopted.

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

**5. PROPOSED:** Remove the term "free of ticking" from rosetted/spotted tabby patterns, as well as clarifying the wording.

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and spots shall be random, with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking as uniform in color as possible. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, and a lighter center. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, and are preferred to single spotting. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. A much lighter to white ground color on the whisker pads, chin, chest, belly, and inner legs, in contrast to the ground color of the flanks and back. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. These cats are not required to have two tone markings.

**RATIONALE:** All patterned cats have some banding of the hair due to the action of the Agouti gene, free of ticking is not actually possible and the inclusion of this in our standard is confusing to those who understand this. Uniform in color describes a clear coat background.

YES: 45 NO: 16 ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 61 60% of Voting: 37

**Newkirk:** Let's go to #5. **Wilson:** Under Colors and Patterns, #5 clarifies the sentence to add or removing *free of ticking* and it clarifies the ground color. **Newkirk:** Comments? Any objection to #5? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, #5 is adopted.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**6. PROPOSED:** Remove the term "free of ticking" from marble tabby patterns, as well as clarifying the wording.

MARBLE TABBY PATTERN: The Marble pattern is full of swirls, with a pattern like no other breed a modified classic tabby pattern with horizontal, diagonal, or random pattern flow, as opposed to a circular pattern flow; there should be no resemblance to the classic tabby pattern seen in other breeds. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct markings with sharp edges. Markings are two Two toned markings are preferred., having a horizontal or diagonal flow. Side pattern symmetry not required. There should be no resemblance to the Classic Tabby pattern, and a circular pattern or bullseye is undesirable. The more random the pattern, the better. Additional color tones inside the pattern, giving a "stained glass" effect is desirable. Patterned shoulder markings, and multi-toned markings on legs, feet and tail desirable. Rosettes and spots can be present, particularly on the legs. Strong chin strap, Distinct mascara and other facial markings desirable. Lighter colored spectacles enhance the eyes. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. A much lighter to white ground color on the whisker pads, chin, chest, belly, and inner legs, in contrast to the ground color of the flanks and back. Light thumbprints on back of ears are desirable. Belly must be patterned. Allow for maturity for "stained glass" or full coloration to appear.

**RATIONALE:** All patterned cats have some banding of the hair due to the action of the Agouti gene, free of ticking is not actually possible and the inclusion of this in our standard is confusing to those who understand this. Uniform in color describes a clear coat background. Wording changes simply clarify what the marble description is trying to convey.

YES: 46 NO: 15 ABSTAIN: 1

#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 61 60% of Voting: 37

**Newkirk:** Let's go on to the next one. **Wilson:** #6 clarifies the marble tabby pattern, removes *free of ticking* and clarifies the ground color. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #6? Any objections to #6? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, #6 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

7. PROPOSED: Add pink nose leather to the brown (black) tabby color description and move other colors of paw pads to the allowance section. Change acceptable eye color to any color other than blue which is more consistent with the other color descriptions.

**BROWN** (**BLACK**) **TABBY**: All variations of brown are allowed as the ground color, ranging from buff, tan, honey gold, to orange. Markings may be various shades of tan, brown, and black. There should be extreme contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and well

defined edges. Markings should be two toned. Lighter color spectacles enhance the eyes. A much lighter to white ground color on the whisker pads, chin, chest, belly, and inner legs, in contrast to the ground color of the flanks and back is desirable. **Nose leather**: Brick red, outlined in black. Pink to brick red. Paw pads: From pink, to brick red, with allowances for black or brown. Black. Eye color: Gold to green. Any color other than blue.

**RATIONALE:** Pink nose leather is essentially a lighter variation of the brick red that we currently list as acceptable. Incorrect paw pad color is already mentioned under allowances. The change of acceptable eye color to any color other than blue is more consistent with the other color descriptions. A large subset of breeders is actively working to incorporate brown to copper eyes and as long as the eye color is deep and rich, there is no reason to exclude.

YES: 54 NO: 8 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 62 60% of Voting: 38

**Newkirk:** #7. **Wilson:** #7 changes the eye color and paw pad color in the Brown Tabby description. It change the paw pad color to black, which if it is a brown tabby is what it needs to be, and addresses eye color, saying *Any color other than blue*. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #7? Any objections to #7? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, #7 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

8. PROPOSED: Move the CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN to immediately after the MARBLE TABBY PATTERN and rename CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN EFFECT.

#### BENGAL PATTERNS AND COLORS

#### **BENGAL PATTERNS**

ROSETTED/ SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: .....

MARBLE TABBY PATTERN: .....

CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN EFFECT: There should be definite contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and clearly defined edges. Pattern should have a horizontal flow. Preference will be given to very dark markings, with clear outlines, and well contrasted to the ground color. There must be white, or nearly white spectacles or "goggles" encircling the eyes. A dark mask runs all the way from the nose bridge to the nose and connects from the mascara lines all the way to the nose bridge. A wide, dark, "cape" running down the length of the back is desirable. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Kittens are sometimes rosetted, adults are usually spotted. Charcoals can be Spotted, or Marble Pattern.

#### **BENGAL COLORS**

# ROSETTED / SPOTTED TABBY AND MARBLE COLORS

**BROWN (BLACK) TABBY: ....** 

**BLACK SILVER TABBY: ....** 

**BLUE TABBY**: ....

**BLUE SILVER TABBY: ....** 

CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN: There should be definite contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and clearly defined edges. Pattern should have a horizontal flow. Preference will be given to very dark markings, with clear outlines, and well contrasted to the ground color. There must be white, or nearly white spectacles or "goggles" encircling the eyes. A dark mask runs all the way from the nose bridge to the nose, and connects from the mascara lines all the way to the nose bridge. A wide, dark, "cape" running down the length of the back is desirable. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Kittens are sometimes rosetted, adults are usually spotted. Charcoals can be Spotted, or Marble Pattern.

#### **CHARCOAL TABBY COLORS:**

**RATIONALE:** As an Agouti gene variant, charcoal expresses as both a color and a pattern modifier. Renaming this to a pattern effect allows it to more accurately be combined with all other colors and patterns. This has had almost enough support to pass in recent years.

YES: 56 NO: 5 ABSTAIN: 1

#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 61 60% of Voting: 37

**Newkirk:** Let's move on to #8. **Wilson:** OK, #8 move the Charcoal pattern and renames it to the Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect and describes it. So, it moves it to describe Charcoal Tabby Pattern after the Marble Tabby Pattern. It renames it as *Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect* since, in fact, the color description is describing the effect the Charcoal pattern has on the other tabby patterns. **Newkirk:** Sort of like an overlay. **Wilson:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #8? Any objections to #8? Hearing no objections, #8 is adopted.

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

9. PROPOSED (If Proposal 8 passes): Change the description of the CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN as follows:

CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN EFFECT: Charcoal Tabby Effect can be present and shown in all acceptable tabby patterns and colors (e.g., Black Charcoal Silver Spotted Tabby). Any color Charcoal Tabby meets the Rosetted/Spotted or Marble Tabby descriptions with more dramatic spectacles. There is less contrast between pattern and ground color as well as a darker overall appearance in between a tabby and a solid. Mask runs from the nose bridge to the nose tip and connects from the mascara lines to the nose bridge. should be definite contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and clearly defined edges. Pattern should have a horizontal flow. Preference will be given to very dark markings, with clear outlines, and well contrasted to the ground color. There must be white, or nearly white spectacles or "goggles" encircling the eyes. A dark mask runs all the way from the nose bridge to the nose, and connects from the mascara lines all the way to the nose bridge. A wide, dark, "cape" on the dorsal side may be present. running down the length of the back is desirable. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Kittens are sometimes rosetted, adults are usually spotted. Charcoals can be Spotted, or Marble Pattern.

**RATIONALE:** This has already garnered support from almost half of breed council members in recent years. Clarifies the pattern effect.

YES: 56 NO: 5 ABSTAIN: 1

#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 61 60% of Voting: 37

**Wilson:** #9 changes the description of the Charcoal Tabby Pattern and renames it to the Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect. So, this is under the other part of it. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #9? Any objections to #9? Hearing no objections, #9 is adopted by unanimous consent.

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

10. PROPOSED (If Proposal 8 passes): Remove unnecessary and incomplete charcoal color descriptions.

#### **CHARCOAL TABBY COLORS:**

BROWN (BLACK) CHARCOAL TABBY: Same as Brown (Black) Tabby except the Charcoal brown colors are cold browns, with no warm gold, or amber tones and with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.

**BLACK SILVER CHARCOAL TABBY:** Same as Black Silver Tabby with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.

BLUE CHARCOAL TABBY: Same as Blue Tabby with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.

**BLUE SILVER CHARCOAL TABBY:** Same as Blue Silver Tabby with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.

**RATIONALE:** The Charcoal Tabby Color section is not necessary as the Charcoal Pattern Effect more fully describes the effect that is had on the various colors and each color is already described elsewhere in the standard.

YES: 54 NO: 6 ABSTAIN: 2

# STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 60 60% of Voting: 37

**Newkirk:** Let's move on to #10. **Wilson:** #10 is to be considered if#8 passes which it did. It removes the Charcoal color description because we just replaced it with this other one. **Newkirk:** Makes sense. Any objections to #10 or comments? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent, #10 is adopted.

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

11.) PROPOSED: Remove "No flat planes" from head description.

**HEAD:** Broad, modified wedge with rounded contours, longer than wide, with high cheekbones. Slightly small in proportion to body, not to be taken to extreme. Top of skull flows back into the neck, with visible back skull. No flat planes. Allowance for jowls on mature males.

**RATIONALE:** Straight to nearly straight profiles are desirable in this breed and to incorporate the term "no flat planes" unnecessarily penalizes cats with acceptable profiles when the term should be clarified to focus on the flat foreheads which are not desirable.

YES: 53 NO: 9 ABSTAIN: 0

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 62 60% of Voting: 38

Wilson: #11 removes from the Head description in the standard no flat planes. So, the head as described says, Broad, modified wedge with rounded contours, longer than wide, with high cheekbones. Slightly small in proportion to body, not to be taken to extreme. Top of skull flows back into the neck, with visible back skull. Allowance for jowls on mature males. The sentence being moved, No flat planes, was right in front of Allowance. Any questions? Currle: Just wanted to ask Sami, why was this put in here? It's in the original standard and I don't understand why they want to allow flat planes. **Kerr:** It has to do with the *nearly straight profile*, so that is actually something that is rewarded in every other standard, and something that most breeders are actively breeding for. We don't want dippy profiles, we don't want a pronounced concavity, so *nearly straight* is much more correct. That should be the only place where it's flat. Currle: That's fine, thank you. Wilson: The current standard for Profile says Gently curved forehead to nose bridge. Nose may have a slight concave curve. **Kerr:** That's true, slight concave. Wilson: So, basically what this is doing in the Head part of the standard is removing no flat planes but if the profile should be or can be straight, that may be something you want to address in the future. **Kerr:** Correct. Basically, what we were trying to communicate is that the range can be a slight concave profile to a nearly straight or straight. Currle: To me, it has to be one or the other. If you are going to accept flat planes, which is going to be preferred, the concave curve to the forehead or with a flat plane? We as judges would like to have a head's up as to what the preference would be. **Kerr:** The domed forehead is preferable. That's described in a separate part of the standard. This was really to address the flatter profiles. Morgan: I don't think that removing the sentence No flat planes, not that that's a sentence but a statement, accomplishes what you're trying to accomplish, Sami. We're looking at a modified wedge with rounded contours. By definition, to some extent, that should be No flat planes but if you really want this to address the profile, I don't think this is the right place or the right way to do it. I think it's going to confuse issues, more than clarify, personally. Sorry. Newkirk: It does sort of go against the definition of a modified wedge in all our other standards. Wilson: I actually agree with passing this, because No flat planes doesn't belong in the Head description here. What I would encourage Sami to do would be to clarify the Profile, which is a separate section in the standard, where it says, Nose may have a slight concave curve. I think that's where it belongs and I think that's where it should be addressed next time. Basically, taking this No flat planes out of here doesn't really hurt anything in the Head. I think if we need to clarify Profile, then that's a separate issue and what it currently says, *Nose may have a slight concave curve*, to me says it's usually straight, so it could be either way. I think if they want it to have a slight concave curve, then they need to address that in that part of the standard. Kerr: Noted. Newkirk: Anybody else

have any comments? I'll call the vote. All those in favor of Proposal #11 raise your hand.

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

Newkirk: I have Mark Hannon, Rachel Anger, Annette Wilson, Rich Mastin, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Hayata-san, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Cathy Dunham, Sharon Roy. If you'll take your hands down, if you're a no vote please raise your hand. Cathy, I called you as a yes. Are you changing to no? Alright, the no votes are Cathy Dunham, Melanie Morgan and Kenny Currle. If you will take your hands down. Cathy Dunham, are you a yes or a no? Dunham: Darrell, I'm a yes. I was having problems with my iPad. Newkirk: No problem. So strike the no vote on Cathy and make it a yes. Any abstentions? OK Rachel, you can announce the vote when you've got it tabulated. Anger: If a vote for Howard Webster was announced, I didn't get it. So Howard, are you a yes or a no? Webster: Abstain. Anger: So that's 13 yes, 2 no, 1 abstention. Newkirk: The motion is agreed to. Thank you Sami. Kerr: Thank you.

## **BRITISH SHORTHAIR**

Total Members: 37 Ballots Received: 20

\* \* \* Informational to the CFA Board \* \* \*

#### **Registration Outcross Related Items for Scottish Fold**

**1. PROPOSED:** The British Shorthair breed is an outcross for the Scottish Fold (including Straight Eared, currently a separate color class).

Do you support the advancement of the Straight Eared Scottish Folds to a division of the Scottish Fold breed?

**RATIONALE**: The British Shorthair Breed Council has already expressed, via email poll, their support of the continued use of British Shorthairs as an accepted outcross for the Scottish Fold breed to assure the health and viability of the Scottish Fold breed.

Last season, the Scottish Fold Breed Council successfully requested to make Straight Eared Scottish Folds an accepted color class of the breed. This season, the Scottish Fold Breed Council is requesting to have the Straight Eared Scottish Folds accepted as a division of the breed. As an affected breed, the British Shorthair Breed Council must be polled to determine the members' opinion on this question.

YES: 9 NO: 9 ABSTAIN: 2

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 18 Yes = 50%

**2. PROPOSED:** Scottish Fold/Straight-Eared outcrosses (British Shorthair and American Shorthair) must be CFA registerable or have the most recent three generations be clear of unregisterable

characteristics (e.g. chocolate, lilac, pointed or longhair for British Shorthair).

**RATIONALE:** This proposal clarifies the current registration rules for Scottish Folds regarding registration by pedigree.

YES: 14 NO: 5 ABSTAIN: 1

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 19 Yes = 73%

#### 3. A less restrictive version of #2.

**PROPOSED:** Allow all colors, patterns and coat length acceptable for a Scottish Fold registration to also be acceptable in the  $2^{nd}$  and/or  $3^{rd}$  generations, even if the color or coat length is unregisterable in the outcross breed (for example, a chocolate, lilac or pointed British Shorthair [or longhair]).

**RATIONALE:** In 2018, the Scottish Fold started accepting all colors and patterns, including chocolate, lilac and pointed, colors which are still disallowed in the British Shorthair and American Shorthair. Because there was no specific restriction outlined at that time indicating an unregisterable British Shorthair or American Shorthair of these colors were disallowed in the pedigree of a CFA registered Scottish Fold (chocolate, lilac and pointed), there is some confusion as to whether or not a chocolate, lilac or pointed British SH or American SH is acceptable in the pedigree of a Scottish Fold and the Scottish Fold is registerable. The rationale for opening the Scottish Fold registry to all colors and patterns was to broaden and diversify the gene pool and disallowing Scottish Folds to be registered because of this color issue impedes the expansion of their gene pool.

Currently, a 3-generation pedigree is required to register a Scottish Fold by pedigree in CFA. The presence of an unregisterable in the 4<sup>th</sup> or earlier generation doesn't impact the registration of the Scottish Fold and the cat is registered.

If the unregisterable outcross is limited to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 3<sup>rd</sup> generation, the sire and dam could be only CFA-registered, or CFA-registerable cats.

YES: 2 NO: 16 ABSTAIN: 2

## **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 18 Yes = 11%

#### 4. A non-restrictive version of #2.

**PROPOSED:** Allow all colors, patterns and coat length acceptable for a Scottish Fold to also be acceptable in the pedigree, even if the color or coat length is unregisterable in the outcross breed (for example, a chocolate, lilac, pointed or longhair British Shorthair).

**RATIONALE:** This proposal expands the use of the British Shorthair and American Shorthair of an unregisterable color/pattern/coat length into all generations.

YES: 2 NO: 17 ABSTAIN: 1

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 19 Yes = 11%

Newkirk: Let's move on to the British Shorthair. If you're not talking, please mute your mike. Wilson: The British Shorthair proposals are informational to the board. I don't know of Cyndy Byrd is on the call or if she wants to speak. I didn't hear from her when I asked her.

Newkirk: I thought I saw her in the attendees' list. She's there, so Allene? Tartaglia: I just invited her to the panel. She is joining. Newkirk: OK. Byrd: Good morning. Wilson: Did you want to make a statement to the board or do you want to be available for questions? Byrd: I'm happy to be available for questions. I just want to point out that the British Breed Council had a rather strong feeling about allowing registerable Brits as an outcross. Wilson: We were going to actually talk about that when we get to the Scottish Fold. Would you be available then, since that actually addresses three breeds – American Shorthair, British Shorthair and Scottish Fold – we were going to save that to when we talk about the Scottish Fold proposal. Byrd: That works for me. Wilson: OK, thank you. I mean, we could do it now but then we'll forget by the time we get there. So, actually these are all informational regarding the Scottish Fold proposals, so can we go on to Burmese? Is that alright? Newkirk: Yes.

## **BURMESE**

Total Members: 33 Ballots Received: 21

1. PROPOSED: Change eye color order in Sable description:

#### **BURMESE COLORS**

**SABLE:** the mature specimen is a rich, warm, sable brown; shading almost imperceptibly to a slightly lighter hue on the underparts but otherwise without shadings, barring, or markings of any kind. (Kittens are often lighter in color.) **Nose leather and paw pads:** brown. **Eye color:** ranges from gold to yellow to gold, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

**RATIONALE**: This will make the eye color description for SABLE match the format for the other three colors.

YES: 21 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 21 60% of Voting: 13

**Wilson:** The Burmese first proposal changes the order of the eye color description for Sable. It previously read, *ranges from gold to yellow*. Now it *ranges from yellow to gold*. It does that just to match the order of the other color descriptions. **Newkirk:** Any questions on this one? Any objections to the Burmese Proposal #1? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent Proposal #1 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

(2.) PROPOSED: Housekeeping changes to punctuation, capitalization, grammar and style:

#### HEAD, EARS, and EYES (30)

Roundness of Head	.7
Breadth between eyes and Full full face	.6
Proper profile (includes-Chin chin)	.6
Ear set, placement, and size	.6
Eye placement and shape	.5

#### BODY, LEGS, FEET, and TAIL (30)

Torso	15
Muscle tone	5
Legs and Feet feet	5
Tail	

#### COAT (10)

Shortness	4
Texture	4
Close lying	2

GENERAL: the The overall impression of the ideal Burmese would be a cat of medium size with substantial bone structure, good muscular development and a surprising weight for its size. This together with a rounded head, expressive eyes and a sweetexpression presents a totally distinctive cat which is comparable to no other breed. Perfect physical condition, with excellent muscle tone is expected. There should be no evidence of obesity, paunchiness, weakness, or apathy.

HEAD, EARS, and EYES: <u>The</u> head <u>is</u> pleasingly rounded without flat planes whether viewed from the front or side. ... The eyes are large, set far apart, with <u>a</u> rounded aperture.

BODY: <u>The body is medium in size</u>, muscular in development, and <u>presents presentings</u> a compact appearance. Allowance to be made for larger size in males. <u>There should be an An ample</u>, rounded chest, with <u>a back that is level from shoulder to tail</u>.

LEGS: <u>Are</u> well proportioned to the body.

PAWS: Are round. Toes: has five toes in front and four behind.

TAIL: <u>Is</u> straight <u>and</u> medium in length.

COAT: <u>Is</u> fine, glossy, <u>with a satin-like texture</u>; <u>It is short</u> and very close lying.

PENALIZE: <u>Distinct</u> distinct barring on either the front or rear outer legs. Trace (faint) barring <u>is</u> permitted in kittens...

DISQUALIFY: <u>Kinked kinked</u> tail, lockets or spots. Blue eyes. Crossed eyes. Incorrect nose leather or paw pad color. <u>A malocclusion</u> <u>Malocclusion</u> of the jaw that results in a severe underbite or overbite...

#### **BURMESE COLORS**

**SABLE:** The the mature specimen is a rich, warm, sable brown; shading almost imperceptibly to a slightly lighter hue on the under- parts but otherwise without shadings, barring, or markings of any kind. (Kittens are often lighter in color.) **Nose leather and paw pads:** Brown brown. **Eye color:** Ranges ranges from gold to yellow, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

**CHAMPAGNE:** The the mature specimen should be a warm honey beige, shading to a pale gold tan underside. Slight darkening on ears and face permissible but lesser shading is preferred. A slight darkening in older specimens allowed, the emphasis being on evenness eveness of color. **Nose leather:** Light light warm brown. **Paw pads:** Warm warm pinkish tan. **Eye color:** Ranging ranging from yellow to gold, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

**BLUE:** The the mature specimen should be a medium blue with warmfawn undertones, shading almost imperceptibly to a slightly lighter hue on the underparts, but otherwise without shadings, barring or markings of any kind. **Nose leather and paw pads:** Slate gray. **Paw pads:** Ranging ranging from slate gray to warm pinkish blue. **Eye color:** Ranging ranging from yellow to gold, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

**PLATINUM:** The the mature specimen should be a pale, silvery gray with pale fawn undertones, shading almost imperceptibly to a slightly lighter hue on the underparts, but otherwise without shadings, barring or markings of any kind. **Nose leather and paw pads:** Lavender-pink lavender-pink. **Eye color:** Ranging ranging from yellow to gold, the greater the depth and brilliance the better.

**RATIONALE:** These are changes to capitalization, punctuation, grammar, spelling and to maintain continuity of style.

YES: 19 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 21 60% of Voting: 13

Wilson: Proposal #2 makes a number of purely housekeeping changes to the Burmese standard regarding punctuation and syntax or grammar. So, basically it makes it all match. If the description was well proportioned it now says legs are well proportioned. I don't know that this is the direction we're going to go in with every standard, but I appreciate the fact that they took this as a project this year. It doesn't change anything, it just capitalizes, addresses punctuation and grammar. Newkirk: I think this is a good step forward for all the breeds. Wilson: It's a lot of work. DelaBar: Just one thing on grammar hit me. Under Paws, PAWS: Are round. Toes: has have five toes in front and four behind. Not has. Just a little grammar thing of plural versus singular. Wilson: It should be have five toes. DelaBar: We can't change it. Wilson: I'm making a note. Newkirk: If we adopt this, they could change that one to have. Wilson: If anybody notices anything else like that, let me know. Newkirk: I think this was a project that Jacqui and Teresa wanted, and so I think our standards should look professional. OK, any comments on #2? Any objection to #2? Hearing no objection, #2 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# **EXOTIC**

Total Members: 63 Ballots Received: 41

**PROPOSED:** Allow Bi-Color points to be shown in the Calico & Bi-Color division under the Other Bi-Color color class. Add the following color description for POINTED AND WHITE to the list of accepted Calico & Bi-Color Division colors and include them in the OTHER BI-COLORS color class.

#### **CALICO & BI-COLOR DIVISION**

#### LILAC CALICO SMOKE: ...

POINTED AND WHITE: a cat with white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established Pointed Division (Himalayan) pattern color descriptions. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have white toes, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. Inverted V is desirable. Less white than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have a colored tail and one or more patches of color on the head. Less color than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. Eye color: deep vivid blue. Disqualify: eye color other than blue.

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

### **Exotic Color Class Numbers**

(Chocolate Bi-Color, Lilac Bi-Color,

Chocolate Calico, Lilac Calico, Chocolate

Point & White, Seal Point & White, Flame

(Red) Point & White, Tortie Point & White,

Lilac Point & White, Blue Point & White,

Cream Point & White, Blue-Cream Point &

White, Chocolate Tortie Point & White, Lilac-

Cream Point & White, Seal Lynx Point &

White, Blue Lynx Point & White, Tortie Lynx

Point & White, Blue-Cream Lynx Point &

White, Flame (Red) Lynx Point & White,

Cream Lynx Point & White, Chocolate Lynx

Point & White, Lilac Lynx Point & White,

Chocolate Tortie Lynx Point & White, Lilac-

Cream Lynx Point & White).

**RATIONALE**: Pointed and White Bi-Colors are naturally occurring colors within the breed and worthy of obtaining championship status within CFA. We accept all other colors that are required to genetically produce these color/pattern combinations and feel adding these cats to our standard is a move in the right direction. It is proposed that they be judged in the Other Bi-Colors color class as there will likely be too few initially competing on the show bench to grant them their own separate

color class. Breeders that are producing these colors are registering and exhibiting them in other associations where they are recognized for Championship status and aren't considered AOV's.

YES: 27 NO: 10 ABSTAIN: 4

#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 37 60% of Voting: 23

Wilson: The next ballot is the Exotic ballot. Is Lynn Cooke on? Newkirk: Yes, she's there. **Cooke:** Yes, I'm here. **Wilson:** Alright, Proposal #1 is a color/pattern issue to the standard. It is adding the new bi-color points in the Calico and Bi-Color class as a pattern description for Pointed & White. Cooke: Annette, do we have the PowerPoint presentation? **Wilson:** I actually put the pictures right into this proposal. What the Exotic Breed Council wants to do is start showing Pointed & Whites. There are some pictures here that are embedded into the report that Lynn provided, showing what these cats look like. These cats are registered. We have 13 of them registered since 2017. I didn't have any evidence that they had been shown as AOVs. Lynn, I did get some data on that but unfortunately I couldn't find any that were shown that way. Do you know if any were shown? Cooke: I spoke to one breeder who said she showed a longhair and a shorthair at Cotton States in, I think she said like 2010. Wilson: I didn't go back that far. Going forward for this kind of thing, if you want to recognize a new color or pattern, it's important to get the cats out there to be seen. Cooke: Yes. There's [inaudible name] in Region 1 that she was showing. She was to go to Ohio and Pennsylvania but she is a lab technician and because of COVID she couldn't get out so it has been increasingly difficult. I hope you understand that. Wilson: Yes. Just to remind the board, we have a matrix for what's required to introduce a new color or pattern when a breed is already in championship. It requires 25 cats of the new breed to be shown and it requires that there be 10 active breeders producing them and that there be at least 25 cats of that new color registered. The problem with the registration data, I asked for data back to 2017 because they are all grouped within a couple of BCS codes. You have to literally go line by line through every registered cat looking for the color descriptions, and so I went through a lot of lines of data and found 13 that have been registered since 2017. It doesn't mean that other cats of that pattern weren't registered previous to that, but in my opinion – and this is just my opinion – it doesn't meet the requirement to introduce a new pattern to an existing breed, but I'm happy to hear other people's opinions. Morgan: This was brought up last year, as I think you probably all remember, and it failed with a recommendation that the Breed Council Secretary work with Breeds and Standards, which clearly you have, to bring it back with data supported by the advancement matrix. While I appreciate the fact that we have been given more data than we were last year, the fact remains we still haven't satisfied the requirements of that matrix. We're not even really very close, which brings us to the same issue we had last year, where in as a board we didn't approve this. If we're not going to be consistent in enforcing our requirements, then why do we have them? When we make exceptions, we create an environment, real or perceived, where there's an appearance of favoritism. We need to support our breeds, we need to help them supply the information that's required, but if we're going to have requirements we need to apply those requirements without prejudice. So, if they want to add the Pointed & White bi-colors, I highly support them getting them out and showing them as AOVs and getting them registered to meet the matrix. **Newkirk:** Anyone else?

# [Addition of a New Color requires a vote of 2/3 of Board Members]

[Reg Data for Pointed & White Exotics: 13 Reg Pointed & White since 2017]

BCS	Breed	Breed Rpt	EXSH Per	Color	Year
7699	EXLH	EX	PCB	SEAL POINT-WHITE	2017
7699	EXLH	EX	PCB	BLUE LYNX POINT-WHITE LH	2018
7699	EXLH	EX	PCB	TORTIE POINT-WHITE LH	2018
7698	EXLH	EX	PCB	SEAL POINT-WHITE LH	2018
7598	EXLH	EX	PCB	BLUE POINT-WHITE LH	2019
7598	EXLH	EX	PCB	SEAL POINT-WHITE LH	2019
7598	EXLH	EX	PCB	SEAL SMOKE POINT-WHITE LH	2019
7591	EXCB	EX	PCB	BLUE POINT-WHITE	2020
7591	EXCB	EX	PCB	CHOCOLATE POINT-WHITE	2020
7591	EXCB	EX	PCB	SEAL POINT-WHITE	2020
7590	EXCB	EX	PCB	SEAL POINT-WHITE	2020
7699	EXLH	EX	PCB	TORTIE POINT-WHITE SH	2021
7591	EXCB	EX	PCB	TORTIE LYNX POINT-WHITE	2021

# [Photos of Pointed & White Bi-Colors Added Here]



**Newkirk:** Lynn, closing statement? **Cooke:** Hello? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Cooke:** I just wanted to say – it's in the proposal, but it is a naturally-occurring color out of naturally-occurring colors that are already accepted. I don't know if that matters. **Newkirk:** Your breed is a type breed, not

a color breed. Is that what you're trying to say? **Cooke:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, I'll call the vote. All those in favor of adding the Pointed & White colors. If you're in favor of it, please raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Currle and Eigenhauser voting yes. Roy, Hayata and Anger abstained.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Kenny Currle and George Eigenhauser. If you will take your hands down, the no votes? Pam Moser, Mark Hannon, Annette Wilson, John Colilla, Cathy Dunham, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Melanie Morgan and Kathy Calhoun. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? Sharon Roy, Hayata and Rachel. Will you announce the vote when you have it tabulated? Anger: I did not get a vote from Mr. Webster. Tartaglia: He has been having trouble on the call. He has dropped out at this point and is trying to get back in. Hannon: I was going to wait for Rachel to announce the vote and then I had a comment. Anger: OK, I'm ready. That's 2 yes, 10 no, 3 abstentions, 1 did not vote. Newkirk: So the motion is not agreed to.

Hannon: I'm a member of the Exotic Breed Council and I voted in favor of this as a member of the Breed Council, and I think that the colors really are attractive and deserve to be shown but I really feel you need to follow the criteria and get those cats out there, get them registered and get them shown. I'm looking forward to seeing you meet the criteria and to have these cats come back so we can approve it. Eigenhauser: I just wanted to remind the Chair that we're starting closed session in about a minute and 30 seconds. Newkirk: I've been watching the clock. How many more Exotic proposals are there, Annette? Wilson: One more. Should we move on to that? Newkirk: Let's do that and then hopefully maybe people won't be so verbose if we can get this one done quickly. Wilson: I'll talk fast.

2. PROPOSED: Add an Other Pointed Colors Class (OPCC) after the Lynx Point Color Class of the Pointed Division in the Show Rules to include accepted colors not currently represented in the color class listing.

#### POINTED DIVISION

OPCC (Other Pointed Colors Class) ......XXXX XXXX

(Chocolate Tortie Point or Lilac-Cream Point)

**RATIONALE:** This is a housekeeping proposal to add a color class for currently accepted Pointed Exotic colors not currently represented in the Color Class codes.

YES: 35 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 3

## SHOW RULE (passes)

Votes: 38 60% of Voting: 19

**Wilson:** This is a housekeeping proposal to add a color class for the currently accepted Pointed Exotic colors not currently represented in the color class codes, so it's a Show Rules issue. So, in the Pointed Division you have all the point colors described except you don't have a place for the ones that aren't called out. So, this adds an Other Pointed Colors Class for the

Chocolate Tortie Point or the Lilac-Cream Point, which didn't really have a place before. **Newkirk:** Any comments? I didn't mean to shut off debate, but if you want to talk, talk. Alright, any objection to Proposal #2? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, #2 is adopted.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Newkirk:** Thank you so much, Lynn. **Cooke:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** When we come back in open session, we'll pick up with the next breed. Thank you everybody. This meeting is adjourned and I'll ask the board and Allene and our Legal Advisor to sign back in under Closed Session. Thank you everybody.

The morning Open Session meeting was adjourned.

**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Sunday, February 6, 2022, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the video conference meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled Sunday afternoon open session 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)

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 James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst Shelly Borawski, Zoom Administrator

### Absent:

Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director) Eva Chen, ID-China Representative Gavin Cao, China Business Advisor Matthew Wong, ID Representative

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

[Secretary's Note: Secretary Rachel Anger called the roll, as reflected above.] Anger: Welcome everybody. That would be a quorum so I will turn it back to you Mr. President, thank you. Eigenhauser: Before we do, there's somebody I don't recognize on this call. There's a second James Simbro on my screen. Tartaglia: That's the same James. One is audio. Simbro: That one shouldn't have been promoted. Newkirk: Thank you Rachel. Thank you James. Annette, I'll turn it over to you and we will pick up where we left off with Japanese Bobtail.

# JAPANESE BOBTAIL

Total Members: 25 Ballots Received: 15

1. PROPOSED: Remove the term Lavender in Solid Colors to align with the other color descriptions in the standard

#### SOLID COLORS

**LILAC** (**LAVENDER**): Lavender with a pinkish tone. Frosty-grey with a pinkish tone. Sound to roots to tip of fur. Sound to the roots.

**RATIONALE**: Previously the Japanese Bobtail Breed Council approved removing the color term Lavender that was in parenthesis behind Lilac in all color descriptions. It appears that the Solid Color class was not changed or missed in the original proposal. This is housekeeping as all other descriptions only list Lilac.

YES: 13 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 2

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** Thank you. I actually didn't hear from Marianne Clark whether or not she would be on the call, so since I told people 2:000 – but she wasn't on this morning, so I think I can go through it and then if there are issues I can see if I can reach her. The first proposal is a standard change under Color and Pattern to change the word *Lavender* to *Lilac* in the solid colors. This was actually something changed previously and it was missed under the Solid Color section, so everywhere else where they had Lavender and Lilac, they removed Lavender, and so this is housekeeping to call the solid color Lilac and remove the parenthesis saying Lavender and describe it as *frosty gray with a pinkish tone*. **Newkirk:** Any comments? OK, I see no comments. I just want to make one comment here. I wish the other breed councils that have chocolate, the dilution of chocolate is lilac and the lavender is the chestnut, so the wording is not – I went through and looked at all the standards. There's a lot of standards that it's inconsistent. It's the same thing but the nomenclature should line up with each one of the colors. Is there any objection to the passage of Proposal #1? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent Proposal #1 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

(2.) **PROPOSED:** Add "Ticked' to tabby descriptions in the standard since approved for registration.

#### **BICOLORS**

For "Tabby/Patterned and White" and "Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned and White" categories they may include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern tabby markings: spotted, mackerel, classic or ticked with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with

preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term "patterned" may be used with predominantly white cats if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for these color classes. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

**RED AND WHITE/RED TABBY AND WHITE/RED PATTERNED and WHITE**: (red areas in a Red Tabby/Patterned and White may have tabby striping or spotting markings: spotted, mackerel, classic or ticked).

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#### **TRI-COLORS**

**MI-KE** (tricolor): black, red, and white in any combination (red areas may have tabby striping or spotting markings: spotted, mackerel, classic or ticked).

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# OTHER JAPANESE BOBTAIL COLORS (OJBC)

Tabby/Patterned and Patched Tabby/Patched Patterned categories include any variety of tabby striping or spotting in a mackerel, spotted or classic pattern tabby markings: spotted, mackerel, classic or ticked with or without areas of solid (unmarked) color, with preference given to bold, dramatic markings and rich, vivid coloring. The term "patterned" may be used if a specific tabby pattern cannot be determined, or in cats which may have a combination of traditional tabby patterns.

**RATIONALE:** After removing the prohibition against ticked tabbies in Registration Rules and in the Standard, the term "ticked" needs to be added to the allowable tabby patterns to be consistent. Wording slightly changed for clarity. Removed "stripes" which is redundant for mackerel.

YES: 13 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 2

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Newkirk:** Go ahead, Annette. **Wilson:** Proposal #2 adds ticked to the tabby markings description. Ticked was added to the acceptable colors and patterns some time ago. I don't know when. I know at one point well before 2015 they didn't allow ticked but at some point they allowed it for registration and showing, they just never added it to the standard. As most of you know, the Japanese Bobtail standard just calls for tabby pattern. They call them "patterned cats" because often there's not enough pattern visible to know whether or not it's mackerel, ticked, spotted, classic or some combination of herringbone and twill. I don't think we have enough pattern descriptions, so I'll just add my own. **Newkirk:** I would like to see herringbone added. Is there any comments on Proposal #2? Any objection to the adoption of Proposal #2. Hearing no objections, #2 is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

3. PROPOSED: Expand description of allowed colors in the standard.

**OTHER ALLOWED COLORS/PATTERNS**: Any other colors or patterns or combination thereof genetically possible in the breed.

**RATIONALE:** We need to include this phrase to also be consistent with the description of colors allowed under COLORPOINT AND COLORPOINT AND WHITE listing. The last statement in the colorpoint paragraph states, "... these colors with white or colors with lynx pattern and white or any colors genetically possible in the breed." In addition, "s" is added to "pattern" to be consistent with "colors." Also, with the addition of Kurile Island cats and Kurile cats registered from other associations, the possibility exists that the new "Bimetallic" gene discovered in the Siberian breed and which is also found in Kurile cats could happen our breed.

YES: 13 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 15 60% of Voting: 9

Wilson: Proposal #3 is to allow any colors and patterns genetically possible to the Other Allowed Colors and Patterns. As we know, Japanese Bobtails originated as street cats and therefore come in everything. So, this adds the phrase *genetically possible in the breed*. I guess that would take herringbone out, then. Newkirk: Any comments on this one? Is bimetallic, is that allowed in the Siberian standard now, Annette? Wilson: Are we on the Siberian standard? It is allowed. I believe it has been added as a BCS code for registration and for showing. Whether it's described or not I don't believe so, but I think that will be probably coming up next year. Newkirk: So, they just announced here at the bottom of this proposal. That's why I asked. OK, any comments on #3? Any objection to the ratification of #3? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent #3 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**4. PROPOSED**: Change the following Color Class Code descriptions in the Show Rules to be consistent with the Standard.

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

## **Japanese Bobtail Color Class Numbers**

#### **Longhair Division**

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Mi-ke (Tri-Color)	6749
(black, red, and white; red may have any	
tabby markings)	
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Shorthair Division	
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Red & White/Red Tabby & White/	
Red Patterned & White6662	6663
(red & white areas may have tabby striping or	
spotting red may have any tabby markings)	
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NO. (T. A. C. )	10
Mi-ke (Tri-Color)	6649
(black, red, and white; red may have any	
tabby markings)	

**RATIONALE:** These changes are necessary to make descriptions consistent with the Standard.

YES: 15 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

# **SHOW RULE (passes)**

Votes: 15 60% of Voting: 8

**Newkirk:** Go ahead Annette on #4. **Wilson:** #4 changes the color class description to clarify tabby markings in specific color classes, to be consistent with the standard. So, in the color classes, which is a show rule, Red & White, Red Tabby & White, Red Patterned & White, they are removing *red* & white areas may have tabby striping or spotting to red may have any tabby markings, to be more inclusive of what the possibilities are. **Newkirk:** Any comments on that one? Any objections to the ratification of #4? Hearing no objections, #4 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**5. PROPOSED:** (FOR INFORMATION ONLY) The Toybob Breed Committee has asked that some of the requirements for advancement from Miscellaneous status to Provisional status be waived and that the breed be allowed to move to Provisional status effective May 1, 2022. They ask that the 5-year minimum be waived (they have been shown since May 1, 2019) and the requirement to be shown in all regions be waived.

**JAPANESE BOBTAIL RATIONALE:** The Japanese Bobtail Breed Council has concerns about waiving long standing rules for New Breed Advancement for Toybobs. Our main concern, as we already expressed when the Toybobs asked for Miscellaneous, is the lookalike factor.

When the Toybobs submitted their application for recognition, it was asserted the tail gene was different than the already recognized breeds of Japanese Bobtails, American Bobtails, and Manx. However, according to Dr. Leslie Lyons at University of Missouri (email dated 7/25/2021), the study is not complete and no paper has been published to prove this. Dr. Lyons stated some Toybobs do have the Japanese Bobtail tail mutation, others do not. She also stated the breed does not want the JBT tail mutation. We ask that DNA testing be done on registered Toybobs and new registrations to eliminate any question of the tail mutation. Therefore, they should not be advanced until the tail mutation is proven to be different in all registered Toybobs.

It was a consensus of a non-official poll of our council that there have not been enough shown in the past two years to merit advancement. We recognize there have not been as many shows, but that is no reason to waive requirements. The lack of shows has caused issues affecting all breeds in many ways including titles and awards. We feel that advancing them at this time would be very unfair to every breed who has had to prove their merit.

The Toybob is supposed to be a small cat. Some of our members felt the Toybobs they have seen do not fit the term small but appear to be the same size as Japanese Bobtails, thereby making them more of a lookalike. Even though breeding for a smaller Toybob may make them more distinct from Japanese Bobtails, the miniaturization of any breed should be a concern for the health of the breed.

# Do you support the ToyBob Breed Committee's request to advance to Provisional Status?

YES: 1 NO: 14 ABSTAIN: 0

(\*note: proposal was submitted as a negative, so NO votes show lack of support)

## **INFORMATION ONLY**

Votes: 15 Yes = 95%\*

**Wilson:** The last Japanese Bobtail proposal #5 was input when the Toybob breed had asked to advance from Miscellaneous to Provisional. They then with drew that request last month. However, because they had requested it in August, we asked the Japanese Bobtail if they wanted to comment and they did. So, it's not really pertinent here. It would be pertinent under the Toybob request; however, there is no request so we can I think skip that unless somebody wants to discuss it. **Newkirk:** Any questions on that? I don't see any hands up, Annette.

# **KHAO MANEE**

Total Members: 2 Ballots Received: 2

1. PROPOSED: Update the standard with the changes noted.

HEAD (20)

Shape	. 5
Profile	. 5
Ear set and placement	. 5
Muzzle and Chin chin	. 5

# EYES (15) 5 Size 5 Shape 5 Placement 5 BODY (30) 20 Legs and Feet feet 5 Tail 5 COAT (15) 5 Length 5 Texture 10 COLOR (20) 10 Eye color 10

**GENERAL:** The Khao Manee is a natural breed of Thailand. <u>They exist only in white with shimmering eye colors. Khao Manee means "Like white diamonds". Indeed, the Thai people prized this breed for its gem-like eyes.</u>

As the most highly regarded feline at the royal court of Siam, the Khao Manee used to be present at traditional royal ceremonies. Thai people considered them the most auspicious cat in Thailand because they believed that they had healing powers. They have sweet dispositions, although they can be shy with strangers, having lived secluded lives for centuries.

Like other native cats of Thailand, they should have characteristics suitable for the hot, wet, tropical climate, including a lithe, but not extreme, body, medium length nose (to handle hot air better than a short nose), a short smooth coat, and a muscular and athletic, but never bulky, body.

(No changes to Head through Disqualify).

#### KHAO MANEE COLOR

**COLOR**: Pure, glistening white. A headcap of color indicating the underlying genotype may persist until 18 months of age. **Nose leather and lips:** pink. **Paw pads:** pink. **Eye color:** Brilliant, clear and vivid-, the eye color should resemble that of precious gemstones. Any shade of blue (including pale blue, and aqua, and blue with red reflections), yellow gold (including shades of brown, copper, amber, yellow, and hazel) or green (pale peridot-like to deep emerald). Allowance and appreciation for multiple colors or shades between eyes or within an eye.

**RATIONALE:** These changes will highlight the brilliance of the eye color we are looking for.

YES: 2 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 2 60% of Voting: 2

**Newkirk:** What's next, Annette? **Wilson:** I believe all we have are the advancing breeds. We will do the Khao Manee first of those. Each of our advancing breeds worked really hard on their standards this year. They all want to advance. Newkirk: Annette, was there something on the Bobtail? Did I miss that? Wilson: The Bobtail? Newkirk: I saw something. I have this on my laptop and I saw something. Wilson: Yeah, when we get to the Toybob. Newkirk: OK. Alright, OK. Sorry, go ahead. Wilson: First we're going to address all three of the standard changes that they did, and then we're going to talk about the other issues. So, the Khao Manee standard came in timely. I want to thank Teresa Keiger, who worked with Frederic on the revision. It's one piece here. Some of these we split up into pieces. There's only 3 members of the Breed Committee for the Khao Manee, 2 of which live in the same household. So, there wasn't a lot of people to poll on this, but I think the changes they made were both timely and appropriate. I'll just briefly go through some of the changes. What has changed in the point description was some capitalization issues. I think that's all there was, actually. No number changes. Sorry, I should have reviewed these, but when would I have done that before this part of the meeting? I can't scroll on mine. Then they updated the General section. They really wanted to highlight the eye colors, and as a side they actually wanted to rename the colors that they call their eye color and name them after gems, like sapphire, citron, and I didn't allow it so shame on me. But, this is the place where you would highlight this, so they have added that to their General Description. They have added some of their information there about where the cats came from. Then they have updated color again, so Khao Manee Color to say that the eye color should resemble that of precious gemstones. Then they say they can be any shade of blue and they list some of the shades they can be. That's basically what they changed. I guess it wasn't all that big of a change. Morgan: I actually like the fact that they come up with some unique descriptors there for the eye colors and I think their changes all make sense, but I do want to put on record that for me flags are being raised about this breed. When we have a brand new breed that only has two people who are voting on their breed council, who doesn't have any significant numbers out there really moving forward, it raises a red flag for me as to the viability of this moving forward. While there is nothing we're looking at doing here, and I certainly support this proposal, I would hope that we can get some more activity on their Breed Committee and some more action out there. Currle: I did get to see three of these when I was in France in October. They did not belong to two people that now presently form the Breed Council. They are endeavoring and making every effort to draw people. I think this standard change is excellent. I think it does reflect the further commitment. Right now they obviously are being affected by growing pains, but like I said I saw three that did not belong to them on exhibition at a show in France. Wilson: I have a status report on each of the advancing breeds to go over after we finish the standards. That may be where we have some data on how many cats shown and so on, and how many registered. That would maybe be a place to discuss where the breed is going. Newkirk: Thank you. Any more comments on the standard change to the Khao Manee? No comments? Any objection to the update of the Khao Manee standard? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent the Khao Manee standard is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

# **LYKOI**

Total Members: 12 Ballots Received: 5

**Wilson:** Next we're going to discuss the Lykoi standard changes. Desiree Bobby should be promoted if she's not already. **Tartaglia:** She is already here. **Wilson:** Just a reminder Desiree, we're going to talk about the standard changes first, OK? **Bobby:** No problem at all, thanks everybody. **Wilson:** The Lykoi is currently Provisional, and so because there were a number of changes it was divided into sections.

1. PROPOSED: Revise the point score associated with the coat to put more weight on the texture (density of coat) as the lack of undercoat is the most important feature of the breed. Also change order of features to align with importance.

## COAT (45)

Texture (Density)	<u>15-20</u>
Color/Roaning	
Mask	
Color/Roaning	<del>15-</del> 10

**RATIONALE:** When looking at a Lykoi, the most important feature is the lack of undercoat. The cat should not look like a normal coated cat by any means. The second most important feature is the face mask and then thirdly, the variable degree of roaning. The new point assignment aligns with this order of importance.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

Wilson: The first proposal is to revise the point score associated with the Coat, with more weight on the Texture of the Coat, since the lack of undercoat is the most important feature of the breed. It also changes the order of the features to align with the importance. So, it's changing Texture from 15 to 20 points, Color/Roaning from 15 to 10 points, and moving Color/Roaning under Mask. The rationale is, when you are looking at a Lykoi, the most important feature is the lack of undercoat, which is what gives us the face and that werewolf look. That's the second most important feature is the face mask, and then the variable degree of roaning, which comes and goes depending on the time of year or the age of the cat. This new point assignment aligns with the order of importance. Any questions? Newkirk: No questions. Are there any objections to Proposal #1? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent Proposal #1 is agreed to.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2. **PROPOSED:** Edit the order of the GENERAL section and remove text that is not accurate or unnecessary for judging purposes.

**GENERAL:** The "Lykoi", which in Greek... unique to them.

A combination of 3 distinct traits set the Lykoi apart from all other breeds:

- 1) Roaning; an amelanistic color pattern of intermixed white and colored guard hairs. The pattern is found in other animals, such as horses, but has not been noted in any other breed of cats. A lack of undercoat.
- 2) A lack of undercoat Sparse guard hair on legs, feet and face mask which gives the appearance of a werewolf.
- 3) Sparse hair on legs, feet and face mask which gives the appearance of a werewolf. Roaning; an amelanistic color pattern of intermixed white and colored guard hairs. The pattern is found in other animals, such as horses, but has not been noted in any other breed of cat.

The physical impression of the Lykoi is a striking cat with no undercoat and intermixed guard hairs that cover an elegant, semi-foreign body. The large, bright, walnut shaped eyes combined with the distinct partial hairlessness around the eyes, nose, muzzle and chin give the Lykoi a mythical, werewolf-like appearance. Lykoi have short to medium hair with varying degrees of guard hair density and roaning, dependent upon coat cycle and base coat color. Coat is rough in appearance but soft and silky to the touch. The high and erect ears, sitting atop a triangular head with rounded contours, paint an accurate picture of a very curious and inquisitive cat. The Lykoi, a very active cat, prefers hunting over cuddling, yet insists on human attention and interaction.

**RATIONALE:** A cat cannot be a Lykoi if it has an undercoat; therefore, "A lack of undercoat" is the most important feature and should be documented first. The claim that Lykoi are the only cat to have roan may prove to be inaccurate as other mutations are discovered. And lastly, personality information that is not pertinent to judging should be removed.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

**Wilson:** #2 re-orders the General section, which is what follows right under the point score to highlight the lack of undercoat and removes the personality specifics. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #2? Any objection to the adoption of Proposal #2? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, Proposal #2 is agreed to.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

3. **PROPOSED:** More fully describe the profile of the head.

### **HEAD**

**FACE** (MUZZLE/CHIN/NOSE): The face is a less extreme foreign type... around or surrounding the eyes.

**HEAD SHAPE:** The head is a modified...longer than wide.

**EARS:** Tall...vertical and erect.

**EYES:** Large...desirable.

**PROFILE:** <u>Slightly rounded from the top of the head to the brow with a A smooth</u> concave curve from brow to bridge- <u>of medium length nose.</u> No <u>hard</u> stop.

**RATIONALE:** The current standard describes only a very small portion of the profile; it should encompass the entire profile of the head.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

**Wilson:** Proposal #3 more fully describes the Profile which comes after Eyes. Previously it was pretty much just a description *from brow to bridge* and that was confusing, so now they have described the entire Profile of the Head. **Newkirk:** Any questions on Proposal #3? Any objections to the adoption of Proposal #3? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, Proposal #3 is agreed to.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**4. PROPOSED:** Edit the description in the COAT TEXTURE section as follows:

**COAT TEXTURE:** Soft to the touch. Short to medium; uUndercoat must be completely absent and guard hairs are short to medium in length and soft and silky to the touch. is lacking; longer guard hairs cover body with coat coverage varying depending on cycle of hair. The ideal range of guard hair body coverage is 50 to 100% and varies depending on molting and growth cycle.

**RATIONALE:** The Lykoi begin a slow molt from a fully coated (with no roan) neonate to nearly naked at 8 weeks old. The guard hairs and roaning begin to appear at about 10 weeks old and continue to grow and stabilizing for a short time at about 16 weeks old. Further molting and regrowth occurs at least a twice a year at different degrees. The added details aid in the understanding of the acceptable degrees of variation.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

Wilson: Proposal #4 edits the description in the Coat Texture section, requiring that Undercoat must be completely absent and guard hairs are short to medium in length and soft and silky to the touch. Newkirk: Any questions on #4? Calhoun: My question here is that this also includes moving the roaning and lockets from this section discussing the Coat. The coat on the body of the cat, I agree that you should see the masking, but the roaning is clearly a significant feature of the cat and is most prevalent on the coat. So, I'm not clear on why it's being moved. Wilson: I'm not clear on where you are seeing we're taking roaning out of #4.

**Calhoun:** Oh, I'm sorry, I'm on #5. Sorry. **Newkirk:** Kathy, any more comments? Any objection to Proposal #4? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent #4 is agreed to by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

5. PROPOSED: Move COLOR/ROANING and LOCKETS sub-headings to a separate category headed COLORS in the standard (currently under COAT), add coverage percentages and allow all colors and patterns to be shown:

#### **COAT**

The coat of the Lykoi is what sets this breed apart...with colored coat.

**COAT TEXTURE:** soft to the touch...varying depending on cycle of hair.

COLOR/ROANING: Colored hairs and amelanistic white hairs are intermixed throughout the coat, with each hair either colored or white, from root to tip. The accepted range of colored hair percentage is 30 to 70%, with 50% being ideal.

**MASK:** The face exhibits a hairless mask connecting the nose, muzzle, eyes and ears giving the classic werewolf appearance.

## **COLORS**

**LYKOI COLORS-GENERAL:** Solid color cats express the characteristic coat more dramatically. Therefore only solid colors (including white) and solid colors with mink/point/sepia patterns are acceptable to be shown. All colors and patterns are accepted. Amelanistic (roan) pattern in the coat will vary in appearance depending on color.

**COLOR/ROANING:** Colored hairs and amelanistic white hairs are intermixed throughout the coat, with each hair either colored or white, from root to tip. The accepted ideal range of colored hair percentage amelanistic coverage is 30 to 70%, with 50% being ideal. and varies depending on depth of coat color.

**LOCKETS:** White lockets, buttons...are allowed.

**RATIONALE:** There is no reason to limit the Lykoi colors in the show ring to solid colors (and the pointed, mink and sepia variations of solid colors) when breeding those solid (and patterned) colors results in a wide spectrum of beautiful Lykoi with excellent roaning. We would like to accept all colors and patterns, emphasize type and roaning and open up the shows to Lykoi of every color/pattern. The cats should be evaluated on the roaning pattern, coat and type.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

**Wilson:** Proposal #5 moves Color from the Coat description and puts it under a separate heading and allows for any color. Sorry, I keep jumping all over. It moves the Color/Roaning

and the Locket subheadings to a separate category headed Colors. So, it's currently under Coat. It's taking it out of Coat, adding a Colors section. It's removing Color/Roaning from the Coat and moving it to Colors. Calhoun: My question is, what was the purpose of that move? Wilson: Because roaning is a color, not a coat texture. So, Coat Texture is going to be under Coat and there is going to be a heading called Colors and that's where roaning will go, since it's – well, maybe it's a pattern, but either way it belongs under Colors. Morgan: Maybe I'm wrong, but the way I'm reading this, we're adding in under Colors a very large change here. Wilson: I haven't gotten to that yet. Morgan: Go ahead. Wilson: I'm sorry, I was just trying to respond to what Kathy had asked previously. So, they're not taking roaning out, they are moving it under Colors. Newkirk: It's the same wording, it's just in a different location. You have a quizzical look on your face, Melanie. What's your question? Morgan: I'm waiting for Annette to be done so I can ask my question about the fact that we're adding in – maybe I'm in the wrong one. Wilson: But before I get to that, they are changing color and roaning from 30% to 70%. Well, not changing that, but they're taking out with 50% being ideal. So, the ideal range of a melanistic coverage – so, the roaning – is 30% to 70% and varies depending on the depth of coat color. **Newkirk:** Annette, is that in this proposal? Wilson: Yes. Newkirk: I don't see that. Where's it at? Oh, I see it now. Wilson: So, they do change the roaning. They took out the whole section of roaning from Coat. They have added it down to Colors, So, the other thing this proposal does is it allows all colors and patterns to be accepted, instead of just the solid color cats. I'm going to give you a little bit of my input on that because I encouraged that. When you have a solid white cat, that can be a naturally occurring cat, you're going to get all different colors and patterns. In fact, we had more non-solid color Lykois shown this past season, and they don't really have a place to show other than Exhibition Only, than we had Solid Color cats shown. If you're going to make an issue of a Bi-Color or a Tabby, maybe the roaning doesn't show up real well, well you have already taken solid White. It doesn't show up very well there either, at all. If you have solid Black and solid Red cats you're breeding, you are going to get parti-color cats. If you have solid Blue and solid Cream, you're going to get dilute tortie cats. In a breed where you accept only certain patterns – in this case, Solid – they are allowed to show and register naturally found Lykois, many of which are Bi-Color or Tabby, you're going to get all those different colors. So, it was my idea to say, why wait? I know that they have been told to wait, but why? We didn't wait with the Bengals, we allowed all the colors. Why would we wait, just so we can go through this 16 more times once they get advanced to Championship. They get the cats, they have the cats, they have been showing the cats even though they don't really have a place to show them, and that's why it was my idea. I would like to hear from Desiree on that. Bobby: Thank you so much, Annette. That was an awesome way to explain it. One of the things to think about is that the Lykoi gene, or the set of genes that make the Lykoi, have nothing to do with color. Genetically, a Lykoi has roaning and no undercoat. That's one thing to think about. Secondly, like you said, the natural mutations are found in every color. In order to get just to Black, there's a lot of outcrossing that we have to do, of course just to weed out the colors from the natural mutations which are the foundation of the breed. I think that's all I have to say about color. I would love to hear other viewpoints on it, as well. Wilson: We have some photos also, if you will just scroll down – photos of them in different colors and patterns. **Bobby:** I can talk to this a little bit, if you would like.

[Photos included here to show Lykoi in non-solid patterns]



**Bobby:** The Black & White – Bi-Color, whether it's Blue & White or Black & White – you can see obviously the mask is still very visible. Of course, we have the ongoing concern about the White, and if you can see the roaning in a White, but these are Bi-Colors and you really don't see a really huge difference. So, for the people who support just the Solid Colors, these are great examples to show how Bi-Colors can really still have that nice contrast.





**Morgan:** In this proposal, what point sticks out to me here is the fact that we're changing what was originally presented in the original breed presentation, which primarily concentrated on the fact that the Lykoi would be Solid Colors only. I go back to the fact that factors that make a breed unique are important to differentiating our respective breeds. By their own words in their breed presentation, *The Lykoi is a combination of three distinct traits. Those features are lack of undercoat, the mask and the roaning.* In the breed presentation to accept the breed, the founder

of the breed clearly stated they were interested in pursuing type for the Solid Colors because the roaning effect was diluted and much more difficult to see in patterned and Bi-Color cats. In point in fact, they describe this cat all over the internet as the werewolf cat, which is primarily associated with frankly the Black solids. Everywhere I looked when I researched this breed online, I found the description written and used to describe this cat as a black cat with roaning. The other major registries which accepted this breed primarily accept them in Black only. Although they may accept other Solids for breeding, they only show the Blacks. CFA chose in our infinite wisdom to accept all the Solid Colors for showing, which opens up the possibility, as Annette has stated, that there be other color variations – Bi-Colors, etc. In terms of those other colors that result in those matches, I would say again, not every cat is a show cat. The Russians get pointeds, the Egyptian Maus get classics, and just because all Solids have been accepted, the breeders don't have to introduce the Whites and Reds into the mix. They can use the domestic outcrosses they have in the solid Black. I don't support this proposal. Newkirk: I will say one thing; that Marion and Laurie Schiff sort of run the Lykoi in TICA. The last I heard, they are in the process of accepting other colors because they only accept Black and they are trying to get that changed. I'll watch the chat here because I'm sure Lorraine is on and she can correct me if I'm wrong. Why would you limit the genetic diversity by narrowing it down to one color? That is not for the health of the cat. I don't understand, because this is a coat, lack of undercoat, roaned breed. It's not defined by its color. Calhoun: What we did earlier in the standard, we discounted the roaning by taking it down and increased the texture of the coat. That was the first one. You don't have to go back to it, that has been passed. I agree with Melanie. I think this is premature. I think that the defining features of the cat are being lost and that the standard is being designed to support what people have, as opposed to being designed to promote the ideal cat. I don't think there has been enough time and numbers. I have two. I think they are very special cats, but I think the roaning and the mask and the Solid Colors are very important to the integrity of the cat, so I cannot support this. **Newkirk:** That's fine. **Calhoun:** I know that.

**Bobby:** Thanks again for letting me speak. To speak to a couple things that Melanie said – and Melanie, you know I 100% respect you and everything that you said – I just want to give a little bit more information. LOOF does accept all colors and torties, so I just wanted to clarify that. Another thing, just to remember because I keep forgetting too that all colors are already accepted. We're only asking for patterns. So, we're asking basically for Torties, Bi-Colors and Tabbies. It's not really like we're asking to now accept all colors, because they are already accepted. With that said, when we're talking about roaning and the ability to see the roaning, how much can you see it on a Red cat, how much can you see it on a Pointed cat, on a White cat, etc., I don't think that the degree of how much roaning we'll see on Solid Color cats will differ in how much roaning you will be able to see on Tabby cats or Tortie cats. It's really going to be a wide range of visibility for the roaning; hence, why the range of roaning in the standard is to be 30% to 70%. I think that's all I wanted to say on that.

**Wilson:** I just wanted to comment on the time and numbers. If they are breeding these cats and only choosing to show the Solid Colors because that's all they can show, then how are they supposed to advance in their breeding program? So, what's a good outcross for them is a natural mutation Lykoi – one that's found that is naturally occurring to have the mask. It may not have the type, but they are almost always Bi-Colors or Tabbies because that's what occurs naturally most often, and then they breed them so they're not able to easily get rid of that white Bi-Color gene or a Tabby pattern for that matter, so they are producing cats – they're breeding

them for genetic diversity, of course, and it's great genetic diversity but they are producing cats they can't show more and more. I mean, I absolutely agree with when we have an established breed that is specifically established to be a certain color or pattern and that was its generation, in this case the generation in this cat is the masking and the roaning, not the base color of the cat. If we want to be able to see these cats have better type, then we need to see more of them, regardless of what their color or pattern is. That's all. Calhoun: One of the things that I do take exception, Desiree – and you know we've talked about this extensively – is that one of the reasons that the roaning was in the standard, the points allocated was reduced, is because you could not see the roaning in, say, a Solid Colored White. My exception is that by introducing Bi-Colors, there is nothing that's limiting the amount of white on a Bi-Color, that you can have a Bi-Color that is predominantly white with some other color and again you will have a very difficult time seeing the roaning, which is a distinctive feature of the cat. So, I think it does make a difference. Newkirk: So Kathy, I've got a question. You accept White cats but you don't accept partial White cats. Calhoun: If it had been my vote, we would not have accepted White cats, because it is difficult to see the defining feature – which is roaning – on a White cat. **DelaBar:** I just checked WCF, which is the organization that in Europe has the Lykois in any amount of numbers, and under their standard for Color it says Black roan only, other colors are allowed for breeding but not for showing. So, there is a definite emphasis on the original that we accepted, so Melanie is correct on that. Morgan: That's the same as TICA. Newkirk: And TICA is wanting to change it. Morgan: But they haven't changed it yet. Newkirk: They will. Desiree, do you want to make any closing comments? Bobby: Yes. I agree, yes TICA does. Marion and Laurie are very strongly for all colors and for longhair, as well. That's the direction they would like to move in with TICA. The only other registry that I know that fully accepts other colors is LOOF. I don't presume to state that other organizations do accept all colors. Morgan: I know this is my last time. I just want to point out that LOOF also accepts Black Egyptian Maus for exhibition, which makes no sense to me, given the fact that it's a spotted breed. Newkirk: Every organization that registers cats has the ability to accept what colors they want to accept within the breed. They brought this to us and they have asked us to advance all colors. I think we all know that when you limit colors, those colors disappear and people don't show them in AOV to try to get them recognized. So, they are doing this for genetic diversity and the color is secondary to the features that define the breed, in my opinion. Annette, do you have anything final to say? Wilson: I'm going to support this because I think that, one, maybe we could be on the cutting edge here with this. You know what? When we're judging these cats, if they don't have a mask or they don't have the type, that's the decision you make. Roaning, if it's visible – I saw two Blue & White Lykoi recently. They were low white. They had tons of roaning. One had better type than the other. They have been showing a number of this Bi-Color cats and Parti-Color cats, because they get them and they would like them to be seen. So, if we're going to say they can only be Solid, we don't boot out the Whites, and then we're just facing this same question down the road and they really have no place to show them. That kind of confuses me. I never thought of this breed as just a Black cat. I wasn't on the board I don't think when they were accepted, because we're seeing other colored cats. OK, I'm going to support it anyway. Newkirk: OK, I'm going to call the vote. All those in favor of Proposal #5 raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, Calhoun and Colilla voting no. DelaBar abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Annette Wilson, Howard Webster, Kenny Currle, Mark Hannon, Carol Krzanowski, Cathy Dunham, George Eigenhauser, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy, Pam Moser, Hayata-san. If you will take your hands down, those voting no please raise your hand. Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, John Colilla. If you will take your hands down, abstentions? Pam DelaBar abstains. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote on Proposal #5. **Anger:** That's 12 yes votes, 3 no votes, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, #5 is ratified.

**6. PROPOSED:** Eliminate the AOV class for exhibiting.

AOV: All other colors and patterns (tortoiseshell, blue/cream, bicolor, etc.)

**RATIONALE:** There is no 'AOV' class for MISC and PROV breed exhibition. The Lykoi AOV class is for registration only. Any cats in unshowable colors, patterns, coat length, etc., are to be Exhibition Only.

YES: 3 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 1

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 4 60% of Voting: 3

Wilson: #6 eliminates the AOV class for exhibiting. This is an issue, because a Miscellaneous or Provisional breed should not have an AOV class. That's a show rule. It was included in the standard, but there isn't an AOV class for Provisional and Miscellaneous. You just have the cats listed in the catalog. That became an issue, and I noticed that this summer when I saw some Bi-Color and Parti-Color Lykoi in the show and there was an issue what to do with them. The only place to show – we consider an AOV something that doesn't meet the standard – Miscellaneous and Provisional classes as Exhibition Only. So, we need to remove the AOV class where it is stated in the standard for the Lykoi. When and if they become Championship status, then they would automatically have an AOV class unless they choose not to have one, but Show Rule 2.20.c., The AOV class is for any registered cat or registered kitten, the ancestry of which entitles it to Championship or Premiership competition. I think this was just an oversight when the standard was initially submitted. Newkirk: Any comments? Any objections to the ratification of Proposal #6? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent Proposal #6 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

7. PROPOSED: Remove the OTHER category heading and move ALLOWANCES, PENALIZE and DISQUALIFY to the section above COLOR and after COAT.

**RATIONALE:** Color and Pattern descriptions should follow all other sections of the standard.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

**STANDARD CHANGE (passes)** 

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

**Wilson:** #7 removes the category headed Other and moves Allowances, Penalize and Disqualify to the section above Color and after Coat. So, it's just re-ordering what already exists in the standard. **Newkirk:** Any comments? Seeing no comments, any objections to the ratification of Proposal #7? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, Proposal #7 is adopted.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

8. PROPOSED: Change text in PENALIZE section:

More than sparse coat. Less than 30% of body covered in sparse guard hairs.

**RATIONALE:** Coats that are too sparse do not display the beautiful nature of the Lykoi and begin to look like a different naked breed.

YES: 5 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

**Wilson:** Proposal #8 changes the text in the Penalize section to clarify what *sparse* means. Currently, you penalize for *More than sparse coat*. What they are changing it to is penalize for *Less than 30% of body covered in guard hairs*. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #8? Any objections to ratification of Proposal #8? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent #8 is adopted.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**9. PROPOSED:** Add a rule to allow longhair Lykoi to be registered.

Longhair Lykoi can be registered for breeding and can be shown in Exhibition class.

**RATIONALE:** Longhair Lykoi are occurring out of shorthair to shorthair breedings and can be bred to produce additional shorthair.

YES: 4 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 5 60% of Voting: 3

**Wilson:** #9 is a registration rule to add a rule to allow Longhair Lykoi to be registered. **Newkirk:** And be shown in Exhibition class. Any comments on #9? Any objection? By unanimous consent, Proposal #9 is ratified.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

# **RAGAMUFFIN**

Total Members: 21 Ballots Received: 13

**Wilson:** Laura Gregory had sent me a message asking what time and I told her 2:00. Is she a participant? Is she on the attendee list? **Tartaglia:** No, she's not here yet. **Wilson:** OK, so we will skip the Ragamuffin.

[From after Scottish Fold] **Wilson:** We will go to Ragamuffins next. We have Laura Gregory if she could be promoted. **Tartaglia:** Laura is there. She's on the panel. **Gregory:** Yes, I'm here. **Wilson:** Did you want to make a statement or do you just want to be available for questions as we go through the proposals? **Gregory:** I did want to be available. I would like to make just a short statement. Basically, I would like to thank you Annette and thank Carla for the extensive help that we had in these changes. We worked very hard to completely overhaul all of the color lists in our standard, basically to let you know we're looking to be less redundant, more consistent, grammatically correct and we have created a much, much shorter standard. We also did ask for one color class. This is our 10<sup>th</sup> year in Championship, so we thought it was time to add a color class. You will see that we worked to find one that would represent cats fairly within the new color class and within what we would have left in the other color class, so we do ask for your support on these changes. I will be here for questions. Thank you. **Wilson:** Thank you Laura.

1. PROPOSED: Add a color class to break out the Tabby/Tabby & White and Patched Tabby/Patched Tabby & White cats.

## Tabby/Tabby & White and Patched

addition of a tabby pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked, and patched), with or without white.]

[all accepted colors as defined in the Show Standards and Any Other Ragamuffin colors all other colors or combination of colors and patterns, except pointed colors which are not eligible for exhibition.]

**RATIONALE**: We will have updated numbers available to show that it's time to break out an additional color class.

YES: 8 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 3

**SHOW RULE (passes)** 

Votes: 10 50% of Voting: 5

**Wilson:** OK, so #1 is requesting a color class to break out the Tabby and Tabby & White, and Patched Tabby and Patched Tabby & White cats from the All Other Ragamuffin Colors. The Ragamuffins had one color class since they were accepted in Championship.

[Exhibit Data to support this request:]

RagaMuffi	n Registrat	tions 2018	through	12 2021

Count of Tabby/T & W					
Row Labels	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
T	15	10	7	10	42
T & W	60	66	42	61	229
Grand Total	75	76	49	71	271

Count of Tabby/T & W					
Row Labels	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
AORC	73	61	45	54	233
T	15	10	7	10	42
T & W	60	66	42	61	229
Grand Total	148	137	94	125	504
T+T&W as % of Total	51%	55%	52%	57%	54%

T = Tabby

T & W = Tabby & White

AORC = All Other RagaMuffin Colors

**Wilson:** We have data here to show, both exhibit data and as you see the Tabby and Tabby & White as a percentage of totals is about 50%, a little bit more.

RagaMuffin Entries in Shows 5.2018 through 12.2021						
*NOT unique entries (i.e, a cat entered in 7 shows is counted 7 times)						
Unique Entries: 108 TOTAL						
# Tabby/Tabby & White						
Row Labels	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Total		
T		3	6	9		
T & W	88	98	67	253		
Total	88	101	73	262		
# Tabby/Tabby & White						
Row Labels	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Total		
AORC	80	72	22	174		
Т		3	6	9		
T & W	88	98	67	253		
Total	168	173	95	436		
T+T &W as % of total	52%	58%	77%	60%		

T = Tabby		
T & W = Tabby & White		
AORC = Any Other RagaMuffin Color		

**Wilson:** Then we have a list of the entries from May 1, 2018 through about mid-December. These are not unique cats, OK? Counting unique cats is a little problematic without doing a lot of hand counting, but again we see that it breaks out as a percentage of the totals in a way that kind of makes sense. So, if anybody has any questions, I would like to move that we vote on this. **Newkirk:** Any discussion on Proposal #1 to break out the Tabby & White color class into their own? Is there any objection? Mark Hannon objects. OK, I'll call for the vote. All those in favor of splitting out the Tabby & White and Patched Tabby & White in Proposal #1 raise your hand.

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

**Newkirk:** We have George Eigenhauser, Howard Webster, Kathy Calhoun, Rich Mastin, Annette Wilson, Carol Krzanowski, Melanie Morgan, Kenny Currle, Sharon Roy, Rachel Anger, John Colilla, Pam DelaBar, Hayata-san and Cathy Dunham. If you will take your hands down, I'll ask for the no votes. The no votes are Mark Hannon. Any abstentions? There are no abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** May we get Pam Moser? **Moser:** Pam Moser is yes. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam. **Anger:** So that's 15 yes, 1 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is agreed to. You've got your color class there, Laura.

**2. PROPOSED:** Update the COLOR section to clarify white lockets and buttons. Remove the conflicting statement about paw pad color.

COLOR: every color and pattern is allowable with or without white, except pointed colors. Any amount of white is allowed, e.g. white spots on paws, back, chest or belly; a blaze, a locket, etc. <u>Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button(s) do not qualify for the bi-color pattern. Such cats shall be judged as their basic color with no penalty for such locket or button(s).</u> The degree of symmetry...Nose leather and paw pads are accepted in all colors and in any color combination, not necessarily related to coat color. <u>listed colors are preferred</u>, not required. <u>Cats with white on feet may have pink paw pads or they may be bi-colored or multi-colored</u>.

**RATIONALE:** Clarifies that white buttons/lockets do not change a cat to the bi-color pattern. Also clarifies that nose leather and paw pads are accepted in any color combination and are not related to coat color. Removes the conflicting statements that then talk about listing preferred colors and pink paw pads on cats with white. If we do not care about the color, there is no need for these conflicting statements.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Newkirk:** Alright, #2? **Wilson:** All the rest of these are color and pattern changes. #2 clarifies that white lockets or buttons in the color section of the standard, it removes the

conflicting statement about paw pad color and also indicates that a cat with a white locket or button does not qualify for the bi-color pattern, similar to Manx. I believe Cornish Rex are similar. **Newkirk:** Any comments on this one? Any objection to Proposal #2? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent #2 is passed.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**3. PROPOSED**: Remove nose leather and paw pads descriptions from all colors/patterns in the standard.

## **Example:**

WHITE: pure glistening white. Nose leather and paw pads: pink.

BLACK: dense coal black. ..... Nose leather: black. Paw pads: black or brown.

**RATIONALE:** In our "COLOR" section we say "Nose leather and paw pads are accepted in all colors and in any combination. Thus, it does not make sense to list nose leather and paw pad colors in any of our color descriptions if we do not care what they are when judged.

YES: 13 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** Proposal #3 removes the nose leather and paw pad descriptions from all colors and patterns, as it is addressed elsewhere in the standard. **Newkirk:** Any questions on #3? Any objections to Proposal #3? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent #3 is adopted.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

4. **PROPOSED**: Housekeeping (Capitalization). Edit all color names listed in the "RagaMuffin Colors" section, changing the capital letters of each first letter in the names within parentheses to a lower-case letter. Note: This does not include the main headings that are in all capital letters and bold letters, only the names listed in the parentheses are changed.

Current: Example: PATCHED TABBY:...(Brown Patched Tabby, Blue Patched Tabby)

**Proposed**: Example: **PATCHED TABBY:**...(brown patched tabby, blue patched tabby)

**RATIONALE**: This is a housekeeping change. It was suggested by the editing committee and the previous standards committee to change all capital letters to lower case to be grammatically correct. Changing to the lower-case letters will help to bring all of the breed standards into a standard format, as other breeds also work to make the same changes over the coming few years.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Newkirk:** Let's move on to #4. **Wilson:** #4 is a housekeeping item regarding capitalization. It changes the color names after each color section to lower case. **Newkirk:** Any comments? Any objections to Proposal #4? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, #4 is adopted.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**5. PROPOSED**: Add the eye colors for white in the SOLID COLORS section.

**WHITE:** (blue-eyed white, copper-eyed white, gold-eyed white, green-eyed white, amber-eyed white, aqua-eyed white, odd-eyed white): pure glistening white ...

**RATIONALE**: All of our color names are presently listed throughout the standard except for the solid whites. When registering a solid white cat, the eye color is required to be given, as when the registration is issued, the color name includes the eye color, like listed above. This is also the proper color description used when showing a white cat. This is a housekeeping change for consistency in the standard in order to have all of our colors listed. This also aids any breeder of a white cat to know the proper color names/eye colors available for their white cat.

YES: 11 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 1

## **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 12 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #5 lists the eye colors for solid White in the Solid Color section. Those were missing. So, it's adding blue-eyed white, copper-eyed white, gold-eyed white, green-eyed white, amber-eyed white, aqua-eyed white, odd-eyed white. **Newkirk:** Any questions on Proposal #5? Any objection to Proposal #5? Seeing no objection, unanimous consent for Proposal #5.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**6. PROPOSED:** Change the **SOLID COLORS** section as follows:

## **RagaMuffin Colors**

(Cats with white buttons and/or lockets allowed without penalty and they do not qualify as a bi-color pattern.)

## **SOLID COLORS**

(All solid colors may be combined with bicolor patterns).

**RATIONALE:** Moving the white button/locket allowance to apply to all colors. Removing the bicolor pattern reference from solid color section.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #6 changes and consolidates the subheadings under Ragamuffin Colors and Solid Colors. It moves the white button/locket allowance to apply to all colors instead of having it underneath the Solid Color section. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #6? No comments. Any objections to Proposal #6? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, #6 is passed by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

7. **PROPOSED:** Change the **SOLID COLORS** section as follows:

. . . .

**BLACK:** dense coal black. Sound from to the roots to tip of fur ...

**BLUE:** blue, one level tone from nose to tip of tail. shade of blue, without markings. Sound to the roots ...

**RED:** deep rich, clear brilliant red, without shading, markings, or ticking. Sound to the roots. Lips and chin the same color as the coat ...

**CREAM**: one level shade of buff cream without markings. Sound to the roots ...

**CHOCOLATE:** rich, warm chocolate-brown, <u>without markings.</u> sound from the roots to tip of fur. Sound to the roots. ...

**LILAC:** rich, warm lavender with a pinkish tone., sound and even throughout. Sound to the roots. ...

**CINNAMON:** light reddish brown, rich, dark brownish red, the color of a cinnamon stick, distinctly warmer, lighter and redder than chocolate. Sound to the roots.

**FAWN:** pale pinkish fawn cream, without markings., sound throughout. Sound to the roots.

**RATIONALE:** The wording throughout this section used to describe each solid color as a "sound" color, is described differently throughout the different colors. In an effort to be consistent throughout the standard, the wording is made similar for each solid color description.

YES: 13 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #7 updates the description of the Solid Colors for consistency. It is making them all say the same thing; for example *sound to the roots without markings* and so forth. **Newkirk:** 

Any comments on #7? Any objections to #7? Hearing no objections, #7 is passed by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**8. PROPOSED:** Change the **SHADED COLORS** section as follows. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need (i.e., after color descriptions in parentheses).

## SHADED COLORS/PATTERNS

(All shaded colors may be combined with red in dominant colors and cream in recessive colors and white).

**CHINCHILLA PATTERN:** undercoat pure white. Coat on back, flanks, head and tail sufficiently tipped with color (i.e., black, blue, red, etc.) to give the characteristic sparkling appearance ... nose outlined with marking color-: (silver chinchilla, blue silver chinchilla, black chinchilla, blue chinchilla, red chinchilla, cream chinchilla, chocolate chinchilla, lilac chinchilla, cinnamon chinchilla, fawn chinchilla).

SHADED PATTERN: undercoat white with a mantle of tipped color (i.e., black, blue, red, etc.), Dark shading down from the sides, face and tail....nose outlined with marking color: (silver shaded, blue silver shaded, blue shaded, red shaded, cream shaded, chocolate shaded, lilac shaded, cinnamon shaded, fawn shaded).

CHINCHILLA GOLDEN <u>PATTERN</u>: ... head and tail sufficiently tipped with color (black/blue) ... Rim of eyes, lips and nose outlined with marking color (black/blue): (golden chinchilla, blue golden chinchilla).

**SHADED GOLDEN** PATTERN: ... a mantle of tipped color (black/blue) ... Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with marking color (black/blue):-(golden shaded, blue golden shaded).

CHINCHILLA SILVER: Nose leather: brick red. Paw pads: black.

SHADED SILVER: Nose leather: brick red. Paw pads: black.

CHINCHILLA BLUE SILVER: Nose leather: rose. Paw pads: blue or rose.

SHADED BLUE SILVER: Nose leather: rose. Paw pads: blue or rose.

CHINCHILLA GOLDEN: Nose leather: rose. Paw pads: black.

SHADED GOLDEN: Nose leather: rose. Paw pads: black.

CHINCHILLA BLUE GOLDEN: Nose leather: rose. Paw pads: blue or rose.

SHADED BLUE GOLDEN: Nose leather: rose. Paw pads: blue or rose.

SHELL CAMEO (RED CHINCHILLA): Nose leather and paw pads: rose pink.

SHADED CAMEO: Nose leather and paw pads: rose pink.

SHELL CREAM(CREAM CHINCHILLA): Nose leather and paw pads: rose pink.

SHADED CREAM: Nose leather and paw pads: rose pink.

CHOCOLATE CHINCHILLA: Nose leather and paw pads: brown or brick.

**CHOCOLATE SHADED:** Nose leather and paw pads: brown or brick.

LILAC CHINCHILLA: Nose leather and paw pads: lavender-pink.

LILAC SHADED: Nose leather and paw pads: lavender pink.

CINNAMON CHINCHILLA: Nose leather and paw pads: cinnamon.

**CINNAMON SHADED: Nose leather and paw pads: cinnamon.** 

FAWN CHINCHILLA: Nose leather and paw pads: pale fawn.

FAWN SHADED: Nose leather and paw pads: pale fawn.

SHADED TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA & SHADED PATTERN/COLOR (Chinchilla Tortoiseshell chinchilla, Shaded Tortoiseshell shaded, Blue Cream Cchinchilla, Blue Cream Shaded, Shell Chocolate Tortoiseshell chinchilla, Shaded Chocolate Tortoiseshell shaded, Shell Lilac Cream chinchilla, Shaded Lilac Cream shaded, Shell Cinnamon Tortoiseshell shaded, Shell Fawn Cream chinchilla, Shaded Fawn Cream shaded, Chinchilla Golden Tortoiseshell chinchilla, Shaded Golden Tortoiseshell shaded, Blue Cream Chinchilla Golden Chinchilla, Blue Cream Shaded Golden Tortoiseshell shaded, Blue Cream Chinchilla Golden chinchilla, Blue Cream Shaded Golden shaded): a cat of an established chinchilla/shaded pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Presence of several shades of red/cream acceptable. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

**RATIONALE:** Pattern is added to the heading. Again the confusing combining phrase is removed under the heading. Color names are simply listed with their respective pattern, shortening the section, since the nose leather and paw pads are removed. Since we do not need to list the nose leather and paw pads, these colors can simply be listed by name.

YES: 8 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 2

#### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 11 60% of Voting: 7

Wilson: #8 clarifies the heading description of the Shaded Colors, so instead of calling it Chinchilla Pattern and Shaded Pattern, it calls it Chinchilla and Shaded and so on. Newkirk: Makes sense. Any comments? That's Proposal #8, is that correct? Wilson: #8, yes. Newkirk: Any objections to the acceptance of Proposal #8? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent Proposal #8 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**9. PROPOSED:** Change the wording in the **SMOKE & SHADED COLORS** section as follows. Housekeeping: remove colons where there is no longer a need (i.e., after color descriptions in parentheses).

## **SMOKE & SHADED-COLORS**

(All smoke & shaded colors may be combined with tortoiseshell and bi-colors patterns).

**SMOKE** PATTERN: COLORS ... may be seen only when fur is parted: (black smoke, blue smoke, red smoke, cream smoke, chocolate smoke, lilac smoke, cinnamon smoke, fawn smoke).

BLACK SMOKE: Nose leather and paw pads: black.

**BLUE SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads: blue.

**CAMEO SMOKE (RED SMOKE): Nose leather and paw pads: rose.** 

**CREAM SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads: pink.

**CHOCOLATE SMOKE: Nose leather and paw pads: brown or brick.** 

LILAC SMOKE: Nose leather and paw pads: lavender pink.

**CINNAMON SMOKE: Nose leather and paw pads: cinnamon.** 

FAWN SMOKE: Nose leather and paw pads: pale fawn

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL SMOKE PATTERN/COLORS (... cinnamon tortoiseshell smoke, fawn cream tortoiseshell smoke): a cat of an established smoke pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Presence of several shades of red/cream acceptable. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

**RATIONALE:** Remove shaded from the heading, this section is only smoke colors. Remove the confusing combining sentence. Remove listed out colors and list under the pattern description. This change also removes nose leather and paw pad descriptions.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** Proposal #9 is also a housekeeping issue, removing colons where they are no longer needed and where to list the color names for Shaded and Smoke, so basically just revising where things are listed. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #9? Any objection to Proposal #9? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, Proposal #9 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

10. PROPOSED: Remove "(classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked)" from every tabby color under the <u>TABBY COLORS/PATTERNS</u> section. Place the statement "All tabby colors are accepted in classic, mackerel, spotted or ticked patterns." in the overview as shown, removing the rest of the overview section, as it is redundant. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

## **EXAMPLE:**

## TABBY COLORS/PATTERNS

(All tabby colors are accepted in classic, mackerel, spotted or ticked patterns, with or without patching. All Tabby patterns may be combined with mink colors sepia colors, and all colors/patterns may be combined with white.)

BROWN TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked): ground color ...

**RATIONALE:** Repeating the tabby patterns with every color is redundant. The statement will be placed in the overview. The rest of the overview section is redundant.

YES: 11 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #10 removes the repetition of the words *classic*, *mackerel*, *spotted and ticked* from every tabby color under the Tabby Colors/Pattern section and just puts it into the general that describes the tabby colors and patterns. This is going to cut out a lot of words in the standard. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #10? Any objections to #10? Seeing no objection, #10 is passed by unanimous consent.

## The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

11. PROPOSED: Move the Tabby Pattern definitions that are currently found at the end of the section to the beginning of the section and make changes as shown. Reorder the color descriptions as indicated below:

**CLASSIC TABBY PATTERN:** ... Double vertical rows of buttons on chest and stomach. White buttons or lockets allowed.

**MACKEREL TABBY PATTERN:** ... Narrow pencillings run around body. White buttons and/or lockets allowed.

SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: ... Legs and tail barred. White buttons and/or lockets allowed.

**TICKED TABBY PATTERN:** ... Face, legs and tail must show distinct tabby striping. White buttons and/or lockets allowed.

PATCHED TABBY PATTERN: a patched tabby (torbie) is an established tabby pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Presence of several shades of red/cream acceptable. silver, golden, brown, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon, fawn, blue silver, blue golden, mink, or sepia tabby with patches of red. In dilute colors with patches of cream. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

SHELL CAMEO TABBY: ground color, including lips and chin off-white. Markings cream. Undercoat white. Nose leather and paw pads: pink.

BROWN TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

BLUE TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

CHOCOLATE TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked): ...

LILAC TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked): ...

CINNAMON TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

FAWN TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

RED TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked): ...

CREAM TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

BLUE SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

CHOCOLATE SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

LILAC SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

CINNAMON SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

FAWN SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

CAMEO RED SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

CREAM CAMEO-SILVER TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

GOLDEN TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

BLUE GOLDEN TABBY (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...

PATCHED TABBY COLORS/PATTERNS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) (brown patched tabby, blue patched tabby, ... blue silver patched tabby, golden patched tabby, blue golden patched tabby, chocolate silver patched tabby, ... fawn silver patched tabby, golden patched tabby, blue golden patched tabby): a cat of an established tabby color/pattern with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. White buttons and/or lockets allowed. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

**RATIONALE:** We are moving the tabby pattern definitions from the end of the **TABBY COLORS/PATTERNS** section to the beginning of the section. Patterns need to be described first, then the individual colors. The order of the colors is changing a bit in order to keep consistency throughout the standard.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #11 moves and reorders the Tabby Pattern descriptions and color names. So, tabby descriptions that are found at the end of the section move up to the beginning of the section, and removes white buttons or locket allowed. It takes out the word torbie for Patched Tabby. It basically cleans up and will now list the various colors, instead of having classic, mackerel, spotted and ticked after it. **Newkirk:** That is Proposal #11, is that correct? **Wilson:** That's #11, yes. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Annette. Any comments on Proposal #11? Any objections to Proposal #11? Hearing no objections, #11 is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

PROPOSED: Change the PARTI-COLORS section as follows. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

#### **PARTI-COLORS**:

(All parti-colors may be combined with bi-color patterns).

PARTI-COLOR PATTERN: a cat of an established color with red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. The red/cream may be in patches or softly intermingled and will be on both the body and the extremities. There is no preference given to the amount of established color versus red/cream. Presence of several shades of red/cream is acceptable.

TORTOISESHELL: black with red. with patches of red or softly intermingled areas of red on both the body and the extremities. Presence of several shades of red acceptable. Nose leather and paw pads: black, may be patched with pink.

**BLUE-CREAM** BLUE CREAM: blue with cream. with patches of cream or softly intermingled areas of cream on both the body and the extremities. Presence of several shades of red acceptable. Nose leather and paw pads: blue, may be patched with pink.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL: rich, warm chocolate brown with patches of red. Or softly intermingled areas of red in both the body and the extremities. Presence of several shades of red acceptable. Nose leather and paw pads: brown or brick, may be patched with pink.

LILAC CREAM: rich, warm pinkish toned lavender with patches of cream. or softly intermingled areas of cream on both the body and the extremities. Nose leather and paw pads: lavender pink., may be patched with pink.

CINNAMON TORTOISESHELL: light reddish brown (cinnamon) with red. with patches of red or softly intermingled areas of red on both the body and the extremities. Nose leather and paw pads: cinnamon, may be patched with pink.

**FAWN-CREAM** FAWN CREAM: pale pinkish fawn with cream. ,with patches of cream or softly intermingled areas of cream on both the body and the extremities. Nose leather and paw pads: pale fawn, may be patched with pink.

**RATIONALE:** Remove the confusing overview note. The Parti-Color pattern description is added at the top as there was not a description for this pattern. Descriptions are simplified and wording made consistent.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #12 is housekeeping. It removes the subheading note under Parti-Colors which says, *All parti-colors may be combined with bi-color patterns*. So, I guess that's no longer a Parti-Color. Anyway, it simplifies the description. **Newkirk:** Any comments on Proposal #12? Any objection to the ratification of Proposal #12? Hearing no objection, Proposal #12 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

13. PROPOSED: Change the MINK COLORS/PATTERNS section as heading, adding an eye color note here and removing it from all the individual descriptions. Add missing color descriptions. Clean up wording and reorder color descriptions. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

## MINK PATTERN/COLORS/PATTERNS

(All mink colors/patterns: **Eye color:** aqua, a definitive characteristic of the mink color pattern.)

**MINK PATTERN:** body colors should be <u>a</u> rich, even, unmarked color, shading almost <u>imperceptibly imperceptible</u> to a slightly ... body color and points. Eye color: aqua, a definitive characteristic of the mink color pattern.

NATURAL MINK: ... Eye color: aqua.

BLUE MINK: ... Eye color: aqua.

CHAMPAGNE MINK: ... Eye color: aqua.

PLATINUM MINK: ... Eye color: aqua.

<u>CINNAMON MINK:</u> light to reddish brown points, distinctly warmer and lighter than chocolate, the <u>color of a cinnamon stick.</u>

**FAWN MINK:** light lavender points with pale cocoa overtones.

**RED MINK:** ... Eye color: aqua.

CREAM MINK: ... Eye color: aqua.

<u>TORTOISESHELL MINK</u> (natural tortoiseshell mink, blue cream mink, champagne tortoiseshell mink, platinum cream mink, cinnamon tortoiseshell mink, fawn cream mink).

SHADED MINK PATTERN/COLORS ... ;a cat of an established pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded pattern.

SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK PATTERN/COLORS ... ;a cat of an established mink pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded tortoiseshell pattern. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

SMOKE MINK PATTERN/COLORS: ... :a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with smoke pattern

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK PATTERN/COLORS: ... :a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream, in dilute colors. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

TABBY MINK PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ...: a cat of an established mink pattern/color with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors and nose leather and paw pads may be patched with pink.

SILVER TABBY MINK PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ... :a cat with ground color, including lips and chin, of pale clear silver. Undercoat white. Markings of established tabby mink pattern/color.

**RATIONALE:** The heading is changed for consistency. The eye color sentence is removed from all the individual color descriptions and placed under the heading as an overview that applies to all the colors/patterns and removes the redundancy. Additional repetitive wording is removed from the colors/patterns, which shortens the standard. Missing colors are added to this section, which includes the cinnamon/fawn series and the tortoiseshell mink colors. Colors are re-ordered for consistency.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #13 updates the Mink color/pattern heading and makes it consistent with the other descriptions. **Newkirk:** Any comments on Proposal #13? Any objections to Proposal #13? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, Proposal #13 is ratified.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

14. PROPOSED: Change the order of the MINK color names below, while combining the tortoiseshell colors in with the other colors of the same pattern. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

SHADED MINK & TORTOISESHELL MINK SHADED PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla natural mink chinchilla, natural tortoiseshell mink chinchilla, Shaded natural mink shaded, natural tortoiseshell mink shaded, Chinchilla blue mink chinchilla, blue cream mink chinchilla, Shaded blue mink shaded, blue cream mink shaded, Chinchilla champagne mink chinchilla, champagne tortoiseshell mink chinchilla, Shaded champagne mink shaded, champagne tortoiseshell mink shaded, Chinchilla platinum mink chinchilla, platinum cream mink chinchilla, Shaded platinum mink shaded, platinum cream mink shaded, cinnamon mink chinchilla, cinnamon tortoiseshell mink chinchilla, cinnamon mink shaded, cinnamon tortoiseshell mink chinchilla, fawn cream mink chinchilla, fawn mink shaded, fawn cream mink shaded, Shaded Cameo red mink shaded, Shell Cameo mink chinchilla, Shaded cream Cameo mink shaded, Shell cream Cameo mink chinchilla).

SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Natural Tortoiseshell Mink, Shaded Natural Tortoiseshell Mink, Blue Cream Chinchilla Mix, Blue Cream Shaded. Ink,

Shell Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell ink, Shell Platinum Cream, Shaded Platinum Cream Mink):

SMOKE MINK & TORTOISESHELL MINK SMOKE PATTERN/COLORS (natural smoke mink smoke, natural tortoiseshell mink smoke, blue smoke mink smoke, blue cream mink smoke, champagne smoke mink smoke, champagne tortoiseshell mink smoke, platinum smoke mink smoke, platinum cream mink smoke, cinnamon mink smoke, cinnamon tortoiseshell mink smoke, fawn mink smoke, fawn cream mink smoke, red cameo smoke mink smoke, cream smoke mink smoke).

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Tortoiseshell Smoke Mink, Blue Cream Smoke Mink, Champagne Tortoiseshell Smoke Mink, Platinum Cream Smoke Mink): a cat of an established mink pattern/color with smoke tortoiseshell pattern. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

TABBY MINK & PATCHED TABBY MINK PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) (natural mink tabby, natural patched mink tabby, blue mink tabby, blue patched mink tabby, champagne mink tabby, champagne patched mink tabby, platinum mink tabby, platinum patched mink tabby, cinnamon mink tabby, cinnamon patched mink tabby, fawn mink tabby, fawn patched mink tabby, red mink tabby, cream mink tabby, natural patched mink tabby, blue patched mink tabby, champagne patched mink tabby, platinum patched mink tabby).

SILVER TABBY MINK & SILVER PATCHED TABBY MINK PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) (natural silver mink tabby, natural silver patched mink tabby, blue silver mink tabby, champagne silver mink tabby, champagne silver patched mink tabby, platinum silver mink tabby, platinum silver mink tabby, cinnamon silver mink tabby, fawn silver mink tabby, fawn silver patched mink tabby, red silver mink tabby, cream silver mink tabby, have silver patched mink tabby, blue silver patched mink tabby, champagne silver patched mink tabby, platinum silver patched mink tabby):

**RATIONALE:** This is a housekeeping change to the order of the color names for consistency. More missing colors in the cinnamon/fawn series are added. Tortoiseshell/patched colors are combined with colors of the same pattern.

YES: 11 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #14 re-orders the color names for the Mink pattern and adds missing color names in a consistent order of the color name. **Newkirk:** You pay attention to that, don't you Annette? **Wilson:** Laura did a really good job on this. **Newkirk:** Yes, it looks like she did a lot of work on this. Alright, any comments on #14? Any objection to the ratification of Proposal #14? Hearing no objection, #14 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

15. PROPOSED: Change the SEPIA COLORS/PATTERNS section as heading, adding an eye color note here and removing it from all the individual descriptions. Add missing color descriptions. Clean

up wording and reorder color descriptions. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

## SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS/PATTERNS

(All sepia colors/patterns: **Eye color:** yellow/gold to green.)

**SEPIA** <u>PATTERN</u>: the mature specimen should <u>behave</u> rich, even, <u>unmarked color, even</u>, shading almost imperceptible to a slightly lighter hue on the underparts. <u>but otherwise without shadings</u>, <u>barring or markings of any kind</u>. <u>There must be a distinct contrast between the body color and the points</u>. Kittens are often lighter in color. <u>EYE COLOR</u>: <u>yellow/gold to green</u>.

**SABLE:** ... Eye color: yellow/gold to green.

BLUE SEPIA: ... Eye color: yellow/gold to green.

CHAMPAGNE: ... Eye color: yellow/gold to green.

PLATINUM: ... Eve color: yellow/gold to green.

**CINNAMON SEPIA:** light tan/beige with light reddish brown (cinnamon) points.

FAWN SEPIA: pale, pinkish-cream with pale lavender points.

RED SEPIA: ... Eye color: yellow/gold to green.

CREAM SEPIA: ... Eye color: yellow/gold to green.

TORTOISESHELL SEPIA: (sable tortoiseshell, blue cream sepia, champagne tortoiseshell, platinum cream, cinnamon tortoiseshell sepia, fawn cream sepia);

SHADED SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS  $\dots$  a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded pattern.

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS ... a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded tortoiseshell pattern. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

SMOKE SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded pattern.

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla /shaded tortoiseshell pattern. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

SEPIA TORTOISESHELL PATTERN/COLORS (Sable Tortoiseshell, Blue Cream Sepia, Champagne Tortoiseshell, Platinum Cream): a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla /shaded tortoiseshell pattern. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

TABBY SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) .....a cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla /shaded tortoiseshell pattern. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.

SILVER TABBY SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) ... a cat with ground color, including lips and chin, of pale clear silver. Undercoat white. Markings of established tabby sepia pattern/color.

**RATIONALE:** The heading is changed for consistency. The eye color sentence is removed from all the individual color descriptions and placed under the heading as an overview that applies to all the colors/patterns and removes the redundancy. Additional repetitive wording is removed from the colors/patterns, which shortens the standard. Missing colors are added to this section, which includes the cinnamon/fawn series and the tortoiseshell mink colors. Colors are re-ordered for consistency.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #15 does the same thing under the Sepia patterns and colors. It removes repetitive wording and adds missing colors. **Newkirk:** Any comments on #15? Any objection to the ratification of #15? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent Proposal #15 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

16. PROPOSED: Change the order of the SEPIA color names below, while combining the tortoiseshell colors in with the other colors of the same pattern. Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

SHADED SEPIA & TORTOISESHELL SEPIA SHADED PATTERN/COLORS. (chinchilla sable chinchilla, sable tortoiseshell chinchilla, shaded sable shaded, sable tortoiseshell shaded, chinchilla blue sepia chinchilla, blue cream sepia chinchilla, shaded blue sepia shaded, blue cream sepia shaded, chinchilla champagne chinchilla, champagne tortoiseshell chinchilla, shaded champagne shaded, champagne tortoiseshell shaded, chinchilla platinum chinchilla, platinum cream chinchilla, shaded platinum shaded, platinum cream shaded, cinnamon sepia chinchilla, cinnamon tortoiseshell sepia chinchilla, cinnamon sepia shaded, cinnamon tortoiseshell sepia shaded, fawn sepia chinchilla, fawn cream sepia chinchilla, fawn cream sepia chinchilla, fawn cream sepia shaded, cameo red sepia chinchilla, Shaded Cameo red sepia shaded, Shell cream Cameo sepia chinchilla, Shaded cream Cameo sepia shaded).

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Sable Tortoiseshell, Shaded Sable Tortoiseshell, Chinchilla Blue Cream Sepia, Shaded Blue Cream Sepia, Chinchilla Champagne Tortoiseshell, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell, Chinchilla Platinum Cream, Shaded Platinum Cream):

SMOKE SEPIA & TORTOISESHELL SEPIA SMOKE PATTERN/COLORS: (sable smoke, sable tortoiseshell smoke, blue sepia smoke, blue cream sepia smoke, champagne smoke, champagne tortoiseshell smoke, platinum smoke, platinum cream smoke, cinnamon sepia smoke, cinnamon tortoiseshell sepia smoke, fawn sepia smoke, fawn cream sepia smoke, Cameo red sepia smoke sepia, cream cameo smoke sepia smoke).

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS. (Sable Tortoiseshell Smoke, Blue Cream Smoke Sepia, Champagne Tortoiseshell Smoke, Platinum Cream Smoke):

TABBY SEPIA & PATCHED TABBY SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) (sable tabby, sable patched tabby, blue sepia tabby, blue patched sepia tabby, champagne tabby, champagne patched tabby, platinum tabby, platinum patched tabby, cinnamon sepia tabby, cinnamon sepia tabby, cinnamon patched sepia tabby, fawn patched sepia tabby, red sepia tabby, cream sepia tabby, sable patched tabby, blue patched sepia tabby, champagne patched tabby, platinum patched tabby).

SILVER TABBY SEPIA & SILVER PATCHED TABBY SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked) (sable silver tabby, sable silver patched tabby, blue silver sepia tabby, blue silver patched tabby, champagne silver tabby, platinum silver tabby, platinum silver patched tabby, cinnamon silver sepia tabby, cinnamon silver patched sepia tabby, fawn silver sepia tabby, fawn silver patched tabby, red silver sepia tabby, cream silver sepia tabby). sable silver patched tabby, blue silver patched sepia tabby, champagne silver patched tabby, platinum silver patched tabby):

**RATIONALE:** This is a housekeeping change to the order of the color names for consistency. More missing colors in the cinnamon/fawn series are added. Tortoiseshell/patched colors are combined with colors of the same pattern.

YES: 11 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

## STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #16 changes the order of the Sepia color names. **Newkirk:** Any comments on Proposal #16? Any objections to Proposal #16? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent Proposal #16 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

17. PROPOSED: Change the CALICO & BI-COLOR COLORS section to add the description for calico and do minor housekeeping on wording in the Bi-color description. Remove the entire Parti-Color & White/Calico section from the standard (including the sub-heading) and add the calico color/pattern names (as below). Remove the mink & sepia calico descriptions from the standard (as below). Housekeeping (Punctuation): remove or add colons, depending on need.

# CALICO & BI-COLOR COLORS/PATTERNS

<u>CALICO PATTERN:</u> a tri-colored cat of unbrindled white and colored patches. The colored patches are to conform to the currently established solid, shaded, smoke, parti color, mink, or sepia descriptions. The white is predominant on the underparts.

**BI-COLOR** (& WHITE) PATTERN: a previously described cat of solid, shaded, smoke, tabby, parti color, mink and sepia colors/patterns with white ...

CALICO COLORS (calico, natural calico mink, sable calico, dilute calico, dilute calico mink, dilute calico sepia, chocolate calico, champagne calico mink, champagne calico, lilac calico, platinum calico mink, platinum calico, cinnamon calico, cinnamon calico mink, cinnamon calico sepia, fawn calico, fawn calico mink, fawn calico sepia).

CALICO CHINCHILLA & SHADED COLORS (calico chinchilla, calico shaded, natural calico mink chinchilla, natural calico mink shaded, sable calico chinchilla, sable calico shaded, dilute calico chinchilla, dilute calico shaded, dilute calico mink chinchilla, dilute calico sepia chinchilla, dilute calico sepia shaded, chocolate calico chinchilla, chocolate calico shaded, champagne calico mink chinchilla, champagne calico mink shaded, champagne calico chinchilla, champagne calico shaded, lilac calico chinchilla, lilac calico shaded, platinum calico mink chinchilla, platinum calico mink shaded, platinum calico chinchilla, platinum calico shaded, cinnamon calico chinchilla, cinnamon calico mink shaded, cinnamon calico sepia chinchilla, cinnamon calico sepia shaded, fawn calico chinchilla, fawn calico sepia chinchilla, fawn calico mink chinchilla, fawn calico sepia chinchilla, fawn calico sepia shaded).

CALICO SMOKE COLORS (calico smoke, natural calico mink smoke, sable calico smoke, dilute calico smoke, dilute calico smoke, dilute calico smoke, champagne calico mink smoke, champagne calico smoke, lilac calico smoke, platinum calico mink smoke, platinum calico smoke, cinnamon calico smoke, cinnamon calico smoke, cinnamon calico smoke, fawn calico smoke, fawn calico sepia smoke).

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(The following colors are located under the Mink & White/Van Pattern/Colors subheading in this section of the current standard.)

NATURAL CALICO MINK: white with unbrindled patches of medium brown and red with white, red and/or dark brown points. Ruddy highlights acceptable. White predominant on underparts. Nose leather: dark brown, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: medium to dark brown, may have a rosy undertone, and may be patched with pink.

**DILUTE CALICO MINK**: white with unbrindled patches of soft blue—gray and cream with warm overtones with white, cream and/or slate blue points. White predominant on underparts. Nose leather: blue—gray, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: blue—gray, may have a rosy undertone, and may be patched with pink.

CHAMPAGNE CALICO MINK: white with unbrindled patches of buff-cream to beige and red, with white, red and/or medium brown points. Reddish highlights acceptable. White predominant on under-parts. Nose leather: cinnamon-brown, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: cinnamon-pink to cinnamon-brown, may be patched with pink.

**PLATINUM CALICO MINK**: white with unbrindled patches of pale, silvery gray and cream with warm overtones with white, cream and/or frosty gray points. White predominant on underparts. Nose leather: lavender pink to lavender gray, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: lavender pink, may be patched with pink.

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(The following colors are located under the Sepia & White Pattern/Colors subheading in this section of the current standard.)

**SABLE CALICO**: white with unbrindled patches of sable brown and red with white, red and/or dark brown points. White predominant on underparts. Nose leather: dark brown, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: medium to dark brown, may have rosy undertone and may be patched with pink.

**BLUE CALICO SEPIA:** white with unbrindled patches of slate blue and cream with warm overtones and with white, cream and/or slate blue points. White predominant on underparts. Nose leather: slate gray, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: blue gray, may have rosy undertone and may be patched with pink.

CHAMPAGNE CALICO: white with unbrindled patches of golden tan to light coffee brown and red with white, red and/or medium brown points. White predominant on underparts. Nose leather: cinnamon brown, may be patched with pink. Paw pads: cinnamon pink to cinnamon brown, may be patched with pink.

**PLATINUM CALICO**: white with unbrindled patches of dove gray and cream with white, cream and/or frosty gray points. White pre-dominant on underparts. Nose leather and paw pads: lavender-pink, may be patched with pink.

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**RATIONALE:** The definition for Calico is being moved to this section, as this is where cats with white are introduced and the "Calico" is first mentioned. There are minor housekeeping word changes in the bi-color section to improve the description. All the calico colors/patterns are then listed here and the redundant descriptions in the parti color section are removed completely. The calico descriptions under mink & sepia are also removed for redundancy, as they are listed here also.

YES: 10 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 1

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes:12 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #17 simplifies and re-orders the Calico & Bi-Color section. **Newkirk:** Comments? Any objection to the ratification of Proposal #17? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent Proposal #17 is agreed to.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**18. PROPOSED**: Remove the "VAN BI-COLOR:" descriptions from under the heading <u>CALICO & BI-COLOR COLORS</u>. Remove ALL "Van" color descriptions from the standard. The following complete sections will be removed. Only the color section headings are shown below:

**SOLID & WHITE VAN** 

**CHINCHILLA & WHITE VAN** 

**SHADED & WHITE VAN** 

SHELL TORTOISESHELL & WHITE VAN/CALICO VAN

SHADED TORTOISESHELL& WHITE/CALICO VAN

**SMOKE & WHITE VAN** 

TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO SMOKE VAN

**TABBY& WHITE VAN** 

PATCHED TABBY & WHITE VAN

MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SHADED MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SMOKE MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/ COLORS

MINK TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SILVER TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SHADED SEPIA & WHITE VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SMOKE SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SEPIA TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

TABBY SEPIA & WHITE VAN PATTERN/COLORS

SILVER TABBY SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS

**RATIONALE:** The van description is being removed as we say we have no preference for any amount of white, and yet having a separate description for an amount of white is conflicting with that statement. We are not a "pattern breed", so we do not need to differentiate a Van pattern.

YES: 11 NO: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

### STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #18 removes the Van Bi-Color descriptions and removes the word *Van* from the standard completely. **Newkirk:** Any comments on Proposal #18? Any objections to Proposal #18? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent Proposal #18 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

19. PROPOSED: Remove all "BI COLOR:" sub-headings and color descriptions in the current standard shown under the heading <u>CALICO & BI-COLOR COLORS</u>. The following sub-headings and complete color descriptions will be removed. Only the sub-section headings and color section headings are shown below:

Solid & White Van

**SOLID & WHITE** 

Shaded & White/Van

**CHINCHILLA & WHITE** 

SHADED & WHITE

SHELL TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO

SHADED TORTOISESHELL& WHITE/CALICO

Smoke & White/Van

**SMOKE & WHITE** 

TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO SMOKE

Tabby & White/Van

**TABBY& WHITE** 

PATCHED TABBY & WHITE

Mink & White/Van Pattern/Colors

**MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS** 

SHADED MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

**SMOKE MINK & WHITE PATTERN/ COLORS** 

MINK TORTOISESHELL & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

**TABBY MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS** 

SILVER TABBY MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

Sepia & White Pattern/Colors

SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

#### SHADED SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

**SMOKE SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS** 

SEPIA TORTOISESHELL & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

**TABBY SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS** 

#### SILVER TARRY SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS

**RATIONALE:** ALL individual colors are now described/listed in our standard. To repeat the entire list just to add "&white" and simply repeat each one is terribly redundant and is a major part of what makes our standard so incredibly long. It makes sense to simply describe the calico and bi-color definitions and then to state that we accept every color (except pointed) with white also. Removing all these repeated colors/patterns will remove almost FIVE pages from our color list.

YES: 12 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #19 removes all individual Bi-Color descriptions. They are redundant, as the individual colors are already described. This is something we discussed quite a bit, because it can be difficult for people who are registering cats to know what color and color description their cat is, in this case & *White*. However, when you have the color already described elsewhere, it is redundant to repeat it. Basically the Bi-Color is just any other color already described with white. Since the Ragamuffin standard describes so many different colors and patterns, it was really inapplicable here. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Comments on #19? Any objections to the ratification of #19? Seeing no objections, #19 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**20. PROPOSED:** Change the ORMC section as follows:

**ORMC** (Other RagaMuffin Colors): ... exception of pointed colors, which are registered and used as "for breeding only." ...

**RATIONALE:** Adding the phrase above informs that while we do not show pointed colors we do have them, we register them, and we use them for breeding.

YES: 13 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 13 60% of Voting: 8

**Wilson:** #20 changes the Other Ragamuffin Colors section to add a phrase that while we do not show pointed colors we do have them, we register them, and we use them for breeding. So, because we have a color class that's called Other Ragamuffin Colors, should someone actually enter a pointed Ragamuffin in a show, it would be clear that this is not where it would go. It's not eligible to be shown. I think this gives good information and direction to our judges. **Newkirk:** Comments on Proposal #20? Any objection to Proposal #20? Hearing no objection, Proposal #20 is ratified by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Wilson: That's it for the Ragamuffins. I want to personally thank you, Laura. You did a fabulous job on this and I know Carla Bizzell worked really, really hard with you, too. If I remember right, Shirley Dent in Central Office caught a couple things that we all missed, too. You can read and read and read these things, but it's real easy to miss stuff. This will probably take 3 pages, if not more, of the Ragamuffin standard out of the Standards. Newkirk: That was going to be my question. How may pages does it shorten the standard? Wilson: It might be more pages, but what it also does is that Laura has now kind of put together something that we can actually follow for other breeds that come in every color and pattern. It put some order to it, because looking for a format for a standard that works for every breed is something we would like to work on. It's hard when it's already done a different way to edit it and make it different, but she has done that, so it's helpful. Newkirk: Great job, Laura. Gregory: Thank you.

Newkirk: Any closing comments? Gregory: No. Thank you very much to everyone. Newkirk: OK, good deal. We look forward to seeing your new published standard.

## SCOTTISH FOLD

Total Members: 28 Ballots Received: 12

Wilson: If Laura is still not on, we could go to the Scottish. Marilee is on, I believe. Tartaglia: She is. I haven't been able to promote her. Let me try now again. Griswold: Yes, I'm here. Wilson: I don't know if you wanted to make a statement Marilee, or if you just want to be available for questions and speak to the issues as we discuss each proposal. Griswold: Yes, I think that will work well. I'll just be here and speak as needed. Wilson: OK.

**1. PROPOSED:** Create a DIVISION for Straight Eared Folds (LH and SH) and move from the Scottish Fold Color Class.

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

### Scottish Fold-Color Class Numbers

#### SCOTTISH FOLD LONGHAIR DIVISION

Lilac, Cinnamon, Fawn)

<b>Tabby</b> 8436	8437
[All colors and combinations of colors with	0137
the addition of a Tabby Pattern (classic,	
mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)]	
<b>Tabby &amp; White</b>	8493
[All Tabby Colors and Combinations of	0.175
Colors in any Tabby Pattern (classic,	
mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)] with	
the addition of white)]	
Parti-Color & Bi-Color8446	8447
(Tortoiseshell, Tortoiseshell & White,	0117
Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Chocolate	
Tortoiseshell & White, Cinnamon	
Tortoiseshell, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell &	
White, Calico, Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream,	
Blue-Cream & White, Lilac-Cream, Lilac-	
Cream & White, Fawn-Cream, Fawn-Cream	
& White, Pointed & White, and all established	
solid colors with the addition of white)	
<b>Pointed</b>	8479
(All colors and patterns combined with the	
Pointed Pattern, excluding Pointed & White)	
Other Scottish Fold Colors 8428	8429
(Any Other Color or Combination of Colors	
and Patterns)	
0.460	
Straight ear8468	<del>8469</del>
AOV	8469 None
AOVNone	
AOVNone	
AOVNone <u>SCOTTISH FOLD</u> SHORTHAIR DIVISION	None
AOV	None
AOV	None
AOV	None 8801
Scottish Fold Shorthair Division  Solid Color 8800 (White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac, Cinnamon, Fawn)  Tabby 8836 [All colors and combinations of colors with the addition of a Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)]	None 8801 8837
Scottish Fold Shorthair Division  Solid Color 8800 (White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac, Cinnamon, Fawn)  Tabby 8836 [All colors and combinations of colors with the addition of a Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)]  Tabby & White 8892	None 8801 8837
Solid Color	None 8801 8837
Solid Color 8800 (White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac, Cinnamon, Fawn)  Tabby 8836 [All colors and combinations of colors with the addition of a Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)]  Tabby & White 8892 [All Tabby Colors and Combinations of Colors in any Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)] with the addition of white)]	None 8801 8837
Solid Color	None 8801 8837

& White, Pointed & White, and all established solid colors with the addition of white)		
Pointed	8878	8879
(All colors and patterns combined with the		
Pointed Pattern, excluding Pointed & White)		
Other Scottish Fold Colors	8828	8829
(Any Other Color or Combination of Colors		
and Patterns)		
Straight ear	<del>8868</del>	<del>- 8869</del>
AOV	None	None
SCOTTISH – STRAIGHT EAR DIVISION		
Straight Ear Longhair	8468	8469
Straight Ear Shorthair	8868	8869

**RATIONALE:** Straight Ear Folds have been shown in Championship status in CFA for this last year. During that year, we have witnessed the first Straight Ear Fold Grand Champion. In addition, there have been many Straight Ear Folds shown all over the world, in large numbers and in all classes over this last year. In some shows, they rival the numbers of folded ear cats being shown. In the Erie, PA show, for example, there were 8 Scottish Folds in the show, 4 were Straight Ears. The Scottish Fold breeders have shown Scottish Fold Straights this year just as much as the folded ear versions and we believe this should justify having them in their own division.

YES: 11 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

# **SHOW RULE (passes)**

Votes: 12 50% of Voting: 6

Wilson: Proposal #1 creates a division for the Straight Eared Folds, Longhair and Shorthair, so basically two divisions, and moves them from the Scottish Fold Color Class. So, there will be a Scottish Straight Eared Division for Longhair and Shorthair. It would just be all shown together in each division. So, the Scottish Straight Eared Longhairs would be in one color class and the Straight Eared Shorthairs would be in another color class. Because this is creating a division, normally color classes are handled as show rules, but the policy has been that when you are creating a breed or a division, or advancing a breed or division, it requires 60% of the Breed Council which it did receive. Any discussion? Just for back-up, last year they were made color classes within the Scottish Fold breed, so this moves them to their own divisions. Morgan: I guess I'm confused as to where this falls on our advancement matrix and do they have the numbers to justify it? **Griswold:** I can speak to the numbers. So, the Straight Ears have been allowed in the Championship class just since May. Since May we have had 21 – these are numbers from James Simbro – from the beginning of this show year to the beginning of January, so not completely up to date but not far off either. So, we have had 21 Straight Ears shown in 43 different shows. They have been shown in 9 regions to include overseas, like Japan, Thailand and China. Compared to the Folded Ears being shown, we have 41 Longhair Folded Ears and 27 Shorthair Folded Ears, so having 21 Straight Ears makes up 31% of all Scottish Folds that were shown this year so far have been Straight Ears. Morgan: Thank you. Newkirk: Melanie, any

other questions on this? Morgan: No, thank you. That's extremely helpful. Webster: I'm totally for this. I think it's a great idea. Many parts, like in Europe, they need this. There are so many more advantages of showing the Straight Ear when they don't always get the Folded Ears. I think it's a good idea. Hannon: I'm confused. Are we changing the name of the breed? For example, what's right in front of us now, it says Scottish - Straight Ear Division. Shouldn't it say Scottish Fold – Straight Ear Division, unless we officially change the name of the breed? Secondly, are we going to discuss the American Shorthair poll on this that was for information only? They seem very divided on this. Wilson: Two things. They can certainly change the name of a division. They can name the division whatever they want, and I think Scottish – Straight Ear Division makes more sense than Scottish Fold – Straight, which is kind of an oxymoron. I appreciate that they changed that and it was part of this proposal. The British Shorthair, I think Cyndy Byrd is on. I don't know if she wants to speak. The British Shorthair breed did support by 50%. There were 18 votes cast; 9 were yes and 9 were no. Oh, I'm sorry, that's the Fold outcross. They decided not to put anything on their proposal. Apparently, if I recall, they weren't concerned with this being a division. The American Shorthair, issues were also regarding the outcross and the pedigree. It really had nothing to do with divisions. **Hannon:** I understand. Wilson: I would rather take each thing separately. Newkirk: Marilee, would you like to comment on the name change for the division? **Griswold:** Annette had pointed this out to me, that she thought the division name would be best as Scottish – Straight Eared Division. So far as I'm concerned, it doesn't particularly matter to me. I was just calling them Scottish Fold – Straight Eared Division, just like we would Scottish Fold – Longhair Division and Shorthair Division, but I'm not really married to it either way. Annette and I talked about it. She thought it made more sense to say Scottish - Straight Eared Division but we're obviously not changing the Scottish Fold breed name. They are all the same breed. Either way would be fine with me. **Newkirk:** I've got one question. How about a cat that competes as a Scottish Fold and then they get older and their ears straighten. What happens to those cats? **Griswold:** Interestingly, the Straight Ears have been shown quite a bit in WCF and in Europe and overseas. The WCF judges can tell me they can spot a badly folded Folded Ear and that's very different than a Straight Ear. So, if we have any question at all whether this is a badly folded Scottish Fold or a Straight Ear, then by all means I would discuss that with the person exhibiting it. Once you're a Folded Ear, you're always a Folded Ear. Even if your ears come up quite a bit, that just makes you not competitive. You can't just switch to a Straight Ear. To me, I wouldn't find it very difficult to tell the difference because that folded ear is so tiny that even when it comes almost virtually straight up, it's very obvious that it was previously a Folded Ear cat. **DelaBar:** I have judged the Straight Ears and of course the Folds in WCF and other independent associations within Europe. What Marilee just said with the folded ears coming up, yes it's very easy to see a bad Fold. I've also caught somebody trying to sneak a Straight Ear into the British. That was easy to catch, too. It was so blatantly obvious that I cannot see the cross-over at all, besides the fact of coat texture and skull structure, etc. This basically puts us in line with the associations who do accept Scottish Folds and Scottish Straights. It really brings us up to snuff with other associations in the way that they handle the Scottish Folds and Straights. Currle: I have judged many of these, particularly in Europe. I'm fully supportive of going forward with what the Breed Council wants. Newkirk: Any other comments? It sounds like almost everybody is – Wilson: I wanted to ask Marilee, the numbers of the cats shown, were those individual, unique cats or does that represent entries? So, the same cat entered in more than one show? Do you remember? Griswold: I missed the last part. Wilson: The numbers you provided for 21 in 43 different shows in 9 regions, are

those unique entries – individual cats – or are they the same cat? Is the same cat counted more than once if it is in more than one show? **Griswold:** No. What I did was, the 21 Straight Ears are the individual cats that were shown and several of those were shown multiple times to equal 43 shows that they were shown at. So, we had 21 individuals. That represented 31% of our Folds. So, like our Longhair Division Folded Ears, Shorthair Division Folded Ears, and the Straight Ears all were pretty equal, 30/30/30%, give or take. Wilson: So each one counted in there is a different cat? Griswold: Yes, a different cat. I went through each one because James sent me the entire list. I had to go through each one and I kind of picked out where they were shown, in which region, and whether it was Kittens, Champions or Premiers. Wilson: Thank you. **DelaBar:** Marilee, what was the cut-off data on your data? **Griswold:** That was from 5/1 to January 9th, so 8 months. **DelaBar:** You can make up that 25 very easily by the Italian show just two weeks ago. We had some very unique and very beautiful Straight Ears entered there. **Griswold:** To be honest, I was kind of impressed that we got those 21 unique individuals in only 8 months. We know we have the registration numbers that we presented last year which were in the thousands, so we have the registration numbers and then in 8 months we have had 21 so far shown, which was a large percent of the total Folds shown. Newkirk: Anybody else? Wilson: Just to be fair, since the board accepted these cats to be shown within the other breed like last year, the advancement matrix doesn't really apply. It's great that we have these numbers, because I think it obviously shows the number of these cats that are being shown, but when you look at the advancement matrix, it's when you first accept them for championship status. So, that happened last year. This is just taking the color classes, which were all under the two divisions, and moving them to their own divisions. **Newkirk:** Thanks. That's a critical point in this, I think, Annette. Wilson: Yeah, clear as mud. Newkirk: OK, any other comments on this? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor of making a Scottish – Straight Eared Division with two color classes, one for long and one for short, raise your hands.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Kathy Calhoun, Sharon Roy, Pam DelaBar, John Colilla, Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, Melanie Morgan, Hayata-san, George Eigenhauser, Howard Webster and Annette Wilson. If you will take your hands down, are there any no votes? Mark Hannon is a no. Any abstentions? Cathy Dunham abstains. Rachel, you can announce the result of the vote. **Anger:** Thank you. That's 14 yes votes, 1 no vote, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is agreed to.

# \* \* \*REGISTRATION PROPOSALS \* \* \*

2. PROPOSED: Disallow the processing of litters or registration via pedigree of a Folded Ear to Folded Ear mating/offspring effective May 1, 2022.

**RATIONALE:** A Folded-Ear to Folded-Ear can create serious physical problems in the offspring. The homozygous form of the dominant gene creates osteochondroydysplasia, a crippling and painful condition. This type of breeding should never be done.

YES: 11 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 1

## **REGISTRATION RULE (passes)**

Votes: 11 50% of Voting: 6

**Wilson:** Item #2 is a proposal disallowing the processing of litters for registrations via pedigree of a Folded Ear to a Folded Ear mating offspring, effective May 1, 2022. I'm going to read the rationale, because I think this is a very important proposal. A Folded-Ear to Folded-Ear can create serious physical problems in the offspring. The homozygous form of the dominant gene creates osteochondroydysplasia, a crippling and painful condition. This type of breeding should never be done. I first want to congratulate the Scottish Fold breeders and members of the Breed Council for addressing this. As this is a registration rule, it needed 50% to pass the Breed Council, which it got. **Newkirk:** Any comments on Proposal #2? I agree with you, Annette. This is a good proposal. Any objections to Proposal #2? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, #2 is ratified.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**NOTE**: The following three (3) questions relate to the allowance of specific colors and patterns in the pedigree of a Scottish Fold and eligibility for CFA registration.

**3. PROPOSED:** Scottish Fold/Straight-Eared outcrosses (British Shorthair and American Shorthair) must be CFA registerable or have the most recent three generations be clear of unregisterable characteristics (e.g. chocolate, lilac, pointed or longhair for British Shorthair).

**RATIONALE:** This proposal clarifies the current registration rules for Scottish Folds regarding registration by pedigree.

YES: 5 NO: 6 ABSTAIN: 1

## **REGISTRATION RULE (does not pass)**

Votes: 11 50% of Voting: 6

**Wilson:** Proposal #3, #4 and #5 relate to a situation that came up in Central Office and they brought to my attention and Marilee's attention. I'm going to have trouble explaining this, but currently the registration rules for Scottish Fold that are registered by pedigree require that three generations be CFA registerable or eligible, so if there is an unallowed color or pattern in those three generations, then the registration by pedigree can't go through. So, we put three options on the Scottish Fold ballot, on the American Shorthair ballot and the British Shorthair ballot, since the outcrosses are British Shorthairs and American Shorthairs. So, what that means is, you could have a cat in the 4<sup>th</sup> generation that would not be eligible to be registered as a British Shorthair in CFA, but it would be able to be accepted in a pedigree for a Scottish Fold that's registered by pedigree. The other two options that we put on there would be to allow any outcross. When I say "any outcross" I mean British Shorthair and American Shorthair outcrosses, even if they are not CFA registerable or of a color or coat length not eligible, and the other option would be allow outcross if the not eligible registerable cats are only in the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> generation. In other words, only the parents would need to be eligible for CFA registration in their breed. Does that make sense to everyone, because it's confusing. **Newkirk:** I think I

understand it, Annette. My question is, if you're putting a British with a non-allowable registered pedigree into a Scottish Fold breeding program, the offspring are never going to go back to being a British. Anything out of that mating will be considered Scottish Fold, so my question is, what difference does it make what's in that pedigree? Wilson: Well, it kind of makes a difference to the British Shorthair and American Shorthair people a little bit. That's why they were invited to have input. The difference, I guess, has always been our preference to have cats registered in CFA, or at least the parents of the cat be either registered or eligible for registration in CFA. I don't personally have a preference on any of these. What we have currently is the three generations. They have to be of an eligible color within their breed or registered with CFA. Hopefully, more restrictive than it needs to be. Marilee? This would be something for Marilee to speak to. It's her breed registration. Griswold: I can certainly kind of go through a little bit of this thought process. Allene contacted us from Central Office. We're getting a lot of pedigrees from WCF and TICA and various other organizations that have things like longhair British Shorthair, for example, in the 3-generation pedigree, or the lilac or chocolate colored British Shorthairs. So, I had kind of always had the assumption that all cats in that pedigree needed to be CFA registered, but Allene brought up the point, if you would accept all colors, what difference does it make? You're never going to be able to bring those colors into the British, because any Fold bred to a Brit, regardless of what comes out – if it has straight ears or folded ears – is always going to be a Fold. There's no way to kind of get those colors back into the Brits through some back door method. So, that's really why this came up, was to try to really figure out, does it make a difference? The British Shorthair folks, I believe their poll said that they would rather have them be registerable in the three generations. The Scottish Fold people said they don't really care, so they would like to accept some of these cats from WCF and TICA that have these cats in the three generations. So, that's why this is coming up today. Newkirk: Would you reiterate that once it's in the Scottish Fold breeding program, it's always a Scottish Fold? It won't go back to British. Griswold: That's correct, yeah. There's no way to somehow get that back into the British Shorthair breed. I think maybe that's what they are worried about. I'm not completely sure, but maybe they're worried that somehow these colors are going to get in through the back door without them officially approving it, but anytime you breed a Scottish Fold – that's the pedigrees we're talking about here is Scottish Fold pedigrees, not Brit pedigrees - so if the Fold pedigrees have something behind them that is not CFA registerable and we come up with a chocolate Straight Ear, it's still going to be a Straight Ear. There's no way to create a Brit out of a Fold. Eigenhauser: I'm having a hard time wrapping my head around what the objection is. If they are going to be registered as Scottish Folds and their offspring are going to be registered as Scottish Folds and the offspring of their offspring of their offspring are going to be registered as Scottish Folds, why is that supposedly having a negative impact on either the British or Americans? In a very real sense, they should encourage this kind of behavior because if they want to keep the Scottish Fold people from using as outcrosses CFA registerable cats, because they're putting outcross dates on there that they want to end those, wouldn't it be better if the Scottish Fold people used cats that the Brit and American people weren't interested in at all? Isn't that a better solution than requiring them to use CFA registerable cats. Not only does it reduce the pressure on the registerable gene pool, but it also provides access to lines that might not otherwise be available, which could help with the genetic diversity of the breed. I don't understand why the British would object to it and I'm really having a hard time understanding that argument. Morgan: I'm a huge advocate of the rights of the breeds that are used for outcross, and I'm certainly sensitive to the wishes of the American Shorthairs and the British

Shorthairs. However, I kind of have to agree with George. Registrations by pedigree give us some flexibility as we look back through other registrations, etc. Given the fact that this is something that's totally unique to the Scottish Fold breed, I'm not sure how this impacts in any way on the parent breeds and I certainly don't want to step on the rights of a breed that has allowed itself to be used as an outcross, but I don't see that we're doing that here. The registration by pedigree system is such that I think it gives us the flexibility to be able to make up our own criteria for the specifics of the Scottish Fold needs, and by doing this we basically are looking at expanding the gene pool which is a health issue which certainly this breed can benefit from. DelaBar: As a former Siamese and Colorpoint Shorthair breeder, I would often use Siamese for my Colorpoint program. No matter what colors came out, be they solid, pointed or lynx pointed which I basically worked with, they were always Colorpoint Shorthairs. We have a longstanding precedent on how outcross breeds affect and do not affect the breed that we are trying to increase the gene pool of. Even as a judge, I cannot see a problem with allowing these outcrosses. Wilson: Cyndy Byrd is in the audience. I wonder if she would like to comment on this. I really don't know why the Registration Rules, when the outcross was first used, I don't know why that rule is there. I don't know if she knows, but she may want to address this from the standpoint of the British Shorthair breed, because 73% of the people voting on the British Shorthair Breed Council wanted to continue the current requirement, that three generations have to be registerable as British Shorthairs in CFA. Byrd: Personally, my feeling is similar to you all's, that they can never be re-registered in some British format. However, as we know, the British Shorthair Breed Council is pretty traditional. To us, a Brit is a Brit and we have acceptable Brits in CFA and unacceptable Brits in CFA. I think that's why the majority of members who voted, voted in the way they did. But, we do understand that they cannot come back to Brit. Newkirk: It sounds to me like most of the support from the board is, it doesn't matter what's in the pedigree so which proposal aligns with that, Annette, so that we can vote? **Wilson:** That would be #4. *Allow outcrosses even if not CFA registerable or of a color or coat* length not eligible.

#### No Action.

4. To be considered if # 3 does not pass.

**PROPOSED:** Allow all colors, patterns and coat length acceptable for a Scottish Fold registration to also be acceptable in the pedigree, even if the color or coat length is unregisterable in the outcross breed (for example, a chocolate, lilac or pointed British Shorthair [or longhair]).

**RATIONALE:** In 2018, the Scottish Fold started accepting all colors and patterns, including chocolate, lilac and pointed, colors which are still disallowed in the British Shorthair and Amerian Shorthair. Because there was no specific restriction outlined at that time indicating an unregisterable British Shorthair or American Shorthair of these colors were disallowed in the pedigree of a CFA registered Scottish Fold (chocolate, lilac and pointed), there is some confusion as to whether or not a chocolate, lilac or pointed British SH or American SH is acceptable in the pedigree of a Scottish Fold and the Scottish Fold is registerable. The rationale for opening the Scottish Fold registry to all colors and patterns was to broaden and diversify the gene pool and disallowing Scottish Folds to be registered because of this color issue impedes the expansion of the gene pool.

This proposal expands the use of a British SH or American SH of an unregisterable color into all generations.

# **REGISTRATION RULE (passes)**

Votes: 11 50% of Voting: 6

Wilson: Let me just skip to #4 here. Newkirk: It's up on the screen. Wilson: I know but it's a little screen on my iPad. I have a big screen next to me. I have many screens, so [reads]. Newkirk: Alright, so that's the proposal that we're going to vote on. Is that your recommendation, Annette? Wilson: Yes. Newkirk: I think we have commented, pretty much. Anyone want to add a closing comment? We're voting on #4. OK, I'll call for the vote on #4. If you are in favor of #4, raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried. Dunham voting no.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Mark Hannon, Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Pam DelaBar, Howard Webster, Rich Mastin, Sharon Roy, Kenny Currle, Rachel Anger, Hayata-san, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Annette Wilson. If you will take your hands down, if you are a no vote please raise your hand. Cathy Dunham is a no. Alright Cathy, if you will take your hand down, any abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: Is Pam Moser on the call? I see she is there on her phone. I didn't get a vote. Tartaglia: All she can do is talk, and she is on mute. She should be able to unmute and at least say what her vote is. She may not know how. Eigenhauser: If she doesn't know how to unmute, maybe she can just put it in the chat. Morgan: Isn't it \*6 to unmute Pam, if you can hear us? Moser: It's a yes. Newkirk: OK, thank you Pam. Moser: Thanks for the \*6. I couldn't remember it.

Newkirk: Melanie had to sign in several times on her phone, so I'm sure it's imprinted in her brain. OK, you can announce the vote, Rachel. Anger: That's 15 yes votes, 1 no vote, zero abstentions. Newkirk: OK, so #4 on the Scottish Fold is agreed to. Allene, you will make the change in Central Office for registrations? Tartaglia: Yes, of course.

# (5.) To be considered if # 4 does not pass.

**PROPOSED:** Allow all colors, patterns and coat length acceptable for a Scottish Fold registration to also be acceptable in the  $2^{nd}$  and/or  $3^{rd}$  generations, even if the color or coat length is unregisterable in the outcross breed (for example, a chocolate, lilac or pointed British Shorthair [or longhair]).

**RATIONALE:** Same rationale as in #4. If the unregisterable outcross is limited to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 3<sup>rd</sup> generation, the sire and dam would be only CFA registered or registerable cats.

YES: 8 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 1

# **REGISTRATION RULE (passes)**

Votes: 11 50% of Voting: 6

**Wilson:** Skip #5 too, Darrell. **Newkirk:** Yep, that's what I was just getting ready to say.

# \* \* \* Registration Proposal for Information Only \* \* \*

The following three REGISTRATION PROPOSALS by the American Shorthair Breed Council indicates their interest in possibly ending or limiting the Scottish Fold use of the American Shorthair as an outcross.

**6. PROPOSED:** Add an end date to the Scottish Fold (and Straight-Eared) outcross to America Shorthair, effective with litters born May 1, 2022 and after.

AMERICAN SHORTHAIR RATIONALE: The American Shorthair breeders have been generous in sharing bloodlines with the Scottish Fold breeders since the Scottish Fold breed's inception; at that time Straight Eared Folds were AOV only. However, now that the Straight Eared variety of Scottish Fold can be exhibited in championship (effective 5.1.2021), there is heightened concern among American Shorthair breeders about contributing to a breed that resembles ours in many ways. In addition, there is now a genetic test to determine whether cats carry the Scottish Fold gene, so it is no longer necessary to use another breed.

Should the Scottish Fold Breed Council be successful with moving the Straight Eared offspring from a Color Class to a Division, we respectfully request that a cut-off be set which will specify the date at which outcross of Scottish Fold to American Shorthair will no longer be permitted. Specifically, breeding American Shorthairs to Scottish Straight Ears would seem to be a way to make more "lookalikes."

YES: 4 NO: 6 ABSTAIN: 2

# FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Votes: 10

Wilson: So we're on #6. This is where the American Shorthair Breed Council wanted to weigh in because of the issue with not being consulted last year when the Straight Ears were permitted to be shown in Championship. There were three proposals to end the outcross to American Shorthair, another proposal to end it in 5 years, and another proposal to end it in 10 years, with of course the right to continue except for the first one. In the American Shorthair proposal, 50% voted to end it right away, 57% voted to end it in 5 years, 42% in 10 years. I don't believe we have Carol Johnson on right now, but she spoke this morning. Basically, it was a reaction to the fact that they weren't consulted. That said, I think we have an issue when we allow a hybrid breed that uses registered pedigreed cats in establishing a breed, when they are never going to stand alone. I'm not so sure that that's always understood. I think British Shorthairs are probably used more frequently than American Shorthairs in Scottish Fold breedings, and I understand the need for ongoing hybridizing with another breed; however, once we take a breed as an outcross, unless they put a timeline on it right away, they never seem to be able to get that back. They are there forever, and I think that's something that at some point we need to address. I don't know that we need to address it here and now with this particular breed. I don't think that would be fair, but I think it's something we need to think on going forward. That's all I have to say. This is Information Only, if you want to discuss it. Newkirk: Is there a current cut-off date listed? Wilson: No, no. Maybe for next year or an upcoming meeting, maybe I will make a list of the breeds that have open outcrosses to other breeds, and we can just kind of see what the impact might be. Then, I will make a list of the breeds that do have a limited outcross, and we can take a look maybe at what that means as far as registrations, registrations of litters and so on, and just maybe look at it a little bit. Newkirk: I think before anybody gets their

outcrosses cut off, we need to have some input. Wilson: Absolutely. Newkirk: Do population genetics, like Leslie Lyons and I'm blanking on the girl that serves, the counter-part to Roger [Brown] in TICA. She does a lot of that, but it's a big deal to cut off an outcross to somebody, because that really lessens their gene pool. Morgan: So Annette, to clarify, the American Shorthairs put several proposals out there. The one that they liked the best or they supported the most was the five year cut-off, but they're not asking the board to take action at this particular meeting. They are simply letting us know that's what they want to do. Wilson: Yes, that's my take, yes. I mean, we can certainly vote on these. I'm sure that some of them – 57% of them – would be happy to have a date on it and other 43% would not be happy. So, I don't see it as overwhelming, I see it as information. I don't know what we want. If you want me to make a motion, I will. If the board would like me to make a motion, I will make the motion. I don't think they thought this would go anywhere. Just for information, the British Shorthair didn't want to put that type of thing on a proposal, they just put a statement on their proposal that they support the outcross. Morgan: Right, thank you. I understand that certainly outcrosses and genetic diversity are incredibly important to the viability and the survival of our breeds. That said, I am incredibly sensitive to the rights of a breed to protect itself moving forward, and when we have breeds who very generously open themselves up to help with the development of a new breed, etc., etc., I really hesitate to take away any of their rights, because if we start doing that then breeds are not going to want to be cooperative moving forward. I'm not sure that this is set up to take action today, but if it's something they truly invested in, I think it's something that the board owes them the respect of at least considering. Barring having Carol here to chat about it and ask for it, I'm fine with not taking any action. I'm just simply saying I think our breeds deserve the right to have some control over their destiny and that a breed should be able to stand on its own at some point. If it can't, then is it really a breed? Newkirk: Carol is in the audience if you want to bring her in. Wilson: That would be great. Tartaglia: She is in. Johnson: I'm in. Wilson: Carol, this is Annette. We're on the Scottish Fold ballot right now. Did you want one of the proposals regarding the outcross to be voted on by the board? **Johnson:** That's up to you. I think the one that received the most support was for 5 years. Wilson: Yes. Johnson: You know, even if it passed, they could still approach us again before that time was up, to see if we would extend it. So, it doesn't make a lot of difference. I am sensitive to the fact we did not get 60%. We did get more than 50% though on that. Newkirk: Maybe I'm reading this wrong, but Proposal #8 got 4 yesses and 7 no's, which is the 10 year outcross. Five years got 3 yesses and 7 no's. So, wouldn't that mean that 8 got the most support? Wilson: That's probably my fault, as usual. Newkirk: Am I misunderstanding? Johnson: This was the Scottish Fold, I'm sorry. Wilson: 12 people voted yes for the 5 year. 11 people voted yes to cut it off immediately and 9 for the 10 year. Newkirk: OK, then we've got the wrong picture up on the screen. Wilson: You have to look at the American Shorthair proposal. You know, here's another thing to look at. I know I'm being a devil's advocate here but there's no American Shorthair breeder that's required to let their cat be used in a Scottish Fold breeding program. So, the people who choose to do that or who are approached to do that by a Scottish Fold breeder, the American Shorthair breeder has the right to say no. That said, can the Scottish Fold ever stand on their own? I mean, is that the purpose of the Scottish Straight, so that at some point they will be able to stand alone? I don't know. I don't think we know yet. Currle: Initially when Carol spoke, and correct me if I'm wrong, it seemed as though the upset was because of not being informed, and I agree with others who have aside that these affected breeds need to be part of the solution and the discussion as far as breed standard changes are concerned. As a former American Shorthair breeder, I'm more

interested in the health and vitality of all breeds. I really think, just to put a date to satisfy anybody is kind of putting the cart before the horse. I would be hesitant to support any cut-off date, although I do realize that you can always change things down the road but my preference would be just to leave things as they are. DelaBar: This is highly unusual. The way we've handled in the past Information Only to the board is for the board's information. It is not an action item. True, that the board could do something unusual and take up a non-action item to do, but otherwise this borders on being out of order, to consider these cut-off's. If we get to this and we start playing with genetic pools of our breeds, we're without competent authority. I think we're really walking on thin ice. Wilson: I'm going to disagree with Pam here. We don't have any other way to address this, and we never get anywhere with it because basically there's a number of breeds that seem to have an unending outcross. So yes, it's information to the board. That's the basis for what percentage would be required. This, in effect, would be a registration rule, so it's my terminology that it's information to the board, since it's on a different proposal or ballot than the one we're discussing, but how else do you get this information? Do we wait for the Scottish Folds to say, "well, we don't need an American Shorthair or British Shorthair outcross anymore, so you can take it off"? There's no other voice for these breeds that are there. I'm fine with not voting on any of these. That's fine, and if Carol doesn't need it to be brought to a vote, then I don't need it to. However, I think we have an issue here and it just keeps going on and on. Obviously, they are not the only breeds that have unlimited outcrosses. Newkirk: I'm going to call on Shelly out of order. **Perkins:** I think that the point was whether or not the board was in order to vote on something that was just brought up Information Only. You have an agenda. The agenda for the board can only be modified by a vote of 2/3, so if you want to introduce motions, you just need to say, we need to add something to the agenda and then you would have to have an agenda change, which is a vote of 2/3 to change the agenda to add a motion. I have remained silent because I thought maybe we would just move forward and the board is all in agreement with this. I don't like to call the board out of order, but if you have Information Only in your agenda, you stick to that unless the board by 2/3 wants to change that agenda. That would be the normal course or the way that you would do that. Newkirk: Thank you Shelly. Let's try to wrap this up, because we are just spinning our wheels here. Roy: I don't think we should take any action on this, at least today. That's just my opinion, but I think we should ask all three Breed Council Secretaries perhaps to work together and come up with something that would suit all of the three Breed Councils and they can bring it back to us next year. Mastin: I agree, we shouldn't take any action. If we do decide to take action, we need to be clear on what the voting results are, because I'm looking at the Excel document that Annette produced and the written documents. My percentages are nowhere near what's being discussed out there. Depending on which one you want to vote in favor, none of them reached 50%, none of them reached 60%. If you take all the votes that were cast, including abstentions, #6 had the most. If you only take the ones that were voting, #8 had the most. So, before we do anything, and I agree, let's postpone this. Let's not do anything with it until we have the right information. Griswold: I wanted to say, for the Scottish Fold folks, I know we still have great concerns with genetic diversity for us. Although there's a large consortium of breeders, if you will, in places like Russia and Ukraine, interestingly in those pedigrees there's a lot of just a handful of cats still. I'm frequently surprised how little variability we still have in the Folds and I also want to point out there are ways to remove outcrosses. I know the Selkirk Rex removed the Persians as an outcross, so there are ways to do that but I think the Folds feel that it's not quite that time yet for us. Krzanowski: I don't believe we should take any action today at all but I do believe that

this would be an excellent topic to add to the agenda for the board meeting with the Breed Council Secretaries in June. We do have several breeds that use outcross breeds in their breed and so we might find that we would get some wonderful input from the various Breed Council Secretaries of that time. **Johnson:** I just want to say that I have been participating in the Wisdom Panels looking at the diversity of the American Shorthair and they are not as diverse as one might think. They are actually fairly inbred at this point, so the genetic diversity I think needs to have some more discussion as to whether or not going to another purebred is actually the best way to pick up genetic diversity. That's just from a science aspect, so I would be glad to work with Marilee and with anyone else to discuss this a little bit more, but basically I see just a trade-off between one inbred animal for another one. **Webster:** I think we need to remember What is a Breed didn't really work and, like the Burmese, their 8 generation pedigree, now they are using Tonks, so I think we need to really think this over because I breed three minority breeds and we could not survive without the parent breeds. **Newkirk:** Is there anybody that wants to come up with, as Shelly said, a change to the agenda to present one of these for a vote? I don't see any hands up so we're not going to vote on anything.

#### No Action.

**7. PROPOSED:** Add an end date to the Scottish Fold (and Straight Eared) outcross to American Shorthair, effective with litters born after December 31, 2027 (5 years).

**AMERICAN SHORTHAIR RATIONALE:** See Proposal 6. The addition of 5 years is more than enough time to allow Scottish Fold breeders to find alternatives to using American Shorthair as outcrosses. Should there be a need to extend the outcross beyond 5 years, the American Shorthair Breed Council can address it prior to expiration.

YES: 3 NO: 7 ABSTAIN: 2

#### FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Votes: 10

No Action.

**8. PROPOSED:** Add an end date to the Scottish Fold (and Straight Eared) outcross to American Shorthair, effective with litters born after December 31, 2032 (10 years).

**AMERICAN SHORTHAIR RATIONALE**: The addition of 10 years will allow time for Scottish Fold breeders to make plans to retire American Shorthairs from their breeding programs. If there is a need to extend the outcross further, then the American Shorthair Breed Council can address it prior to the expiration.

YES: 4 NO: 7 ABSTAIN: 1

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Votes: 10

No Action.

# **SIBERIAN**

Total Members: 14 Ballots Received: 8

#### SIBERIAN COLOR CLASS PROPOSAL

1. PROPOSED: Change the current color classes for the Siberian breed from one to two, breaking out all "with white" cats as well as parti-colors into a Bi-Color and Parti-Color class.

#### **CURRENT:**

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

# Siberian Color Class Numbers

All Championship Colors37	700	3701
(All accepted colors as defined in the Show		
Standards and Any Other Siberian Colors)		
AOVN	one	None

#### **PROPOSED:**

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

### Siberian Color Class Numbers

Bi-Color and Parti-Colorxxxx	XXXX
All Other Siberian Colorsxxxx	XXXX
(Includes all tabbies, pointed and lynx-	
pointed cats, solid colors, smokes, shadeds,	
and any other allowable color, without white.)	
AOVNone	None

**RATIONALE:** We are requesting that the Board provide additional encouragement for new exhibitors of this increasingly popular breed by offering them the opportunity for greater recognition through the addition of a second color class.

Since the Siberian's acceptance for registration in CFA in February 2000, the breed's growth has been dramatic. Mounting demand for Siberian kittens has brought about a corresponding increase in new Siberian breeders, as well as an influx of imported cats. However, at present, relatively few Siberian owners are choosing to exhibit their cats in CFA, leading to the perception that this is a minority breed. (It was actually #15 in registrations in CFA for 2020-21.\*)

In the United States, most Siberian exhibitors show in TICA, where classes of eight to ten Siberians per show are not uncommon. In Europe, they exhibit in TICA, FIFe, WCF, and other smaller registries. One reason for this marked preference is believed to be the lack of color classes for the breed in CFA. Other-competing registries have multiple color classes, divisions, categories, or even breed divisions for Siberians, sometimes separating out the pointed cats into a separate breed and

calling it the "Neva Masquerade." (In CFA, Nevas are registered as the true Siberians we believe them to be.)

New Siberian exhibitors can quickly become discouraged by the lack of opportunity for recognition when only two cats or three cats receive meaningful placements—and those usually go to experienced, established exhibitors. In a class of four or five Siberians, all judged in the same color class, it is likely that two or more cats will leave the ring without so much as a yellow ribbon. Judges rarely comment on cats that don't receive top placements, and most new exhibitors are too intimidated by the process to ask a judge for feedback after the ribbons have been awarded. Consequently, many new Siberian exhibitors disappear after just one or two shows.

Nevertheless, we believe Siberian breeders and owners represent a currently untapped reservoir of potential exhibitors for CFA – the breed's registration numbers prove it. As of 5/24/2021, a total of 5,779 Siberians had been registered in our organization by over 200 different catteries. The eagerness for recognition and feedback on the part of Siberian people when an opportunity presents itself was clearly demonstrated by the turnout for the Wild Rose Cat Club virtual cat competition in June-July 2021. This event featured a specialty ring for Siberians with top five awards in each conformation class. Over 60 cats competed in the conformation classes and over 40 in the fun classes – over 100 Siberians in the event overall.

We therefore believe that adding a second color class has the potential to provide some of the additional recognition that Siberian exhibitors seek in the show ring. While our analysis indicates Siberian colors break logically and evenly into three color classes (tabbies, bi-colors, and all other colors), we have created a proposal for two classes initially, based on the recommendations of Board members last year. Breaking out the pointed cats, as was suggested then, does not make sense to us; while these cats are very popular in Region 9, they comprised only 19% of Siberians registered overall based on the 5/21 data.

Instead, we propose combining any color or pattern that includes white, together with parti-colors with or without white, into one class. All remaining colors and patterns, those without white, would go into a second class. We believe this to be the most logical and even division we can achieve using two color classes. Bi-colors and parti-colors together represented the largest color division of Siberians shown in 2019 and 2020 (42% and 39% respectively). So, when the pointed and whites are combined with the bi-colors and parti-colors, the result undoubtedly reflects the largest color division of Siberians currently being shown. When you look at registration totals, this group of cats is virtually tied with the solid tabbies as the largest color division within the breed, 34.6% (bi-colors) to 35% (tabbies), based on 5/21 data. We therefore believe this division makes sense, whether you are looking at numbers of cats shown or numbers of cats registered.

We sincerely hope the Board will agree and enable us to roll out a "welcome mat" for new Siberian exhibitors in CFA with this second color class.

\* All higher ranked breeds have multiple color classes except the Russian Blue and HHPs.

YES: 10 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 1

SHOW RULE (passes)

Votes: 10 50% of Voting: 5

#### [Support for Siberian Color Class Breakout]

Siberian Registrations CY 2018 – Dec 8, 2021 – 33% BiC/PC					
Reg. per Cal Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
BiColor	115	129	112	129	485
PartiColor	2	2	3	5	12
(all other colors)	222	216	229	310	977
Total	339	347	344	444	1474

## Siberian Show Entries CY 2018 through 12.8.2021

Bicolor/Particolor make up about 40% of the Total Shown

Count of Cal Yr of Show					
Row Labels	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
Bicolor/PartiColor	63	96	20	23	202
(all other colors)	93	129	31	48	301
Grand Total	156	225	51	71	503

Wilson: Next we're going to go to the Siberian. I think Iris Zinck is on the call. **Tartaglia:** She is. She's in the panel. **Zinck:** I'm here. **Wilson:** OK, thank you Iris. There's only one proposal, so I'm going to read what it is and then if you want to make a statement you could. Basically, this is adding a color class. There is currently one color class for all Siberians. This will create a color class that will break out the Bi-Colors and Parti-Colors from the All Other Siberian colors. There are numbers, registration numbers and exhibit numbers following the proposal. It is about half the number of registrations and it's about 2/3 or a little more than 2/3 – it's just under half the number of cats shown. Morgan: Last year the Siberians brought up a proposal to break into three different color classes and the board didn't feel that the numbers warranted three full color classes. They suggested that the Breed Council Secretary come back with a proposal with two, which they have done. They have the numbers to support this and I think it's something that we should certainly consider. I am personally going to support this proposal. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Iris, do you have any comments to make? Zinck: Yes I do, thank you. I have one fact to share with the board that I just learned last week. I had the privilege of working with Desiree Bobby on the press release for the annual tabulation of the top 10 pedigreed breeds, based on registration totals. In so doing, I asked about rankings for breeds outside the top 10. That was how I learned that the Siberians had jumped from 15<sup>th</sup> in 2020 to 11<sup>th</sup> in 2021. This is a very substantial level of growth. It represents a lot of registration dollars and it happens to make us the largest CFA-registered pedigreed breed that does not have multiple color classes. So, I hope you will take that into consideration. Newkirk: Good point. Thank you for that update. Anybody else have any questions? Annette, do you have any comments before I call the vote? Wilson: No, we're good. Newkirk: Fantastic, thank you. Is there any objection to the proposal to split from one to two color classes? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent the Siberians have two color classes, starting May 1, by unanimous consent.

# The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

**Newkirk:** Congratulations Iris. **Zinck:** Thank you everybody, and especially thank you Annette.

# **SOMALI**

Total Members: 14 Ballots Received: 8

(1.) **PROPOSED**: Change the color RED to CINNAMON, in line with the parent breed, Abyssinian.

### **SOMALI COLORS**

**RED** <u>CINNAMON</u>: ground color rich, warm glowing red, ticked with chocolate-brown, the extreme outer tip to be darkest, with red-orange undercoat. Tail tipped with chocolate-brown. The underside and inside of legs to be a tint to harmonize with the ground color. **Nose leather:** rosy pink. **Paw pads:** pink, with chocolate-brown between toes, extending slightly beyond the paws.

The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

# **Somali Color Class Numbers**

<b>Ruddy</b>	80 1381
Red-Cinnamon 133	82 1383
Blue	84 1385
Fawn	86 1387
<b>AOV</b> 139	98 1399

**RATIONALE**: Our Somalis are not sex-linked red, they are in fact cinnamon. The other associations have changed this color to cinnamon and in TICA and some other associations they take both the red and cinnamon. So, for those who may get a red from TICA, or others if it is the sex-linked red color and we do not have those, then it is possible to produce more colors we do not accept in CFA. In order to avoid anyone getting a sex-linked red and producing a patched tabby, tortoiseshell or blue-cream Somali, we would like to correct our color name to what it really is: **CINNAMON**.

YES: 6 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 1

## SHOW RULE (passes)

Votes: 7 50% of Voting: 5

Wilson: If we can jump down to the Somali, I think we can take care of that one really quick. Newkirk: Are you going to pass up Lykoi and Khao Manee? Wilson: I would like to do those at the end, unless you want to do them in order. Newkirk: This is your committee, so you – Wilson: If we can go to some of the quicker ones, we might be able to move along a little better. I'm not sure what page Somali is on, but it basically is just replicating what the Abyssinian breed did last year and changing the color name Red to Cinnamon. [Side discussions

regarding locating this section not transcribed.] **Newkirk:** Any comments on this? This is pretty much straightforward. No comments? Any objections to the Somali Proposal #1 changing Red to Cinnamon? Any objections to the change? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, Proposal #1 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

# **TOYBOB**

Total Members: 3 Ballots Received: 3

1. PROPOSED: Update the standard with the changes noted.

### HEAD (40)

Shape	<u>9-10</u>
Eyes	<u>10</u> -9
Ears	
Chin	3
Muzzle	3
Nose	1
Profile	7
Neck	2
BODY (40)	
Torso	10
Legs	4

Legs	.4
Feet	
Tail	. 10
Boning	.7
Musculature	

## COAT (20)

Length	<del>5</del> 8
Texture	10
Color/Pattern of coat and eyes	<del>5</del> 2

GENERAL: The Toybob is a naturally small, bobtailed cat primarily developed in the Rostov and Ural Regions of Russia. The Toybob name is derived from two words, where "Toy" is meant to describe a playful small-sized cat breed, and "bob" refers to a bobbed tail. Toybobs have compact, muscular bodies with short bobbed tails consisting of several kinked vertebrae. The Toybob body should not look nor feel refined or delicate. The cat's bobbed tail is unique to the breed and due to a spontaneous mutation(s) that appeared in feral cats native to Russia. The Toybob has a pleasant temperament and is affectionate while also obedient to their human companions. Despite their small size, they are active and playful., and agile.

Toybob (TB/TBS): The Toybob is a small cat with proportionally balanced features, medium muscularity, and bone structure. The cat's bobbed tail is owed to a natural mutation(s) found in feral native cats from Russia. The Toybob temperament is very gentle and the cat amenable to handle.

Toybob Longhair (TBL): is the semi-longhair version of the breed.

HEAD Head Shape: Shape—M medium-sized modified wedge with rounded contours and a flat plane above the eyebrows. Head is slightly longer than broader with rounded cheekbones curved inward from face to mid muzzle, to create a slight to no whisker pinch and ending in a round, modified square shaped short, gently rounded muzzle. Jowls are prominent in adult males.

Eyes: — Eyes must be large, expressive, oval and rounded in shape with a slight upward slant. The line across the <u>outer</u> corners of the eye leads to the outer base of the ear. When wide open, eyes can appear larger and round. The big-eyed expression is what gives the Toybob its sweet-faced look. Eye Color—Traditional eye color is related to coat color, pointed divisions are blue; sepia is gold/green, mink is blue/green eyes.

Ears: —M medium tall, high on the head, one ear width apart at the base. Ears must be as tall as wide in length, with rounded tips; they should be and slightly tilted forward.

Muzzle: —S short, rounded, with gentle contours following the wedge line modified square shape in proportion to the face.

Nose: is Roman can be straight or with a slight convex curve.

Profile: —D distinctly curved profile with a dip from the forehead to the nose at the eye middle mideye level. A D-definite stop is not allowed.

Chin: —S strong with moderate depth, so as to still be in line with nose tip. Chin must be neither receding nor protruding.

#### BODY:

Neck: —S short and thick. Allowance should be made for longer necks in kittens.

Torso: —S small and compact with a solid chest. Broad A broad rib cage and slight depth of flank add to the solidness of the overall body balance. Back is almost straight when viewed from the side when the cat is in natural walking position.

Legs/<u>Feet:</u> —S strong, medium in proportion to the body. Hind legs are slightly longer than front legs. <u>Feet are rounded with elongated toes on the hind legs.</u>

#### Feet: Rounded with elongated toes on the hind legs.

Tail: —B bobbed with kinks and curves in any combination, but also may be almost straight. The tail minimum length is 1 inch (minimum two vertebrae) to and the maximum length (without stretching) is down to the hock. The last bone may gently be felt to be pointed, but blunt.

Musculature <u>and Boning:</u> —F <u>firm</u>, solid, and well developed with clean lines and no bulging appearance. **Boning**—Strong <u>boned</u>, moderately refined and proportional to the body. Neither heavy nor delicate.

#### COLOR/PATTERN: All.

COAT: **Texture/Length:** —**TB** Coat The Shorthaired Toybob coat is medium short, soft, and slightly plush to the touch, with medium dense density but not thick. The coat is rather resilient and not close lying to the body. The coat has developed undercoat where the topcoat is almost the same length as the undercoat. Stomach hair is shorter and softer, while fur texture on the spine area is slightly thicker and coarser. Kittens can have a somewhat wooly coat. Allowances for slightly silkier texture should be made for colors: solid black, solid white, bi-colors and tabby patterns

TBL Coat The Longhaired Toybob coat is semi-longhair in length and softer than the shortcoated variety. Topcoat The topcoat is slightly longer in length than the undercoat but also giving it a plushy but not too thick dense feel through the entire body. The coat has very minimal ruff if any over the whole cat's body with visible ears and feet furnishings. No ear tufts. Allowances for slightly silkier texture should be made for colors: solid black, solid white, bi-colors and tabby patterns

COAT COLOR/PATTERN: – Every genetically possible color and pattern is allowed. Buttons and lockets are allowed without penalty. Soundness of color and clarity of pattern is unimportant.

EYE COLOR: Eye colors shall be related to coat color. Eye colors can be green, aqua, gold, copper, yellow, hazel; blue in solid white, bi-color, pointed; odd-eyed in white and bi-color.

PENALIZE: **TB(S):** Small eyes. Longer neck in adults. Too foreign body type. Oversized cat. <u>Flared ears.</u> Tail length past hock. **TBL:** Small eyes. Longer neck in adults. Too foreign body type. Oversized cat. Tail length past hock. Long "Persian" like coat. Tufts on ears of Longhaired Toybob.

DISQUALIFY: No flexibility to the tail. Crossed eyes. Any sign of the "Domminant Blue Eye" mutation (e.g. Ojos Azules, Russian Altai/Topaz). Short Munchkin like legs. Docked tail. No tail. Complete absence of tail or tail past the hock (without stretching). Undernourished or frail.

**RATIONALE:** Based on feedback from judges during the MISC exhibiting, these changes are necessary to clarify our standard.

YES: 3 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

# **STANDARD CHANGE (passes)**

Votes: 3 60% of Voting: 2

Wilson: Our next breed – sorry Desiree, I'm going to skip over you again. I thought I had these in the right order according to the summary. I would like to go to Toybobs next because they are the next Miscellaneous breed. They worked very hard on their standard and there's quite a few more changes in it, so I'm hoping that everybody had a chance to look at it. I do want to remind you that the Japanese Bobtail did weigh in on the breed. However, that really wouldn't be appropriate to the standard here, so that's something else we need to talk about when we go to the status report. They weren't commenting on the standard changes, so in the Head standard there's some minor changes to the Head description. I actually asked them if we could maybe consolidate some of the points of the Head because very rarely do you have a Chin, a Muzzle, a Nose and a Neck without having everything connected, but they like the way this reads. I just think when you are putting 1 point on this and 2 points here, I think that loses something in the translation and makes it possibly more difficult to get everything together. They also changed the

Coat Length to 8 points, they reduced the color of coat and eyes to 2 points. In the General Description, they removed the information about where they were primarily developed, since that's not necessarily true anymore. I don't really know why they took it out, but they did. They took out the sentence about pleasant temperament and affectionate because that's not necessarily - we expect every cat in the show to be at least amenable to handling, so that's more specific to their breed profile and so on. They addressed the Bobtail being a natural mutation. They had two different descriptions for Longhair and Shorthair which were really duplicative. Where you want to address the two coat lengths is in the Coat section. So, we took that out here. They changed Head to Head Shape and then the description. There were 8 or 9 Toybobs at the Freestate show. A number of judges kind of got together and examined them together and gave the Breed Committee Chair a great deal of input, which she then used to make these standard updates. One of them was the fact that previously the Head said the muzzle should be round and square shaped. So, there were those types of conflicts to the standard which we were getting input from the judges' reports on the breed too, like "this doesn't make any sense, it should be only one," so that has been updated. They addressed the eye shape. They removed Eye Color from the Eye section and added it the Color section. Some of these changes are a little confusing because they also decided to take off capitalization of phrases and make them lower case. They addressed Ears, Muzzle, Nose. They took out Roman because unless everybody carries a Roman coin around in their purse they don't want to describe it, but they basically said it could be straight or have a slight convex curve, so it can be either, sort of like the Bengals. In the Body section, they further describe the rib cage, so broad rib cage. Legs and Feet pretty much the same. They added Feet to Legs and took out the section that was specific to the Feet. They further describe the minimum length of the tail to be two vertebrae instead of an inch, so that we won't have to bring our rulers to the judging ring. A maximum length without stretching, which I thought was interesting. In the Color/Pattern, what they did there was, they described the Longhair coat and the Shorthair coat without calling them TBL's. So, they just said, The Shorthaired Toybob coat is medium short, and then the Longhair bobtail coat, they did strike that. The acronym TBL, when I first looked at it I thought, what are they talking about and then I kind of figured it out. On the Coat Color/Pattern, Every genetically possible color and pattern is allowed. Buttons and lockets are allowed without penalty. Soundness of color and clarity of pattern is unimportant. They emphasize that by making Color/Pattern only 2 points. They are removing from the Penalize Small eyes. Longer neck in adults. They are adding Flared ears. They are penalizing Tufts on ears of Longhaired Toybob. Then, to Disqualify they have removed the No tail and instead have worded it Complete absence of tail or tail past the hock (without stretching). So, it's big. I hope everybody read it ahead of time and wrote down their questions, because Margo was unable to participate.

Morgan: First of all, Allene, I don't know if you saw the chat. Pam Moser is home now and is asking to be let in from the waiting room. Then, in terms of the standard, overall this is a vast improvement over the original version. I really commend Margo and any of the other breeders who have obviously worked extremely hard on this revision. They have clearly taken advantage of the discussion process that goes along with the Miscellaneous division and class for our new breeds. I think that's a fabulous thing. I have issues on a few of the specific areas; most specifically, boning and some questions on the tail. I'm a little uncomfortable with what they have done with the Penalize, but since the changes are presented as one package, I'm not willing to throw the baby out with the bath water. I really think they have taken a huge step in the right direction. They have taken this whole process incredibly seriously and I will be supporting this

proposal. DelaBar: I was not on the board when this breed was accepted. Basically, what we have in front of us is not what we accept in Europe as a Toybob. The Toybob was a small, pointed cat that basically was developed between the Mekong Bobtail and something else. This is a different breed from what has been accepted with the original associations as a Toybob. I find this very confusing, compared to what has been accepted in the country of development and what we see on the show bench basically in eastern Europe where this breed was developed. I have a severe problem in supporting anything on this standard because it does not describe the original breed, the Toybob. Wilson: Pam, the problem is, there is no one on the Breed Committee except maybe 5 people. I don't know that any of them are in Europe. What we have is what we have to work with. The breed standard calls for a small, muscular cat. They didn't change that, nor did they change that in the description of the Body and the Torso, so we have what we have to deal with here. I'm not willing to throw them out and say you've got to come back with a better initial standard, so what we're trying to do and what the judges – and I wasn't one of them, I was an exhibitor at the show but I paid attention to some of it when I went over and looked at the cats – the judges worked with Margo and another breeder that was there and said OK, of these 8 or 9 cats, which one of them is what you're looking for, or which two of them, because there was a whole range of them. Based on that, they worked with them to come up with ways to describe those cats. Now, if those aren't the cats you're seeing in Europe, then I don't know what to say about that other than those folks need to join the Breed Committee and provide their input. DelaBar: I do not know how to tell people in other associations they have to join the CFA Breed Committee to get the breed that they developed and have promoted, get our standard changed to the original breed. As I said, I cannot support this standard because what I have judged – the first time I judged Toybobs was 24 seal pointed Toybobs – it is a different breed than what we see as Toybob in Europe, except for two that I judged in Spain and those were full body colored. Newkirk: Any other comments? I'll call the vote, since Pam is not going to support this. All the yes votes, please raise your hand.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Kenny Currle, Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, Rich Mastin, Howard Webster, Melanie Morgan, Sharon Roy, Hayata-san, John Colilla, Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun. If you will take your hands down, Pam get ready. The no votes are Rachel Anger and Pam DelaBar. If you will take your hands down, the abstentions? No abstentions. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** Thank you. That's 14 yes, 2 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, so the standard change is agreed to.

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# **LYKOI - PROV Breed Status Report**

May 1, 2021 Advanced to PROV Status (at Feb, 2021 BOD Meeting)

May 1, 2018 Accepted for Registration and MISC Status (at Feb, 2018 BOD Meeting)

Summary: required)

297 registered over 4 years, 78 without cattery prefixes, 42 with 5 prefixes (100

86 registered in CY 2021 through mid-Dec, 2021; consistent registration numbers over the 4 years

13 members of Breed Committee for 2021-22

5 individual entries, in six shows in 3 regions: 1, 6, 7

9 total entries

3 different Cattery prefixes

4 different Owners/Co-Owners

32 unique, eligible cats shown in MISC and 5 shown in PROV (to date): 37 total (25 required)

Breed Standard Revised for May 1, 2022 (TBD 2/2022 BOD meeting) Breed Club in good standing: World Lykoi Association

25 Active Breeders: more than 25 breeders registered Lykoi in CFA since

### 5.1.2018

Lykoi Registrations - CY 2018 – mid-Dec, 2021					
Count of Reg- CY					
Gender:	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Female	43	28	39	39	149
Male	22	19	20	19	80
Neuter	5	7	9	19	40
Spay	3	4	12	9	28
Grand Total	73	58	80	86	297

Lykoi Reg by Pattern by CY 2018 – mid-Dec, 2021						
Count of Reg- CY						
Pattern:	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total	
Bi-Color	7	4	6	9	26	
Parti	3	5	14	7	29	
Pointed/Mink	2	1	5	2	10	
Solid	56	47	51	59	213	
Tabby	5	1	4	9	19	
Grand Total	73	58	80	86	297	
(note: Pointed & White counted in the Bi-Color numbers)						

28% of Lykoi registered are other than Solid Color (84)

Lykoi Reg by Cattery Prefix, CY 2018 – mid-Dec, 2021					
Count of Reg-CY					
Cattery Prefix:	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
A'SCHESHIRES				1	1
ATREYUKATZ		13	22	7	42
BAREGENETICS		2	1		3
BEEBLEBROX	15	13	26	50	104
BROWNCOATS				1	1
CHARMED CATS		3			3
CHUPACABRA	10	3			13
EXELISS			1		1
FAOLAN		3	2	1	6
GREY MOON		3	4		7
KATITUDZ	2	1			3
LHAVIYANI				2	2
MOONLITEWOLF			2	1	3
NAKIDS		1	3		4
NORTHRNACRES		1	5	5	11
OILYKOI		2			2
RK STARZ			1	1	2
SUGARSKULLS	6	4	5	7	22
WEREWOLFCAT			4		4
WRINKADINKS		1			1
(blank)	40	8	4	10	62
Grand Total	73	58	80	86	297
(note: there are an ad	ditional 5	owners/	cattery p	refixes)	<u> </u>

Lykoi Exhibit Data (note this is from May 1, 2021 through Dec 12, 2021)

An additional 5 cats were entered without registration numbers or with TRNs not subsequently registered. An additional 7 cats were entered but were non-accepted colors/patterns (tortie, dilute tortie, bicolor).

Total UNIQUE (individual) LYKOI Exhibited in PROV: 5

Lykoi Exhibited by	
Cattery Prefix	
Row Labels	Count of Reg. #
Beeblebrox	7
Browncoats	1
Faolan	1
Grand Total	9

Lykoi Exhibited by Color with Region			
Region, then Color Count of Reg. #			

1	1
White	1
6	3
Black Roan	3
7	5
Black	2
White	3
Grand Total	9

**Wilson:** I would like Desiree to stay on, but I want to go through the other two status reports just briefly, which are at the end somewhere. What I did starting in July when I started hearing from the Miscellaneous Breed Committee Chairs was that they were interested in advancing, because apparently the board advanced the Lykoi last year to Provisional. I guess we have the Lykoi one next. I provided some basic information, based on data I had then, and then I updated it in October or November, and then again a couple weeks into January, based on exhibit data of cats present in at least one ring and registration data, so that if they were still contemplating that, we could discuss it at this meeting. The first Provisional breed status report is for the Lykoi. They were accepted for registration May 1, 2018, and they were advanced to Provisional May 1, 2021. So, they were advanced at the February board meeting a year ago. Then we've got a summary of the statistics. Registration statistics, there are 13 members of the Breed Committee. This year – when I say "this year", from May 1<sup>st</sup>, so as long as they have been in Provisional status, so May 1st last year until about I think my data is through mid-December, they had 5 individual entries in 6 shows in 3 regions, 9 total entries. Three different cattery prefixes and 4 different co-owners and owners. By that, we mean unique. So, if someone is an owner and then they are also a co-owner, we only count that person once. So, when they were in Miscellaneous, there were 32 unique, eligible cats shown in Miscellaneous. As Provisional, for 3/4 of the year they have had 5 individual cats shown. They actually showed more Bi-Colors and Parti-Colors than they did. As those are not in Provisional, they weren't counted. The last breed standard revision was just now, to be effective May 1, 2022. Their breed club, the Lykoi Association, is in good standing and they have more than 25 active breeders as of May 1, 2018 when they were first accepted. Under the blank thing, the cat might not have had a prefix. We weren't capturing suffixes, though I looked for unique [inaudible] and found at least 5 additional. The total unique individual Lykoi exhibited in Provisional status were 5 by 3 different cattery names. They were shown in 3 regions, and you have the colors there, also.

Wilson: So, the Lykoi had asked to advance to Championship status and that is my next motion, with the right to vote no. Desiree may want to make a statement. Newkirk: Desiree, comments? Bobby: We have met all the requirements actually as of last year. I was looking actually to move from Miscellaneous to Championship last year, but we got some wires crossed prior to last year's board meeting. So yeah, we're looking to that. You can see the numbers, how many we have registered, and of course they have been shown. The numbers are low this year in showing for obvious reasons, so I hope you don't hold that against us, but if you look at the cats shown prior to COVID, we did meet the requirements back then. Morgan: The way that I read the numbers, they met the numbers to advance from Miscellaneous to Provisional. That didn't mean they met the numbers to go from Miscellaneous to Championship. This breed was advanced to Provisional status less than a year ago. Since then, our judges have had the

opportunity to see 5 individual cats in 3 out of our 9 regions. According to our accepted advancement matrix, it's my understanding the breed should have 25 active breeders. According to this, the cats shown here since advancement from Miscellaneous to Provisional represent 3 cattery prefixes. Looking at the 2021 registrations, there are just 11 catteries represented – nowhere near 25. Even looking at the data since 2018, I don't see how this is counting over 25 active breeders. Maybe I just misread it. I count 20 registered catteries. In addition, when we're looking at advancing a breed to Championship, they should have a standard that is set. They just proposed a major overhaul to their standard, and none of our judges have had a chance to evaluate any of the cats we've seen, given these revisions. On our own matrix, we should have 100 cats of a new breed registered; they have 86. They must show 25 cats; again, they have shown 5. They must have a favorable evaluation from the judges; they have very few evaluations, given the fact that there haven't been that many shown, but for the most part our judges have asked to see more. In my opinion, to consider advancing them at this time with such a lack of supporting numbers makes a mockery of our process and in my opinion will ultimately do a disservice to the actual breeders of the breed, the judges and CFA. This breed is unique – no question about that. It will merit a place at the Championship table, but the time isn't now. If we're going to advance a breed, it shouldn't be too much to ask that they have a strong group of breeders supporting their cause. I can understand giving some leeway based on the issues related to the pandemic, now endemic, but reducing our requirements to less than 25% of what we normally require is too much, especially given the fact the breed is clearly still in the process of defining who they want to be. They have not even come close to meeting the requirements, based on our matrix. I'll say again, if we're not going to adhere to our own guidelines, then why do we have them? I can't support this request.

**Currle:** First of all, I would like to second her motion for acceptance. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. **Currle:** I'm going to support this. They were going strong until the pandemic hit, as well as a lot of our other breeds. I'm not going to hold it against them. They are such a unique breed. They stand alone, as far as I'm concerned. I want them in Championship.

**Wilson:** I also can't support advancement this year. While I believe that breeds that exist and have been registered and shown in other associations should get a little bit of a credit for that, I don't think we can blame the pandemic for everything. Because of the pandemic and the fact that nobody had a chance to show, shouldn't replace our requirements. They can show now, and they are showing some. They need to show more and hopefully they will show some of our additional colors, also, now that they have been accepted. They made some standard changes and I really do think that one of the key things we need to have – and I think we saw this with the Bengals – is that we need to have a breed have a standard that they all agree to and aren't going to be changing frequently. So, we have an opportunity now, with our standard changes, to judge the cats – and hopefully more cats – to the standard that has been approved. I think we owe it to the breed to give them that opportunity to show us cats that meet that standard.

**DelaBar:** My concern is about 42% of the Breed Council bothered to participate in this changing of the standard. I've only judged one this year over in Region 9, and that was in Moscow about 3 weeks ago. I think that this request for advancement to Championship is possibly a year too premature.

Newkirk: Desiree, do you want to make a closing comment? Bobby: Yes. In the matrix, it talks about the numbers that are required. I don't believe – maybe I read it wrong – that it says that you need additional cats to be shown while in Provision. From my understanding from reading it, if you're in Miscellaneous and you meet the Championship requirements for both registration and/or exhibiting, that you don't need to have more cats. So, if the requirement is to have 100 cats registered in Miscellaneous – I'm sorry, once you hit Championship – if you already meet that requirement when you're in Miscellaneous, where is the rule that says, "when you are Provisional you have to also do more." Maybe I'm misinterpreting it, but that goes for showing and for registration. We worked really hard prior to the pandemic. I'm not sure, Melanie, what you're looking at about the numbers because we do meet the registration numbers and the showing numbers. So, I'm not sure what you're looking at. I wouldn't have asked to advance if we didn't meet those numbers. That would be embarrassing for CFA's rules. That's my main concern. If it said, "when you're in Provisional you have to show another 25 that weren't shown in Miscellaneous," then we would have adhered to that, but the reason we worked so hard during the first year is we wanted to hurry up and get this done and do what needed to be done, and then we could relax a little bit. That's all I have to say about that. Newkirk: I'll recognize Annette for the final comment. Wilson: That sounds doomful. Newkirk: No, we're just going back and forth here. Wilson: I know, and I don't have to comment. I think it is somewhat unclear but I look at each column separately. If someone is close – I guess if we had seen more of these cats shown and in more regions, I would have never voted to go straight from Miscellaneous to Championship. I think that's a mistake to do that, especially when there's things that need work in the standard. So, I'm OK with the fact that you have well over 200 cats registered over time, but showing 5 cats, that's just not enough for me. DelaBar: I know you don't like history, Darrell, but in the recent history of CFA we have only had two breeds that have gone from Miscellaneous to Championship. The most recent one was Bengal. Prior to that was the Sphynx, and that was originally thrown out of CFA due to faulty data, brought back in as Miscellaneous and then advanced at a board meeting to Championship. Newkirk: Thank you for the history lesson. DelaBar: You're welcome. Newkirk: I recall both of those events. Desiree, do you have something else to say? Bobby: Yeah, and it was important but totally flipped and went somewhere else. Annette, you do speak about only 5 being shown, but again that is what I mean about how many need to be shown in Provisional, so yes there was only 5 different ones over the past year in Provisional, but again we met the numbers when we were in Miscellaneous. I remember what it was I wanted to say. When we talk about really needing the judges to see and work with the new standard since we're making changes to it, but as you know the majority of the standard changes were just housekeeping. I think the only thing that we said that really has anything to do with the structure of coat or the cat is the silky touch and the percentage of the roaning. Wilson: And the profile, and the Bi-Colors and the Parti-Colors, but OK. Newkirk: Let's call the vote. All those in favor for the advancement of the Lykoi to Championship please raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Webster, Currle, Dunham and Roy voting yes. Anger and Hayata abstained.

**Newkirk:** So, the yes votes are Howard Webster, Kenny Currle, Cathy Dunham and Sharon Roy. Take your hands down. The no votes please raise your hands. George Eigenhauser, Melanie Morgan, Mark Hannon, Pam Moser, Rich Mastin, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, John Colilla, Annette Wilson, Kathy Calhoun. If you will lower your hands, any abstentions?

Hayata-san abstains, Rachel abstains. You can announce the vote, Rachel. **Anger:** It will take me just a minute. I missed quite a few because it went way too fast. That's 4 yes, 10 no, 2 abstentions. **Newkirk:** So the motion fails. Desiree, get your people out there, get the cats shown and come back next year. **Bobby:** OK, will do, thank you. **Newkirk:** Yep, you're welcome.

# **KHAO MANEE – MISC Breed Status Report**

May 1, 2018 Accepted for Registration and MISC Status

May 1, 2019 Standard Revised

Summary: 120 Khao Manee registered over 4 years, 78 without cattery prefixes, 42 with 5

different prefixes. 30 Khao Manee registered in CY 2021

36 unique cats entered over 4 show seasons, in 6 CFA regions plus ID (not in 1, 2,

8);

owned by 14 different owners

Cattery prefixes 11 Owners/Co-Owners: 14

Breed Standard Revised for May 1, 2022 (TBD this meeting)

Breed Club In Good Standing: Khao Manee Cat Club is not in good standing

25 Active Breeders – Requirement Not Met

Khao Manee Registrations: CY 2018 – mid-Dec, 2021						
Count of Reg-CY						
Gender:	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total	
Female	30	16	8	16	70	
Male	17	11	5	11	44	
Neuter	1	2		2	5	
Spay				1	1	
Grand Total	48	29	13	30	120	

Khao Manee Reg by Cattery Prefixes: CY 2018 – mid-Dec, 2021					
Count of Reg-CY					
Row Labels	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
JEWEL HOUSE			2	3	5
KANNIKA	1				1
SIIH AAM		10		14	24
TREVES		7			7
WHITE NOBEL				5	5
No Prefix	47	12	11	8	78
Grand Total	48	29	13	30	120

Khao Manee Exhibit Data (Total show entries, not unique cats)

**36 Different (unique) cats** were shown between May 2018 and Dec 2021.

Khao Manee Exhibited, counts by Cattery Prefix

Cattery Prefix:	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Aree	1	1			2
Ashknoll	8				8
Featherland	4				4
Kannika	5	2			7
Maewthai	4	1			5
Nopphaklao	2				2
Siih Aam	6	11	1	4	22
Somprasong	3				3
Thaicattery	1				1
Treves	5	9	3		17
Whitegem	1				1
No prefix	10	6			16
Grand Total	50	30	4	4	88

<b>Exhibits by Cat</b>	Exhibits by Cat Owner Name (show entries)					
Owner Name:	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total	
Attard	2				2	
Attard-Goedert	1	5			6	
Bony				1	1	
Fakkaenchan	1				1	
Gardin				1	1	
Kittichaloem		1			1	
Massupong	1				1	
Pattaragamol	4				4	
Reed	1				1	
Rucker				2	2	
Shelton	2				2	
Troup		1			1	
Troup-Colson	2	2	2		6	
Vadhana	2				2	
Walworth	1				1	
Yuennan	4				4	
Grand Total	21	9	2	4	36	

Exhibits by Show within Region					
Region/Show	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
3	3				3
Greater Baton Rouge Cat Club	3				3
4	3	5			8
CFA International Cat Show	1				1
CFA Int'l Show - Purple		3			3
CFA Int'l Show - Teal		1			1
Just Cat In Around	1				1
Triple Crown CF	1	1			2
5	4				4
Hemet Feline Fanciers	1				1
Phoenix Feline Fanciers	1				1
San Diego Cat Fanciers	1				1
Santa Monica Cat Club	1				1
6	1				1
Southern Indiana Longhair Society	1				1
7	7	5	3		15
Absolutely Abyssinians	1		2		3
Atlanta Phoenix Cat Society	2		1		3
Cotton States	1				1
New Vision	1				1
Ocicats International	1				1
Rebel Rousers	1	1			2
Tennessee Valley Cat Fanciers		3			3
That's My Point		1			1
9	6	13	1	4	24
American Shorthair Lovers Of Europe			1		1
Cat-H-Art	6	3		2	11
Jardin des Korats		4		2	6
Khao Manee Cat Club		3			3
Siam Blue-Eyed Cat Fanciers		3			3
ID-TH	26	7			33
Cat Fanciers' Club of Thailand	13	2			15
Sawasdee Cat Club	5				5
Siam Blue-Eyed Cat Fanciers	8	5			13
Grand Total	50	30	4	4	88

### Judges' Show Reports:

Several shows had no reports submitted or only one. In early years, judges commented that they needed to see more; several were intrigued by the breed, comments abounded about cats not meeting the standard and inconsistency when there were more than one (which was rare). At the shows in Thailand, comments reflected knowledge about the heritage of the breed (as a positive).

Very few reports had any detailed comments. These comments are from 2019-2021 shows:

Certainly need to see more and more variety of ages.

Only one difficult to handle, a couple were shy. Relatively consistent in type.

body type varies; suggest the standard should better emphasize what exactly the eye color should be; i.e., intensity.

No consistency seen yet;

Nice coat. Unclear at this point how distinctive this is as a breed.

each judge only handled one of the entries

Still needs refining; need to see more; standard needs work on eye color

Male had kinked tail

**Wilson:** Next we have the Khao Manee status report. We don't need to spend a lot of time on this. Frederic wanted me to bring this up. He wanted to jump right to Championship. I told him the numbers didn't support it. When I followed up with additional numbers and a copy of this status report a few weeks ago, he didn't respond because I asked him, "what do you want me to do with this?" When I followed up to see if he got it, he said he did and he would get back to me, and he didn't. So, I am not anxious to bring up Khao Manees advancing. If you want me to I will do so. **Newkirk:** It doesn't look like you are getting any support for that. **Wilson:** What is included here, since this is Miscellaneous, are comments from the judges' reports also, which we just kind of cut and paste into this.

# **TOYBOB – MISC Breed Status Report**

Accepted for Registration and MISC Status: May 1, 2019

Summary: 157 Toybobs registered over 3 years (as of mid-Dec, 2021)

39 Unique (individual) Toybobs shown over 3 seasons

107 Toybob total entries over 3 show seasons, in every CFA region

17 Cattery prefixes

13 Owners/Co-Owners

3 Breed Committee Members

Breed Standard Revised for May 1, 2022 (TBD this meeting) Breed Club in good standing: International Toybob Cat Club 22 Active Breeders, per reg data (25 required)

#### Toybob Registration Data:

Toybob Registrations - CY 2019 – mid-Dec 2021					
Count of Reg-CY					
Gender:	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total	
Female	41	16	33	90	
Male	23	10	21	54	
Neuter	2		7	9	
Spay	2	1	1	4	
Grand Total	68	27	62	157	

Toybob Reg by Cattery Prefix CY 2019 – mid-Dec 2021					
Count of Reg-CY					
Row Labels	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total	
BEES KNEES			4	4	
EMBERVIEW			1	1	
GLASSHEART			5	5	
NAUGHTYKITTY	2	4	6	12	
SATURNCAT			2	2	
SINGVILLE	6		2	8	
SMALLKITTY	1			1	
STARRY KITTY			4	4	
TINYBOB		4		4	
WHISPERSTAR	8	8		16	
WONDERLYN	2	5	22	29	
Grand Total	19	21	46	86	

(note: no cattery prefix for 71 cats but an additional 11 breeders registered Toybobs, total of 22)

**Toybob Exhibit Data** (total entries present in at least 1 ring; not unique cats) **39 UNIQUE (Individual) Toybobs Shown 2019 – 12.15.2021** 

Count by Cattery Pre SHOW YEAR	efix (NOT u	ınique ca	tstotal	entries present) by
Count of Reg. #				
Prefix:	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Bees Knees			2	2
Bel-Moor			3	3
Malush Juppi			1	1
Minijedi	2	1		3
Naughtykitty	1	2	5	8
Sacredspirit	9	4		13
Saris	1			1
Saturncat			1	1
Singville			3	3
Small Cats			1	1
Starry Kitty			2	2
Starrynightkitty		1		1
Tinybob	3	2		5
Ural Gems*NS			1	1
Whisperstar	7	15	3	25
Wonderlandkitty	2	1		3
Wonderlyn	2	3	29	34
Grand Total	27	29	51	107

Entries by Region:

Entry Count by Show F				
Count of Reg. #				
Region	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
1	10	15	15	40
2		2	3	5
3			4	4
4	3	6	1	10
5			3	3
6	1			1
7	10	3	16	29
8	3	3	6	12
9			3	3
Grand Total	27	29	51	107

<sup>\*</sup>note, these are total entries, not unique cats. 39 unique cats shown total.

**Entries by Owner:** 

<b>Entry Count by Own</b>	er			
Owner:	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Alexander Lee/Marilyn Mogle			1	1
Deborah Lopez		1	1	2
G. Guerriero	2			2
G. Guerriero/M. Hill	1			1
Giselle Guerriero		3	27	30
Jane Smith	3	2		5
Judith Bemis			2	2
Kazumi Ichikawa			2	2
M. Hill/J. Bemis	3		1	4
M. Hill/M. Lambert	1			1
Margo Hill	14	19	6	39
Margo Hill / Kazumi Ichikawa			1	1
Marilyn Mogle			1	1
Marilyn Mogle - Giselle Guerriero			3	3
Martin Frost			2	2
Meg Lambert		1		1
Motoyo Ichikawa	3	3		6
Mushlaeva Eugenia/Gromova Anna			1	1
Natalia Soboleva			2	2
Yurina Handa			1	1
Grand Total	27	29	51	107

Comments from Judges Reports:

Summary: >50% believe breed is 'unique.'

<50% believe breed is ready to advance

Issues: Standard needs revision, insufficient cats seen, when more are seen, type, coat is inconsistent, does this breed encourage miniaturization

#### 2019:

Need to see more in order to assess consistency. Not distinctive; not ready to advance

Need to see more and various levels of maturity. Not particularly distinctive except for tails and miniature size; not ready to advance

Not ready to advance; need more consistency; need to see more.

Not ready to advance.

Not ready to advance yet

Seems a little to delicate boned than desired in standard. Need to see more.

Very happy kitties; need more breeders in Japan; need to see many more.

Most of the Toybobs seem to have round eyes, not oval; standard needs to describe coat texture as it seems different from other breeds.

Tail seemed too short on one and almost non-existant on other; one was rather frail and thin;

Surprising consistency among those I've seen; excited to welcome them; audience loves them.

Do we need another bobtailed cat?

Would have expected to see a few more by now; great show personality; too much variety in type for the few seen.

Not ready to advance; need to see more and more consistency in type across more cats

great condition and temperament

need to see greater numbers and a lot more consistency

- --well behaved
- -- great condition and sweet
- --superb condtion; sweet and showy. Best female yet; very impressed; ready to advance.
- --great feel to body, silky coat, happy on the table
- --clean, friendly, playful, haven't handled enough to comment on type; need to see more.
- --joy to handle, like to see couple of different examples

#### 2020

- --sweet to handle; first time handling. 2 adult seal points consistent. Not ready to advance
- --clean and shiny; very sweet; kinked tails part of the breed
- --behaved excellent; very much consistent in type; definitely distinctive
- --well balanced, good condition; consistent body type; unique. Move to provisional.
- --haven't handeled enough to determine consistent type
- --Two 4mo olds not developed, older cat, type varied considerably. Discussed the fact that description for head and length doesnt seem to match what the breeders are looking for in teh cats they are presenting.
- --nice coat short soft; played well; doesn't compare with any other breed; should be moved to provisional.
- --healthy coat and eyes; handles well; same body type; has its own look; should move to provisional.
- --excellent condition; sweet and amicable; better in consistent type; defintely distinctive
- --perfect physical condition; sweet, only second one seen
- --very good, sweet; some of the best in type seen; very consistent; great addition as provisional.
- --nice condition well behaved; great temperment pleasant to handle, unique body structure.
- --only 3 ever handled. 2 kittens quite different; need to see more.
- --only 2nd time to see this breed, we need to see more
- -- type not consistent, need a more organized standard; do we need minaturized breed.
- --Two 4mo olds not developed, older cat, type varied considerably. Need to see more and see issues with standard resolved. discussed issue with ear, profile and skull description

advance when numbers allow, need more examples

- --easy to handle; haven't seen enough to compare type; need to see more.
- --examples not particularly consistent in type; reword profile, clarify ear placement
- --young kitten, excellent condition
- --healthy active 5mo kitten; playful and affectionate; consistent in body type and tail size
- --one needed to go on diet; seem to be getting more consistent in type; two colors were different in type and coat texture
- --nice temperment; black had soft/great coat, seal point more hard coat.
- --healthy, handled well, should be moved to CH
- --no type consistency
- --not yet, havent seen consistency in type
- --all kittens; one disqualifiable lack of tail, another pushing tail too long; these kittens were similar, but not like others seen; Discussed the fact that description for head and length doesnt seem to match what the breeders are looking for in teh cats they are presenting.
- --head type consistent, tails varied; one had too long tail
- --one had very long tail, but good to see varieties
- --seal point boy nice, tail too short
- --well groomed and presented; consistent type amazingly so
- --consistent body type, move to provisional.
- --nice coat and boning; handled well; consistent structure; move to provisional.
- --surprisingly consistency in type

#### 2021:

- --very good condition and well behaved in ring
- --pretty cats, gentle; need to see more
- --questionable consistency. Would like to see change to standard to hair along spine thicker and coarser PREFERRED. Kittens hair softer down spine but breeder said NOT kitten coat. Like to see more.
- --well behaved, friendly
- --weak hindquarters
- --a lot of variety on head and coat texture. still need more consistency; need to see more.
- --very consistent in type
- --all healthy and in good condition; well behaved in ring
- --could only see the standard in 2 of the 4 cats shown

--very distinctive breed from other bob tails

--3 of 5 cats cow legged and bowed. Poor type, 3 severley cow XXXX

#### 2021 (new status report format):

- --run on sentence describing head makes it difficult to read. Description of tail length could be phrased better.
- --very consistent type, great temperments, and well presented.
- --improve eye shape more description on tail flexibility and handling.
- --muzzle description says both round and square.
- --2.5 YO male was not happy and had healing wound on hind leg. Typewise, resembered the current standard. Head description in standard could be improved.
- --standard is being revised to include changes breeders don't want. Feet description elongated toes on hind legs? breed needs a lot more work. Outcross to "domestic Russian cats with a similar type
- --Lovely female ex prepared coat, short tail
- --standard could be improved to describe fur
- --Improve the body description
- --standard is being revised to include changes breeders don't want. Feet description elongated toes on hind legs? breed needs a lot more work. Outcross to "domestic Russian cats with a similar type"

**Wilson:** The Toybobs follow this one. They initially wanted to ask for advancement and then they decided that they would wait, which I thought was a good idea. We're seeing Toybobs in some areas, so I am not going to bring them up for advancement since she asked me not to. **Newkirk:** Anything else, Annette, for your report? **Wilson:** Yes, sorry I do. The Toybob Breed Committee Chair notified me that she is going to have to resign for some personal reasons. She suggested a replacement that I mentioned to you to appoint someone, but that person is not a current member of the Breed Committee. She will follow up with her and so will I to join on May 1<sup>st</sup> when the applications for the Breed Committee are opened, so I'm thinking we can address this at the June meeting. She said she could at least agree to stay on until May 1<sup>st</sup> and then we will know if the person she is suggesting – and I will give that name to you – maybe we can just handle that in June. She understands that that person would then need to run for election since it is a voting year next year.

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Wilson: The other issue I have is something that has been brought to me by several of the Breed Committee Chairs, is the high cost of entries for Miscellaneous and Provisional breeds. Clubs don't seem open to reducing fees for these breeds. A \$60-\$80 entry fee for a cat is one reason we don't see more of these cats at shows. Is there some way CFA can provide an incentive to clubs, to reduce entry fees to help these breeds advance? If you are not getting a prize, an award, a title, and in the case of Provisional any feedback from the judges other than the basic ribbons hung, it's a lot of money to show a lot of these cats. I realize that's something they should understand when they decide to apply for a new breed, but I think maybe the

Regional Directors could send something out to their clubs and just say, you know, "can we cut these people a break a little bit?" **DelaBar:** We Regional Directors yesterday got an extra \$1,000 to use wherever we see fit to use. Perhaps we can help our clubs promote these Miscellaneous and Provisional entries by maybe giving a little bond or stipend to the clubs if they come up with a low-cost entry fee for Miscellaneous and Provisional. Just an idea.

**Wilson:** That's the end of my report. Thank you very much. **Newkirk:** Annette, you did an absolutely fabulous, fabulous job. **Wilson:** I deserve a beer. **Newkirk:** That concludes the Breeds and Standards section.

#### **Executive Session**

**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Sunday, February 6, 2022, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the video conference meeting to order at 11:07 a.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled Executive Session – Appeal Hearing portion of the 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)

Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)

Mr. Howard Webster (SWR Director) - joined the meeting later

**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

#### Absent:

Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director) Eva Chen, ID-China Representative Gavin Cao, China Business Advisor Matthew Wong, ID Representative

# 22. <u>APPEAL HEARING</u>.

[Secretary's Note: An appeal hearing was held in executive session. See Agenda Item #31.]

# 23. CFA INTERNATIONAL SHOW.

Committee Co-Chairs: Rich Mastin and Mark Hannon

List of Committee Members: Linda Murphy, Noralyn Heisig, Kathy Calhoun, Rachel

Anger, Allene Tartaglia

[Secretary's Note: After extensive review of the budget for the October 8-9, 2022 CFA International Show originally scheduled to take at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in Oaks PA, the CFA Board postponed the event due to significant projected financial losses. No report is presented.]

# **Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees**

# 24. CHINA REGION AMENDMENT COMMITTEE.

Committee Chair: Pam DelaBar

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The following is presented for CFA Board review and comments. This has been reviewed by the CFA Attorney and the Legal Committee. To be submitted 15 April 2022 for consideration by the CFA delegation.

Newkirk: It's 4:10 and I'll call the meeting back to order. Let's move on to Order #25, and that's under Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees. Pam DelaBar, you are recognized. DelaBar: This is the presentation of the China Region amendments. You have all seen this before. This has been through revie by the CFA Attorney and the Legal Committee. I have made a few changes per their recommendations and I am making a motion that the above amendments to the CFA Bylaws be presented as sponsored by the CFA Board of Directors at the annual meeting. Eigenhauser: George will second. Newkirk: Thank you. Comments? Wilson: I have a couple concerns about this. I don't support the board bringing this amendment to the Annual. In the past, when a country or group of countries is interested in becoming a region, they form a committee amongst themselves and they make their case to the delegation. I remember that being the case with Japan and, even though it didn't get accepted the first or maybe the second time, when it ultimately did it was because of the work the people in that country did. I think pretty much the same thing happened with Europe. It was the European clubs that came and asked to become a region. I don't understand why we're doing this a different way this time. Regardless, I don't think it should be board sponsored. That's all. Newkirk: Pam, do you recall? I was ID Chair and I know I worked with the clubs. It was several years before we brought the amendment forward, much to the chagrin of a few people over there. They didn't like it that I didn't hop to when they wanted it brought up early on, but I don't remember now who wrote the amendment. **DelaBar:** All I can remember is, it was presented in 2011 and of course passed the delegation at that time. I would have to look at the minutes to see who actually sponsored it. Personally, I thought it came from the board but was presented by, if I remember correctly, Olivier [Grin], who was acting as sort of the chair for Europe at the time. [Secretary's Note: The official position title was *Elected European Representative*] **DelaBar:** I don't have the ability to check the minutes from the 2011 annual meeting to find out how that actually was written or sponsored. I would hope the board would sponsor it; if not, I am sure that we have plenty of clubs to do so. The one difference is that, basically, we have a better command of the language in which this needs to be presented. That's why I think it would behoove us to sponsor it. Anger: I was trying to retrieve those minutes for Pam but it's not going as smoothly as I thought, so I'm going to keep trying.

[Secretary's Note: The 2011 Constitutional amendment was presented by the following clubs: – 4 – European Shorthair Club; Abyssinian Breed Club Europe; Cat Fanciers of Finland; Cat Friends of Germany; Cat-H-Art; Cats'R'US; Chatte Noir Club; Cleopella Cat Fanciers of Estonia; Dutch PurrPuss Club; Feline Fanciers of Benelux; France Cat Fanciers; German Catwalk; Golfo Dei Poeti Cat Club; Jardin des Korats; Malta Cat Society; Nika Feline Center; Onyx Cat Club; Rolandus Cat Club; Royal Cat Club; Spanish Cat Club;

Swedish Cat Paws; Gateway Arch Persian Society; Length and Lack of it Cat Fanciers; Mark Twain Feline Fanciers; Moonport Cat Club; Sophisto Cat Club; Cats' Land Club.]

**RESOLVED:** Amend Article IV - ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETINGS, Section 1 - Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held commencing on the third, fourth or fifth (if applicable) Friday in June or the first Friday in July, of each year in each of the regions listed below successively (excluding Japan, Europe, <u>and China regions</u>), beginning in 1982.

**RESOLVED:** Amend Article V - FISCAL YEAR REPORTS AND AUDIT, Section 2 - Reports, paragraph c:

The Regional Directors of Regions <u>8</u>, <u>9</u>, and <u>10</u> may maintain a treasury to defray the costs of regional activities in Regions <u>8</u>, <u>9</u>, and <u>10</u>. Contributions to any such regional fund shall be on a voluntary basis.

RESOLVED: Amend Article VI - OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS, Section 1 - Titles

The officers of this association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Directors of this Association shall consist of nine ten Regional Directors, representing the geographical regions herein specified, provided that not more than one person resident in any one of the Regions specified shall be elected a Regional Director, and five (5) Directors at Large. No Person shall hold more than one office.

**RESOLVED:** Amend Article VII - EXECUTIVE BOARD, Section 1 - Membership

The government of the affairs of this Association shall be in the hands of the Executive Board. The President, the Vice President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the nine ten Regional Directors, and the five Directors at Large of this Association shall be members of the Executive Board.

**RESOLVED:** Amend Article VIII - REGIONS

The United States, Canada, Bermuda, <u>Mexico, Japan, Europe, and China</u> are divided into nine (9) ten (10) geographical regions as follows:

ADD: REGION 10 - CHINA

Mainland China to include the provinces of Hebei, Shanxi, Liaoning, Jilin, Heilongjiang, Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Anhui, Fujian, Jiangxi, Shandong, Henan, Hubei, Guangdong, Hunan, Hainan, Sichuan, Guizhou, Yunnan, Shaanxi, Gansu, Qinghai; the autonomous regions of Inner Mongolia, Guangxi, Tibet, Ningxia, and Xinjiang.

**RATIONALE:** Mainland China has continued to be a major participant in CFA activity since its first show in Beijing March 2004. Many of CFA's current policies, practices and procedures were precipitated by the expansion of CFA services in Asia; CATS, online CFA services are just a few. It is time to offer this vital area a seat at the CFA Board Table.

It is recommended the CFA president as of 26 June 2022 appoint a China Regional representative to act in place of a regional director until such time a special election can be held for the Region 10 director, to be held concurrently with the election of the 5 DAL positions. This Region 10 director would hold office for 1 year until the regular cycle of regional director (and officers) elections takes place, per the CFA By-Laws.

**MOTION:** The above amendments to the CFA By-Laws be presented as sponsored by the CFA Executive Board at the Annual Meeting in June 2022.

**Newkirk:** Anybody else have comments? Can we scroll down? I assume you have an action item at the bottom. **DelaBar:** [reads] **Newkirk:** I need a second. **DelaBar:** You have a second. **Eigenhauser:** George already seconded it. **Newkirk:** That's right George, thank you. I'm sorry, it's getting late in the day. Any further comments on this motion? OK, I'll call the question. All those in favor of a board sponsored amendment to add China as Region 10 raise your hands.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Eigenhauser, Currle, Anger, DelaBar, Dunham and Krzanowski voting yes. Hayata abstained.

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Kenny Currle, Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski. Those opposed raise your hand. Melanie Morgan, Pam Moser, Mark Hannon, Kathy Calhoun, John Colilla, Howard Webster, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy and Rich Mastin. Any abstentions? Hayata-san abstains. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 6 yes votes, 9 no votes, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion fails.

Respectfully submitted, Pam DelaBar, Director CFA Region 9 Europe

#### 25. SHOW LICENSE LATE SUBMISSION FEES.

Submitted by: Pam DelaBar

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At the CFA Executive Board meeting held 7 December 2021, the board voted to suspend the waiver of the late fees for show licenses, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 show season. The COVID-19 Committee did not include the International Division and China when moving the question, as they "have considerations beyond the purview of this Committee".

The forty-three (43) countries comprising Region 9 Europe can have COVID-19 policies ranging from "no policy" to very strict in not allowing any events, even restricting the number of family members allowed to visit within a residence, or requiring cat shows to be seated events. Many countries change policies, on the average, every two weeks, and announce these policies 5 to 7 days before they become effective. Clubs are having difficulty contracting show halls prior to the ninety (90) day cutoff to submit a show license without a penalty; and when they do, have had the contracts cancelled due to new government regulations. Rescheduling is very difficult.

Region 9 has several "considerations" not apparent to those not living within the region; and, these difficulties probably are cropping up in Regions 1-8 as well. No one has a crystal ball on the future. I hope this board has the foresight to continue to allow exceptions while the cat fancy is seeking whatever the new normal will be.

I cannot make a motion for reconsideration as I voted against the original motion in December. I hope a board member who voted in favor of the motion to end the waivers will move for reconsideration.

Newkirk: OK Pam, Order #26, Show License Late Submission Fees. DelaBar: The 7<sup>th</sup> of December the COVID Committee brought forth a resolution that the late fee for submission of show licenses would no longer be in existence as of the end of the show season. We're still having a great deal of problems. We still have several considerations going on within our countries in Region 9. I know that there are other regions also having difficulties, especially with nailing down facilities to host your shows. We not only have to deal with national restrictions, but we also have regional. We have pet fairs that think they've got something locked in but don't, and if my clubs keep having to pay the late fees, we're going to have clubs that are saying, "this is too expensive, we're not going to put on shows. Now, I was one of the dissenting votes on this motion and I can't make a motion for reconsideration, but I would hope that the board would reconsider this question and hopefully reverse the issue. Newkirk: OK Pam, when was the motion made? **DelaBar:** It was the 7<sup>th</sup> of December, 202 by the COVID Committee. Newkirk: It cannot be reconsidered. DelaBar: So we're stuck? Newkirk: You can rescind it. **DelaBar:** Then I can make a motion to rescind the decision made by the board on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December? Newkirk: Correct. DelaBar: I so move. Newkirk: It doesn't matter which way you voted. DelaBar: OK, then I so move. Anger: Rachel seconds. Newkirk: Thank you. So, the motion is to reconsider what the board passed at the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Just for the record, can you read what it was that was passed? Is the motion that was passed in this report, Pam? DelaBar: No. Newkirk: Then we need the motion. Eigenhauser: I believe it's there at the bottom of the page that's being displayed. Newkirk: Oh you're right, there it is. DelaBar: Oh,

yes it is down there. It wasn't part of my report. [Side discussions to clarify procedure were not transcribed.] Dunham: Monte just put in the comments, which we did do this yesterday. In the Show Rules Report we had this exact exception to be extended into the 2022-2023 show season and it was tabled until today, so it is the proposed motion that Pam was looking for. DelaBar: No Cathy, it wasn't. He did not extend it to the next show season. It was stated that it would end with 2021-2022, not extended. That's why I wanted that tabled. That was #12. I wanted it tabled so it could be brought up when I'm bringing this up right now. **Dunham:** That's not the way I read the motion yesterday, but that's fine. Newkirk: Alright, so you want to eliminate this and then change it and restate it, Pam? Is that what you want to do? DelaBar: I want to rescind it and we can consider it later if need be, but right now as everybody has been saying yesterday, we're still in a state of flux with COVID, our COVID restrictions and not everybody is following the same rules even in the U.S., so you cannot expect it with the rest of the world, either. Newkirk: I'm not understanding what you are trying to do here, because right now – **DelaBar:** I'm trying to get rid of it. Newkirk: OK. Well, it expires at the end of this show season. DelaBar: I know. That's why I want to get rid of the expiration and come back with a new motion. Newkirk: OK. I'm trying to understand what your rationale and what you're trying to do is. You want to extend it to the end of the next show season, is that what you want to do? DelaBar: At least, ves. I would be happy with that. Newkirk: OK then, why don't you make a motion to amend something previously adopted and changing the current show season and the 2022-2023 show season? DelaBar: I will take your advice and do exactly that, Darrell. Perkins: I was just going to say, make a motion and then her motion will tell us what she wants to do. So, let's just make the motion so we can debate it. **Newkirk:** The motion has been passed. We either have to rescind this motion if you want to change it, or you have to amend something that was previously adopted. That's the two legal ways to change this motion. Perkins: I'm just saying, she needs to make that motion. Let her make it. Newkirk: OK. So Pam, my suggestion to you is to make the motion to amend something previously adopted and place in there after 2021-2022, also to include show season 2022-2023. DelaBar: That is a bit difficult right now. Darrell, I'm going on 11:30 at night. Let's make this as simple as possible. Newkirk: What do you want to do, Pam? **DelaBar:** I made a motion. I need to rescind that motion. **Newkirk:** OK, that's fine. Anybody got comments on the motion to rescind? **Eigenhauser:** I was going to suggest that we simply change current (2021-2022) to 2022-2023. Newkirk: I agree with you, but Pam doesn't want to do that. **DelaBar:** I didn't say that, Darrell. Don't put words in my mouth. I would be happy to make that motion. Newkirk: You just said that you want to rescind it. Perkins: As Parliamentarian, I'm just going to step in here. What I need is a motion and a second. Newkirk: We have that. **Perkins:** I never heard a second. **Newkirk:** George seconded it. **Perkins:** I didn't hear him say second. I heard him say what he wanted to change. In any event, let's just state the motion for the record now and slow down. So Pam, what is your motion? DelaBar: My motion is that the show license late fee exceptions for Regions 1-9 currently in place be suspended at the end of the 2022-2023 show season. **Perkins:** And so this is a motion to amend what was previously adopted, to change the dates to extend through the next show season. Is that correct, Pam? DelaBar: That is correct, Shelly. Eigenhauser: And George is seconding. Perkins: Thank you. Newkirk: And is that not what I said? Perkins: I don't know, Darrell, but she has got to make the motion for the record. Now debate is open. Let's move on, debate. Newkirk: OK. I don't see any hands up so I'm going to call the motion. All those in favor of Pam's motion to amend something previously adopted to make this exception through the end of the 2023 show season, if you are voting yes raise your hand.

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

Newkirk: The yes votes are Rachel Anger, George Eigenhauser, Kenny Currle, Carol Krzanowski, John Colilla, Sharon Roy, Hayata-san, Annette Wilson, Pam DelaBar, Kathy Calhoun, Mark Hannon, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham. If you will take your hands down, those opposed raise your hands. I think it's Melanie and Pam Moser. Pam, are you voting no? OK, take your hands down. Abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: I did not get a vote for Howard Webster. I do not see him on the call. Does anyone else see him on the call? Eigenhauser: I do not see Howard either. Newkirk: I don't see him on here. You can announce the vote Rachel when you have it. Anger: So that's 15 board members voted. That's 13 yes, 2 no, zero abstentions. Eigenhauser: I see Howard in the attendees. Tartaglia: I just promoted him to panelist. He had dropped off. Webster: I'm a yes vote. Newkirk: Thank you Howard. Anger: Alright, that will be 14 yes, 2 no, zero abstentions. Newkirk: OK, so the motion is agreed to, after a battle.

Pam DelaBar, Director CFA Region 9 Europe

[Secretary's Note: The December 2021 motion is provided below for reference.]

5. That show license late fee exceptions for Regions 1 – 9 currently in place be suspended at the end of the current (2021-2022) show season. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar, Dunham, Roy and Anger voting no.

## 26. REGION 9 ISSUES.

Submitted by: Pam DelaBar

1. For information at this time: Postal services from the United States to Europe are unpredictable. I used to count on a letter/card mailed from Finland to reach Illinois in 7 days or less. This is no longer the case and the reverse is more concerning. Many clubs are not receiving the show package in time for the shows and are using other means to come up with the appropriate paperwork. Clubs in the European Union have to pay VAT in order to receive the package, though each EU country may have a different value on what to base the VAT payment. I would like to have a "stock" of the basic required forms shipped to at least 5 different countries, to be identified at the next board meeting.

**Newkirk:** Pam, you're next. **DelaBar:** On information, our postal services – we have a thing brought up under new issues later – postal services are really bad. We are having clubs that are not receiving show packages. What I would like to propose and bring up with Central Office is to allow us to have deposits of show package materials available in certain parts of the region, such as Russia, Germany, Italy, Spain, France. This is just something I'm bringing up to you. As I said previously under other publication issues and everything, whenever we bring anything into the EU portion of Region 9, we're subject to value added tax, that's VAT. So, I'm trying to work out something on shipping so we can see what we can do to make this as cheap as possible for the clubs.

2. The "New Show Sponsorship" concept needs to be redefined. Region 9 has clubs conducting shows in countries/principalities where CFA has had no activity; additionally, we recently had a show in an area where CFA has not had activity for at least 10 years (an area where a German independent club has 700 plus entries). The club originally conducted shows 602 kilometers away in the southern part of the country. These clubs did not receive the new show funding though the areas were new as were the dates. If this funding is for new clubs conducting shows for the first time, please so state.

**DelaBar:** The second issue is, I am confused about new show sponsorship, as are my clubs. I had a club put on a show in a principality we have never stepped foot into except as tourists, and they didn't get new show sponsorship. We just recently had a show in an area that has been, one, in the headquarters area of a very large association competitor and also in an area that has been basically the territory of a very large independent club. We were able to have a very successful show up there and this club's normal show date is in March where they had this in an entirely new area, some 600 kilometers away from where they usually put on a show, yet they were denied new show sponsorship. So, I guess I'm trying to say, is this for new clubs putting on their first show or should we not even worry about new show sponsorship when we're trying to break into new areas? **Mastin:** Pam, thanks for bringing this up. New show sponsorship originated I believe back in 2018. The intent for a new show sponsorship was a new show added to the schedule. The requirements and criteria was always and has been any club moving a show to a different date or a different area – be it city, state or country – is not considered a new show. It has to be a new show added to the schedule. Pam, if you want to create a different type of sponsorship, we're willing to put together something else that will work for a new club putting

on a first-time show. What we're concerned about is clubs working together, deciding that they are not going to put on a show this year, they're going to give it to somebody else to put on a show this year just to gain the \$1,000 new show sponsorship. The whole objective was to allow clubs, regions and areas to put on a true new show added to the schedule. DelaBar: That's exactly what happened, Rich. Their normal show is down past the Munich area in March and they are having that show. This time, we were up in Cologne with the same club, that's UK Cat Fanciers, and it was a new show added to our schedule. Now, there is also another show that was over 700 kilometers way that the club decided not to have their show, but it's an entirely different country, entirely different segment of the region where that show would have been, which is still on the schedule for next year. So, this was a new show for us in an entirely new area by a club who is also having a show the end of March. Mastin: So, there is some confusion on new shows because of the COVID. DelaBar: Yes. Mastin: We've gotten a lot of clubs that have not been able to put on shows for obvious reasons. So Pam, what we need to understand is, the club that you're referring to, do they normally put on two shows per year? DelaBar: In the past they have put on one. Of course, previous to that, they were in Great Britain. Mastin: OK, so are you referring to the UK club? **DelaBar:** Yes. **Mastin:** OK. I'll have to double check the research. I thought when Kathy and I did the research on it, that club was putting on two shows a year. That goes back to 2018-2019, but we could be mistaken. If we're mistaken and we owe the club new show sponsorship, we will grant it, but we have to start somewhere and it's very difficult trying to determine what's a new show when we have clubs not putting on shows and then other clubs stepping in, putting on a show that weekend or moving it to a different location. **DelaBar:** I understand your difficulty and I'm trying to make sure the clubs understand the criteria they are being measured up against to get this sponsorship. Just to let you know, that \$1,000 equates to about €800 to our clubs, so every little bit helps a lot. **Mastin:** Do you want to work with Kathy and I on the specifics of this particular club? DelaBar: We can do that offline. Thanks Rich. Mastin: OK, great.

Moser: I'm really confused now. I thought a new club meant that it was a brand new club putting on their first show, because I talked to Rich about this in my region, where a club hasn't put on any shows for probably 20 years and they switched secretaries and there is somebody putting on a show. I was told no, because this was not a new club. So now, I mean, I'm really confused because either it's just a brand new club and it's their first show, or else if you're going to do it the other way then I want the club that I'm talking about to get their \$1,000. **DelaBar:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Rich, you're recognized. We're wasting time here. **Mastin:** I'm going to have to get with Pam Moser. I don't quite understand what Pam just said. I'm sorry Pam, maybe it's just a long day but I'm happy to take this offline with you and Kathy as well, so we can work through it. OK?

**Calhoun:** Back to Pam and the UK Cat Fanciers, this could be wrong but the data that we had was that in 2019-2020 show season, the club held two shows – November 30, 2019 and March 28, 2020. Now, if that's wrong, that's the information we had. **DelaBar:** I would have to go back and check that, Kathy, because I wasn't Regional Director then, in 2019, but the end of March is their traditional date. **Calhoun:** That was the basis.

3. Region 9 has a special fund for R9 clubs to hire CFA judges from outside the region for a reimbursement of \$700 per judge for a maximum of 2 judges, or \$1400. Clubs have contracted US based CFA judges and have purchased their airfares. However, based on

government restrictions due to COVID-19, etc., shows have be rescheduled and the clubs have to carry the additional expense for months. Clubs additionally are trying to purchase tickets in advance to secure the best fares possible.

*Motion:* allow clubs to receive the \$700/\$1400, as appropriate, under this travel funding when submitting the proof of purchase of the airfares.

**DelaBar:** Region 9 has a special fund to bring in CFA judges from outside the region. What we're finding is that some of the clubs now are holding airline tickets for quite a while. One I'm thinking of right away is 9 months out because of COVID happening, the judge not being able to pick up the show for this month but they can do it for an out month. The club does not need to be putting out that money and not getting anything back to help put on their show, whereas the judge does have the plane ticket. I would like to be able to have these clubs reimbursed up to their \$700 per judge upon presentation of the receipt for the air fare. I have made a motion. Mastin: I will second with the right to vote no. I clearly understand what Pam is asking for and I understand the position clubs are in when they commit to putting on a show. However, this is a very, very dangerous possible precedent that could be set, where all clubs want to come to CFA asking for their sponsorship or incentive funds prior to the event. What that then does is create possible confusion and a tracking nightmare for Central Office when shows cancel and who is being credited what from judges' airline fees being paid for or how CFA is going to get those reimbursed or if it's going to go to another club. I get it – CFA has money in the bank, but they can't be every club's bank. Every club has to be able to fund their shows, and when they get their sponsorships, they get it. Maybe they can work with sponsors that will give them money up front, but it's my recommendation that CFA does not do that, especially now with the potential of cancellations still going on. DelaBar: I understand that, Rich, but I also understand the position that this is putting our clubs in, when we want them to hire CFA judges and bring them in from, in this case, the United States but having them have to hold onto paid plane tickets and that expenditure for 9 months. It is truly a hardship and I hate to see our clubs being put in the position of – we're looking at them as, you are going to cheat us out of this money, when I would prefer to give my clubs the benefit of the doubt that they are on the up and up. Colilla: I just started practicing this. When I have judges flying in, I'm willing to pay a little extra money to get the plane ticket back and I am willing to lose that so I don't lose the whole kitten kaboodle. It has been working. **DelaBar:** I'm sorry John, I didn't catch that. **Colilla:** Say the ticket is \$100, to make sure that I can get my money back, I'm willing to pay the difference and absorb the cost as part of the judging expense, so when the show is cancelled they can get their money back with no problem. DelaBar: I will pass that on. Calhoun: I don't think, Pam, it's a matter of trust, it's just that that liability is out there. It could be 9 months, it could be a year and a half, it could be they never have a show. I don't think anybody is trying to be dishonest so I don't want anybody to think that. It's a nightmare to be able to track all that and keep all that. Hopefully, the number of shows cancelling, hopefully that won't occur with the frequency with the pandemic hopefully declining. You know, I know we said a lot about the \$1,000 that we recently allotted to the Regional Directors and the ID Chairs. Maybe some of that could be used to buffer some of that for your clubs. Mastin: There are some other financial concerns that we might have with deferred expenses that overlap years and what have you. One thought might be, Pam, maybe the regions that are well funded could do this for their clubs. My concern is, once we approve something for one region, it won't be long until other regions will be asking for the same request. It will get out of hand and I don't think we want to go down that

path. **DelaBar:** I think that Region 9 is the only one that has this special fund to hire judges from outside the region. **Mastin:** You are correct, but we have three other sponsorships and they could say, "well, we would like our sponsorship in advance so we can pay for our other expenses," whether it's a deposit for a show hall or to pay judges. I'm just concerned that that's the direction this is going to go. As I said, I can appreciate where this is coming from, but this has been going on for a long time for all clubs on how they are prepaying their expenses before the show happens. **Newkirk:** Can we wrap it up? **DelaBar:** Well, the motion is on the floor. **Newkirk:** I understand that, but I'm wanting debate to conclude before I call the question. **DelaBar:** I have nothing else to add. **Newkirk:** Rich, do you have any final comments? **Mastin:** No, I don't. **Newkirk:** Then let's call the motion. All those in favor of Pam's motion that the travel funds be submitted on proof if purchase of the air fares, raise your hand.

**Newkirk** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** DelaBar and Eigenhauser voting yes. Currle and Hayata abstained.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Pam DelaBar, George Eigenhauser. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please, are Mark Hannon, Rich Mastin, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Howard Webster, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? Howard Webster is an abstain. Kenny Currle and Hayata-san are abstains. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote. Webster: I forgot to take my hand down. Newkirk: So, how are you voting? Webster: I'm a no. Newkirk: You're a no, OK. Rachel? Anger: I didn't catch Carol's vote. I think she was a no but I want to confirm that, please. Krzanowski: I was a no. Newkirk: Thank you. Anger: That's 2 yes, 12 no, 2 abstentions. Newkirk: OK, the motion is not agreed to.

4. Region 9 clubs do try to expedite the shipping and handling of show packages after a show is held. If a judge is from the us, the club will endeavor to have the judge hand carry the show package and ship to CFA Central Office after arriving back in the US. However, as stated in 1 above, the mail services from Europe to the US are taking an exceptionally long time, plus cost a minimum to 100 Euros to ship. There is one show package that has been held in US Customs for 2 months. This holds up the awarding of titles, registrations from TRNs, and the scoring of the shows for awards.

**Newkirk:** OK Pam, #4. **DelaBar:** OK. We try very hard to get our show packages in as quickly as possible, at great expense. If there is a U.S. judge to hand carry the show package and mail from the U.S., we definitely try to give them the money to do so, to get this to Central Office as quickly as possible. It has been taking an incredibly long time, and as I said there is one package – and this will be brought up under New Business later – that has been held for over two months in U.S. Customs and Border Control.

**Motion:** when a U.S. based judge is unavailable to hand carry and mail a show package for an R9 club, allow the Region 9 club to scan and electronically submit the show package to CFA Central Office, to allow the awarding of titles, registrations from TRNs and the scoring of shows for awards.

**DelaBar:** My motion is, [reads]. **Anger:** Rachel seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. Debate? **Moser:** I would like to hear from Allene at Central Office. I have no objections to this,

but is that a problem for Central Office to get it electronically? **Tartaglia:** I have prepared a document showing what items we absolutely must have, to score.

## Scanned Show Documents – Unofficial document for reference only

Required – Approximate #s for 6 ring show

- Judge Finals and Breed Sheets 50-55 pages
- *Master Clerk Items* 8
- *Marked Catalog 35 (135 entries)*
- TRNS and Pedigrees up to 50 pages depending on # of TRNs
- Catalog corrections Varies
- Total of up to 150 pages
- Judges book pages can be scanned or sent via mail

#### General

- *Must be good quality from original sheets, not club copy*
- *Not individual scans group by type*
- Use TransferBigFiles or similar to send scans
- Using a professional scanner and then preparing and optimizing PDFs for emailing took approximately 1 ½-2 hours.
- Payment made by credit card
- If club wants to scan results to CO, club contact Allene and we'll arrange for it

**Tartaglia:** It's a total of about 150 pages and the scans need to be excellent scans. In other words, it can't be just jpeg's or poor quality. Otherwise, we can't read it when we get those scans. So yes, it's certainly doable. Cristiano from the 44 Gatti show, he did an excellent job with the scans. I asked him how long it took him. He said it took him about an hour and 40 minutes. He was using a professional quality scanner. So, it's certainly doable but it just has to be done properly. So yes, we can do that. What I would ask is, if a club is going to do that, that they contact us first so we can give them some guidance of how the scans need to be done. Newkirk: This is something I discussed with Cathy Dunham a few months ago. I said, you know, we need to come up with a list of what documents are absolutely necessary to score the show. I talked it over with Allene and she mentioned the poor quality. Anyway, I just think this is the wave of the future and we need to set our standard of what we want. Dunham: Darrell, I was just going to concur with what you said. We did talk about this several months ago when postage in the United States increased significantly, and a club in my region brought it to both of our attentions that the costs had increased. I did talk with Allene and she talked with Shirley. Out of that came this document that Allene is referring to. But Allene is correct. I played with about 4 different scanning options, using my phone, using a wand scanner, using a flat bed scanner and using a scanner on my copier at work. All four of them gave totally different versions of the documents, and the quality of the documents – obviously, the scanner on my copier at work was the best option because it was a professional grade scanner, but it is an option if the clubs are willing to actually work with Central Office on the appropriate options. I do know that one master clerk in Region 3 has a professional grade scanner that she can use, so it may be something that clubs could go together and purchase if they are all within a relatively easy

geographic area to have one good grade scanner that could be used. I did see a comment from someone in the audience saying that they hoped this could be extended to all of the clubs in all of the regions, and I think it's coming. Technology is changing, it's getting much easier to use. Part of what we're looking at in the entry clerking program is something that Dick Kallmeyer is working on that can help with the master clerk's book. It would still take a few additional pages to be scanned, though. So, we are working on it. It's a slow process with a lot of beta testing, but we are hoping to get there as quickly as possible, thanks. Newkirk: Thank you Cathy. I have a Brother printer here. I also have a color printer. I scan all of my stuff with this Brother printer and a lot of times that stuff I scan and print out represents beautiful, and that includes handwriting. **Tartaglia:** Just a couple more comments. I think certainly with shipping a package overseas, it is very costly. However, I would guess that by the time the clubs in the U.S. get the scanner, they take the time, they do all this work, they organize it, they upload it. They are just going to say, "why don't I just put this in the mail and ship it?" It may not be worth it to some clubs, and that's up to them. The other point is, it's not always the quality of the scan, and I'm going to tread light here when I say this, it's also the quality of what is written on the forms. I'm not going to get into details, but you would probably be surprised to see what we get in the office. The writing is either too light, it's too dark, things are crossed out. It's very difficult to even read things that are originals sometimes, so when we now scan it, and if it's not excellent quality now it's degraded to the point where we just can't read it sometimes. That was it. Newkirk: Thank you Allene. Any other comments? OK, so let's call the question. All those in favor of Pam's motion here about scanning and electronically transmitting the show package to Central Office, if you're a yes raise your hand.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Sharon Roy, George Eigenhauser, Pam Moser, Rich Mastin, Kenny Currle, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar, Howard Webster, Mark Hannon, Hayata-san, Annette Wilson. Take your hands down, those opposed raise your hand. And those abstaining. No no's and no abstains. Rachel? **Anger:** Thank you. I was actually a yes, as well. That's 16 yes, zero no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. So, that motion is agreed to. **DelaBar:** Thank you.

Pam DelaBar, Director CFA Region 9 Europe

**Newkirk:** OK Pam, do you have another issue? **DelaBar:** Yes, it's coming up later, I think. Did you get that, Rachel? It really follows suit to what we're coming up with. **Anger:** Yes, I sent it to the board this morning. **Newkirk:** Thank you.

# 27. BRANDING/WEBSITE REDESIGN SUBCOMMITTEE.

Chair: Desiree Bobby, Marketing Committee

**Subcommittee Board Liaisons:** Mark Hannon and Melanie Morgan

Member: Allene Tartaglia

# **Brief Summary of Immediate Past Actions**

Since our last report CFA has signed a contract with Atomic Wash (AW). This agency has extensive experience with both branding and website design. Their headquarters is in Georgia. Due to their location, we invited members of the AW team to attend the Cotton States Cat Club's show outside Atlanta the first weekend of November. They met with both Allene Tartaglia and Desiree Bobby who gave them a tour of the show, explained how cat shows fit into our business, and showed them some of our unique breeds. This is one of CFA's premier shows and it is fortunate that the timing and geography worked out so AW's team was able to visit this show.

The first project deliverable from AW will be a "Brand Blueprint." This blueprint report is a roadmap that clearly answers, "What does CFA do?" and is the foundation to build consistency across the organization. The Brand Blueprint will document a consistent, cohesive effective voice for CFA and make it easy for stakeholders to answer the "What does CFA do" question while understanding the "Why?" behind it. Upon completion and approval of the Brand Blueprint, we will move into visual branding phase of the branding project which touches on logos, taglines, colors, etc.

The first step to develop the Brand Blueprint is to do research on our industry and competitors, and hold executive s and stakeholder interviews. AW typically interviews about six people. However, we encouraged them to interview a larger group to ensure that we covered all business and geographical areas. We provided names and contact information for a variety of people which included board members, judges, exhibitors, and people outside CFA (pet industry, rescue) who have interacted with CFA. To-date they have interviewed sixteen people with one more they are trying to schedule. These people reside in the United States, Asia, and Europe.

AW conducts virtual meetings every other week with the CFA team. At our most recent meeting they provided us with feedback on their interviews. It was in draft form and will soon be shared in final form. They were impressed that everyone they interviewed was so passionate about both cats and CFA. From these interviews they were able to obtain an understanding of what CFA does along with both positive and negative feedback. They expect to provide us with a blueprint for going forward. They expect to identify our strengths and weaknesses. They hope to provide us with areas where neither CFA nor our competitors are involved but which offer us opportunities. We will have a final copy of the results of their interviews by mid-February. They will then submit several options for a new logo along with some proposed taglines to replace "The World's Largest Registry of Pedigreed Cats." Our current tagline may not resonate today and need updating.

## Future:

AW will provide CFA with potential messaging and marketing materials to help us decide where we want to go in the future to grow our business while at the same time meeting the needs of our existing customers.

Once we wrap up the Branding aspect of this project we will move on to a redesign of our website that we anticipate will include a "Wow" factor, be more inviting to the general cat lovers and better meet the needs of our existing customers.

## **Board Actions:**

None

Submitted by, Mark Hannon

**Newkirk:** #28, Branding and Website Design. Mark Hannon, you're recognized. **Hannon:** You have read the report. There are no action items. Unless you have any questions of Melanie or I, we can move on to the next agenda item. **Newkirk:** Any questions? I see none.

**Newkirk:** We have a scheduled break now for 15 minutes. Do you want to go on or do you want to take the break? [go on] Alright, good deal.

## **Unfinished Business and General Orders**

## 28. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Newkirk: #29 ,Unfinished Business. We have a couple of tabled items to bring up. Rachel, I think you sent us an email for those. Anger: I forwarded Pam's email. She had two items on it. Colilla: I did not get the email. Newkirk: I know Monte had two, and I think those got sent to us. I printed them out but I don't know what I did with them. Mastin: Darrell, is it possible Allene can bring them up on the screen? Newkirk: I hope so. Anger: One was from Monte. The subject line said, Two Tabled Show Rules Proposals for Sunday. It had Proposal 8 and Proposal 4 attached. I can resend. Tartaglia: I don't believe I got that, Rachel. Anger: OK, I am resending it now. Newkirk: One of them was #4. Anger: Yes. Newkirk: That's the one where we had China and Maritime Provinces all mixed together. That has been separated out. Tartaglia: Rachel, I have it. I didn't look in the board folder, so just give me a second. Do you want to do Monte's first, #4? Newkirk: That's fine. Tartaglia: Hold on one second. Does everybody see that? Newkirk: Yes.

### (a) Show Rules – Proposal #4.

[Secretary's Note: The following transcript also appears at the end of the original presentation of Proposal #4 in the Show Rules Report.]

4 - 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 the 2021-2022 show season only. Extend table for the 2022-2023 season as well due to the rationale presented in action item 1.

Country/Area	GC Points Required	GP Points Required	
China, Regions 1-9 except as noted <del>, Ukraine</del>	200	75	
<u>Ukraine</u>	200	<u>25</u>	
Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malt Hawaii, Russia east of the Ura Mountains, International Divis	a, il ion	25	
(except China)	75	25	

**Newkirk:** Is Monte in? **Tartaglia:** I did something also regarding this, as far as the chart. Maybe this is fine. **Newkirk:** It looks OK to me. Did you let Monte in? **Tartaglia:** I'm sorry, hold on a second. All the points aren't there. There are some other exceptions, like for 90/40, so I'm not sure that this is complete. Let me get Monte in. **Borawski:** I let Monte in. **Tartaglia:** Thank you Shelly. **Phillips:** The only mistake on there is, I should not have put Ukraine, because it is part of Region 9. **Tartaglia:** Alright, but I think there is – **Phillips:** All the other sections would be 75/25. That's why I reduced it, to make it simple. **Tartaglia:** Taiwan and Vietnam, there's 90/40 I believe. I'm pretty sure. If you take a look at what was presented yesterday.

**Newkirk:** Yesterday Ukraine had 25 for Premiership. **Phillips:** No, it didn't. It had 75. Newkirk: I must have been hallucinating but Ukraine was down and you had several 75/25, 75/25 and you had Ukraine listed on that list, if I recall correctly yesterday, 200 for grand points and 25 for Premiership. I think that was on yesterday's chart. Pam is shaking her head yes. Tartaglia: Taiwan and Vietnam are 75/25. Thailand and Indonesia. Phillips: You're right. Newkirk: Allene, did you do an update? Tartaglia: Let me just show you what I have and see if it makes things a little more clear. You may or may not like it, I'm not sure. I may be wrong on the Taiwan and Vietnam. I looked at the October 2020 minutes that Bob Zenda referred to. I did this quickly, so I could have that wrong with the 90/40. This could be another possible way to do this. Newkirk: You have the 200 for grand and 25 for grand premier on Ukraine. Phillips: That's what it should have been, yes. **Tartaglia:** Perhaps what we could do is verify that what are the points? Bob Zenda seemed to feel that what we had for Vietnam was incorrect. Phillips: No, what Bob was talking about was the way we have the countries divided up into areas. Vietnam should be in with Thailand. That's proposal #8. We haven't got there yet. Tartaglia: So, Vietnam should be there, is that what you're saying? **Phillips:** I forget the exact two countries off the top of my head. I want to say Myanmar and Brunei. Newkirk: OK, it looks like this needs work. Mastin: I just wanted to clarify what the Ukraine was. Was it 200/25? I thought Monte said yes. Phillips: Yes, that's correct. Mastin: OK great, thank you. Phillips: That's if we want to extend them. Newkirk: So, this thing that got sent out today has grand premier points at 75 for Ukraine. **Phillips:** Ukraine should be its own separate little line at the bottom, 200/25. **Newkirk:** OK, so that's not good. We can't use that. Instead of wasting time trying to figure this out, somebody needs to take the lead on this and figure out what the countries are. Allene, I like your chart. Maybe we can further develop that to make sure we have all the countries and the points. **Phillips:** You will only have three lines. China, Regions 1-9 except as noted 200/75, Ukraine is 200/25 and then Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except China) is 75/25. That's it. Newkirk: And that includes Vietnam, it includes Taiwan. Phillips: Yes, they are all part of the International Division. Newkirk: Does everybody understand that? Do you want to use Monte's thing here with three columns [sic, lines]? I need some comments what we want to do or we're going to have to send this back to work on it. Krzanowski: I will move to use this chart with the addition or the change of Ukraine being a separate line item for 200 points in grand championship and 25 points in grand premiership. Newkirk: OK Allene, put your chart back up. Tartaglia: Were you referring to Monte's chart? Newkirk: Your chart. Anger: Rachel will second while we are doing that. **Phillips:** That's what normally was required. The exception that was made was to lower all those other numbers except for China to 75 on the left for the grand champion points and 25 on the right for grand premier points. That happened in Taiwan, Vietnam, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam, Hong Kong, etc., etc. That's why you need to look at mine. **Krzanowski:** Monte is correct. What we're talking about is – **Phillips:** I'm talking about the current rule. Krzanowski: We are talking about extending these exceptions for point requirements for the next show season. That's what this is about. Phillips: The exception was to lower those numbers for all those other areas to 75/25. Krzanowski: Yes. Newkirk: What Allene is saying is, all those countries are not listed. **Phillips:** They don't need to be individually listed. They are part of the International Division. **Krzanowski:** That's correct. **Newkirk:** Alright. So, what we need to do is, in between these two columns, take Ukraine out of the first column. Phillips: Right. Newkirk: And then make another column in between these two. Phillips: Or below them, either one. Newkirk: Well, I don't care. 200 and then 25. Phillips:

There you go, that's it. **Newkirk:** And take *except as noted* out. **Phillips:** The question is whether you want to extend the exception or not. Newkirk: Exactly. Phillips: You do need that except as noted. Eigenhauser: Yes, you need that, because Hawaii is one of the exceptions. Phillips: Because Hawaii is an exception. So are the Maritime Provinces of Canada, so are Russia. Newkirk: Well, Hawaii is listed in the second one. Phillips: Right, but it's part of Regions 1-9. Newkirk: OK, so you need that. Hannon: Darrell, this is late, we're not thinking clearly. I think we could be making some mistakes here. I suggest that they bring this back to us later, rather than fixing it on the fly. Fixing it on the fly isn't going to work. Phillips: This is exactly what it's going to look like. Newkirk: That's what they are going to bring back to you, Mark. **Krzanowski:** Once again, this is only the exceptions for the grand scoring that were in place for this season that we're considering extending for the next show season. These were the point requirements that we had in place for the current season. We're trying to make a decision as to whether they should be extended for the next show season. The way the chart appears now is correct. **Newkirk:** Is everybody OK with the chart? Are you ready for the vote? OK, thank you. Everybody in favor of extending the grand and grand premier points into the next show season raise your hand, as listed on the screen.

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

**Newkirk:** The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, Carol Krzanowski, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster, Hayata-san, Kathy Calhoun, John Colilla, Pam Moser. If you will take your hands down, the no votes please raise your hands. Mark Hannon is a no. If you will take your hand down, thank you Mark. Abstentions? No abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** That's 15 yes, 1 no, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much. The motion is agreed to.

#### (b) Show Rules – Proposal #8.

[Secretary's Note: The following transcript also appears at the end of the original presentation of Proposal #8 in the Show Rules Report.]

8 - Create an Exception to Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Awards - International Division Awards - for the Determination of Number of Awards to be Granted in a Divisional Area (Number of Rings Held). This was presented at the April 20, 2021, board meeting as a proposal for the 2020-2021 show season only, and although it passed as such the show rules committee believes this should be a full amendment to this section of the show rules, so it is presented below as a show rules amendment proposal. Point minimums can be modified by the board if they feel it should be raised.

Article XXXVI - National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program - Awards - International Division Awards	April 20, 2021 Bo	oard Proposal
<b>Existing Wording</b>		Proposed Wording

#### **International Division Awards**

**International Division Definition**: for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is divided into the following geographical areas based on quarantine requirements: Hong Kong; Indonesia; South Korea, Israel; Malaysia/Vietnam/Brunei; Philippines; Singapore; South or Central America, including the Caribbean nations; Thailand; Taiwan; Africa and western Asia (including the middle east (minus Israel), Turkey, Iran, India, Maldives, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, etc.); and three areas in China defined as follows -East China (the provinces/cities of Fujian, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Zhejiang, Anhui, Shandong, and Shanghai); North China (the provinces/cities of Inner Mongolia, Hebei, Shanxi, Tianjin, Beijing, Liaoning, Jilin, and Heilongjiang); West China (all of China not already covered by the provinces/cities listed for either East China or North China).

#### **International Division**

For the above geographical areas, numbers of awards in each area are based on the following formula:

5-9 rings in the area = 1 award; 10-19 rings in the area = 3 awards; 20-30 rings in the area = 4 awards; 31-37 rings in the area = 5 awards; 38-44 rings in the area = 7 awards; 45-57 rings in the area = 10 awards; 58-70 rings in the area = 12 awards\*; 71-94 rings in an area = 15 awards\*; 95-117 rings in an area = 20 awards; and >117 rings in an area = 25 awards\*.

\* - this does not apply to household pet awards

To be eligible for an award, in the International Division, cats must earn a minimum of the following: 50 points in championship, 30 points in kitten, 25 points in premiership, and household pet competition. Also, for the purpose of determining numbers of awards, the three areas of China are combined, and that number of awards is given in each area.

### Awards are as follows:

Best - 25th Best Cat, as appropriate\*
Best - 25th Best Kitten, as appropriate\*
Best - 25th Best Cat in Premiership, as appropriate\*

#### **International Division Awards**

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# International Division

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#### \* - this does not apply to household pet awards

To be eligible for an award, in the International Division, cats must earn a minimum of the following: 20050 points in championship, 100 30 points in kitten, 10025 points in premiership, and 50 points in household pet competition. Also, for the purpose of determining numbers of awards, the three areas of China are combined, and that number of awards is given in each area.

#### Awards are as follows:

Best - 25th Best Cat, as appropriate\*
Best - 25th Best Kitten, as appropriate\*

# Best-10th Best Household Pet, as appropriate\*\*

\*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.

\*\*The title of "Household Pet Divisional Winner (HDW)\*\* is given to cats receiving these awards.

Best - 25th Best Cat in Premiership, as appropriate\*

Best-10th Best Household Pet, as appropriate\*\*

\*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.

\*\*The title of "Household Pet Divisional Winner (HDW)\*\* is given to cats receiving these awards.

**RATIONALE:** This proposal was made at the April 20,2021 board meeting to address conditions in parts of the international division where divisional awards were based on number of rings held within those divisions, regardless of how many points a cat/kitten had earned throughout its career in its competitive category. The appropriate section of the discussion at the April board meeting is included as follows:

Cao: I can only speak for the China Division. This season I think we will have about 24 shows by end of season, but only maybe around 80+ rings. This is not because clubs are not willing to invite more judges, it's just that we don't have enough judges. This season is also the first time we see a lot of shows coming back to China for CFA and our exhibitors are supporting us. Even though we only have 2 rings or 3 rings, they are still picking us over all the other associations. So, right now, I checked the Scoreboard for the different areas in China. There are quite a few cats that are already within the 25 spots, but depending on how the shows go they may not make it into top 15, which is what we would have right now if we count the 80 rings. I think it's 75-95 would be 15 spots for divisional wins for each area, so what we want to propose is, we're wondering if it is possible to award 25 divisional wins to all the China areas, as long as the point minimum for the divisional win is met. Also, as I understand it, there's no ring requirement for all the RWs in the United States, as long as minimum points are met. So, that's my take on it. Newkirk: Somebody want to make that motion? Morgan: Melanie will make that motion. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Currle: Kenny will second. Newkirk: Alright, are we making amendment to Monte's #10? Is that what we're doing, or is this a stand-alone motion? Phillips: It sounds like stand-alone to me. Newkirk: Alright, so it will be a stand-alone motion. Wong: I think that's a great idea. If Hong Kong and the rest of the ID can have the same, just to 13 count the minimum points rather than the number of rings. Newkirk: OK, so you want to amend it to include all the ID plus ID-China? Wong: Yes, please. McCullough: Steve seconds. Newkirk: He can't make the motion. I need someone to make the motion. Morgan: I will. Newkirk: Thank you Melanie. Currle: Kenny will second again. Newkirk: Thank you. Alright, so it's to award not based on rings but on points, is that correct? Gavin, is that correct? Matthew, correct? Cao: Right, as long as minimum requirement for the points are met, we should be granted top 25. I don't know what the number is for Hong Kong or ID-Other. Newkirk: We're taking away the ring requirement and just basing it on points. Alright, any debate on that motion? I've corrected it to include all the ID. Alright, I don't see any hands up. Since we made a motion and we basically amended it, let's vote on the amendment. Any objection to the amendment? Hearing no objection the amendment is agreed to.

The amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Let's go to Monte's other one. OK Monte, go ahead. Phillips: #8, the only thing we did here was adjust to actually – what we had wrong was the International Division definitions in the original proposal weren't what they really are. This is what they really are. There are no changes there. The proposed change was whether we were going to impose regional and divisional point requirements for setting regional and divisional awards. Right now we do that for the regions, but for the divisions it's based on the number of rings that are held within the particular area that individual lives in. The concern that came up last year, and I'm sure it will probably come up again this year, is we have divisional cats because they don't have a show within their own division, going to another area and getting points there, but then they really can

never win any award at all because in their own area there were insufficient number of rings to generate an award. So, what we did last year was, imposed a point requirement and got rid of the ring requirement. This proposal would make that a permanent change. **Newkirk:** Any comments? I don't see anybody's hand up. I'll call the question. All those in favor of this – this is a show rule change – raise your hands.

#### Newkirk called the motion. Motion Carried.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, Pam DelaBar, Mark Hannon, Carol Krzanowski, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Rich Mastin, Annette Wilson, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Hayatasan. Phillips: Everybody. Newkirk: I don't have a vote from Kathy Calhoun. So, the no votes please. Abstentions? Kathy, which way are you voting? Kathy Calhoun. Calhoun: I voted yes. Newkirk: OK, thank you. OK Rachel, you can announce the vote. Anger: 16 yes, zero no votes, zero abstentions. Newkirk: OK, the motion is agreed to.

29. OTHER COMMITTE
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None.

#### 30. NEW BUSINESS.

#### (a) Point Minimums for Regional and National Awards.

At the April board meeting, we normally discuss point minimums for regional and national awards for the next show season. It would be timely to appoint a Special Committee to bring us a proposal in April.

[from before New Business] Newkirk: OK Kenny, you had something. Currle: I just want a point of clarification. One of the other things that we did not discuss was ring scoring for next show season. I just wanted to make sure that was going to be addressed in time. Newkirk: Rachel, didn't I ask you to put that on under a New Business item? We talked about that. Anger: I'm sorry, I was reviewing something else just now, Kenny. I didn't get that. Newkirk: It's about ring scoring for next show season. The number of rings to qualify – 50/20/50. There's a lot of people unhappy about that I think that was something that we were going to address today under New Business, of what the ring points are going to be. Anger: OK, if I was supposed to make a note of that I didn't. Newkirk: That's OK, we can bring it up. Let's deal with Pam's motion here. DelaBar: I was going to say, Darrell, we tabled that until April per my notes. Newkirk: Oh we did? OK. Monte is supposed to work with the committee. I'm assuming he is going to work with Mary K to come up with something. Currle: That's what I wanted clarified. Thank you Darrell.

[From New Business Report] Newkirk: That's all that I think I have. No other committees. Rachel, do you have something under New Business? Anger: There are two items under New Business. Newkirk: Good deal, let's cover those. Anger: As I recall, the first item was a request for the CFA President to appoint a Special Committee to bring us a proposal in April. I think this is perhaps what Kenny was discussing or looking for. At the April meeting we normally discuss that. I privately gave Darrell a couple suggestions of who would be good on that. Newkirk: I didn't get that, Rachel. There's a thing with our stuff not connecting with one another. Anger: I think they were in the email where I talked about this with you and you said to bring it up as a New Business item. My request at this time is that the CFA President appoint a Special Committee for 2022-2023 Scoring. I did not include an action item because that would be the President's discretion. **Hannon:** I think you said just a few minutes ago that it was going to be Monte and Mary K. Newkirk: Correct. Do you want to serve on the Committee, Mark? It didn't take you very long to shake your head, did it? Was that a down thumb? Is Monte still here? **Phillips:** Kind of. **Newkirk:** Monte, are you OK working with Mary K? You can pick someone else of your choosing. Phillips: Sure. I'll tell you right off the bat that you don't want 50 and 20. **Newkirk:** Well, I would think that's obvious. Does anybody on the board want to serve on the Committee? That way you can be the liaison, since Mark turned me down. Krzanowski: I'll be the liaison for that. Newkirk: OK, and you will meet with them? Krzanowski: Yes. Newkirk: OK thank you. Roy: I was just going to volunteer. I actually had quite a long talk with Mary K in Florida a couple weeks ago, but that's OK if Carol wants to do it. Newkirk: That's OK, we can have four people on the Committee. Krzanowski: Welcome Sharon. Newkirk: There you go. I'm assuming Mary K will accept. I don't know if she is in the chat or not right now. **Hannon:** She told me she would accept. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. Thank you. So, our Committee that will bring back the proposal will be Monte as the Chair, Mary K

and our two board liaisons will be Carol Krzanowski and Sharon Roy. We look forward to the work you guys come up with.

Appointment of CFA Special Committee Chairs					
The following committee was appointed February 2022.					
National Scoring	Monte Phillips		C. Krzanowski, Sharon Roy	jouvencebleu1@gmail.com	
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# (b) Judging Program Leave of Absence.

At the October 2/3, 2021 board meeting, CFA Allbreed Judge Wain Harding requested and was granted a 6 month leave of absence from August 20, 2021 through February 20, 2022. He would like to extend his leave of absence until August 31, 2022.

**Action Item**: Approve the extension of Wain Harding's 8/20/21-02/20/22 leave of absence until August 31, 2022.

[Secretary's Note: The following transcript also appears under the Judging Program Report.]

Newkirk: OK Rachel. Anger: The second one came in after our deadline but I wanted to get this approval going, that we grant an extension to Wain Harding's leave of absence until August 31, 2022. That's my motion. Currle: Kenny seconds. Newkirk: I thought that was in the Judging Program Report. It's not? Anger: It was not. In the minutes I will be sure to include it there, in the Judging Program Report, but it came in after so this would be the appropriate place to put it. Newkirk: Alright. Well, I'm confused again because I thought for sure I read that in the Judging Program Report. Anyway, OK. Perkins: Don't we vote that you voted that this could be within the purview of the Judging Program, so it's not a motion. It's just notice, is that right? Newkirk: Correct. Perkins: Yeah, you voted and I approved that the Bylaws do not prohibit the Judging Program from just making notice to the board of these types of things. Anger: Excellent. So, this will be our first such reporting. Newkirk: OK, you can scratch out action item. Anger: Thank you.

# (c) Request for Exception to Show Rule 6.16.

Subject show rule allows TRN to be effective for 60 days. After that period of time, a cat/kitten can no longer be entered to a CFA show without a permanent registration number

44 Gatti Cat Club held a show on 20 November 2021 in Vicenza, Italy. The show package was promptly sent to CFA Central Office, attention Shirley Dent. CFA never received the show package and the 44 Gatti show secretary scanned the appropriate forms to CFA so the show could be scored and titles could be awarded.

A tracer on the show package was initiated and was found to be at US Customs and Border Protection. It was not forwarded to CFA. On Friday 4 February 2022, the show package was

received back in Italy at the show secretary's address. More than 83 days have passed since the first show.

A total of 19 cats/kittens were given TRN at the first show. Four of these cats were entered in the 22-23 January 2022 show in San Genesio, Italy with permission from CO to use the same TRN.

In order to make processing of the TRN, subsequent permanent registrations, and titles earned, "legal", I move the CFA Board of Directors grant an exception to Show Rule 6.16 and allow the appropriate processing of the affected cats from the 20 November 2021 and 22-23 January 2022 shows.

Pam DelaBar Director, Region 9 Europe

[From beginning of Saturday meeting] DelaBar: Just for open time, Rachel and Darrell, I'm going to be sending you all something to put under New Business that just came up today here. It's not going to be anything big or horrendous. It's dealing with TRNs and U.S. Custom and Border Control, but I'll send that to you all.

[From Sunday] Newkirk: Pam, you have another issue, is that correct? DelaBar: Yes, one final and it's an exception to Show Rule 6.16 and that has to deal with TRNs. They are effective for 60 days. After that time, a cat or kitten is not allowed to be entered in a show unless they have a permanent registration number. We brought up, 44 Gatti held a show on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November in Vincenza and the show package was promptly sent to Central Office, except it promptly ended up in U.S. Customs and Border Protection, where it stayed. It was never delivered to Central Office and as of Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> of February it was delivered back to the show secretary. We had a total of 19 cats and kittens that were given a TRN at the Vincenza show and four of these cats were entered in the 22/23 January show in San Genesio. Central Office gave permission to use the same TRN. What I want to do to make sure that we are fully covered per the show rule is, I move the Board of Directors grant an exception to Show Rule 6.16 and allow the appropriate processing of the affected cats from the 20 November 2021 and 22/23 January 2022 shows. That includes titles, registrations, etc. Morgan: Melanie seconds. Eigenhauser: I just want to be sure. Is this going to completely solve the problem with this motion, or are there some still in transit? **DelaBar:** I don't know. The show secretary Cristiano has been working with Shirley and with Allene to get the appropriate documents sent over, so hopefully we will have everything but the thing I wanted to address was the TRNs and the allowing of the cats to be entered in the following show. Eigenhauser: But there may be a subsequent motion if there are additional problems, but this fixes the problem for today. **DelaBar:** This fixes the problem today. Eigenhauser: I'm good with it, thanks. Newkirk: Alright, so we have Pam's motion and a second on the floor. Any further comment? Any objection to Pam's motion? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent Pam's motion is agreed to by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

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[From before New Business] Newkirk: OK Pam, you had something that was tabled, is that correct? DelaBar: No, I had something that was added to New Business. At the end I sent it

to you and Rachel and Allene this morning before we started. **Newkirk:** OK, I'm going to play the "I'm confused" card. Rachel, I seem to recall having voted on three tabled items. Two were from Monte. There was one early on that got tabled. **Anger:** I had it down as this new item for Pam in my scribble notes. **Newkirk:** So, that dealt with the tabled motion, was what Pam was going to deal with? **DelaBar:** No, that was on the item that we brought up earlier under the show license late fees. That's what I had tabled from yesterday and that we addressed. **Newkirk:** OK, fantastic. Now I'm not confused.

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**Newkirk:** Any other business we have not addressed? Does that conclude our Orders of Business, Rachel? **Anger:** It does, thank you. **Newkirk:** I'll give everybody about 30 seconds to take a deep breath, if there's something else you want to bring up before we adjourn. I don't see any hands going up. So, we had two days of a lot of work that we got accomplished here. Thank you for everyone who participated. Thank you for all the people that presented reports and motions. Anyway, good work today. Thank you everyone. Have a good evening and have a great meal. I'm going to have a glass of red wine. **Anger:** Or two.

## 31. <u>DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS</u>.

**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 case was heard, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the parties, and no appeal and/or appeal fee was filed. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

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:

# 21-008 CFA v. Barsalona, Giuseppe

Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4 (b)

GUILTY. Two year suspension of all CFA services and a \$2,000 fine plus \$200 translator fee payable within 30 days. If the fine is not paid prior to the end of the suspension period, the suspension will continue until the fine is paid. In addition, the December 2019 registration of Bhakti Bella Figura is revoked and the cat was returned to prior ownership.

**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 parties, and the matter was heard. Final disposition is as follows:

#### 22-001 CFA v. Janzen, Jeff

Violation of Judging Program Rules, Sections 12.1 and 12.4 Violation of CFA Bylaws, Article XV, Section 3 Violation of Judges' Code of Ethics

Jeff Janzen, Caldwell KS - is suspended from the Judging Program for three (3) years effective February 7,2022. In addition, Steve McCullough and Jeff Janzen to jointly and severally be responsible for the restitution of \$19,852.73 plus February legal fees/invoices incurred by CFA, payable within 30 days from notice of the final CFA Board decision, and if not paid within 30 days each party be suspended from all CFA services until the entire sum is paid in full.

## 22-001 CFA v. McCullough, Steve

Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4 Violation of CFA Board of Directors Code of Ethics Steve McCullough, Caldwell KS - is no longer in "good standing" with CFA and, therefore, is not eligible to run for or be appointed to any CFA office for eight (8) years effective February 7, 2022. In addition, Steve McCullough and Jeff Janzen to jointly and severally be responsible for the restitution of \$19,852.73 plus February 2022 legal fees/invoices incurred by CFA, payable within 30 days from notice of the final CFA Board decision, and if not paid within 30 days each party will be suspended from all CFA services until the entire sum is paid in full.