

**CFA ANNUAL AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS**  
**JUNE 22-25, 2023**

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**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at the JW Marriott Tucson Star Pass Resort and Spa, Tucson, Arizona. **President Richard Mastin** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Mountain Standard Time with the following members found to be present following a roll call by **Secretary Rachel Anger**:

**Mr. Richard Mastin (President)**  
**Mr. Russell Webb (Vice-President)**  
**Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**  
**Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)**  
**Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)**  
**Mrs. Pam Moser (NWR Director)**  
**Ms. Paula Noble (GSR Director)**  
**Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)**  
**Mr. Michael Shelton (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**  
**Kristi Wollam, Assistant Director**  
**James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst**  
**Matthew Wong, ID Representative**

**Absent:**

**Eva Chen, ID-China Representative**

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

**(1) MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.**

<b>CFA ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA</b>			
<b>June 22-25, 2023</b>			
<b>All Times in Mountain Standard Time</b>			
<b>Thursday, June 22, 2023 • Board of Directors Meeting</b>			
9:00 a.m.	1.	Meeting Called to Order/Approve Orders of the Day	Mastin
9:05 a.m.	2.	Appoint Inspectors of Election/Credentials Committee	Dodds
<b>Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees</b>			
9:10 a.m.	3.	Minutes (corrections/additions); Ratification of Online Motions	Anger
9:15 a.m.	4.	Judging Program	Anger
10:15 a.m.		BREAK	
10:30 a.m.	5.	Protests	Eigenhauser
10:35 a.m.	6.	Central Office Operations	Tartaglia
10:45 a.m.	7.	IT Report	Simbro
10:50 a.m.	8.	Breeds and Standards	Wilson
10:55 a.m.	9.	Breeder Education Committee	C. Altschul
11:00 a.m.	10.	Club Applications	Krzanowski
11:30 a.m.	11.	Treasurer's Report	Calhoun
11:40 a.m.	12.	International Division	Calhoun
11:50 a.m.	13.	World Cat Congress	Calhoun
12:00 p.m.		LUNCH BREAK	
1:00 p.m.	14.	Show Rules	E. Raymond
1:30 p.m.	15.	Show Promotion Committee	Dunham
1:35 p.m.	16.	Animal Welfare Committee	DelaBar
1:40 p.m.	17.	CFA Legislative Committee	Eigenhauser
1:50 p.m.	18.	EveryCat Health Foundation	Eigenhauser
1:55 p.m.	19.	Experimental Format Report	Roy
2:00 p.m.		BREAK	
<b>Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees</b>			
2:15 p.m.	20.	Special Investigation Committee	Shelton
2:20 p.m.	21.	Abusive Conduct Prevention Policy	Mastin/Perkins
<b>Unfinished Business and General Orders</b>			
2:40 p.m.	23.	Unfinished Business	
2:45 p.m.	24.	Other Committees	
2:50 p.m.	25.	New Business	
3:00 p.m.		ADJOURN OPEN SESSION	Mastin
<b>Friday, June 23, 2023 • Annual Meeting</b>			
9:00 a.m.	32.	Call Meeting to Order & President's Welcome	Mastin
9:05 a.m.	33.	Souhwest Region Welcome	Shelton
9:10 a.m.	34.	Declare the Determination of a Quorum	Mastin
9:12 a.m.	35.	Appoint Parliamentarian for the Annual Meeting	Mastin
9:15 a.m.	36.	Special Rules of Parliamentary Procedure	Perkins
9:20 a.m.	37.	Approve Minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting	Mastin
9:25 a.m.	38.	Proposed Amendments to the CFA Bylaws	Mastin

10:00 a.m.	39.	Board Member Service Awards	Mastin
10:15 a.m.	40.	Treasurer's Report	Calhoun
10:25 a.m.		BREAK	
10:40 a.m.	41.	Marketing Report	Bobby
10:50 a.m.	42.	EveryCat Health Foundation	Fisher
11:00 a.m.	43.	Pre-Noticed Resolutions	Mastin
12:30 p.m.		LUNCH	
1:45 p.m.	44.	Judging Program Report	Morgan
1:55 p.m.	45.	Judging Program Service Awards	Morgan
2:10 p.m.	46.	Judges' Association Spotlight Award	Bennett
2:20 p.m.	47.	CFA Foundation	L. Shelton
2:30 p.m.		BREAK	
2:55 p.m.	48.	Credentials Committee Service Awards	Mastin
3:00 p.m.	49.	Credentials Committee Report and Election Results	Dodds
3:20 p.m.	50.	Clerk Service Awards	B. Colilla
3:25 p.m.	51.	International Division Report	Calhoun
3:35 p.m.	52.	Cattery of Distinction Awards	Mastin
3:45 p.m.	53.	Star Awards	Dunham
4:05 p.m.	54.	Resolutions from the Floor	Mastin
5:00 p.m.		ADJOURN • Annual Meeting Closes	
<b>Saturday, June 24, 2023</b>			
9:00 a.m.	55.	CFA Board of Directors Meeting with the International Division	Calhoun
10:30 a.m.	56.	CFA Board of Directors Meeting with Breed Council Secretaries	Wilson
12:00 p.m.		ADJOURN	
<b>Sunday, June 25, 2023 • Board of Directors Meeting</b>			
9:00 a.m.	57.	Call Meeting to Order	Mastin
9:05 a.m.	58.	Appoint CFA Legal Counsel and Parliamentarian	Mastin
9:10 a.m.	59.	Taking of Board of Directors' Oath	Perkins
9:15 a.m.	60.	Distribution and Signing of Board-Required Documents	Perkins
9:20 a.m.	61.	Verbal Report of Conflicts of Interest	Perkins
9:25 a.m.	62.	Ratification of Committee Appointments	Mastin
9:45 a.m.	63.	New Business/Old Business	
10:15 a.m.	64.	Board Meeting Schedule	Anger
11:00 a.m.		ADJOURN	

**Mastin:** Good morning everyone. Madame Secretary, will you please do the roll call?  
**Anger:** I will. **[Secretary's Note:** Secretary Rachel Anger called the roll, as reflected above.] Is there anyone whose name I have not called? I believe we have a quorum in attendance. I will turn it back to you, Mr. President. **Mastin:** Thank you Rachel. The meeting is now called to order. I have an announcement before we begin. It says, *At the beginning of the meeting, ask board members to fill out and give delegate check-in form to Shelly B.* So, if you haven't done that, please give your delegate form to Shelly. That takes care of that.

**Mastin:** Next, we have to approve the Orders of the Day. **Calhoun:** [inaudible]. **Mastin:** Would you like to do that? OK, let's do that. **Calhoun:** To the board members, we realize that

this hotel is fabulous and lovely. It's somewhat isolated and the price of meals are a little bit on the high side. We got a great room rate and the hotel is very, very accommodating. In consideration of the per diem, in the past we had a \$75 per day per diem. We don't feel that that's probably adequate in this hotel and people really don't have the option of going to other restaurants, so what we would like to do is, keep in mind that we want to be reasonable. I know this board very well and how you are very reasonable with meals, so there is no cap on your meal per diem – no per diem for this event – but please use your judgment. **Mastin:** Kathy, thank you. OK, let's do the Approve the Orders of the Day. I understand we have some items that need to be added and/or moved to executive session. Rachel? **Anger:** Item #22 regarding Registration Issue has been moved to the end of executive session, so it will be heard after the Protest Committee report. If you're looking at an older agenda, the published agenda was correct which was published on the CFA website. We also have three motions for New Business – a motion from Mr. Hannon regarding clerk awards; a motion from Ms. Calhoun regarding Borneo Cat Fanciers; and a motion from Mr. Colilla regarding Golden Triangle in-conjunction show with the CCA. **Eigenhauser:** What was the second item? Could you repeat that? **Anger:** Kathy Calhoun's motion regarding Borneo Cat Fanciers. It's just a change of format request. **Mastin:** Those are New Business items? **Anger:** The first of which was pre-noticed, the clerk awards. **Mastin:** On the new agenda, do we have item #21 in executive session? I'm sorry, not 21. **Anger:** #22 it was. **Mastin:** #22, that's correct. **Anger:** Yes. That's the one I mentioned would come after Protests. **DelaBar:** When do you want me to address that one portion of – **Mastin:** Why don't we do that now, Pam? **DelaBar:** One portion of the Animal Welfare Committee report that would be going into executive session as it talks about a specific case and it's appropriate for that discussion to be in executive session. What I would like to do is just take the first part of the Animal Welfare report and address that in open session, which is a plea for money, and take the rest of it into executive session. **Mastin:** OK. Then item #21 says Harassment Policy. When we get to it, it's "Abusive Conduct Prevention Policy". Those are the same. We're not moving it; it's just noted that the name on the agenda. Any other additions or changes? May I have a motion? **Eigenhauser:** I move we approve the agenda, as amended. **Currle:** Second. **Mastin:** George made the motion, Kenny seconded. Thank you. Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** The amended Orders of the Day are approved, thank you.

### **Board Member Service Awards**

#### **5 Years**

Kenny Currle  
Melanie Morgan  
Michael Shelton

#### **10 Years**

Rich Mastin

**Hannon:** In the committee reports that we received, there are listed service awards for board members. Did you skip over that? **Anger:** I just include it as a courtesy. **Hannon:** It's not

for action we're going to discuss here? **Anger:** No, it's just there for promotion of our wonderful board members. They will be presented at the delegate meeting on Friday.

**(2) APPOINT INSPECTORS OF ELECTION/CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** *Nancy Dodds*  
**Board Liaison:** *Rachel Anger*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Region 1 Marilyn Conde*  
*Region 2 Kendall Smith*  
*Region 3 Cheryl Peck*  
*Region 4 Martha Auspitz*  
*Region 5 Hilary Helmrigh*  
*Region 6 Nancy Petersen*  
*Region 7 Donna Andrews*  
*Alternate: Betty Bridges*  
*Alternate: Erin Cutchen*

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

*Identify and organize reduced number of committee members to support verification of clubs, delegates and voting at the Annual Meeting.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Prior to coming to the Annual the Committee Chair will confirm the number of votes cast and delegates named with Central Office staff - A. Tartaglia. The committee plans on meeting on Thursday beginning at 9:30 a.m. where we verify the delegate numbers and hear any challenges to them. We will review the total number of clubs, starting with the final numbers from 2022, adding new clubs, subtracting dropped and resigned clubs and we will match the number recorded by Central Office. We will confirm the quorum numbers. We will review how we will function at the meeting.*

*Friday morning, we will verify with Allene and I and we will briefly meet with Shelly Perkins to confirm the quorum numbers. As we did last year, we will sit at the front ready to assist, if needed during the voting.*

*At the lunch break, we will meet and verify the ballots. We will open any ballots received by mail. We will add those numbers to the numbers submitted by Central Office. As in the past we do not simply look at the numbers. The final verification will ensure that the total number of votes cast matches with the number that should have been cast.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The committee will review and discuss any items brought before the committee by clubs and/or Central Office.*

**Board Action Item:**

*Approve the list of committee members for participation in the June 22-25, 2023 Annual Meeting.*

*Committee Chair: Nancy Dodds*

*Region 1: Marilyn Conde*  
*Region 2: Kendall Smith*  
*Region 3: Cheryl Peck*  
*Region 4: Martha Auspitz*  
*Region 5: Hilary Helmrich*  
*Region 6: Nancy Petersen*  
*Region 7: Donna Andrews*

*Alternate: Betty Bridges*  
*Alternate: Erin Cutchen*

*Central Office Liaison: Amber Goodright*

**Mastin:** The next item on the agenda is Appoint Inspectors of the Election from the Credentials Committee. Nancy Dodds, would you please come up? **Dodds:** Thank you. I have no change to the members of the Committee and I believe you were all pre-noticed on who they would be. I'm here to ask for approval of the committee members. **Mastin:** Rachel, will you make the motion? **Anger:** So moved. **Eigenhauser:** I'll second. **Mastin:** Thank you. Rachel made the motion, George seconded. Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Nancy, do you have anything else? **Dodds:** Not at this time. I'll let you know the results of the election in plenty of time. **Mastin:** Nancy, thank you for all you and your Committee do. We look forward to tomorrow's results. Let us know if you need something. Thank you.

**Time Frame:**

*We request that this list of Committee members be reviewed and approved as the first item on the agenda for Thursday.*

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

*At the next meeting we will provide a complete report of the happenings of the committee that occurred at the Annual Meeting.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*Nancy Dodds, Chair*



## Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

### (3) SECRETARY'S REPORT: ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES; RATIFICATION OF ON-LINE MOTIONS

**Mastin:** Next item, Rachel? **Anger:** Is the Secretary's Report. There are no additions or corrections to the minutes that have been submitted.

(a) Additions/Corrections to the Minutes.

None

(b) Ratification of February 4/5, 2023 Zoom Video Conference Board Meeting Minutes.

**Action Item:** Approve the February 4/5, 2023 Zoom video conference board meeting minutes, as published.

**Anger:** I would like to move to approve the February 4/5, 2023 Zoom video conference board meeting minutes, as published. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds. **Mastin:** I have Carol's second. Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

(c) Ratification of Online Motions.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
MOTIONS THAT REQUIRE RATIFICATION			
1.	Executive Committee 04.04.23	For the Japan Region’s 6 AB awards show April 22, 2023 in Tokyo, Japan (Region 8), grant an exception to Show Rule 5.01.m. and increase the entry limit from 150 to 175. The club will issue a new flyer, publicize the change and send notifications to all entered exhibitors and judges.	Motion Carried (subject to ratification).
No discussion.			
4.	Executive Committee 04.12.23	Grant an exception to Show Rule 4.04 and allow the Khao Manee Cat Club to change their licensed show format from 4 AB/2 SSP CH; 1 AB/5 SSP K&P to 4 AB/1 LH-SH/1 SSP CH; 1 AB/1 LH-SH/4 SSP K&P for its April 15/16, 2023 show in Orange, France.	Motion Carried (subject to ratification).
5.		Provide the Khao Manee Cat Club with their show sponsorship in advance of the show, consisting of \$1000 regular sponsorship, \$700 for an out of region CFA judge, and the in-conjunction sponsorship of \$1000.	Motion Failed.
Hannon: I do not understand why we should make an exception to provide CFA sponsorship funding in advance of the show. Our policy is to provide the funding after the show. The Background does not provide a reason for this part of the request. Lots of clubs would like the money in advance and we open the door to such requests if we approve			

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
<p>this one without a good rationale. <b>Anger:</b> If we give money to this club before the show, they will expect it for every show. I'm not supporting Motion #2. <b>Webb:</b> I agree with Mark funding should be after the show. If the club gives a valid reason for needing the funding before the show I might consider it. <b>Mastin:</b> CFA for the past 10 plus years or so has provided show sponsorship funding to 100's clubs. The different sponsorship funding has been done by asking and expecting clubs to follow the requirements within the programs. IMO, allowing an exception on one of the most important requirements of the program to one club with or without good rationale is not a good decision. This is a very bad precedent, if approved that will likely be asked in the future by others. And it sounds like there may be bad history with one of the key past/present participants of the club. Clubs committing to hosting shows should be financially sound without asking CFA for sponsorship funding up front. Maybe the club has other alternatives to borrowing funds. Maybe the club can ask their Regional Director if the Region is willing to assist in their request. I will not support Motion 2, my vote is no.</p>			
6.	Executive Committee 04.20.23	Grant an exception to Show Rule 2.03 to implement bay check-in where a breed has more than 39 entries in all shows in China licensed April 22-23 and April 29-30 in China.	<b>Motion Carried</b> (subject to ratification).
7.		Grant an exception to Show Rule 10.22.b. to provide that all shows in China conduct bay check-in if the show is licensed April 22-23 or April 29-30 and the number of cats in a breed exceeds 39.	<b>Motion Carried</b> (subject to ratification).
<p><b>Anger:</b> I support this recommendation from the ID Committee. <b>Hannon:</b> Did something happen last week to cause this motion? <b>Calhoun:</b> The ID Committee is concerned with point manipulation occurring in the last three weeks of the season. These measures are proactively being put in place to address these concerns.</p>			
8.	Executive Committee 04.25.23	For its 2 AB/3 SSP show in Hong Kong on April 30, 2023 (ID-Other), grant the Universal Feline Fanciers an exception to Show Rule 5.01.m. and allow them to increase their entry limit from 150 to 165. The club will issue a new flyer, publicize the change and send notifications to all entered exhibitors, the judges and the ID Representative.	<b>Motion Carried</b> (subject to ratification).
No discussion.			
9.	Executive Committee 04.27.23	Grant an exception to Show Rule 2.03 to implement bay check-in in Indonesia the weekend of April 29, 2023.	<b>Motion Carried</b> (subject to ratification).
10.		Grant an exception to Show Rule 2.03 to implement bay check-in where a breed has more entries than the total number of judging cages to be used in the smallest judging ring at that show (12 or 16).	<b>Motion Carried</b> (subject to ratification).
No discussion.			
11.	Executive Committee 05.09.23	For the United Feline Odyssey's May 13/14, 2023 shows in Hong Kong, grant an exception to Show Rule 4.04 to allow a change the show format from 5AB each to 3AB+2SSP each.	<b>Motion Carried</b> (subject to ratification).
<p><b>Mastin:</b> Is the ID Committee in approval of the change? <b>Hannon:</b> I am waiting for an answer to Rich's question. Does the ID Committee support this change? <b>Mastin:</b> Kathy, does your committee approve the request? <b>Calhoun:</b> Yes, the ID Committee supports the change.</p>			
12.	Executive Committee	For its June 3/4, 2023 show in Parkville MD (Region 7), grant the Colonial Annapolis club an exception to Show Rule 4.06	<b>Motion Failed.</b> Hannon voting no.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
	05.11.23	and allow them to include one OCP ring each day.	Anger abstained.
<p><b>Hannon:</b> As I have stated before, this is an experimental format. That required written reports to the board on the clubs' experience. The format was originally proposed to be used at the 2022 CFA International Cat Show in hopes it would encourage more OCP entries. We would bring in additional judges just for the OCP rings. Unfortunately, that show was cancelled due to the impact Covid would have on the show. The board voted to permit the 2022 Regional awards shows to have the option of including OCP rings with additional judges. The Southern Region was the only show to take advantage of this offer. Since then we have had numerous shows request OCP rings and most, if not all, used existing judges who simply handed out more champion and premier awards. I do not recall seeing any written reports from shows using OCP rings. I mentioned this at a board meeting and Sharon Roy, chair of experimental formats, told us she would remind clubs that it is a requirement. Nada. The Colonial Annapolis show is another Dave Peet production in suburban Baltimore. He has already used this format, twice I believe. We previously turned down a request from Crab &amp; Mallet to have OCP rings based on it being in a Baltimore suburb where we have had several. I see no reason to grant another Dave Peet show approval to use this format when we turned down a club that is not one of Dave's. What message does that send to Crab &amp; Mallet? That we are only going to allow Dave's clubs to use the format in the Baltimore area? Another consideration is that Colonial Annapolis will be the only CFA show in North America that weekend. Yes, exhibitors are positive in their approval of free grand points. I pointed out on Facebook that if we are going to be using lots of OCP rings then we will need to increase the number of points required to grand. No surprise that was not well received. Online votes require unanimous support. I will not support this request.</p>			

**Action Item:** Ratify online motions 1, 4, and 6-11, as published.

**Anger:** Next are the ratifications of the online motions, several of which were in executive session, so what was published is numerically out of order because those were not included. I would like to ratify the motions that carried, which are online motions 1, 4 and 6 through 11, as published. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Mastin:** Thank you George. Anybody have any questions or comments? Rachel, any other questions or comments? **Anger:** None that I have. **Mastin:** Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Anger:** Great. Thank you everyone.

(4) **JUDGING PROGRAM.**

*Executive Committee*

*Chair: Melanie Morgan*  
*Vice Chair: Vicki Nye*  
*Advisor/Coordinator: Rachel Anger*

*List of Committee Members:*

<i>Rachel Anger:</i>	<i>Associate Program Applications Administrator</i>
<i>Loretta Baugh:</i>	<i>Education and Mentoring Administrator</i>
<i>Nancy Dodds:</i>	<i>File Administrator</i>
<i>Marilee Griswold:</i>	<i>File Administrator</i>
<i>Kathi Hoos:</i>	<i>Applications Administrator</i>
<i>Barbara Jaeger:</i>	<i>Education – Breed Awareness &amp; Orientation</i>
<i>Anne Mathis:</i>	<i>Associate Program Training Administrator, Education – Judges’ training/tests &amp; Continuing Education</i>
<i>Vicki Nye:</i>	<i>Guest Judges, Statistics, Records</i>
<i>Teresa Sweeney:</i>	<i>Recruitment &amp; Development Administrator</i>
<i>Diana Rothermel:</i>	<i>Ombudsperson</i>
<i>Sharon Roy:</i>	<i>Experimental Formats</i>

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

*The entire committee met June 13 to review upcoming applications, advancements and preparations for this meeting.*

**Mastin:** Melanie, Judging Program. **Morgan:** There are no action items on this current business report. In addition to the regular report, I have included a summary of items that we have accomplished and worked on for the last 11 months. We worked really, really hard on changing the focus of the Judging Program from testing to training. We tried to build in flexibility at all levels. The focus is on support and training, and it’s really starting to pay off. We currently have more people actively working on their applications than I personally have ever heard of, and I’m looking forward to new, young, talented and creative ideas in the future. None of that would have been possible without the hard work not only of the entire Judging Program Committee, but every subcommittee member and the support of all of you here on the board. I would like to take a minute to thank all of the members of the Judging Program Committee, the subcommittees, Central Office staff and all of you. I don’t think any of you want me to read the entire list of things that we have accomplished. It’s quite extensive, but it’s here in the minutes and I am happy to answer any questions you might have about any items in the first report for review. **Mastin:** Does anyone have any questions or comments? **Anger:** Just, what are we going to do with the other 44 minutes that we have? **Morgan:** I wanted you to know how succinct I was. That’s all I have.

**Current Happenings Of Committee:**

***Service Awards***

***5 Years***

*Bethany Colilla  
Pam DeGolyer  
Emiko Misugi*

***10 Years***

*Irina Kharchenko*

***15 Years***

*Cathy Dinesen  
Jim Dinesen  
Anne Mathis  
Lorraine Rivard*

***20 Years***

*Iris Zinck*

***25 Years***

*Edward Maeda*

***30 years***

*Kayoko Koizumi*

***35 Years***

*Victoria Nye*

***40 Years***

*Yukiko Hayata*

**Notice of retired judges now deceased:**

*The Judging Program was saddened to learn that Joan Miller – Judge Emeritus and CFA Medal of Honor recipient (retired 1/29/2016), passed away May 16, 2023.*

*Copied with permission from Karen Lawrence*

*I don't even know where to start .... Joan's contributions to the cat fancy have been so numerous, and we all have so much to thank her for. From her devotion to the breeding of Abyssinians, producing many National Winners, to her successful steerage of the Winn Foundation as its President, to her amazing work with CFA's Legislative Committee, to her education program at shelters to correctly identify breeds, colors and patterns, to her work as chair of CFAs Outreach and Education Committee. to her wonderful career as a CFA judge .... so much devotion to cats and their welfare! I was privileged to call Joan a friend, and to work with her developing the Cats Centerstage web site. Our dinners whenever I visited San Diego are fond memories. CFA recognized Joan for her service to CFA with the Medal of Honor in 2010. Parkinson's was a cruel twist of fate for this vibrant woman. Having your body fail you when your mind remained so brilliant had to be so very frustrating. So, raising a glass to you, Joan Miller, for your wonderful life. Rest in peace, dear friend.*

*This is the most complete list of accomplishments that Karen Lawrence was able to locate on Joan Miller:*

<https://goodnewsforpets.com/joan-miller-cat-fanciers-association-and-related-activities/>

**Leave of Absence:**

*CFA Allbreed Judge Liz Watson requested a 6 month Leave of Absence on January 6, 2023 to extend through July 6, 2023.*

*CFA Allbreed Judge Kenny Currle requested a 30 day Leave of Absence on April 24, 2023 and on May 6, 2023 requested this be extended to August 1, 2023.*

*CFA Associate Judge Trainee, T3 Region 9, Giulia DiNatale tendered her resignation letter from the Associate Judging Program March 13, 2023.*

**Retirements/Resignations:**

*None.*

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

**Advance to Apprentice:**

<i>Lyn Knight</i>	<i>(SH – 2<sup>nd</sup> Specialty)</i>	<i>18 yes</i>
<i>Chate Ruengruglikit</i>	<i>(LH – 1st Specialty)</i>	<i>18 yes</i>
<i>Pattama Weeranon</i>	<i>(LH – 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty)</i>	<i>18 yes</i>

**Advance to Approval Pending Specialty:**

<i>Oscar Silva Sanchez</i>	<i>(Longhair – 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty)</i>	<i>18 yes</i>
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**Elevation to Emeritus Status:**

<i>Ellyn Honey (1999)</i>	<i>Vote sealed</i>
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**Guest Judging Report:**

**CFA Judges to Judge non-CFA Assignments:**

<b><i>Judge</i></b>	<b><i>Assn</i></b>	<b><i>Sponsor</i></b>	<b><i>City/Country</i></b>	<b><i>Date</i></b>
<i>Chung, Chloe</i>	<i>BSH Seminar</i>	<i>Tan Malala CF</i>	<i>Jakarta, Indonesia</i>	<i>04/29/23</i>
<i>Chung, Chloe</i>	<i>Seminar</i>	<i>Shanghai TOPS EXPO</i>	<i>Shanghai, China</i>	<i>05/05/23</i>
<i>Cheng, Amanda</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Elcats</i>	<i>Chengdu, Chin</i>	<i>05/13/23</i>
<i>Chung, Chloe</i>	<i>Clerking School</i>	<i>Borneo Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Tangerang, Indonesia</i>	<i>06/02/23</i>
<i>Veach, Gary</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>Borneo CF/Candy Pet</i>	<i>Jakarta, Indonesia</i>	<i>06/04/23</i>
<i>Webb, Russell</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>Borneo CF/Candy Pets</i>	<i>Jakarta, Indonesia</i>	<i>06/04/23</i>
<i>Chung, Chloe</i>	<i>Clerking School</i>	<i>Malaysia Cat Fanciers Club</i>	<i>Malacca, Malaysia</i>	<i>07/17/23</i>
<i>Chung, Chloe</i>	<i>BSH Seminar</i>	<i>Malaysia Cat Fanciers Club</i>	<i>Malacca, Malaysia</i>	<i>07/18/23</i>
<i>Colilla, John</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>Superior Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia</i>	<i>07/23/23</i>
<i>Gradowski, Chuck</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>National Cat Club</i>	<i>Peterborough, Ont. CN</i>	<i>9/10/23</i>
<i>Zinck, Iris</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>Ottawa Valley Cat Club</i>	<i>Ottawa, Canada</i>	<i>09/23/23</i>
<i>Rivard, Lorraine</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>Ottawa Valley CC</i>	<i>Ottawa, Canada</i>	<i>09/24/23</i>
<i>Calhoun, Kathy</i>	<i>Felidae e.v.</i>	<i>World Cat Show</i>	<i>Stuttgart, Germany</i>	<i>11/22/23</i>
<i>DelaBar, Pam</i>	<i>Felidae e.v.</i>	<i>World Cat Show</i>	<i>Stuttgart, Germany</i>	<i>11/22/23</i>
<i>Griswold, Marilee</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>National Cat Club</i>	<i>Kingston, Ont, Canada</i>	<i>9/24/24</i>

**CFA Club Requests to use a Guest Judge:**

<b>Judge</b>	<b>Assn</b>	<b>CFA Show</b>	<b>City/Country</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Date Approved or Tier 1 Guest Judge</b>
Ling, Christine	CCA	Jiang Nan CF	Nanjing, China	4/8/23	Approved GJ
Podprugina, Elena	RUI	Last Chance Int.	Chengdu, China	4/8/23	Approved GJ
Ling, Christine	CCA	Polaris	Changsha, China	4/15/23	Approved GJ
Podprugina, Elena	RUI	Mountain City CC	Chongqing, China	4/22/23	Approved GJ
Merritt, Chris	CCCA	Beyond Love FF	China	4/23/23	Approved GJ
Ling, Christine	CCA	Dragon King FF	Shenzhen, China	5/2/23	Approved GJ
Hamalainen, Satu	FiFe	Thai Smile Cat Club	Bangkok, Thailand	6/10/23	Approved GJ
Hamalainen, Satu	FiFe	Cincinnati Cat Club	Cincinnati, OH	11/25/23	Approved GJ

**2022-2023 Season Guest Judging**

<b>Guest Judge Name</b>	<b># Shows</b>
Balciuniene, Inga	3
Christison, Janis	3
Counasse, Daniel	3
Davies, Allan	kn6
DePlessis, Kai	1
Hamalainen, Satu	3
LaRocca, Barbara	2
Merritt, Chris	5
Nuke, Aija	1
Elena Podprugina	3

**Associate Program update:**

*All associate judge paperwork is currently reviewed by Liz Watson. Issues are brought to the attention of the individual judges. Assignments, paperwork summaries and evaluations are being tracked via spreadsheet.*

**Status of T3 program:**

*Since the advancement of the Hong Kong and European Associates, these Associates have begun judging shows.*

*Associate trainees that were not advanced continue to work toward advancement.*

## **Education and Recruitment:**

### ***Breed Awareness and Orientation School 2022-2023***

*We have held two On-line BAOS classes during the past year. The most recent school was held May 19-21, 2023. There were 22 registrations and 16 Attendees who completed the class and received a Certificate of Attendance. Two of the registered attendees ended up in the hospital and will be allowed to take the class in the future when they are healthy.*

### **Upcoming Schools:**

*In person BAOS in conjunction with ID Other Awards show Hong Kong in August 2023*

*In person BAOS in conjunction with the CFA International Show October 2023*

*In person BAOS in Europe Spring 2024*

### **Continuing Education:**

#### ***Judges' Workshop:***

*Plans are underway for the Judge's Workshop to be presented at the CFA Annual in Tucson in June. Presentations by Allene Tartaglia, Kathy Calhoun, Vicki Nye, and Iris Zinck will be given. Our breeds to be presented this year are the Lykoi and the Maine Coon Cat. These will be presented via the Zoom platform online later in the summer. Judges will earn 2 CEUs for the workshop, and 1 CEU for each of the breed presentations. Judges need to complete a minimum of 12 CEUs in each 5 year period. For most judges, the report card showing their CEUs is due in 2024.*

### **Judging Program Rule Updates:**

*At our last meeting we approved several housekeeping items that clarified issues that had been identified by our applications administrator. Section 8.2 f-h were inadvertently left out. These changes clarify where and with who trainees can have color classes and specifically add in option of using judges from Region 9.*

***Motion:*** *Adopt the following Judging Program rule change in purple effective immediately.*

**Eigenhauser:** There is an action item. **Mastin:** You have a motion. **Morgan:** Where? **Eigenhauser:** On the bottom of page 15, top of page 16 of the compiled reports. 8.2 Breed/ Division Color Class Evaluations, f., g. and h. **Morgan:** Oh, you're right, you're right. I'm so sorry. I messed up. What we have here is, at our last meeting we approved several housekeeping items that clarified issues that were identified by Kathi Hoos, our Applications Administrator. A word of support for her – the woman has been an amazing talent and so good at keeping us on track. So, she has been contacted by a lot of applicants with issues as we have made these housekeeping adjustments. What got pointed out at our last meeting was that Section 8.2.f. and h. were inadvertently left out. So, the changes there clarify where and when and who trainees can have color classes with, and specifically adding the option of using judges from Region 9. There



is zero reason that we shouldn't be including the incredible talent that we have in that region for our training opportunities, so the motion is [reads]. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds. **Morgan:** Thank you. **Mastin:** Does anybody have any questions or comments on 8.2.f., g. and h. that is proposed? **DelaBar:** Thank you Melanie. **Morgan:** You're welcome. **Mastin:** Alright, since nobody else has any questions, I have two questions, Melanie. **Morgan:** Yes, sir. **Mastin:** g. states *Trainees in the European Region may complete training sessions with judges from Regions 1-7 or 9. These sessions may be completed in Region 9 or Regions 1-7.* My question is, the other two – f. and h. – you state *a minimum of two sessions.* Here you don't state any minimum. Is there no requirement for that? **Morgan:** No requirement. **Mastin:** Thank you. My second question is h. In purple, it reads, *Trainees in the International Division-Asia/Latin America must complete at least 2 training sessions with judges from Regions 1-7 or 9. These sessions may be completed in Japan, Asia or Regions 1-7 or 9.* My question is, they may train with these judges in Japan, correct? **Morgan:** Correct. **Mastin:** OK, I just wanted clarification on that. Thank you. **Morgan:** You're welcome. **Mastin:** Does anybody else have any questions or comments? Any objections to 8.2. f., g. and h. in purple? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Morgan:** Now I'm done. **Mastin:** Thank you to you and your Committee. Great job. **Morgan:** We're ahead of schedule. **Mastin:** Holy cow. This is fantastic.

## **8.2 Breed/Division Color Class Evaluations**

**f.** *Trainees in Japan must complete a minimum of two (2) sessions working with judges from Regions 1-7 or 9. These two (2) sessions may be completed in Regions 1-7, 9 or Japan or, with the approval of the JPC, in the Asian countries of the International Division.*

**g.** *Trainees in the European Region may complete training sessions with judges from Regions 1-7 or 9. These sessions may be completed in Region 9 or Regions 1-7.*

**h.** *Trainees in the International Division-Asia/Latin America must complete at least 2 training sessions with judges from Regions 1-7 or 9. These sessions may be completed in Japan, Asia or Regions 1-7 or 9. If these sessions are completed in Regions 1-7, they may be held a week apart to minimize expenses. It is highly suggested that the last supervised and the first solo sessions be completed with judges from Regions 1-7 or 9.*

### **Brief review of Judging Program for 2022-2023 season:**

*The 2022-2023 season shows a continued decline in numbers of our CFA judging panel. Our current worldwide CFA Judges list consists of 96 judges of various status. Our Associate Judging Panel currently lists 51 single specialty judges, 5 of which hold some type of status (trainee or single specialty) in CFA's regular Judging Program.*

### **REGULAR JUDGING PROGRAM**

<b>US - R 1-7</b>	<b>Japan - R 8</b>	<b>Region 9</b>	<b>China</b>	<b>ID</b>
62	14	10	4	6 (3HK, 3 THI)

***ASSOCIATE JUDGING PROGRAM (all single specialty)***

<i>China</i>	<i>MLY-SIN-THI-INDO</i>	<i>Europe</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>South Korea</i>
<i>21 *</i>	<i>15**</i>	<i>5***</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>1</i>

*\*Includes 2 Associate Judges who are also in the Regular Judging Program. 1 AP SH, 1 LH TR*

*\*\*Includes 2 Associate Judges who are also in the Regular Judging Program 2 Trainees.*

*\*\*\*Includes 1 Associate Judge who is also in the Regular Judging Program APT LH.*

***Changes in status for our judges 2022-2023 season:***

***2 Deaths Active Judges:***

*Teruko Arai  
Douglas Myers*

***5 Deaths Retired Judges:***

*Vicki Abelson  
Betty Denny  
Edna Field  
Roger Lawrence  
Sharon McKeehen Bounds  
Joan Miller*

***6 Retirements:***

*Gene Darrah  
Wain Harding  
Donna Fuller  
Ellyn Honey  
Sheila Mizzi*

***1 Resignation:***

*Rod U'Ren*

***4 Associate Judge Resignations:***

*Johan Arief  
Giulia DiNatale  
Fadly Fuad  
Mia Johan*

*CFA's judging panel currently available to judge is further reduced, as two Allbreed Judges are out on Medical Leave of Absence:*

*Kenny Currle through 8/1/2023  
Liz Watson through 7/6/2023*

*During the 2022-2023 season the following judges were out on Leave of Absence, and subsequently either returned to judging or retired:*

*Gene Darrah: LOA 8/1/21 through 7/31/22, retired 1/1/2023  
Wain Harding: LOA 8/20/21 through 8/31/22, retired 6/8/2022  
Donna Fuller: LOA 12/1/21 through 11/30/22, retired 9/8/2022  
Pam Moser: LOA 1/13/22 through 8/31/22  
Irina Kharchenko: LOA 2/1/22 through 6/30/22  
Jeri Zottoli: LOA 4/1/22 through 6/30/22  
Douglas Myers: LOA 8/1/2022 through 4/30/23, deceased 6/24/2023  
Liz Watson: LOA 1/6/2023-7/6/2023  
Kenny Currle: LOA 4/24/2023-8/1/2023*

*Judge Emeritus:*

*Gene Darrah  
Donna Fuller  
Wain Harding*

*Additions to the program:*

*Chate Ruengruglikit LH 1<sup>st</sup> SP (Oct 2022)  
Pattama Weeranon LH 1<sup>st</sup> SP (Oct 2022)  
Lyn Knight – SH 2<sup>nd</sup> SP (Oct 2022)  
Olga Grebneva Approved guest judge transfer – APP AB  
Olga Korotonozhkina Approved guest judge transfer APP AB*

*Additions to the Associate program:*

<i>Marika Lahti LH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Cristiano Perillo- Marcone LH</i>	<i>Accepted and training</i>
<i>Ulrike Knuepple</i>	<i>Accepted and training</i>
<i>Tuija Aaltonen SH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Oscar Silva Sanchez SH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Patrick Au Siu Wai LH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Grace Cheung LH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Alex Luk Chun Lap LH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Pak Hei Leung LH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Russell Law LH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Chrissie Chan SH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Phebe Low SH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Sarah Sau Wah NG SH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Andy Yeung SH</i>	<i>Accepted and approved</i>
<i>Eugene Jeong SH</i>	<i>Accepted and training</i>

Advancements:

*August 2022 Laura Gregory LH 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty to Approval Pending LH  
October 2022 Mie Takahashi SH 2nd Specialty advance to apprentice  
October 2022 Pam DeGolyer SH 2nd Specialty, advance to approved SH, APP AB  
October 2022 Jennifer Reding LH 2nd Specialty, advance to approved LH, APP AB  
October 2022 Teo Vargas-Huesa advance to approved AB  
February 2023 Amanda Cheng advance to approved AB  
February 2023 Nadejda Rumyantseva advance to approved AB*

**Education and Recruitment:**

*Created new role on JPC designed to encourage applicants and cultivate new talent. This Recruitment administrator works directly with educations and mentors. We currently have 2 applications received, 12 additional individuals actively working on applications, 55 individuals identified as interested in the program.*

Mentor Program:

*Currently 22 mentors working with 37 individuals.  
Defined the role of mentor and developed guidelines now posted on CFA website.*

**Education:**

*Handling Schools*

*Created a handling school module designed to allow potential applicants the opportunity to work one on one with CFA AB judges and various breeds in a ring environment.*

*Created entry form, press releases and certificates of participation  
Garden State 2022  
Belgium 2022  
Spain 2022  
Belgium 2023*

*Handling workshop*

*Hong Kong Associate judges 2 times  
China*

**Continuing Education:**

*Judges' Workshops*

*American Curl  
Ragamuffin*

**BAOS:**

*Online Fall 2022 – 22 Participants from Spain, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Thailand, Japan, S Korea, India, USA*

*On line May 2023 16 participants from China, USA, S Korea, Japan, Italy, and Thailand*

**Judging Program guideline Revisions:**

*Introduced Exhibitor Module and adjusted Breeder requirements to alleviate confusion and mis-interpretation and provide a more flexible path for individuals interested in applying to the CFA Judging Program. Extensive revisions and additions to the JP Rules including but not limited to the following highlights:*

*Housekeeping changes throughout including updating the definitions sections and defining things like custodial care, breed focused experience, fun shows.*

*Policy changes designed to create more options for applicants using a menu system for things like Breed related experiences, clerking experience, club membership, breeding versus exhibiting, etc.*

*Additions – inserted the Associate Judging program and previously approved guest judging procedures into the Rules. Created exhibitor applicant guidelines, added new breed focused experience options.*

*Created procedures for applying to the regular program for associate judges.*

*Created a menu option for breed handling experiences.*

*Modified and defined four handling options*

*Complied more complete list of Definitions (Agenting, Custodial Care, Breed Focused Experience, Fun shows) Defined requirements for Apprentice and Approval Pending Judges advancement*

*Added Associate Program to JP Rules*

*Added requirements for Associates to apply to the Regular Program Integrated Guest Judge procedures into the Judging Program Rules*

*Clarified Invitations for guest judges*

**Administrative:**

*Created tracking system for Association Program*

*Created secure files for each judge, retired judge, guest judge and associate judge. The files contain guest judging requests, paperwork reviews, complaints, medical releases, LOA requests and correspondence.*

*Guest judge files populated with evaluations, approvals to guest judge, correspondence and reviewed paperwork.*

*Total Redesign of the Judges' Resource page implemented:*

*<https://cfa.org/judges-resources/>*

*Created and distributed a number of written procedures, guidelines and checklists for distribution and publication on the CFA website:*

***New Forms and procedures:***

*Information on becoming a judge: Thinking About Becoming a CFA Judge?*

*Instructions for agenting , updated Agenting form*

*Instructions for Custodial Care, up dated Custodial Care form*

*Instructions for Dual Cattery owners applying to Judging program*

*Instructions for Mentors of Applicants to Judging program*

*Instructions for Breed handling experience*

*Guidelines for Cattery owners being visited.*

*Instructions for application checklists*

*Checklists for:*

*Associate Judges applying to regular program*

*Regular Program applicants*

*Accelerated Applicants*

*New Scorecard form*

*In process of revising Application form and placing new Logos on all forms.*

***Associate Program:***

*Refined application process*

*Created criteria*

*Developed practical clerking test for applicants without a clerking license*

*Implemented procedures and guidelines to provide ongoing support, guidance and tracking.*

*Started review of all Associate judge paperwork*

*Created Associate judge tracker*

*Added listing of all Associate Judges to the CFA website*

***Guest Judge Report:***

*During the 2022-2023 show season 22 CFA clubs (0-US, 4-Region 9, 6-China and 6-International Division) were able to contract a total of 48 Guest Judges to support their show format. Of these 48 judging assignments, 42 were judged by Tier 1 Guest Judges. The remaining*

6 assignments required approval of the Guest Judge administrator, sometimes having to escalate the approval to our CFA Executive Committee due to not meeting the 60 day prenotice requirement per Show Rule 3.01c. The total number of Guest Judges contracted has declined from 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-2020 due in part to the utilization of CFA Associate Judges. Additionally, 3 judges who were Guest Judges from RUI have subsequently applied to, and been accepted as CFA Judges. Also, in Show Seasons 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-2020, there were many more shows in China, and these shows were heavily supported by Guest Judges.

<i>Judge</i>	<i>2017-2018</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>	<i>2020-2021</i>	<i>2021-2022</i>	<i>2022-2023</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Bajou, Florence</i>					<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>
<i>Balciuniene, Inga</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Belyaeva, Olga</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>					<i>3</i>
<i>Biadasz, Alicja</i>			<i>1</i>				<i>1</i>
<i>Borras, Eduard</i>	<i>1</i>						<i>1</i>
<i>Calmes, Fabrice</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>		<i>3</i>
<i>Christison, Janis</i>			<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Comte, Sylvie</i>			<i>1</i>				<i>1</i>
<i>Counasse, Daniel</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Davies, Allan</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>			<i>6</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Dentico, Olga Marie</i>					<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>
<i>Du Plessis, Kaai</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>10</i>			<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>Dubois, Francoise</i>					<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>
<i>Farrell, Terry</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>2</i>					<i>12</i>
<i>Gleason, Elaine</i>	<i>3</i>		<i>2</i>				<i>5</i>
<i>Gleason, Robert</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>1</i>					<i>6</i>
<i>Gnatkevitch, Elena</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>1</i>					<i>9</i>
<i>Grebneva, Olga</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>7</i>		<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>39</i>
<i>Gubenko, Dmitriy</i>	<i>5</i>						<i>5</i>
<i>Guseva, Irina</i>	<i>1</i>						<i>1</i>
<i>Hamalainen, Satu</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Hamilton, Denise</i>		<i>1</i>					<i>1</i>
<i>Hansson, John</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>					<i>2</i>
<i>Knapp, Clint</i>				<i>3</i>			<i>3</i>
<i>Knapp, Renee</i>				<i>2</i>			<i>2</i>
<i>Kolczynski, Kamil</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>		<i>4</i>
<i>Komissarova, Olga</i>	<i>1</i>			<i>1</i>			<i>2</i>
<i>Korotonozhkina, Olga</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>4</i>		<i>5</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>36</i>
<i>Kurkowski, Albert</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>				<i>5</i>
<i>Lamprecht, Johan</i>			<i>1</i>				<i>1</i>
<i>LaRocca, Barbara</i>			<i>1</i>			<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Lemaigre, Marie C</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>				<i>2</i>
<i>Licciardi, Sandra</i>	<i>1</i>						<i>1</i>

Ling, Christine	6	6				1	13
Maignaut, Richard	1	1			1		3
Mantovani, Gianfranco		1					1
Matskevich, Natalia		3	2				5
Merritt, Chris	10	5				5	20
Mineev, Artem	6						6
Monkhouse, Kim	1						1
Nazarova, Anna	4	5	1		2		12
Neukircher, Brenda		1					1
Nicholls, Julia	3						3
Norberry, Maureen		1					1
Nuke, Aija					1	1	2
Pobe, Pascal	1						1
Pochvalina, Viktoria	2	2	2		1		7
Podprugina, Elena	10	7	3			3	23
Priest, Murlene				3	1		4
Rakitnykh, Olga	2	1					3
Roca Folch, Yan		1					1
Rozkova, Natalya		1					1
Rumyantseva, Nadejda	5	8					13
Savin, Artem	1				1		2
Silaev, Pavel		1					1
Slizhevskaya, Tatiana	7	4	3				14
Tervo, Nadezha		1					1
Thistlewaite, Marisa	1	2					3
Tokens, Sally	1						1
Trautmann, Jurgen	4	3	1				8
Tricarico, Nick	1	2					3
U'Ren, Cheryle	10	8	4				22
U'Ren, Rod	4						4
<b>Total</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>451</b>

*There were 67 requests for the 2022-2023 show season from CFA Judges or Associate Judges to either Guest Judge for another accepted Association, present a breed/cat seminar, Fun Show, Clerking School or a grooming demonstration. Several of these requests were to judge a fun show on the day following a licensed CFA show, which the requesting judge was also judging.*

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**Secretary's Note:** In a series of executive session motions, the Board of Directors approved the request from the Cat Fanciers' Federation for full guest judging reciprocity (CFA judges to guest judge for CFF; CFF judges to guest judge for CFA).



(5) **PROTEST COMMITTEE REPORT.**

**Protest Committee Chair George Eigenhauser** gave the Protest Committee report containing recommendations for disposition of pending matters (see Agenda Item #62). **Motion Carried [vote sealed].**

*Committee Chair: George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*  
*Committee Members: Dick Kallmeyer, Betsy Arnold, Norman Auspitz,  
Brian Moser and Michael Shelton*  
*Animal Welfare: Charlene Campbell*  
*Europe Region liaison: Pauli Huhtaniemi*  
*Japan liaison: Takako Kojima*  
*Judging liaison: Victoria Nye*  
*Legal Counsel: Shelly K. Perkins*

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**Brief Summation/Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Protest Committee met via Zoom on June 8, 2023. Participating were George Eigenhauser, Dick Kallmeyer, Betsy Arnold, Brian Moser, and Michael Shelton. Karen Lawrence also participated. Victoria Nye joined the meeting for two matters. Pauli Huhtaniemi submitted comments on two matters in advance of the meeting.*

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

*Ongoing protest investigations and recommendations.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*  
*Protest Committee Chairman*

**Anger:** The Protest Committee Report is just there as a place marker. **Mastin:** George, you have a couple minutes if you have anything to say. **Eigenhauser:** I have nothing in open session. **Mastin:** Nothing in open session. Alright.

(6) **CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.**

*Submitted By: Allene Tartaglia*

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***Breed Summaries Online Posting.*** *We've received several requests that the Central Office automatically post online the link to the breed summary at the time a show is licensed, and I am requesting authorization from the Board to do this. Please note a breed summary will reflect zero (0) entries until entries are entered for the show. Also, the breed summary may not reflect an accurate count of entries before the closing of the show since the majority of entries are received near or at closing and it takes an entry clerk a significant amount of time to process all the entries into the entry clerk software.*

**Board Action Item:** *Authorize the Central Office to automatically post the online link to a show's breed summary at the time the show is licensed, effective August 1, 2023.*

**Mastin:** Central Office, Allene. **Tartaglia:** I just have one item, a real short report. I have an action item, a suggested one, but it's regarding the breed summaries to be posted online in conjunction with the show listing. We have been asked why Central Office doesn't automatically put up the link to access the breed summary from the entry clerk. We can do that. We just haven't been given the authorization. So, if you as the board choose that you want us to do that, we can. It has been mentioned that we could simply put the link up when we license a show. **Hannon:** So moved. **Krzanowski:** Carol seconds. **Mastin:** Mark made the motion, Carol seconded.

**Wilson:** I had one question. Is there a reason why a lot of the ID shows don't show a breed summary at all? **Tartaglia:** They just haven't provided the link. The entry clerks can just pull a link that puts the information in there. They haven't provided that link to us. **Wilson:** Should they? I'm just curious what people think. **Tartaglia:** This motion would give Central Office the ability, the authorization. We would pull that link for every show. **Wilson:** That answers my question, thank you. **Colilla:** I would like to make a motion for every show, because right now – **Eigenhauser:** There's a motion already pending. **Hannon:** I made a motion. We haven't voted on it. **Colilla:** I just want to make sure it covers the international shows, that's all. **Hannon:** My motion, if it didn't state that, includes that. **Tartaglia:** The motion covers all shows. **Dunham:** It covers all the shows, John, so it should be good. **Colilla:** OK good, thank you. I'm just double checking. **Mastin:** Go ahead, Allene. **Tartaglia:** I did mention this in the report, but I do want to mention that nothing is going to show up until the entry clerk starts putting in data. Because many of the entries come in at the very last minute, the very last day, it could very well be that a show closes and there's very few entries that are there in the breed summary. So, we'll do this but I just want to make you aware that it's not as if all the entries will be in before the closing. **Hannon:** But you also have a link below that for every entry that has been submitted. Even though the entry clerk may not have done anything with it, they can click on that link and find out how many have actually been submitted. **Tartaglia:** They can. **Mastin:** Any other questions? Allene, any other comments? **Tartaglia:** No. I believe that the time frame we can, let's say by – **Hannon:** Today. Today, on your break. **Tartaglia:** I can do it as soon as possible. We can do it by August 1<sup>st</sup>, how's that? **Mastin:** Mark, are you OK with that? **Hannon:**

I guess. **Tartaglia:** Or sooner. I'm just saying by August 1<sup>st</sup>, no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>. **Hannon:** OK. **Mastin:** Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Allene, thank you. Do you have anything else you would like to review?

**Tartaglia:** I do. I just want to mention that Kristi Wollam is back with us. [applause] I can go on and on about how wonderful things are, but you know. So, thank you. **Mastin:** Kristi, welcome back. **Wollam:** Thank you everyone.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Allene Tartaglia*

(7) **IT REPORT.**

**Committee Chair:** Tim Schreck  
**Systems Administrator:** James Simbro

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**Current Happenings of Committee:**

**CSU2022:** A lot has happened with the project. Nearly all the sections dealing with individuals (i.e., People Master, Judges, Clerks and Breed Council) are in place. These are now structured with the ability to maintain multiple addresses and points of contact for a person. Work has also started on the framework for the customer side of eCat and its new features, such as online show entries and maintaining a list of all cats owned.

There is one major part of the project that has taken more time than expected. When the original system was launched (HP to Computan), there were three variations of how orders and money were tracked. The first two versions worked terribly. The third process, which is what we use now, is based on creating an invoice for all work to be performed, and then tracking each piece of work using the invoice number. The Computan developers never went back to clean up the first two processes, which resulted in multiple versions of the same code, making it exceedingly difficult to understand what processing was really being used. Based on the difficulties of untangling the old programming on those processes, plus overall complexities with all the other programming, the developers have a new projected completion date of end of 2023. This is the first adjustment to the timeline since the project started and we stressed that this adjustment needed to be realistic. There are no additional costs for this extra time.

Work is now focusing on the litter and cat registration processes and tying those into the redesigned customer side of eCat. User testing will then begin once those are complete. This will leave Show Scoring as the final section to be updated.

**Genetics:** On May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, we had a meeting between our developer, Allene, James, and Genetics Professor Heather Lorimer. Heather was one of the original people we met with at the very beginning when determining how to approach calculating color genetics. The purpose of our meeting was to determine if the path we were taking still had a solid logical foundation, and to confirm if our genetic coding was the root of our ongoing problems. She was able to spot problems in our data examples and explained the missing data points. Heather just retired from teaching and has agreed to help review the raw data for us. The plan is to clean up the data for one breed and finish testing of the breed by September. There will be minimal costs for her help, but we feel her knowledge is what we need to get us on track.

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:** CSU2022 and Genetics Progress

Respectfully Submitted,  
James Simbro, Co-Chair

**Mastin:** Moving along, IT Committee. James? **Simbro:** Good morning. Nothing to expand on here. We're very disappointed that we have had to push the CSU2022 projected deadline or completion date forward. We were trying not to, but just in light of the complexities

we've run into. We knew that the old code was very convoluted. It is just becoming more of a problem, so that's the main factor in pushing that date forward. All of us have expressed though that this is not going to cost us any additional money. They are staying within their quoted budget. A lot of work has been done. They have already laid the groundwork for the new eCat website. We're working on litter and cat registration processes, putting some stuff in place to make that as smoothly and cut down on litters and cats with incorrect information. So, that is progressing. The genetics, as I mentioned in there, we did meet with Heather Lorimer. Kristi was in on that meeting. I forgot to put her in there. That was not on purpose. She has been kind of looped in on what that project entails. We think we have a good path on that again. Heather was very, very helpful in that respect. She is going to be working with us to get that data where we need it to be so we can really do some solid testing and not chasing our tails. Is there any questions?

**Calhoun:** James, I know you are working really hard and diligently on this. Thank you for all your hard work. My question is, in the report it says that they are projecting the project will be completed the end of 2023 but they're not giving us – my first question would be if that could be improved on that date – if we can improve on that date. My second question is, at some point in time the developers need to give us a firm date, not just a projection. **Simbro:** That's what I asked. I didn't want to push it out once and definitely didn't want to push it out twice. I said, that's just not an option. Give me a date that you feel that you can have everything completed. He did at first kind of go November, then he said no, December 31, 2023. He set a hard stop or hard close for this. **Eigenhauser:** My question is a little narrower. As Protest Chair, I see a lot of matters where people claim that somebody registered a cat out of their cat and didn't have permission, this, that and the other. I understand that we want to make eCat as easy to use and user friendly as possible, but on the other hand when I go down to the bank and take \$500 out of my account, it has error checking software so it takes it out of my account and not your account. eCat doesn't seem to do that. A lot of these seem to slip through with people that don't own a cat, don't own the sire, don't own the dam. What are we doing to beef up security on eCat to try to prevent some of these registration issues? **Simbro:** I think I mentioned in one of my previous reports, we talked about Cat Trax where we're giving the breeder a lot more control of when they're giving out paperwork. We're talking now maybe thinking that you absolutely have to have your cats on eCat, but right now you can register a litter on eCat using any cat. As long as you've got a registration number and an issue date, which is what we use in lieu of a signature, a lot of the honor system there. That's the way it's always been. The HP did it that way and that's how we are going to do it going forward. So, we're looking at ways of locking that down. We certainly don't want to make it exceedingly difficult to register a cat, so there's a fine balance on that. **Eigenhauser:** Back in the HP days, most of the registrations were on paper, so we had a paper trail. On eCat, it's in the ether somewhere. When can we see some beefed up security on eCat? **Simbro:** That will definitely be in the CSU2022 roll out. **Eigenhauser:** Is it going to be part of the whole project? **Simbro:** Yeah, part of the whole thing. **Tartaglia:** One thing I wanted to mention is that – and we'll be talking about this in closed session with the registration issue. We had talked about internally any steps that we take is going to make it more complex for every cat user. I'm just letting you know, because that does affect people who want an immediate registration. They may not be immediate anymore. There may be more checking. You're right, when things were paper there was a signature there. We don't have that anymore. The information we do use, such as the issue date, is on the registration certificate. It doesn't help when people freely share registration certificates, cattery numbers. They are out on

websites. That's all information that's personal. It's almost like having a PIN and sharing your PIN. So, those are all the pieces of information that we have been using as a verification process, but it's all out there. **Simbro:** One thing we did, I think it was within the last year or maybe over a year at this point, is when you do register a litter online, it looks at the dam owner and the cattery we're using, and does the name match? So, if it doesn't match first initial, last name and possibly a zip code on the address – there's some initial information there – it stops it and we have people review those. **Mastin:** George, do you have any further questions? **Eigenhauser:** No, I'm done, thank you.

**Moser:** This is kind of going back on the same line as Kathy was on. When did we start that? Can you remember how long ago that was? **Tartaglia:** I think it was 2019. **Moser:** OK, 2019. I believe we put in there a large annual amount budgeted for this. Have we gone over that amount of money? **Simbro:** We did go around the original and we're working on an overage, but we've got continued staff on that. **Moser:** The completion date you said is the end of this year? **Simbro:** That's for the rollout of CSU2022, yes. **Moser:** OK, thank you.

**Dunham:** My question has to do with the genetics program. I understand you talked with Heather, but are we relying on any of our talent within the cat fancy? We have a perfectly good person that's currently reviewing registrations and I don't get the impression that he is being involved very much in this. I'm really, really concerned that when this rollout happens, that if it's not working correctly and perfectly, that we're going to get another black eye because this is a customer service situation and there are perfectly good programs out there that you can Google for free. So, I'm just really concerned that this data is going to be correct. So, are you involving Paul [Patton] at all in this process? **Tartaglia:** At Central Office, we are not geneticists. Mostly, when we discuss genetics or have questions regarding genetics, most people that love genetics and know genetics don't talk our language. We are lost within the first sentence. I'm just telling you the case. **Simbro:** It's not our knowledge. **Tartaglia:** It's not our knowledge, it's a communication issue and it's really hard for most people involved in genetics to understand where we might be coming from. That's with most. It's not all, it's most. With Heather, first, she is a geneticist. She knows her stuff. She has taught genetics at Youngstown University. Part of the reason it's easier to work with Heather is because she has taught genetics for 40 years – Genetics 101. So, she talks at a level that's understandable to not only us but our programmers. He is not a geneticist. This is totally new for – his name is Jerry, as well. So yes, we are utilizing CFA people but we're limited as to how we can use that information and for that reason. Also, we have been led in an incorrect direction based on some info we have received from people. So yes, it's great, but we feel that we are better served by working with Heather to at least get our data cleaned up. **Simbro:** As far as releasing it and it not working, no. We thought about, we could maybe get some of it to work and then get some more of it to work, but no. We don't want to do a work-around. **Dunham:** If you do a work-around here, the cat fancy will – **Simbro:** It would be a work-around and wouldn't have the functionality. It wouldn't give you wrong information, it just wouldn't give you information at all. **Dunham:** So, are you going to let someone in the cat fancy actually test this? **Simbro:** Oh, absolutely, yeah. **Dunham:** But litters, and we know what the results are with litters so that we – **Simbro:** We do know that when we put them in there, if we don't get test results that we know are right, we're not going to [inaudible]. **Dunham:** Like I said, this is a customer service situation. If we don't come across with the right customer service, we're going to have a black eye coming and going. **Tartaglia:** Absolutely. **Dunham:** OK, thank you. **Wong:** [inaudible]

**Colilla:** I'm going to bring up a very sore subject again that's been going on for 9 years. I would like to know when is the drop dead that the data coming to the region will be perfect? I have never worked at a place where anyone had to verify the data before they can use it. Like this year, we have a new one. A kitten got a regional award that has never been shown in our region. Thank God that the owner fessed up and said, "thank you for giving me a regional award. My kitten never showed in your region." I would like to know when it will be perfect, because I feel sorry for my daughter. She uses 3 or 4 vacation days and works until 3 or 4 in the morning, gets a couple hours of sleep and starts working at 7:30 just to get the award booklet ready. I would like to know when it's going to be perfect, so that we do not have to go verify the data. For me, it's like a financial report. It must be perfect. **Mastin:** James, are you familiar with what happened? **Simbro:** I received nothing from Region 4 this year with any problems. **Colilla:** That's because we fixed it. **Simbro:** I can't answer what was wrong. **Mastin:** So, you're hearing this for the first time? **Simbro:** Yes. We can't police the in-region requirement. There's a lot of facts in there. You've got co-owners, regions that cross over multiple states. That is a really, really hard one to do. **Tartaglia:** The region assignment is based on the information in the catalog. If the person who owns the cat does not check the catalog to make sure the region of residence is correct, we don't have the information. That happens many times, then someone will finally say, "oh, this is supposed to be Region 4" or 3 or whatever. When we go back and look, there has been 5 shows the cat has been in, all the wrong region because no one checks the catalog. It's not that the owner put the region in wrong on the entry. It could be that it was picked up incorrectly and entered. So, mistakes have been made. That's why there are show rules that say, please check the catalog. That may not be the issue, John, but that's certainly a big factor that we get correct information. We do not determine the region based on the owner's address at the time of registration. We never have because cats change, owners' region of residence changes, there's co-owners. There's so many factors. **Simbro:** There are things that happen after the show season ends that can affect that. Transfers. **Tartaglia:** It pains me to say that it may never be perfect. I want things perfect, but because where we're getting all the data from may not be perfect, certainly we're trying to make it as perfect as possible. When you have specific problems, please let us know because we can't track down internally how it may have gone wrong if we're not aware of a situation. **Colilla:** You will get a list. **Tartaglia:** OK, that's fine. **Colilla:** We had some issues. **Tartaglia:** That's fine, that's what we want. It's the only way we can make it better. **DelaBar:** In the past, the ancient past, we used to get copies of every show catalog. "We" meaning regional directors, and we were able to track our information because we did not have the automatic support that we're getting from Central Office now. James does send us information like in March for us to look through and see if we have errors coming up. I caught one at the end of the show season of a cat that was transferred to the ID, still got the kitten win in Region 9 but got an adult win in the ID. We were able to get that squared away. Fortunately, because of being able to track it early, we were able to just have the one situation which just really stood out. It was intuitively obvious that there was a problem. **Hannon:** With the eCats reports that come out every Friday, I thought there was a column where there was an X if the cat had not been shown within its region. So, every week people see this notice. They shouldn't wait until after the end of the show season to tell John, "oh, guess what, I never showed in the region." That X should have been there every Friday. Regional directors can look at that and determine, "I had better check with this person." One of the things Shirley does at the end of the season is go through and check that very thing, right, to make sure that the cat has been shown in its region. **Tartaglia:** There are times Shirley, because she has been doing this so long, she

tracks and if she sees a cat that is continually getting points and then she will look at the ownership and she'll look at the region and she has contacted people saying, "the region is wrong in the catalog." It was like, "oh, we transferred the cat" or "oh, sorry about that". So, it really is difficult, especially as we move towards Shirley retiring and having a new scoring personnel offsite. All that information, it's so important it's accurate and that people do check. We try to provide throughout the year to get things correct.

**Morgan:** So, I'm not sure James if this is a question for you as IT or a question Allene for you at Central Office. I think they are together. I get a lot of people coming to me who are upset because their cat achieved a title, say a kitten under one ownership and then after it was a kitten and/or after it granded, its ownership was transferred, but then when the year-end awards come out, so they put the money, the effort, the time, the love, whatever, into achieving that title on that cat, but the cat was sold after it granded and it achieved its kitten win. Then all of a sudden all the awards say this other cattery that had nothing to do with achieving that title. Is there a way that we can address that? **Simbro:** That will be addressed in CSU2022. **Morgan:** Thank you. **Simbro:** The logic determines ownership at the time when a cat achieved an award with whatever cattery is the suffix on it. It's very difficult, especially when we get transfers when things get back dated. If you will look at it together, you can try to figure it out. Humans looking at it can make a computer do that. **Morgan:** I appreciate the difficulty, but it really is something that's close to my heart on that, and it's frustrating. **Simbro:** I think that was even a problem with the HP. It is going to be difficult. Yeah, we are looking at that as a key point in the registration process and transfer of ownership transfer processes that we're going to make it date specific. **Morgan:** Thank you very much.

**Dunham:** James, is it possible to run our regional reports – and yes I know I can go to the Friday reports, but is it possible to run an inclusive report for us, say quarterly or semi-annually for the region? Like the year-end report you run, but can you run it at a quarter and semi-annually so that we can have the ability to kind of look at it in total? **Simbro:** Semi-annually definitely we can do. It's a big project. **Dunham:** I know it's a big project. Don't get me wrong. **Simbro:** It takes the computer a good 15 minutes to churn through that data, and they are text files that I then have to move into Excel. **Dunham:** I don't care if you give it to me in a text file because I can convert it, but I think it might help all of the regions kind of look at it early on, contact people and say, "hey, are you going to show your cat in the region? You're about ready to age out." That kind of thing. It might help us if we could maybe at least mid-year look at a set of reports. **Simbro:** We can do that. **Dunham:** That would be wonderful. I think it might help all of us catch some of those things. Thank you.

**DelaBar:** Back to Melanie's question, don't the cat's wins belong to the cat and not particularly subsequent catteries? A cat earns a regional win in the Gulf Shore Region and then is transferred over to the Southern Region where it earns further awards. All of those awards should be cumulative because those are the cat's awards and should not change because of different owners. **Hannon:** I don't agree. **Currle:** I don't either. **DelaBar:** If you do it differently, then you have interrupted the history of the cat, and that's what we're charged to do, is keep a history of cats. **Mastin:** Before anybody attempts to answer, because I heard three people talking, and I know Rachel didn't understand it because I didn't understand it. Mark, you had a comment. Cathy Dunham and John had a comment, so Mark go first. **Hannon:** The comments are all the same. We disagree with Pam. **Currle:** It sounded like a choir over here. **Mastin:** OK, thank you.



Did you pick up that mumbo jumbo? **Anger:** Yes. **Mastin:** You did? OK, I did not. Thank you. **Curle:** We all said the same thing. **Mastin:** Does anybody else have any more questions for James? **Hannon:** No. We've got to keep to the schedule. **Mastin:** James, you need to thank Melanie. You took up quite a bit of time. We were doing very well and I think I've got you down for 24 minutes. The schedule says 5. **Simbro:** I answered one of Pam's questions yesterday that she wasn't going to bring up here. **DelaBar:** And I didn't. **Mastin:** OK great. James, you are finished? **Simbro:** I am, thank you. **Mastin:** Thank you James. **Hannon:** We are an hour and 7 minutes ahead of schedule. **Mastin:** Still? That's good. Keep it going that way.

(8) **BREEDS AND STANDARDS.**

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

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

*Reviewed standard changes prior to publication; summary of breed standard changes prepared for CFA Newsletter; requested agenda items from BCS for June 24 meeting of BCS/BCC with CFA Board.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Agenda for June 24, 2023 meeting of BCS/BOD is attached.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Work with BCS on any standard or registration proposals. Work with Central Office on 'anytime' membership should By-Law amendment pass. Anticipating one new breed application. Find solution to Khao Manee Breed Committee chair.*

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

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Annette Wilson, Chair*

**Mastin:** Breeds and Standards. **Wilson:** I don't have any action items, but we all look forward to talking to the board on Saturday. **Mastin:** Does anybody have any questions or comments for Annette? OK, thanks Annette.

**Secretary's Note:** In an executive session motion, the Board of Directors approved Central Office to provide breed council members with a free electronic cattery report once a year.

**(9) BREEDER EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

***Committee Chair: Carissa Altschul***  
***Committee Vice-Chair: LeAnn Rupy***  
***Liaison to Board: Annette Wilson***

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

*We are very excited about the upcoming one-hour Breeder Education panel discussion at the Annual!*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The panel discussion is very much foremost on our plates. We have two amazing long-time respected breeders who will join us on the panel – Bobbie Irie and Martha Auspitz. Together with LeAnn and myself, we are going to answer some preset questions and, if time, take questions from the audience. The preset questions are:*

- 1. When do you know it's time to take a laboring momcat to the vet? What signs/symptoms have to learned to look for and recognize?*
- 2. How do you monitor for fading kittens? What are some interventions you use to help either prevent or treat fading kittens?*
- 3. What process do you use to wean kittens? (introducing foods, what age, how to help kittens along that seem to be weaning slow)*
- 4. How do you handle virgin males that don't seem to want to breed and/or can't figure it out?*
- 5. How do you handle virgin females that are either too aggressive to be bred or don't seem to cycle?*
- 6. Any special tips/tricks you use to help prepare your kittens mentally for shows?*
- 7. How do you keep your cattery records (health, birthing, etc.?) Recommendations on what is really important to track?*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

- 1. Work with CFA webmistress to build in a "Breeder Education" subset on the CFA website.*
- 2. Begin creating articles for posting on the Breeder Education page.*
- 3. Develop curriculum for further Breeder Education.*

**Mastin:** Breeder Education. Is Carissa here? Carissa, do you want to come up? **Altschul:** I didn't know I had to talk. We do have our first Breeder Education panel discussion and I have heard a lot of people are very excited about it, so thank you for the opportunity to have that. **Mastin:** Carissa, do you know how many people are attending? **Altschul:** I don't. I have talked to a lot of people, so 20, 30, 40. **Morgan:** I really think this Breeder Education panel is fabulous. I'm sorry I won't be able to attend it but hopefully you can get people to take some notes. I do wish I had time to attend but I think it's great that you are doing it. I applaud the direction that you're taking with this in. I urge you to look at putting together maybe online modules, then people can actually – we seem to be going to all of these little video clips, etc. I think in many of our facets in CFA, from the Judging Program to Breeds and Standards to Breeder Education and New Exhibitor Education, that it would behoove us to start creating video libraries of how to's, etc. **Altschul:** That's part of the game plan further out. **Morgan:** Excellent, but I applaud this. I think it sounds fabulous. **Altschul:** I'm not very good at the technical stuff, so I'm going to have to recruit some people who are, so if anyone is watching the meeting and is good at making short videos or online-type presentations, please reach out to me. I would be happy to have you on our committee. **Morgan:** Great.

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

*We are likely going to need a small budget to allocate a section of the CFA website for our use. Will need input from the CFA IT/Website committee as to what this would entail.*

**Mastin:** Carissa, you have a board action item here. **Altschul:** I got confused. I meant to take that off, sorry. **Mastin:** OK, so we will talk about it later? OK, very good. I did have somebody from Central Office approach me and I said we could get together offline. OK? Anything else, Carissa? **Altschul:** No. **Mastin:** Thank you very much.

#### **Time Frame:**

*Ongoing.*

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

*We are hoping our breeder panel at the annual will generate some interest in joining the committee as we are wanting to add some others to assist with the creation of articles (or even videos?) for the website.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carissa Altschul, Chair*

(10) **CLUB APPLICATIONS.**

*Committee Chair: Carol Krzanowski*

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**Mastin:** Carol, Club Applications. **Krzanowski:** Before I begin, I would like to publicly thank Dick Kallmeyer for all the work he does to provide statistics that the clubs, both new applicants and the existing clubs, because the information is invaluable to us while making decisions about accepting or not accepting clubs. Thank you Dick. [applause] **Currle:** Way to go Dick.

***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.*

*Revisions to new club applications and all documentation contained therein is permitted up until the time the applicant is pre-noticed. The revisions are often requested by me as I work with the applicant to prepare their documents for Board review. While revisions are quite common, new club applicants are not permitted to change the officers after the pre-notice occurs because the names of the president and secretary are included in the pre-notice.*

*At the time of pre-noticing the application is sent to the person(s) responsible for that area (Regional Director, ID Chair and Subcommittee Chair, ID Representative) for their review and to obtain their input regarding the application. Recently two applicants submitted a change to their general membership list after the pre-notice occurred and after it was sent to the responsible person(s). This caused some confusion as the applications had already been reviewed and prepared for the Board. As a result, I propose a change in policy to address this issue.*

**Action Item:** *No changes to a new club application, however minor, will be permitted after the application has been pre-noticed to the CFA community.*

**Krzanowski:** I have an action item here. We have a policy that we do not allow any changes to officers once a club application is pre-noticed. We had a situation this time around where a couple of clubs wanted to change their membership lists after clubs were pre-noticed and after the club files were provided to regional directors, ID Representatives and chairs. So, this created a bit of confusion. I would like to propose a change in policy to address it. My action item is [reads]. **Calhoun:** Kathy seconds. **Mastin:** OK Carol, thank you. **Hannon:** I have a question. What's the impact? What's the problem? **Krzanowski:** Once the clubs are pre-noticed, the files are all compiled. It's a lot of work to put the files together. I send them all to the regional directors that are responsible, the ID Chair, ID Representatives, and when clubs make a change to their data – the membership list and everything – the files all have to be redone. So, it's extra work for everyone, it causes confusion for the regional directors, the ID Chair and the ID Representatives. **Hannon:** But the outcome is, when it comes to the board for a vote, we've got outdated information. **Krzanowski:** Well, not really. We have to have a cut-off, is what I'm saying.

**Eigenhauser:** I have a concern here because there are some technical changes I would like to see clubs make. I'm going to step right out here and say it. We have one club that has a name confusingly similar to an existing club that, had they chosen to make a correction before it got to the board, I think that would have been helpful. Having a rule that you're not allowed to fix mistakes before it gets to the board. I think this discourages clubs from making corrections that should have been made. The reason we pre-notice these things is so people can make objections and the club can fix them, but if we say the clubs can't fix them then it automatically boosts them to another meeting, and I don't think that's necessary. I understand not wanting to be constantly changing membership and officers and things like that, or substantive changes to the club's structure, but minor technical changes and corrections I think should be excluded from that policy so that if Sandcastle had found a better name, that it could have been presented at this board meeting. **Krzanowski:** I just want to address George's comment, because the club name change thing is really not a part of this action item. That club did not want to change their name afterward. That's not what I'm talking about. I'm talking about changes to the actual membership list, because if someone looks at the list and there are duplicate members involved, and somehow it gets back to the applicant and they think that there might be an objection to accepting the club because of the duplication of names of members in the club, then they want to change it.

**Eigenhauser:** Then could you narrow the motion to exclude the things you actually want to exclude, rather than saying "no changes whatsoever". **Hannon:** No changes to the membership list. I agree. I think this needs to be reworded to state what she actually wants. She is telling us no change but verbally she's telling us, "well, I'm talking about membership lists." **Krzanowski:** I'm actually saying no change, because once the files are compiled it's very confusing for everyone who has already seen the files if we have to make changes after the fact. That's what I'm trying to say. There has to be a cut-off time at some point when we say no further changes.

**Calhoun:** I wanted to speak to some of the concerns that came up when there were a number of clubs that came through for – applications came through from the same area and when the applications had gone to Carol and Carol came to the ID, there were concerns about duplications of people on the membership lists and that information was questioned by the appropriate people and they wanted to submit new lists and change that. I think that, from a standpoint of accuracy, that at some point in time we have to ask for accurate information. If it is inaccurate in other ways, there's no problem with a club coming back with a correction to a name or a correction to an address or something like that and come back. I support this motion. **Hannon:** At the last in-person board meeting which was in February, I sat in the last chair down there and I couldn't hear. Since then, I've gotten hearing aids which are turned all the way up and I'm sitting further up. I still cannot understand a word Kathy says, or Pam. I've done everything I can, so I have to ask you guys as my last weekend of board meetings to speak up so I can hear you. **Calhoun:** Cathy Dunham, can you hear me? **Currle:** What did you say? **Dunham:** I can hear you, but I also don't have a hearing impairment. **Calhoun:** I'm kidding. I know you can.

[From end of discussion] **Mastin:** Carol, can you hang on one second? **Krzanowski:** Sure. **Mastin:** Kathy would like to make a comment. **Calhoun:** Earlier on, I wanted to dial back to something I said. I did not mean it to be discriminatory. When Mark said he couldn't hear me, I said "can you hear me now?" I did not mean – I apologize profusely to anyone who was hurt by that particular remark. I did not intend that to be hurtful. The intent was just a joke. As Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion team, I can understand where Mark is coming from, and that was not my intent. Sorry. **Mastin:** Kathy, thank you for making that comment.

**Calhoun:** OK, so this is what I said. We had a situation where we had clubs that, their applications had similar members. They came to Carol, they came to the appropriate ID people to check. It went back to the club, they wanted to correct their membership list. My point is that we should expect accuracy when a club applies. So, Carol went through a lot of work to put these applications together. I don't see why we can't ask for an accurate document. If the document is not correct, then they have ample opportunity to correct it. **Mastin:** Did you hear all that, Mark? **Calhoun:** Most of it? Mark, did you hear it? **Krzanowski:** I would like to comment that club applications come in, they often need correction. I work with these club applicants from the time they submit their paperwork to the time that the pre-notice occurs to correct any issues. They are allowed to make changes, we discuss it. Many of the changes are requested by me, so we try to make sure everything is perfect and in order. They come in pieces. I have to put all those pieces together. It's not an easy task. It's very complicated and I just want to cut off the time that they can make their changes. Just like there is a cut-off for entering a cat show, there has to be a time to limit alterations to an application. **Wong:** Am I allowed to be a member of two clubs? **Krzanowski:** Yes. **Wong:** We've got these folks and I know some of you are going to vote no, but let's take it forward. What happened is, we now in the ID get so many applications, we screen them. So, when I see an application where the president and secretary and the treasurer look very familiar, we ask why do you want to start a new club? I think that's the right question to ask. Of course, there are many reasons, commercial reasons, sponsorship reasons, husband and wife [inaudible] reason – all good ones, but when they talk to the ID Committee [inaudible] sponsor but we don't have to agree. This time we had a couple applications where there are common members. When you drill down to that level and say, "how come these two clubs have two or three members that are the same person?", but it's just like me. I'm the ID Rep. If anyone asks me, "Matt, we are starting a new club. Are you willing to be a member?" I think I should say yes as a CFA official. I say, "yes sure, I will support you." So, my name could end up on 4 or 5 applications, but if that makes that club application looks dodgy and Carol says I can no longer be any member of any club, I'm a member of one already. So, if that's the new standard and how we are approaching, we are asking the club to start a new club to make sure everyone on the form is a newbie; otherwise, there is a high chance that we think you are potentially kind of paper. So, that's how this comes about. I agree we should take that off, so from now on what we do before it gets to you, we are compiling all the work, we will screen them. We will ask the questions, "Who are these people? Are they involved in any club in any capacity? If you are, your application could be removed. You can still go ahead but we will say no. So, we add that layer now. [inaudible] You want to change it to another name or try something else for new shows or whatever. If they insist, we can't say no, but then once final in Carol's records, she shouldn't get any more changes. I know how much work is done and that makes it easier for us as gate keepers.

**Morgan:** Carol, can you restate what your action item is? The actual wording of your motion? **Krzanowski:** You want me to restate? **Morgan:** I want to know what the motion is. **Krzanowski:** *No changes to a new club application, however minor, will be permitted after the application has been pre-noticed to the CFA community.* **Morgan:** So, I agree with Mark. What you're asking for is not what I'm being told is what you really want. What you want are no changes to any of the membership lists, etc., but what if they wanted to change – I don't know, what else is on an application? I mean, the name or whatever. I support the idea, because I think Matthew made some very good points, but I think it doesn't seem like you are asking for what you say you want. **Anger:** Carol, do you have a timeline for so-many days in advance of every

board meeting that you publish them and, if so, what's your number of days? **Krzanowski:** All club applications, as soon as I receive their information, I review, I contact them, I give them the deadline date, I tell them when the pre-notice is going to occur and I give them the date when I have to have all the final documents and changes and whatever, and we work together on different elements that need to be corrected. **Hannon:** When do you send out the notice? **Mastin:** Mark, let me call on you after you raise your hand. **Krzanowski:** The notice has to be sent out probably – I don't know, I have a schedule because it has to be sent out allowing enough time for comments to be sent to me and then enough time for the applicant to respond to any negative comments that may be received. All this has to be done in time for me to compile my final written report. So, there are a lot of hours involved with preparing this. To comment about Melanie's issue about the membership list, sometimes if the membership list changes, that also changes perhaps affiliations of members of certain clubs or some members are doing other things. So, it's not just the membership list. Once all the files are compiled, it means pulling out the page, putting another page in. They rarely change anything else in an application, even from the time it's submitted originally. Usually, it's corrections to the constitution or they have an incorrect designation of what to do with the funds if the club is disbanded. The CFA bylaws do not permit club members to benefit from the funds that might remain after a club is disbanded. Sometimes they put it will be split up among the members, or they don't have information about what shows they are going to do. Those things are all put in final place before the club is pre-noticed and before the files are compiled. In this case, I had 11 club files to compile, and when a couple of them said they wanted to change their membership list, after I had sent them to the responsible person, it just created confusion for everyone involved – not just me, but for all the chairs, the RDs, everybody. So, this is why I'm asking for this policy, just to set a time limit as to when changes will be cut off. **Anger:** So, as someone who compiled 60-something reports for this board meeting and information changes right up to the last minute, I feel your pain. It would be wonderful if everything came in perfectly and we could set a hard date. On a board level, we have tried that many times and it just doesn't work. For clubs, I completely understand where you're coming from with the desire to have a set with no changes. My concern is that it sounds like that date is a floating date and not a fixed date, so my initial question was directed toward your statement that when the application has been pre-noticed in the CFA News, if there is a set time for every board meeting when that pre-notice is done, like 15 days before a board meeting or 30 days before a board meeting, I would feel a little more confident about supporting it, but to have a floating date and to have such a hard and fast rule makes me a little leery of supporting it; although, on the other hand, I would like to be because I understand the giant challenges of putting everything together and having it be accurate. **Mastin:** Carol, do you want to address each? **Krzanowski:** It's a little hard to put a hard date in there, because occurrences when there are holidays involved in the timeframe somehow, I try to build in a little more time for comments to come in, so I might alter the deadline for comments in my pre-notice announcement, based on holidays that might come up. This allows people more time. Or, the International Show, people aren't available to review and comment. So, it's a little bit difficult to put a hard date in there. **DelaBar:** To Matthew, one of the things that I have always looked at – not particularly checking names to go through, but the percentage of people with multiple club memberships making up a new club, and secondly the officers. This guy happens to be an officer over here, but if you have several people that are in the power positions of these clubs, that's what I'm looking at. I am also looking at the concentration of the market and are we overfilling a small market with competition between clubs. That is a very much concern. So, I'm not only looking at the makeup



of the membership list, but also how it fits within the available market within that geographic area. **Eigenhauser:** Pam covered a lot of what I was going to say, and excuse me for speaking loudly even though you are sitting next to me, but the whole board needs to hear. There needs to be a balance. If you don't have some experienced CFA people in a club, it may be doomed to failure, so you want to see clubs bring in new people, open up new markets. We want to see some of that, but we also need to see some experienced expertise that will make that club successful. So, like Pam says, there has to be a combination of the two. So no, simply having a few experienced people on the membership list is not the kiss of death. Being a cookie cutter clone of an existing club would be a problem, so there has to be a balance. You want to reach out to new people, you want to invite new people into the fancy, but you need enough experience in the club to make it work. So, don't necessarily exclude people but be aware of how, as Pam said, there might be a concentration of power going on. Pam covered most of it, so I'm done. **Roy:** My question is for Carol. I know this time we had a couple of them that took a long time to resolve, but is this a problem every time or is it something that just came up? **Krzanowski:** This is something that just came up. So, I thought perhaps it should be addressed. If the board doesn't agree, then that's fine, but it should be addressed. **Calhoun:** I'm commenting on Pam DelaBar's comments. If that's exactly what we did, it wasn't because there might have been one person that was on the membership application, there was like six that crossed over. So, you are absolutely right, so that's what we did. Your point about club concentration, because I know there's some question about how many clubs are asking for approval in this board meeting from Hong Kong, and we did look at the concentration and we did look at the activities that the clubs plan to do, and made decisions based on that, as to which ones the ID supported or not. But you're spot on.

**Mastin:** Shelly has a question. **Perkins:** I guess I want to get back to the motion, because Carol has got this motion on the floor, so my question is Carol, what if you get public comments after it goes out to the community and there's the most minute change and you're like, "oh, that was a really good idea," and you talk to the club and they want to do it, this prohibits that, so you're making a rule that can't allow any change, even after comments. So, I don't know, it seems so black and white, and it locks you in. It could be that you have a policy of no changes, you know, in some way that's more of a policy in your process, as opposed to a motion that's so black and white. That would be my concern – you can't even make any change after a comment. What's the point of comments if you can't make changes after the comments? **Krzanowski:** I have never had anyone make a change after comments. **Perkins:** OK. **Krzanowski:** I'm not saying it couldn't happen, but that has not happened. **Wilson:** I wonder, instead of having this rule – and I understand the reason for the rule – if you could just give the board track changes. In other words, after submission and before we're voting on it, the club requested these changes to be made. Leave the application and everything as it was, and then they can vote on the application as is or with the changes. Maybe that would just – I'm having trouble following. Some changes might be simple. Some changes might be, "oh well, these people are mad and now we have to go hunt down some people on the street to add to the membership list" or whatever it is. Can we maybe just track the changes and see what they would be? **Krzanowski:** So, my question now is, if someone wanted to change their membership list and it also affected their club affiliations, do you want a whole new file? Do you want those new pages included in the report? How would I provide that to the board? **Wilson:** Just a cover page saying, "they requested this change on this day and this day." **Krzanowski:** It would be hard to summarize without including the actual membership list. I can't just summarize. I could say, "they want to change some of these." **Wilson:** But we see the whole application, right? **Krzanowski:** Right.

You see the original one. **Wilson:** Right, so there would be a top sheet to it for any changes. Then, we would see what was submitted. **Krzanowski:** What I would do is just include another copy of the membership list, if you think that would be sufficient. **Hannon:** A revised membership list. **Wilson:** I don't know that you would need to. **Krzanowski:** I'm not going to go through there and count each person that might be different and whatever. **Wilson:** No, but for example, they say, "this person doesn't want to be a member anymore. I have two new members." You would just attach a sheet to their original application and membership list that would say, minus this member and these members. The board could then just decide. **Krzanowski:** That would mean I would have to go through each and compare the two membership lists and say, "well, this person is removed, this person is added, this person has a new address." That's a little bit overkill, I think. **DelaBar:** My concern, Carol, is that this not only puts parameters on clubs, but it adds a strong parameter to you, as well. So, if something significant does come up, your hands are tied to make that change.

**Hannon:** Did you have any idea this motion would take this long? **Mastin:** Any additional questions or comments? Carol made the motion, Kathy Calhoun seconded the motion. I'm going to call for the vote. If you're in favor, raise your hand.

**Mastin** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Calhoun, Colilla, Currle, Krzanowski, Morgan and Webb voting yes. Dunham, Hayata, Moser and Noble abstained.

**Mastin:** Carol Krzanowski, Kenny Currle, John Colilla, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Russell Webb. Lower your hands. If you are opposed raise your hand. Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Mike Shelton, Mark Hannon, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy. Lower your hand. If you are an abstention, raise your hand. Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, Pam Moser. Rachel, when you are ready. **Anger:** That's 6 yes votes, 7 no votes, 4 abstentions. **Mastin:** The motion fails.

**Krzanowski:** So, I have a question for the board. How do you want me to handle these situations? If a club application has already been compiled, pre-noticed, sent to the responsible parties, and a change comes in afterward, do you want two copies of the application? Because that's what I think is the simplest way to handle it – a revised application. **DelaBar:** Carol, you have been doing this job for quite awhile and we always approved your appointment as Chair to do this. I think that the board would trust you, if there is a significant change, to make sure that the board was aware of the change in the application – a significant change in the application – and not worry about bits and pieces of, this person is no longer with the club and we are bringing this one in. That can always be settled after the board approves or disapproves the club. I don't think you need to have specific parameters set for you. I think you have done your job. Now, maybe when somebody else takes over that position, we might need to have an SOP on what we're doing, but right now I think that the board – each one of us could say, "hey, it's significant if the officers change; it's significant if the directors change; it's significant that they have lost a majority of their membership which puts them under their limit of 10 members." This type of thing would be considered significant and I think that we would trust you to report that to us. **Krzanowski:** Would it be enough to summarize in my report that after the application was submitted, a revised membership list was provided, or something of that nature without going into exact detail? Would that be sufficient for everyone? **Hannon:** What you're asking then is for every member of the board to go through that list – the two membership lists – and compare.

What you didn't want to do, you want us all to do, to say "this person went out and this person went in." **Krzanowski:** This is what some of the comments were, that they wanted to be able to see who came out and who went in. I'm just asking – **Hannon:** You are saying you didn't want to do it. It's too much work. **Krzanowski:** It is a lot of work, but what I'm asking now is, would it be sufficient to just summarize in my report that after the application was pre-noticed, the club submitted a revised membership list or they changed something else in their application, without going into specifics about what that was, as far as names of people, etc., etc.? Would that be sufficient or are you looking for more detail? That's what I'm asking. I want some direction. **Moser:** Carol, it sounds to me like your biggest issue is a change in the membership list. Is that correct, or is there other situations? **Krzanowski:** Well, I mean, that's what's at hand right now. There could be other changes later. Maybe they want to change their constitution after it's already done. **Moser:** I know this job is a lot of work on your part, and to have people come in after they submit stuff and then say, "I want this changed," that is very frustrating. That being said, I would change my vote. I would go with that because I don't think you should have to continually babysit this, so once they submit it, it should be done but if the biggest thing is the membership list, say "you can't change your membership list" or something like that. I mean, you are able to do that. **Krzanowski:** As I said, this time it was the membership list, and it was not just one club, it was several. I've never encountered that before, but that opened the door to possibly having changes to other portions of the application, so that's why I was proposing this. They might want to send in new files, they might want to send in a new constitution, they might want to change other elements of their application somewhere, and it's not just myself that's reviewing these applications. Once the files are compiled; for instance, if a club in your region is an applicant, I would send it to you for review. So, you have reviewed it, I have reviewed it and now all of a sudden, they have submitted a change. Now, you may have said you support the club. Perhaps the change that was submitted after the fact might change your mind about whether you support the club. It just gets a little confusing. That's the point I was trying to make. **Calhoun:** I think I am going down the same route as Pam. We can take it a step at a time. I've heard this before that we have clubs with cross-membership and we denied their acceptance. Maybe an amendment to the action item or maybe come back with an action item that specifically addresses membership lists, as a start I think that would be something that you probably get more support on. No changes to the membership list after it has been pre-noticed on the CFA News, as a start. **Wilson:** At what point do you tell them that they have to re-do their application and it's being withdrawn? **Krzanowski:** At what point do I tell them? **Wilson:** Yes. If they start making changes, at some point do you say, "OK, I can't bring this forward until a later meeting, once you get your ducks in a row"? **Krzanowski:** They are allowed to make changes up until the time the pre-notice announcement goes out to the CFA community. I let them know that I'll work with them on changes. It's a constant back and forth, with revised files, replacing this, replacing that. I'm open to working with them as much as possible. **Wilson:** So, you're talking about changes after it's pre-noticed? **Krzanowski:** After. **Wilson:** So, why not just tell them, "If you're going to change it, then you have to withdraw it for this cycle and send in a new one." That takes you off the hook because you've got the other ones to deal with and then you'll have to start all over, I guess.

**Mastin:** Here's what we're going to do. Debate is over and I'm going to stop this discussion. It went on far too long, but it was a good discussion, I'll give you that. Carol, if you want to bring back a pre-noticed motion for Sunday, I'm assuming that's if you are re-elected or somebody else can. I don't mean that in a bad way. Re-elected or not, you are the committee

chair. Somebody will bring it back. The pre-noticed motion can come, I believe it's 14 hours before Sunday's board meeting, and we can review a new motion but at this point in time the debate is over. We're going to break for 15 minutes. We're past the break right now. When we come back, we will finish the rest of your items, OK? We're on break for 15.

[**Secretary's Note:** The following transcript also appears in Agenda Item #62 – New Business/Old Business Unfinished Business, at which time it was taken off the table and voted on.]

*After discussion on this subject at Thursday's Board meeting, I am submitting the Motion below to be discussed and voted upon under New Business/Old Business at Sunday's Board Meeting.*

**MOTION** made by Krzanowski: *If a club applicant wishes to make changes to the application after it has been pre-noticed to the CFA community, the application shall be withdrawn so that it can be corrected and presented at the next available Board meeting.*

**RATIONALE:** *While most club applications are final at the time of pre-noticing, there may be occasions when late changes are needed in order to correct errors and/or add important information. This motion will enable club applicants to make such changes so that the Board will always have the most current document for review.*

**Mastin:** New Business, right? **Anger:** New Business. **Mastin:** OK, New Business. I believe we have one item. It was a pre-noticed motion from Carol Krzanowski. **Krzanowski:** Yes. We had a lively discussion at Thursday's board meeting about changes that are made to club applications after the club has been pre-noticed, so based on that discussion I am presenting a motion today [reads]. My rationale is, [reads]. **Newkirk:** Second. **Mastin:** Motion made by Carol, the second by Darrell. Questions or comments? **Newkirk:** I think this is an excellent solution to the problem. If they want to make a change and it has already been noticed, they have to pull it and then submit it and be pre-noticed the way it should be. **Mastin:** Any additional questions or comments? Carol, do you have any additional questions or comments? **Krzanowski:** I have nothing further to add. **Mastin:** OK. Any objections to the motion? Seeing no objection, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**BREAK.**

### ***Club Name Change Request***

<i>Current Name;</i>	<i>Keystone Cat Fanciers (Region 8)</i>
<i>Proposed Name:</i>	<i>Burmese Fans</i>
<i>Conflict with Existing Names:</i>	<i>The new name does not conflict with any existing CFA club name.</i>
<i>Reason:</i>	<i>The club would like to change its focus of interest from an allbreed club to a breed specialty club in order to share knowledge of the Burmese and promote the breed in Japan. The Japan Regional Director supports this change.</i>

**Action Item:** Approve the request by the Keystone Cat Fanciers to change their name to Burmese Fans, effective immediately.

**Mastin:** I'm calling the meeting back to order. Carol, will you continue please?

**Krzanowski:** OK. I do have a club name change request; that is, from a club in Region 8. They wish to change the name from Keystone Cat Fanciers to Burmese Fans. I move to [reads].

**Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. Discussion? Questions? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

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

#### ***New Club Applicants***

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

1. *Cat Adept Republic Eden, International Division - Asia; Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*
2. *China Meow's Secret Club, International Division - China; John Colilla, Subcommittee Chair and Wain Harding, Co-Chair*
3. *Diamond State Cat Fanciers, Region 3; Paula Noble, Regional Director*
4. *Fantastic Tiara Russian Blue Club, International Division - Asia; Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*
5. *Felidae Beyond Infinity, International Division - Asia; Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*
6. *Galaxy Cat Club, International Division - Asia; Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*
7. *Garnet State Feline Fanciers, Region 1; Sharon Roy, Regional Director*
8. *Hong Kong Bengal Cat Association, International Division - Asia; Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*
9. *Kit & Kaboodle Cat Club, Region 7; Ken Currle, Regional Director*
10. *Mahameru Cat Club, International Division - Asia; Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*
11. *Sandcastle Cat Fanciers, Region 1; Sharon Roy, Regional Director*

#### ***Club Statistics Pertaining to New Club Applicants***

*Dick Kallmeyer has produced maps showing the locations of the new club applicants being presented at this meeting as compared to the locations of existing clubs in these areas. The new club applicants are indicated in green, existing clubs with shows are indicated in black, and existing clubs with no shows are indicated in red. Included with the maps are charts for each*

*proposed new club area showing the total existing CFA clubs, number of shows produced and total registrations.*

*In addition to the maps and charts, Dick has also provided two additional graphs. One indicates the total number of clubs in each of CFA's geographical areas and the percent of clubs that held shows within the past three seasons. The second graph indicates the same information but for the 2022-2023 show season only.*

*Many thanks to Dick Kallmeyer for once again providing this valuable information.*

**Krzanowski:** Before I begin with the applications, I would make a standing motion to accept the clubs, reserving the right to vote no. **Anger:** Rachel makes a standing second. **Mastin:** Thank you.

***Cat Adept Republic Eden  
International Division - Asia; Yuen Long, NT, Hong Kong  
Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 12 members. Five of the members are members of other CFA clubs, and three of the officers and directors are also officers or directors in those clubs. Seven members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members are actively exhibiting household pets. One member has show production experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to conduct a clerking school, breed seminars and other educational activities, and produce two or three shows a year in Hong Kong. The club's focus is to attract more new breeders and exhibitors to CFA. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to volunteer animal welfare associations. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division Committee does not support this club.*

**Krzanowski:** The first application is from Cat Adept Republic Eden. This club is located in Yuen Long, a district in the northwest area of The New Territories of Hong Kong. The New Territories is one of the three main regions of Hong Kong along with Hong Kong Island and Kowloon. The New Territories makes up about 85 percent of Hong Kong and contains about half the total population of Hong Kong at approximately 3.5 million. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce two or three shows a year in Hong Kong. **Mastin:** Bob Zenda, can you come to the table please? Bob, do you have any comments on this application? **Zenda:** Before I say anything about this application, there were 5 applications for clubs in Hong Kong. We discussed them at length and are only recommending 3 of the clubs. The reason we're not in favor of recommending the others is because there are at least 4 members on the other club. Most of the members are all from the same family, so [inaudible]. **DelaBar:** Bob, can you please speak up? Use that command voice please. **Moser:** I want to talk about this. There's 5 clubs coming up from Hong Kong. I know this is one of them, and I talked to Matthew about this because my main concern is, that we as a board have been approving lots and lots of clubs. The concern is that the clubs are not putting on shows. They become paper clubs. We have so many paper clubs in the U.S. and our exhibitors are starting to complain. We have all the paper and it's easy to become paper. We don't need any more paper. But, Matthew assured me that they have looked at the clubs that we are approving,

and they are putting on shows. If they are putting on shows, that makes me feel a little bit better about it, but I'm just saying in general we really need to take a look at all the clubs that are active, because if you want to have a new club in the U.S., there's so many paper clubs out there I am sure someone would let you have one, or perhaps you can join a different club and put on a show. I don't know why we keep having to have so many clubs. **Anger:** Thank you, Pam. I want to respond to your comments. First, as far as paper clubs, I just moved to a new region and that was my first question, "how do I get set up with a club?" I contacted the Regional Director. They have 80-something clubs in my new Region 7, none of which are available. So, if I want a club with a couple of my new friends I have there, we will be applying for a new club. Second, your point is very well taken and it is something I brought up years ago to have – not the Club Application Committee, they have plenty of work – some sort of club oversight committee. Once a club is approved, they told the board what they had to say in order to become approved. The next day they can do the opposite, so there is no oversight. It would be lovely to have a club oversight committee and have something with clubs going forward that are required to fulfill. If they say three shows a year, let's see your three shows to remain a club in good standing. So, I think that is something that would be – I'm not volunteering. I see Rich writing and that makes me very nervous, but this philosophy of having a club oversight committee I think would be a very good thing for CFA. **Zenda:** Back to the issue Pam raised, there are 13 clubs currently in Hong Kong. There are no paper clubs in Hong Kong. Every one of those are active. There have already been two shows in Hong Kong thus far in the season, with 13 more dates reserved. Every existing club has put on a show last year or they have already got the date set for this year. It's not the same situation. [inaudible] clubs throughout the ID – not very many. [inaudible] We don't support paper clubs in the ID. **Wilson:** I have a question if I can speak in general to the Hong Kong club application issue. I will be up front. I judged for a club recently in Hong Kong, and to the people that put on that show are applying for one of the clubs that's not recommended. I asked them just in general why are all these clubs coming up, and they said it was because a club can only put on two shows or one show a month. There's some rule, and they have a venue that they can put on a show. They actually would like to put on a show every other week or two shows a month, and unless they have another club, they can't. So, I think there's a disconnect here. Either they can't put on more shows because other clubs want to use it and you want to limit the number of shows in Hong Kong, so that could be one possibility. I don't know if that's true. Or, two, there's something wrong with that whole situation. They shouldn't have to have a new club to be able to put on multiple shows if they can fill their shows and be successful. **Eigenhauser:** Two things, addressing Pam and Rachel. Unfortunately, our hands are tied by the constitution. The constitution – bylaws tell us what the club needs to be approved, and it also tells us what a club needs to remain in good standing, and the board lacks the power to change it. So, having an oversight committee that has absolutely no power to do anything probably wouldn't be the most practical thing to do. It may require a bylaw change in order to be able to do that, but I do feel the pain of all these clubs coming in with a wish and a prayer and promises, and we've got to cross our fingers that they're telling the truth when we vote on it. However, getting beyond the abstract and getting back to this club, which I think we should focus the discussion on, I appreciate the hard work the International Division Committee did in reviewing these clubs, and I will vote consistent with their recommendation on this. **Hannon:** Two things. Why are they limiting clubs to two shows? **Wong:** This is what happened. The last full weekend in April, all of them. In Hong Kong we only have one show a week because it's so small, so essentially one group of people had all four shows in the last month of the season. So, we said

we don't allow any – just one club, if we know it's the same people, you're not going to have all four shows with all your judges, your 150 cats, [inaudible]. So that's what we have done. I agree, but sometimes that makes some club struggle commercially because I know that will be [inaudible]. In Hong Kong, it's quite hard to secure a venue. Sometimes we secure a venue for three weeks in a row, so we have three weeks in a row shows. Now, that [inaudible] the other side, so we have judges for three weekends and then another club says, how can one group have three weekends of shows in March and April. That could slightly skewed and biased. **Hannon:** It would seem to me, rather than having a blanket policy of no more than two shows, your Committee approves each of these shows. They could just, in April, say we're not approving four weekends for the same club, without telling every club in Hong Kong that you can only have two shows. I'm sorry, I could not hear what Bob said was the reason why the Committee voted against this, why you're not recommending it. **Zenda:** The board members are members of other clubs. Most of the other members are the same family, so it's the same group that wants a club. **Hannon:** OK. **Wilson:** I understand those concerns, and I don't think one club should be able to put on 4 shows in a row. I don't think the answer should be, they have another club of the same people to do that, but that's a show scheduling issue. Like Mark said, if there's other clubs that want to put on a show and this club has already put on a show last month and for some reason you want to limit the number of shows in Hong Kong – I'm not sure if you do or not – then just say, "this club gets to have a show instead." That's show scheduling. I just don't think that their only answer should be that we have to have another club in order to put on some shows. I don't understand that. I think absolutely, should they put on a show every weekend. On the other hand, if no other club wants to put on a show, then if you have that two-show limit in there, then they can't. Then you have limited them, and if you start making exceptions, it hurts other people. **Zenda:** We do have a show scheduler. These clubs have to go in and reserve the date. The minute there is a conflict, it's between Mark and I and Suki, our regional coordinators. Suki and Mark are the co-chairs. We have to resolve that between the clubs. We try to be as fair as we can so as many clubs as possible can share dates. As I said before, we've already got another 13 weekends reserved for the rest of the season. **Calhoun:** I think there's a problem, and the impression that we only allow clubs to have two shows is not the case. What do is, we try to meter out what a specific club or specific group of people can do in the ID, specifically for Hong Kong. So, as Matthew said, we can't have this many. Even though there is 4 weekends, we're not going to allow the same club to have a show every weekend, but there may be a weekend available in February that they can have. So, those are the sorts of things that are going on in the background. I don't know why you were told that they are only allowed two shows. Maybe they are confusing it with the sponsorship money, that you can only get sponsorship for two shows. I don't know. I think that may be what they were confused with, because they can only get sponsorship for two shows a season, universally – the \$1,000 sponsorship. **Wilson:** You mean CFA sponsorship. **Calhoun:** Yes, CFA sponsorship. That's two shows a season, and that is globally. So, I don't know if they got that confused with the sponsorship. The other thing, back a little while ago Rachel mentioned about an oversight committee. I think we had something like that once a while back where we encouraged the clubs to fulfill their obligations in their constitution, so even though we don't have a lot of power about that, that might be a good idea. The last thing and then I'll be done is, maybe what we need to start to think about is a change to the bylaws that would say something like, in order to vote a club would have to have a show for three consecutive seasons or two consecutive seasons, or something like that. It might be something that we might need to look at, universally.



**Krzanowski:** I just wanted to address the comment about paper clubs in general. I want to remind everyone that the CFA bylaws require that clubs in the International Division must have produced a show in the previous show season in order to vote for officers or directors at large. So, in general, if they do not produce a show they have no privileges. **DelaBar:** Correct me if I'm wrong, Bob. Hong Kong has its own set of divisional awards. Is that correct? **Zenda:** That's correct. **DelaBar:** Hong Kong goes beyond that and competes with the rest of ID-Other for the national awards. Is that correct? **Zenda:** You're right. **DelaBar:** So, by having a lot of clubs in Hong Kong, they could influence a great many of these national awards for ID-Other by having such a saturation of clubs and shows. Is that correct? **Zenda:** Has it happened? **DelaBar:** I didn't say it has happened, I said if you're having shows almost every weekend, this is above and beyond what the rest of ID-Other is having or has had in the past. **Zenda:** No, that's not true. For example, last year there were only 10 shows in Hong Kong, but there were 19 in Thailand, 16 in Malaysia. We are growing. We're having an awful lot of shows. The counts are way, way up there because we're sharing weekends. The counts are up here, but we're having a lot of shows throughout the entire International Division. It's growing and it's just going gang busters right now. It remains to be seen how well they will compete against the rest of the ID group with national awards. Thus far, they have [inaudible]. **DelaBar:** OK, so basically you have answered my question. I should have put that is a question: is this statistically possible? Thank you. **Calhoun:** Carol, question. Yes, you are correct. You're absolutely correct that a club in the ID has to have a show in order to be able to vote in the next election, but the fact that they had one show allows them to vote in all elections moving forward. So, there is some interesting data about clubs that have had one show, and to that point I think that maybe a bylaw amendment might be in order that a club would have to have more than one show, because it's like a one and done, now I'm a voting club. That I feel is inappropriate, as well. [*sic*, see note below]

[**Secretary's Note:** CFA Bylaws, Article VI, Section 1, paragraph b., *Eligibility to Vote*, states: ... Although International Division members will not vote for a Regional Director, they are eligible to vote for officers and Directors-at-Large if they hold a licensed CFA show **within the previous show season.** ...]

**Hannon:** There's no incentive to have a paper club in the ID if you can't vote. That's why we have paper clubs, so that we can vote and be present at the annual with a delegate. **Wong:** So, I'm running around all over the region. Wherever I see one new, like this club is a Bengal club and we know we want more Bengals. It's fantastic and we really want to encourage it. That's why I say, OK, you can form your own club and put on a show, invite the judges who know Bengals and the breed. At the same time, [inaudible] why we vote yes for this kind of club. So, I think please try to understand. As Bob said, we are growing in Asia. There's no incentive for a paper club at all. No show, no vote. It's very simple, and they come in to put on a show. Why? Number one, it is commercial. It's business in Asia in most places. So, they come in, they get the sponsor, they want to run their own finances. Every show, roughly, if you get it wrong, you can lose \$5,000 to \$10,000 US because the air tickets for judges. You can run around and get sponsors. So, these people want to have their own control in how they approach the sponsor, how much money they get. So, by borrowing a club from someone else, it doesn't quite work that way. Number two is, they have different philosophies. Because we have met some of [inaudible] like this new venue approach, so are asking to work with other clubs but they have a different philosophy. They want to go big in social media with pop stars and everything, but some old clubs, they say don't bother. They want to invite their friends and have 50 cats, nice

and quiet and cozy. So, I think we need to accept this new generation of fanciers in our community to encourage them. Now the motion is live and they are saying, why do I get turned down? Why do I get turned down? [inaudible] As Bob and Kathy said, and Wain, we already screened quite hard this time and we will continue to screen very hard going forward. Please if you could, please endorse our recommendation. **Morgan:** I'm torn because I think some of what we're talking about conflicts with itself. The first thing is what Pam alluded to, which is the number of shows in the Hong Kong region. It seems to me that it's in our best interest, as long as we're not exhibiting predatory behavior against our own clubs, to encourage as many shows as possible in each of our areas, especially where there's growth. Hong Kong is certainly an area that is rich in resources and I'm pleased to hear that there are no paper clubs there. As we discussed, there's no incentive for that. My confusion lies with the show scheduling parameters. So Bob, I thought you said earlier that you confirmed when – I think it was Annette who spoke; I don't know, we have gone back and forth – that right now the requirements are that one club can only have X number of shows in, say, a month. One, two. We heard one when we were in Hong Kong. Kathy mentioned, yes, they can have another one in February, or this or that or the other. Here's the thing. What we're being told is, there is a business module out there in Hong Kong that's different than the business module that we have in other areas of the world. We are a global organization and, while we want to have parameters that are fair for everyone, we need to also adjust for specific regions. If there is a business module out there that allows clubs to be financially viable and put on more positive shows for CFA, I'm not sure that we shouldn't adjust for that. I don't think the adjustment should be having more clubs so that they can put a new name with the same people and get their two shows in the same venue. To me, it seems that – again, and I don't remember who brought this up, it may have been Annette – it should be a scheduling issue and we should be flexible for that. So, now I have absolutely no idea which way to vote on some of these and I am totally confused. **Calhoun:** To Melanie, I'm confused as to what you are talking about as a business module and where you got that information from. Is it the clubs that are complaining about not getting enough shows in one season? I think if a club has a business module, that they need for the ID Committee to take it into consideration. They need to come to the ID Committee with those concerns, as opposed to coming to the judges that came from the United States, because we are certainly very much available to whatever the concerns are. We have lots of adjustments that we have for the ID because things are different, so we do that but this concern about this business module, this is news. If it's real, it should come to the Committee to take into consideration. **Morgan:** OK, so thank you and I agree with you completely. To be fair, I asked the question because I heard so much negative feedback about the five applications from Hong Kong, from people even in the U.S. when the pre-notice came out. There was a lot of kick-back on that, so when I had a chance, I actually asked the question. Actually, I don't think I did. I can't take credit for that. I think Annette did, but I listened to the answer and I agree with you. **Calhoun:** [inaudible] **Morgan:** I understand the module. The module is – **Calhoun:** [inaudible] **Morgan:** Right, and they way that they explained it to us, it didn't make sense when they first brought it up. When they explained it, I'm like, "OK, I get that. It's not the way I would do things, but it's the way they want to do things. Whether it's right or wrong, I don't know if it's even true but I do know that's what they told us. So, as long as we have the understanding that they should come to the International Committee, which I totally think is a great idea, personally I think that's a good way to encourage them.

**Mastin:** I'm going to wrap this up. Carol and Bob, do you have any final comments before I call for the vote? OK, all those in favor. We're doing Cat Adept Republic Eden. That's

the one we're doing. The Committee's recommendation is not to support the club. Is that correct? Yes? OK, all those in favor raise your hand.

**Mastin** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Morgan abstained.

**Mastin:** All those opposed, raise your hand. Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, Pam Moser, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Russell Webb. Lower your hand. Abstain? Melanie Morgan. OK Rachel. **Anger:** That's zero yes, 16 no, 1 abstention. **Mastin:** OK, the application is denied.

***China Meow's Secret Club***  
***International Division - China; Changsha, Hunan, China***  
***John Colilla, Subcommittee Chair; Wain Harding, Subcommittee Co-Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 20 members. One member is a member of another CFA club, and that is the club treasurer who is currently the president of Swire Cat Fanciers' Club. Four members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members are cat fanciers, some of whom either breed or own pedigreed cats. Two members have show production experience, and one member is a CFA LH Associate Judge as well as a CFA Master Clerk. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce four shows a year in Changsha City or other cities within Hunan Province. They also hope to help promote CFA in Hunan Province and participate in other activities including a judging school and educational meetings. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a shelter or rescue group. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Subcommittee Chair and Co-Chair support this club.*

**Krzanowski:** The next application is from China Meow's Secret Club. This club is located in Changsha, the capital of China's Hunan Province. Changsha is situated in the northeast area of the province and has a population of over 10 million. Hunan Province is situated in the southern part of China and borders Guangxi and Guangdong Provinces to the south. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce four shows a year in Changsha City or other cities within Hunan Province. **Hannon:** Is there something behind the name of the club? Does this mean something? **Colilla:** I don't have anything, but the China Committee supports this club. They put on a show there recently. Actually, Melanie and Kathy Calhoun judged that show, but it's a different group of people. I think it's important that we start approving shows in a different part of China. I fully support this club. China is growing. **Morgan:** Kathy and I were over in this city, the first time ever in this city. The entry base for that show was almost entirely new exhibitors, for the most part. They have a long way to go as far as learning and growing, but we want to promote growth throughout all of our regions in the International Division, so I support this club. **Mastin:** Carol, do you have any additional comments? **Krzanowski:** No. **Mastin:** Are there any objections? Pam, so I'm calling the vote. All those in favor raise your hand.

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

**Mastin:** Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, John Colilla, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Russell Webb. Lower your hand. You can lower your hand after I call your name. All those opposed raise your hand. Pam Moser. Any abstentions? OK Rachel. **Anger:** That's 16 yes, 1 no, zero abstentions. **Mastin:** Congratulations China Meow's Secret Club. Motion passes.

***Diamond State Cat Fanciers  
Gulf Shore Region; Little Rock, Arkansas, USA  
Paula Noble, Regional Director***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 12 members. Seven of the members are members of other CFA clubs, and both directors are officers in other clubs. Eight members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members are cat fanciers, some of whom are new exhibitors of pedigreed cats or household pets. Five members have show production experience, and two members are CFA Allbreed Judges. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce two shows a year in the Little Rock area or other locations in the state. They also plan to partner with the local rescue organization on fundraising events to help promote the cat fancy. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a feline non-profit organization in Arkansas. The club was pre-noticed and three negative letters have been received. Responses to those letters have been provided. The Gulf Shore Regional Director supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** The next application is from Diamond State Cat Fanciers. This club is located in Little Rock, the capital and largest city in Arkansas. Little Rock is situated in the center of the state. The city and the surrounding metropolitan area serve as a center for government, economic and cultural activities in Arkansas. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce two shows a year in the Little Rock area or other locations in the state. **Noble:** I have spoken with some of the perspective club members and some of them are new to me. Some of them I have known for a couple of years. They're all excited. They are excited about the outreach that they are planning, working in the community, working with rescue organizations. So, I really believe that there is more than enough talent with this particular club that it will be successful. **Mastin:** You support the application? **Noble:** I do. **Moser:** I think you said there were three letters in opposition to this club, is that correct? **Noble:** I'm aware of two. **Moser:** OK. So, did you take into consideration those objections? **Noble:** Yes, and because the objections came after it actually happened, and again I saw the pre-notice along with everybody else. While I knew that there were thoughts and plans of doing something like this, I didn't know that it had, in fact, happened. But, that doesn't really affect how I am supporting them. The objection came from an area that had previously supported doing exactly this. **Moser:** They say you're going to put on two shows a year. If you're going to be in that area where there's already a show there, I mean, do you feel that that can be supported? **Noble:** I do. I feel that the population in and around the Little Rock area can support an additional show. From what my understanding of the plan is, their plan is that they would like to have at least one of the two shows that they are planning on doing every year in the Little Rock area, with the second one being somewhere else in the state. They are also not planning to do anything that would hurt attendance. In other words, they want to do it at least a cat year apart from the existing show. They're not intending to do anything – oh, let's just say

in December or January, because the current club there has a show in February. So, they don't want to do anything that will take away attendance for that existing club. **Mastin:** Pam, are you all set? **Moser:** Yes. **Roy:** Actually, Pam asked most of the questions I was going to ask, but the existing club, are they one of the ones that are against the acceptance, and other than a show scheduling issue, is there a reason for it? **Noble:** Well, I don't know that it's scheduling. My understanding from what I read is that they don't believe that Little Rock can support more than one show a year and I've seen areas that have smaller populations support more than two shows a year. **Morgan:** First of all, I just said that we would like to support clubs putting on more shows. But, the other half of that sentence when I said it when we were talking about the earlier club situation was, as long as it's not predatory behavior towards our existing clubs. We have a responsibility to support clubs that we have and keep them vital. Right now, they are fighting tooth and nail post-COVID to survive. This existing club then in the Little Rock area just started putting on shows I think one or two years ago and are on the edge financially. I just got asked Siri – Siri is very helpful – what the population of Little Rock is, and it's around 200,000 people – far smaller, I believe, but I could be wrong. If I had a club that wanted to open up in Richmond where I have a show-producing club, I would not be very happy. If they wanted to open up in another city in my state, I would be very supportive. But, I have a concern. Then I'm looking at the membership. The majority of the people on the membership list have at least one club membership already, so they're already involved in CFA. They already have some club membership. It's not like, "oh gee, I'm not being represented." Three of the people on the membership list aren't even from the region. I don't think that new clubs, new shows, should come at a potential risk for existing shows. So, that kind of seems counterintuitive to me. So, I kind of feel like it might be OK in the future, but we should give the existing club who is just now starting to reconstitute itself and get out there and start putting on shows, and are incredibly dependent on the success of their gate. They have a chance before we throw another obstacle in their way and perhaps, in accepting a new club, lost an old club. I mean, that doesn't make sense to me.

**DelaBar:** Having been Regional Director of the Gulf Shore Region and knowing Arkansas and how things come about, there are some things that are not readily apparent. One, the people who are behind this new club are also the ones that got the old club up and running again and putting on shows. Then, lo and behold, that group was taken over by this one. Arkansas can draw not only from the northern part of Texas – Dallas/Fort Worth, which is a rather large metroplex. You also have Memphis and the Gulf Shore Region does go out to the east a bit there – Kansas and Missouri. So, you have a great deal of market to fill for Little Rock. This new group is made up of people who want to see CFA survive within the Gulf Shore Region in that particular area. I was very dismayed when I found out what happened to the original group who re-established Arkansas Feline Fanciers and what happened to their efforts and the loss that they had with the club and the money they put in, to be "taken over" by yet another group. I fully support this group. **Anger:** After reviewing the letters of concern, although there were numerous letters they all seemed to come from one source; which is, the existing group that's there. What I am seeing is a stagnant area and a group that is coming forward that wants to revive CFA in that area. That can only benefit the existing club. If another club has a show 6 months away from my show and creates some excitement in the area, the next show that comes up, people are going to want to attend. They don't care if it's a different club or a different association, they just want to go see cats. If CFA doesn't want to go in there, I know other associations that might. So, I think this is a tremendous opportunity for this area to be revived, to

be taken out of a stagnant situation right now and this new club, in my estimation, is only going to help the existing club.

**Mastin:** Carol, can you wrap this up? Do you have any further comments? **Krzanowski:** No, I do not. **Mastin:** OK, I'm going to call for the vote. If you are in favor, raise your hand.

**Mastin** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser, Morgan, Moser and Roy voting no.

**Mastin:** Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Kenny Curre, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, Annette Wilson, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Russell Webb. If you are opposed, raise your hand. Pam Moser, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Melanie Morgan. If you are an abstention raise your hand. No abstentions. **Anger:** That's 13 yes votes, 4 no votes, zero abstentions. **Mastin:** Motion passes. Congratulations Diamond State Cat Fanciers.

***Fantastic Tiara Russian Blue Club  
International Division - Asia; Quarry Bay, Hong Kong  
Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 20 members. Six of the members are members of another CFA club, and all four officers are currently officers in that same club. Two members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with a CFA cattery name. The remaining members are cat fanciers who are mostly attracted to the Russian Blue, while some members own other pedigreed cats or household pets. Many of the members have some show production experience as a result of working with another club. This is a breed specialty club and if accepted, the club plans to produce one or two shows a year along with breed seminars in Hong Kong. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a homeless cat rescue center. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division Committee does not support this club.*

**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Fantastic Tiara Russian Blue Club. This club is located in Quarry Bay, an area in the Eastern District of Hong Kong Island. Hong Kong Island is another of the three main regions of Hong Kong and is situated across Victoria Harbor from Kowloon in the southeastern part of Hong Kong. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce one or two shows a year in Hong Kong. **Mastin:** Bob? **Zenda:** I was going to say, this is an easy one. This application lists the president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary, which are actually the same officers of another club, just in reverse order. They wanted a vote and club sponsorship. **Morgan:** And it's a breed club. **Wilson:** This is the one I was actually talking about before, and what brought up the issue when I asked why the name of the club and the whole thing we have already talked about, are they going to be able to put on more than two shows, or one show a month or whatever the thing is, with the existing club they have? I disagree that it's a way to get club sponsorship, although that's an interesting thing. I don't know that that's confirmed, but as the Russian Blue Breed Council Secretary, I can't not support a breed club that's in another country with people actively breeding Russian Blues, so I'm going to support it. **Eigenhauser:** May I point out this is not a Russian Blue breed club, this is people who are mostly attracted to

Russian Blues. This is an allbreed club that happens to have some members that are interested in Russian Blues, but I am concerned that it's just a rehash of the officers of another club. I have to agree with the International Division Committee on this.

**Mastin:** OK, I'm going to call for the vote. If you're in favor of approving this application, raise your hand.

**Mastin** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Morgan and Wilson voting yes.

**Mastin:** Annette Wilson, Melanie Morgan. If you are opposed, raise your hand. Rachel Anger, Pm DelaBar, Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Kenny Curre, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, Pam Moser, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Russell Webb. If you are an abstention, raise your hand. No abstentions. **Anger:** That's 2 yes votes, 15 no votes, zero abstentions. **Mastin:** Motion fails.

***Felidae Beyond Infinity***  
***International Division – Asia; Yuen Long, NT, Hong Kong***  
***Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair***

*This was a formerly active CFA club whose membership lapsed due to the pandemic. The club was dropped in June 2020 and they are now reapplying. The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 15 members. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. Six members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remaining members are cat fanciers, most of whom are actively exhibiting pedigreed cats or household pets in CFA. One member is a CFA SH Associate Judge. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce shows in Hong Kong or in major cities in Guangdong Province, China. The club also plans to hold agility contests, clerking schools, educational seminars and other activities. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to animal welfare organizations in Hong Kong and CFA. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division Committee supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Felidae Beyond Infinity. This was a former CFA club that was dropped in June 2020 and is reapplying. This club is located in the Yeun Long District, The New Territories, Hong Kong that was mentioned previously. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce shows in Hong Kong or in major cities in Guangdong Province, China. **Mastin:** Bob? **Zenda:** [inaudible]. **Mastin:** Bob, you need to speak up a bit. **Zenda:** A lot of experienced breeders in the club. They were dropped during the pandemic because they did not pay their dues and submit a membership list. The club secretary is an Associate Judge. We recommend their acceptance back into CFA. **Mastin:** Any questions for Bob? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**[Secretary's Note:** President Mastin welcomed Felidae Beyond Infinity, below.]

***Galaxy Cat Club***  
***International Division – Asia; Yuen Leng Village, Tai Po, Hong Kong***  
***Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 17 members. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. Five members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, five have been actively exhibiting pedigreed cats in CFA, and the remaining members are cat fanciers who will provide logistical support for the club's shows. Several members have show production experience through former membership in a show producing club, and one member has clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce two shows a year in Hong Kong and additional shows if resources permit. They also plan to organize educational activities such as clerking schools, breed seminars and new exhibitor seminars. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to local animal charities such as the HKSPCA. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division Committee supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Galaxy Cat Club. This club is located in Yuen Leng Village in the Tai Po District of The New Territories of Hong Kong. The Tai Po District is situated in the eastern portion of The New Territories that was previously mentioned, just north of the Sha Tin District. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce two or more shows a year in Hong Kong.

**Mastin:** Bob, before I call on you I forgot to congratulate Felidae Beyond Infinity. OK Bob, Galaxy Cat Club. **Zenda:** The officers of this club were previously the officers of the Hong Kong [inaudible] club. Over time, they had successful shows and that club is still existing. However, they had different philosophy about how to put on shows, what kind of media to use, and so they formed a new club. They have a wealth of experience and previous experience. They are already organized and are bringing a professional photographer in from Singapore to take pictures of the cats that are going to be recognized at the banquet and also found a location in August [inaudible]. **Mastin:** Any questions for Bob? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Congratulations to Galaxy Cat Club.

***Garnet State Feline Fanciers***  
***North Atlantic Region; Old Lyme, Connecticut, USA***  
***Sharon Roy, Regional Director***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 12 members. Four of the members are members of other CFA clubs. All members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names. Two of the members have show production experience and two have clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce one show a year in New England and perhaps expand to two shows a year if resources permit. The club's focus is to increase the number of CFA shows in the New England area. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to CFA. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The North Atlantic Regional Director supports this club.*



**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Garnet State Feline Fanciers. This club is located in Old Lyme, a coastal community in southeastern Connecticut that is situated on Long Island Sound. Old Lyme lies along the I-95 corridor, the major highway that connects the states on the eastern seaboard from the far south through the New England area. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce one or two shows a year in New England. **Mastin:** Sharon Roy? **Roy:** One of my concerns when this club first came up – first of all, Garnet and Sandcastle were originally supposed to be one club, but they had different ideas so they went in different directions. That's why we have two clubs. One of my concerns originally was, they were both looking at putting on shows in the same area, but Garnet is looking more towards the inside right now of Connecticut, much like where Nutmeg used to put their shows on, and Sandcastle is going to be on the coast. So yes, it's fine. **Mastin:** Any questions for Sharon? **Wilson:** I just have a correction on the spelling of the vice president's last name. **Krzanowski:** Pardon me? **Wilson:** It's Susan Adler not Susan Alder. The name is misspelled. It's just minor. **Hannon:** Susan Adler. **Wilson:** The vice president, on the application. **Krzanowski:** I don't have the application up. What was the correction? **Wilson:** Her last name is not Alder, it's Adler. Susan Alder. **Hannon:** As in, Mrs. Johnson. **Roy:** It's a type-o. **Krzanowski:** That was submitted that way. **Wilson:** I understand. **Mastin:** Any other comments or questions for Sharon? Any objections? I have to call the vote. **Moser:** Sorry. **Mastin:** If you are in favor, raise your hand.

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

**Mastin:** Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, John Colilla, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Russell Webb. If you are opposed raise your hand. Nobody is opposed. If you are an abstention? Pam Moser. **Anger:** 16 yes, zero no, 1 abstention. **Mastin:** The motion passes. Congratulations Garnet State Feline Fanciers.

***Hong Kong Bengal Cat Association  
International Division – Asia; Yuen Long, NT, Hong Kong  
Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. One member is an active breeder and exhibitor with a CFA cattery name, and three members are planning to register cattery names with CFA. Many members are active exhibitors in CFA, and the remaining members are cat lovers that will provide logistical support for the club's shows. Several members have some show production experience. This is a Bengal breed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce four shows a year in Hong Kong and perhaps in other countries such as Singapore, Malaysia and Australia. They also wish to conduct educational seminars to share knowledge of the Bengal and promote the breed in Hong Kong. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to the World Wildlife Fund. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division Committee supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Hong Kong Bengal Cat Association. This club is located in the Yeun Long District, The New Territories, Hong Kong that was mentioned previously. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce four shows a year in Hong Kong and perhaps in other countries such as Singapore, Malaysia and Australia. **Mastin:** Bob? **Zenda:** This is a brand new group of cat fanciers. None of the members are members of other Hong Kong clubs. They actually are Bengal supporters. It's a win/win situation [inaudible]. **Wong:** As a group, we strongly encourage the Bengals to come forward. It's great to see this breed. Also, it's very important to have a very close relationship with Australia and also [inaudible]. **Anger:** Through the chair to Pam DelaBar, is Australia a problem for us? **DelaBar:** I was going to bring that up and say, if they decide to go into Australia to put on a show, to please coordinate with ACF and CCCA prior to doing it. **Morgan:** It seems to me this is a breed club. I would reiterate that I think that breed clubs are, and the focus on our breeds is, something very, very important to the core of who we are, so I'm solidly in support of clubs that come out in support of a specific breed, that will be promoting that breed and putting on breed-specific activities like seminars, etc. **Mastin:** Any objections to this motion? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Congratulations Hong Kong Bengal Cat Association.

***Kit & Kaboodle Cat Club***  
***Southern Region; Davidson, North Carolina, USA***  
***Ken Currle, Regional Director***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 19 members. Twelve of the members are members of other CFA clubs, and one director is an officer in another club. Eighteen members have CFA cattery names, and the majority of them are actively breeding and exhibiting. Ten members have show production experience, two are Certified Clerks, one has clerking experience and three are CFA Allbreed Judges. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce one show a year in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg, North Carolina area. Shows in the Carolinas are not held frequently, and the club's focus is to provide another show in the Carolinas to attract exhibitors. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to EveryCat Health Foundation. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The Southern Regional Director is neutral regarding this club.*

**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Kit & Kaboodle Cat Club. This club is located in Davidson, a town in northern Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Davidson is a suburb in the Charlotte metropolitan area. Mecklenburg County is situated centrally in the southern part of the state and borders South Carolina. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce one show a year in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg area. **Mastin:** Kenny, do you have any comments? **Currle:** I wrote in neutral regarding this club, primarily because I would like the board's guidance. I instructed my regional secretary to contact the clubs in the area of this club and how it would affect them. We do have North Carolina clubs. Presently, the one North Carolina club that's active combines their show in Roanoke, Virginia, but they are an active club. Looking at who is a member of this club,

that's where the most concerning thing is. There's two members that actually live in North Carolina. I believe the treasurer is in New York and somebody else on the panel is from California. It's a relative "who's who" of judges and exhibitors, which I don't have a problem with, but the people that responded to me, the clubs that were concerned, after looking at the application, their main concern was like it was going to be a paper club because there is only two active members near the actual location of North Carolina. So, I would just like to hear some discussion and get some feedback from the board. I'm not against new clubs, but I want the club to have a purpose. **Krzanowski:** The applicant did provide me with a statement to address that issue in particular. **Mastin:** Would you read it please? **Krzanowski:** Yes. *The founding members of Kit & Kaboodle worked together throughout the formulation and development stages of this club. They represent a group of fanciers from across the nation who demonstrate excitement, dedication, and commitment to CFA and its longevity. These members are doers not observers so there isn't a reasonable concern about the feasibility of Kit & Kaboodle producing a successful show. Similar to how breed specific clubs with members countrywide repeatedly demonstrate their ability to produce successful shows, this new club consists of members with a shared passion and invested camaraderie that guarantees success year after year. One of our members lives in North Carolina and travels every year to the Atlanta-Metro area the Wednesday before the club's show to not only participate in setup but also for the sense of community it brings. This is representative of our membership. Therefore, although we don't subscribe to conventional thinking suggesting there's a correlation between show success and number of club members local to show site, efforts to recruit and invite additional quality members who demonstrate similar values and core characteristics will be ongoing indefinitely. We would argue that it's a fact that many people could live close by, but if they have no passion or purpose or will, what does it matter?* **Mastin:** Thank you.

**Morgan:** So, in follow-up to some of Kenny's comments. This is supposed to be a Region 7 club. It's not a breed club. Breed clubs have members from all over the world sometimes. Regional clubs vote on the regional director, they are supposed to be active in the region. This club, as Kenny alluded to, two of the four officers are from out of the region. Two of the four board members are from outside the region. In fact, the majority of the members – I think 13 out of 15 – are from outside of Region 7. When you add to the fact that the majority of those members that are listed there already have multiple – not just one, but multiple club memberships. Many of them – I think 3 or maybe 4 – hold the position of secretary or president in each of their clubs. I am left wondering one, how can we consider it a Region 7 club, and two, why it needs to be a club. These people are represented in many other clubs out there. They say they want to put on shows, but the reality is, I have a Region 7 club and it's hard to get a date to put on a Region 7 show. So OK, you want to put on a show. That's a real challenge. We don't have any – as we discussed – oversight in terms of, "oh gee, these are what my goals are, this is what we're going to do." Once this club is accepted, it's out there and there's nothing that we can do to enforce the fact that they say they're going to put on shows. So again, it's not a breed club, it's not a regional club, and I don't see – all the members are pretty active already out there, which is great. I applaud them for that. I don't see a reason for this club. **Moser:** I commend Kenny for doing his due diligence on this. I think you kind of stated that this might be a paper club. **Currle:** I hate to use those terms. **Moser:** I know. **Currle:** I just want your guidance. **Moser:** OK, thank you. So yes, but most of these members are outside the region. They're not even there. I mean, you know to put on a show you have to have feet on the ground, and so are all these people flying in from all over the country to be feet on the ground? I mean, I put on a lot

of shows and I haven't had a lot of people fly in to help me, so I really question this because of the membership and not enough people there. Besides that, Region 7 is a very large region. You've got a ton of clubs. I'm sure there's some paper clubs there that somebody can join a paper club and put on a show. **Currle:** I wouldn't know anything about paper clubs. **Hannon:** North and South Carolina used to have a lot of shows. Right now, they have two shows intermittently. Some years there's none, some years there's one. There's a lot of clubs in the Carolinas. I think that what Doug needs to do is approach existing clubs and encourage them to put on shows and work with them to put on shows, rather than create a new club when you've already got a lot of clubs in the Carolinas that are just sitting idle that used to put on shows, and at least one of them would be willing, if he provided some manpower, to put on a show. I don't think you need a new club there. **Anger:** I see no letters of objection that were submitted. We all know the people that are on this membership list. Kenny summarized it very well by saying it's a who's who list. We know them and we are going to hold their feet to the fire. I'm going to support them. Please don't disappoint us. **Eigenhauser:** According to our bylaws, we have no ability to hold their feet to the fire, other than possibly shaming them. **Anger:** Exactly. **Eigenhauser:** I don't think their letter in response to the objections really helped. If you're a breed club and you carry a shared love of the cat around the world, that's a shared philosophy I can understand, but simply saying, "we have a shared philosophy for a club that isn't even in our region and we're nowhere near," philosophy is wonderful but who is going to be boots on the ground to put on the show, so I share concerns that others have expressed, that there just aren't enough hard-working local people to make this a viable Southern Region club. **Wilson:** Could you read that part of the statement where they talked about core values? That was a bit of a – got my attention. My bleeding heart liberal attention. **Krzanowski:** I'm not sure what part you are referring to. Wait a minute, here we are. It's the last paragraph. I'll read this paragraph again. *Therefore, although we don't subscribe to conventional thinking suggesting there's a correlation between show success and number of club members local to show site, efforts to recruit and invite additional quality members who demonstrate similar values and core characteristics will be ongoing indefinitely.* **Wilson:** Thank you. That sounds like they want to keep people out of the club. That's just what it sounds like to me. I may be jumping to the wrong conclusion, but that just kind of made the hair go up on my neck a little bit.

**Mastin:** Kenny, do you have enough guidance? **Currle:** I do indeed, Mr. President, and I would like to remind Mr. Webb, our Vice President, that you are listed as a member of this club, so you can't vote for it, OK? **Mastin:** So Kenny, do you want to – **Currle:** I'm going to be neutral. Let's take a vote on it and be done with it. **Mastin:** All those in favor, raise your hand.

**Mastin** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Anger voting yes. Currle and Webb abstained.

**Mastin:** Rachel Anger. Lower your hand. All those opposed raise your hand. Pam Moser [sic, DelaBar], Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, Mark Hannon, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, Pam Moser, George Eigenhauser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, John Colilla, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun. **DelaBar:** Pam Moser got two votes. **Mastin:** Oh, Pam DelaBar, I'm sorry. My mistake. If you are an abstention, raise your hand. Kenny Currle, Russell Webb. **Anger:** One yes, 14 no, 2 abstentions. **Mastin:** Motion fails.

***Mahameru Cat Club***  
***International Division – Asia; Bekasi, Jawa Barat, Indonesia***  
***Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 20 members. One of the members is a member of another CFA club. Fifteen members are active breeders and exhibitors with CFA cattery names, and the remainder are cat fanciers and exhibitors. Five members have show production experience, one is a Master Clerk, one is a Certified Clerk, two have clerking experience and one has entry clerk experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce one to two shows a year in Jakarta or in surrounding cities such as Bogor, Tangerang and Depok. They also plan to organize educational activities to include breed classes and clerking schools, and will focus on attracting new breeders and exhibitors to CFA. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a cat shelter or other cat charity. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division Committee supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** Our next application is from Mahameru Cat Club. This club is located in Bekasi, a city in West Java Province, Indonesia. With a population of over 2.5 million, Bekasi is situated on the eastern border of Jakarta, the capital of Indonesia, and is considered part of the Jakarta metropolitan area. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce one or two shows a year in Jakarta or in surrounding cities. **Mastin:** Bob? **Zenda:** A new cat club in Indonesia. All the club members are well know to CFA exhibitors and show organizers throughout the region, and we need the clubs. There were 20 shows in Indonesia last year, but they weren't held by Indonesian clubs. It's a unique situation we have in Malaysia and Indonesia, and it's difficult to get a club so they import clubs to come in from China or Hong Kong or whatever it is, and so this is a group of folks who don't put on shows. They guarantee there's no conflict with the other existing four clubs, because they have what's called Indonesia CFA Club something or another on WhatsApp where they communicate to make sure there's no problem. I reached out to [name inaudible] who is our regional coordinator, because I don't know Siska and Nina personally. I just know their activities and we recommend the club be accepted, as does the International Committee. **Mastin:** Does anybody have any comments or questions? **Webb:** I am in total support of this club. I do know Siska personally and she wants to put on a show. She is going to look for a date, so I'm fully supporting this. **Mastin:** Any additional comments or questions? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Congratulation Mahameru Cat Club.

***~~Sandeastle Cat Fanciers~~***  
***Oyster Bay Cat Club***  
***North Atlantic Region; Oyster Bay, New York, USA***  
***Sharon Roy, Regional Director***

*The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 19 members. Thirteen of the members are members of other CFA clubs, and one director is an officer in another club. Eleven members are*

*breeders with CFA cattery names, and most members are actively breeding and/or exhibiting in CFA. Nine members have show production experience, one is a Certified Clerk, two have clerking experience and two are CFA Allbreed Judges. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce one show a year on Long Island or close to the tri-state area. The club also wishes to focus on fundraising for animal welfare. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to an animal welfare or cat rescue group. This club was pre-noticed and one negative letter has been received. The response to that letter has been provided. The North Atlantic Regional Director supports this club.*

**Krzanowski:** The final application is from Sandcastle Cat Fanciers. This club is located in Oyster Bay, a town in Nassau County, Long Island, New York. Oyster Bay is considered part of the New York metropolitan area and is situated in the western portion of Long Island. The club members' breeding and show production experience is provided in my report. If accepted, this club plans to produce one show a year on Long Island or close to the tri-state area.

**Eigenhauser:** I support this club but I cannot support the name. Sandcast Cat Fanciers Society Cat Club has duly noted, this is just a truncation of an existing CFA cat club name. I think that is too confusingly similar, so I would like to make a motion to amend Carol's motion to accept the club and, instead, accept the club conditionally on them coming up with a new name that is sufficiently distinct from the Sandcastle Cat Fanciers that already exists, to get board approval. As the end of the motion, I would like to say that I won't be on the board when this comes back, so I don't know what would be sufficiently different, but in my opinion just putting some unique word in there – "Sandcastle Peaks", "Sandcastle Long Island", something to distinguish them from the existing Sandcastle Cat Fanciers ought to be sufficient, but that's for a future board.

This could come up as early as Sunday if they can come up with a new name Sunday, but I cannot support them with a name that is just a truncation of an existing club name. **Shelton:** I just want to echo what George is saying. The name is the key here. I have no objection –

**Eigenhauser:** Is that a second? **Shelton:** Yes, although there's a standing motion on the floor so we need to deal with that. **Eigenhauser:** No, this is an amendment to the standing motion.

**Shelton:** Then yes, I will second George's amendment. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. **Shelton:** I have no objection to the people, I have no objection to the location, it is all about the name – although there is a one-word difference of a sort, that difference is not in the meat of the name. If somebody came through saying, "we want to start a club called 'the San Diego cat club'", I think the San Diego Cat Fanciers would have a reasonable objection to that. "Sandcastle" is what makes the club identification theirs. **Krzanowski:** The club did provide me with a second name choice, and that is "Sandcastle Cat Club". The existing club, the full name of that club is "Sandcastle Cat Fanciers Society". This club is "Sandcastle Cat Fanciers". **Shelton:** No "Society". **Krzanowski:** Right. Now, it has been a policy that if a name differs by one word, it's acceptable. I have some examples of existing club names that differ by one word. If you will bear with me, I will read some of this to you. By no means is this inclusive of everyone, but these are some that I picked out in particular. Lincoln Cat Club/Lincoln State Cat Club. Coastal Cat Club/Coastal Empire Cat Club/Coastal Paws Cat Club. Southern Dixie Cat Club/Southern Traditions Cat Club. Utah Purebred Cat Fanciers/Utah Cat Fanciers – in that case, they're in the same state. Mt. Fuji Northern Cat Club/Mt. Fuji Tokyo Cat Club. Finally, China Ace Cat Club/China Brilliant Cat Club/China Caesar Cat Club/China Fashion Cat Club/China Paradise Cat Club. **Morgan:** Did we hear from Sharon? Is this a Region 1? **Mastin:** Sharon? **Roy:** It's OK. The discussion is about the name, not the merit of the club right now. **Eigenhauser:** In most of the examples Carol cited, they have added something distinctive to the name to make them

different. In this case, there's nothing distinctive. "Cat Fanciers", "Cat Club", whatever, are all just kind of generic terms. If you want to call yourself "Fuji North" and "Fuji Tokyo", those are distinctive. "Sandcastle Cat Fanciers" and "Sandcastle Cat Fanciers Society" are not distinctive. This is, like I said, just a truncation of an existing name. "Sandcastle Cat Fanciers Society" often calls themselves Sandcastle Cat Fanciers, just like I call myself George Eigenhauser, even though I'm a junior. We often drop the thing at the end just to make it shorter. Nobody that I have heard is objecting to the existence of this club, only that they ought to put some unique word in the name that makes them distinctive from the existing Sandcastle Cat Fanciers. I think we should vote yes on the motion. **Shelton:** The only other thing I would say in response to this is, when each of the newer clubs on that list came up, did the existing clubs object? In this case, the existing club has objected. To me, that makes a difference. **Krzanowski:** I am unable to answer that question, because that could have been before my time or whatever, but I also want to mention that if Sandcastle Cat Fanciers Society chooses to drop the "Society" when discussing themselves, that's their prerogative, but their official CFA name does include "Society". I also want to point out that club is no longer an active show-producing club. They last held a show with Las Vegas Cat Club in 2004, and they are in separate regions – one is in Region 5 and the new club is in Region 1. **Roy:** Can we get ahold of Liz [club secretary Elizabeth Jennings] and maybe bring this back Sunday morning? **Krzanowski:** Like I said, she did provide me with a second choice. Unfortunately, maybe that's not acceptable either. **Shelton:** No. **Roy:** Can we change the name on it? **Krzanowski:** She was reluctant to make a further change the last time I spoke with her. **Eigenhauser:** Before we discuss when they can submit a new name, we ought to vote on whether they have to submit a new name.

**Mastin:** Is there any more questions or comments to George's motion, seconded by Mike? **Perkins:** I have one question. I just got through reading Section III of the Bylaws, which only state you can vote yes or no. It doesn't say you can vote yes provisional on them changing their name, so I don't know that your motion actually can happen. I know we talked about it before, but in reading Section III of the Bylaws, it literally says your option is to vote yes or no. So, I think that the better thing is to vote to table the motion until Sunday, or something like that, because you can't say, "we're going to vote yes but you have to change the name." That's no an option according to your Bylaws. **Hannon:** We've done it. **Eigenhauser:** On the recommendation of counsel, I'm going to move we table this until Sunday. **Shelton:** I'll second it. **Mastin:** We can make this easy. Carol, do you agree? **Krzanowski:** I can contact Liz and see what she is willing to do. Hopefully, I can reach her. **Mastin:** Do you agree with tabling the motion? **Krzanowski:** Sure. **Mastin:** The motion is tabled. You can go ahead and contact the club. **Anger:** Provided we can withdraw George's amendment, or George can withdraw his amendment. **Eigenhauser:** I won't even be here. **DelaBar:** But your current amendment is on the floor. **Mastin:** You are withdrawing it, correct? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. Leave this to the future board to deal with.

#### **Amendment Withdrawn.**

#### **The main motion was Tabled.**

[From end of Thursday meeting] **Mastin:** Do we have any other business? **Krzanowski:** Real quick. I don't know if you want to address this now or not. I heard back from the Sandcastle applicant about changing their name. They want to change it to Oyster Bay Cat Club, which does

not conflict with any other name. Do you want to address it today or do you want to hold it over until Sunday? **Mastin:** Let's do it now. **Hannon:** Make a motion. **Krzanowski:** OK. I move to accept Sandcastle Cat Fanciers, contingent upon changing the name to Oyster Bay Cat Club. **Eigenhauser:** Second. **Mastin:** George seconded that. Any questions? **Morgan:** Yes. Didn't we pass a rule that says we can't change anything? **Eigenhauser:** They did. **DelaBar:** No, that was before. **Mastin:** Any other questions? Shelly, does this – **Eigenhauser:** Aye. **Mastin:** Hang on a second. Because it's a new motion, is it considered part of the original, so it meets pre-notice? **Perkins:** Make a motion to untable it and address it now. **Eigenhauser:** I move we untable it and address it now. **Webb:** I second. **Mastin:** OK. Any objections to untabling it? OK, that motion is passed unanimously.

**The motion [to untable the main motion] is ratified by unanimous consent.**

**Eigenhauser:** Now we have Carol's motion and my second. **Mastin:** Yes, we have that. Any objections to Carol's motion and George's second? No objections. The motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Great. **Krzanowski:** Thank you.

**Future Projections for Committee:**

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

**Time Frame:**

*June 2023 to October 2023 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*

**Mastin:** Carol, do you have anything else? **Krzanowski:** No, I am finished, thank you. **Zenda:** On behalf of the International Division, I would like to thank the board for allowing us to come forward with our recommendations for clubs. Thank you very much. **Mastin:** Bob, thank you.



(11) **TREASURER'S REPORT.**

Treasurer Kathy Calhoun gave the following report:

*May 1, 2022, through April 30, 2023*

**Profit & Loss Analysis**

*Total registration, which is the total of all litter registrations and individual registrations, contributed \$990,959 to the bottom line. This represents a negative 4.5% reduction compared to the same period last year and is 86% of the budget.*

	<i>May 2022 - Apr 2023</i>	<i>May 2021 - Apr 2022 (PY)</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>% Change</i>
<i>Registrations, Litters (early)</i>	<i>\$153,541</i>	<i>\$141,651</i>	<i>\$11,890</i>	<i>8.39%</i>
<i>Registrations, Litters</i>	<i>\$206,366</i>	<i>\$216,906</i>	<i>(\$10,540)</i>	<i>-4.86%</i>
<b><i>Total Litter Registrations</i></b>	<i>\$359,907</i>	<i>\$358,557</i>	<i>\$1,350</i>	<i>0.38%</i>
<i>Registrations, Cats (early)</i>	<i>\$249,344</i>	<i>\$291,204</i>	<i>(\$41,860)</i>	<i>-14.37%</i>
<i>Temporary Registration Number</i>	<i>\$2,790</i>		<i>\$2,790</i>	
<i>Registration, Cats</i>	<i>\$80,135</i>	<i>\$83,508</i>	<i>(\$3,373)</i>	<i>-4.04%</i>
<i>Registrations, Cats-Prepaid</i>	<i>\$292,425</i>	<i>\$297,481</i>	<i>(\$5,056)</i>	<i>-1.70%</i>
<i>Registrations, Cats w/Litter</i>	<i>\$6,358</i>	<i>\$6,575</i>	<i>(\$217)</i>	<i>-3.30%</i>
<b><i>Total Individual Registrations</i></b>	<i>\$631,052</i>	<i>\$678,768</i>	<i>(\$47,716)</i>	<i>-7.03%</i>
<b><i>Total Registrations</i></b>	<i>\$990,959</i>	<i>\$1,037,325</i>	<i>(\$46,366)</i>	<i>-4.47%</i>

**Mastin:** Kathy Calhoun, Treasurer's Report. **Calhoun:** Alright. You all have the report so I won't drain it. I'll just hit upon a couple of key elements on the report. Total registrations are down by 4-1/2% so we need to be cognizant of that.

**Other Key Indicators:** *Additional performance indicators are captured in the chart below.*

	<i>May 2022 - Apr 2023</i>	<i>May 2021 - Apr 2022 (PY)</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>% Change</i>
<i>Championship Confirmation</i>	<i>\$52,585</i>	<i>\$45,482</i>	<i>\$7,103</i>	<i>15.6%</i>
<i>Show License Fees</i>	<i>\$27,425</i>	<i>\$22,450</i>	<i>\$4,975</i>	<i>22.2%</i>

<i>Show Entry Surcharge</i>	\$57,435	\$52,700	\$4,735	9.0%
<i>Add Suffix Name</i>	\$9,407	\$13,846	(\$4,439)	-32.1%
<i>Registration by Pedigree</i>	\$113,709	\$121,413	(\$7,704)	-6.3%
<i>Certified Pedigrees</i>	\$153,174	\$163,213	(\$10,039)	-6.2%
<i>Expedited Services &amp; Fees</i>	\$56,199	\$66,648	(\$10,449)	-15.7%
<i>Registrations, Cattery</i>	\$216,430	\$308,631	(\$92,201)	-29.9%

*Total Ordinary Income contributed \$2,014,819 to the bottom line compared to \$2,146,573 the prior year. This represents a -6.14 % decrease compared to the prior year and is 91% of budget.*

**Calhoun:** The second section of the report, Other Key Indicators, depicts other items that either exceeded prior year or down to prior year in the order of magnitude. The one that I would really call out is the last one. *Registrations, Cattery* is down \$92,000 which is almost 30%. So, our Total Ordinary Income is down 6%.

### ***Publications:***

*Cat Talk/Epoints* – This category has provided a net income of \$19,382.

*Yearbook* advertising revenue continues to perform better than the prior year. This category has provided a net income of \$25,220.

*Central Office expenses* have increased 5% compared to the previous year.

*The Bottom Line:* Net operating income remains positive at \$49,988.

*Additional depreciation of Board approved expensed drives an additional \$134,00 in other expenses.*

**Calhoun:** Publications. This category has a net income of \$19,300, almost \$19,400 which is great. Yearbook continues to be successful at \$25,000. Central Office Expenses are up about \$5,000. So, when you take all this into consideration, there's quite a lengthy chart that completes the report that we have a Net Operating Income which includes all of our income less our expenses plus our other income of a positive \$50,000, or \$48,9-. So, we are still positive. We do have some outstanding depreciation that I just want to call folks' attention to and that depreciation is on materials that we have already purchased and the depreciation represents the write-off.

	<i>May 2022 - Apr 2023</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>over Budget</i>	<i>% of Budget</i>	<i>May 2021 - Apr 2022 (PY)</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>% Change</i>
<i>Total Income</i>	\$2,153,915	\$2,329,389	(\$175,474)	92.47%	\$2,211,282	(\$57,367)	-2.59%
<i>Total Expenses</i>	\$2,141,966	\$2,176,361	(\$34,395)	98.42%	\$1,969,496	\$172,470	8.76%
<i>Net Operating Income</i>	\$11,949	\$153,028	(\$141,079)	7.81%	\$240,562	(\$228,613)	-95.03%
<i>Other Income</i>							
<i>Interest Income</i>	\$11,779	\$8,000	\$3,779	147.24%	\$8,175	\$3,605	44.10%
<i>Rental Income</i>	\$28,380	\$28,380	\$0	100.00%	\$26,400	\$1,980	7.50%
<i>Unrealized Gain/Loss</i>	(\$2,119)	\$50,000	(\$52,119)	-4.24%	(\$167,919)	\$165,800	98.74%
<i>Total Other Income</i>	\$38,040	\$86,380	(\$48,340)	44.04%	(\$133,345)	\$171,385	128.53%
<i>Net Operating Income + Other Income</i>	\$49,988	\$239,408	(\$189,419)	-79.12%	\$107,217	(\$57,229)	-53.38%
<i>Other Expenses</i>							
<i>Depreciation- All</i>	\$30,268	\$25,426	\$4,842	119.04%	\$35,757	(\$5,490)	-15.35%
<i>Amortized Cost of Software</i>	\$104,249	\$101,704	\$2,545	102.50%	\$108,287	(\$4,038)	-3.73%
<i>Total Other Expenses</i>	\$134,517	\$127,130	\$7,387	105.81%	\$144,045	(\$9,528)	-6.61%
<i>Net Other Income</i>	(\$96,477)	(\$40,750)	(\$55,727)	236.75%	(\$277,390)	\$180,913	65.22%
<i>Net Income</i>	(\$84,528)	\$112,278	(\$196,806)	-75.28%	(\$36,828)	(\$47,701)	-129.52%

**Calhoun:** Any questions? **Mastin:** No questions. Do you have anything else, Kathy?  
**Calhoun:** Not on that. **Mastin:** Thank you.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Calhoun, CFA Treasurer*

(12) **INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.**

**Committee Chair/Co-Chair:** Kathy Calhoun/Matthew Wong  
**Subcommittee Chair/Co-Chair**  
**China:** John Colilla/Wain Harding  
**Subcommittee Chair**  
**Asia (outside of China):** Robert Zenda

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*The International Division has realized a significant increase in the number of shows over the past three seasons:*

<b>Season</b>	<b>Shows</b>	<b>+/- Change</b>	<b>% Growth</b>
2020 - 2021	27		
2021 - 2022	62	35	129.6% increase
2022 - 2023	102	40	64.5% increase

*The Committee is constantly in contact with local fanciers to address local issues within our capability. The reaction to the adjustment of the point requirements was well received and led to increased competition.*

**Mastin:** Next, Kathy. International Division. **Calhoun:** Alright. So, the International Division is like on fire, in a good way. So, you can see in the chart, shows are increasing. There were 27 shows in the 2020-2021 season, but of course that was impacted by COVID so we would expect that to be down. You start to see a rise in 2021-2022, 62 shows. Anow, in 2022-2023, we have 102 shows which is a 64% increase over the prior year. As we can tell from new clubs and activities, that it's just – we are doing very well on the international front. Our team is just really – although we're not all boots on the ground, our team is very, very active with clubs and our regional representatives around the globe. They are doing a fabulous job.

**Future Plans of the Committee:**

1. *Focus market approach. We will invest resources to promote CFA in high potential markets where CFA lags behind competition. For example, we will research Taiwan and India with the goal of increasing CFA activities in these markets.*

**Calhoun:** Future plans for the Committee include taking a focused approach to increasing registration in areas where we are being – either we're low or our competition is doing a very good job. So, we are going to take a focused approach on specific markets moving forward.

2. *Registration and fee income. The committee will continue to work on increasing registration and ensuring that our customers have all of the tools they need to easily complete the process. The committee will reach out to specific breed council secretaries to develop a strategy around increasing registration of specific breeds where we are falling behind our competitors.*

**Calhoun:** One of the other things we want to make sure of, because of the various languages in the International Division, that we make sure that our folks have the tools and translations that they need, or they have mentors that can help them along with things like registration and work through those sorts of things. So, we're focused on that.

3. *Show Supervision.*

(a) *Institute bay check-in for all shows in the ID in April 2024.*

**Calhoun:** As far as item #3, show supervision, we've had some concerns that were raised this past season, but this is not the only season. So, one of things we're going to institute is bay check-in for all of the ID shows in the month of April in the 2023-2024 season. So, we will do it that entire month of April.

(b) *Enforce/enhance the late fee to clubs that submit their show packages late. Clubs that are historically and/or significantly late will not be allowed to license a show occurring in the last two weekends of the show season.*

**Calhoun:** We also have some concerns about getting show packages into Central Office in a timely manner, particularly for the end of the season – really all season, but it's magnified at the end of the season because it holds up scoring for all of CFA. So, we are going to enhance and enforce the penalties. Right now there are penalties stated and we are going to enforce them and make sure they are applied. Clubs that are historically late and significantly late in providing their show packages will now be allowed to have a show on the last two weekends of the season, because we can't accept that – for the following season, not forever, but they won't be able to do that in the subsequent season.

(c) *Expand the minimum percentage ring presence requirement for an entry to be included in the count to the entire International Division.*

(d) *The committee would like to expand/enhance Article XXXVI as it relates to the Official Show Count. The rule show rule provides that any awards won by a cat is still credited to the cat's record. The committee feels that a cat that has no award in 20% of the rings should receive additional handling.*

**Calhoun:** One of the things that item (d) talks to, we have where – let me back up. There are some concerns in some areas about cats being shown that are not in condition, that may be underweight, may be showing examples of some sort of illness – the eyes, the nose, all those sorts of things. Now, with the bay check-in, some of that will be caught by the judges. The judges are our boots on the ground to look at that sort of thing, and bay check-in will address that. But, if it doesn't, the cats can be shown in all of the rings, although if they don't get an award in a certain percent of the rings, they don't count anyway. The people who are doing this – we have some people that are more or less handlers – they're not aware of that, so these cats come in and they're shown in all the rings but none of it is going to count and it's actually detrimental to other cats because of the potential of passing along whatever problems that they are having. So, the Committee feels that if a cat has gotten no award in 20% of the rings, that they really shouldn't be handled in the rest of the rings. It's not going to count because they won't hit their 80%, but they are still being handled. That's something that we're going to work

on for future. We don't have a proposal or an action item around that, but just to let the organization know that that's something that we have our eye on and are trying to find solutions to address that.

**Mastin:** Does anybody have any questions, comments or suggestions for Kathy and her Committee? **Morgan:** I love all these numbers. They are really cool. To be actually able to see it in the grid, I want to thank you for putting that all together, because I think it gives us a great snapshot of where we are and a good feel for where we're going. I also like your show supervision direction. I'll start thinking through the challenge on that last one there, because I understand where you're going with it. I'm having a hard time wrapping my head around how to implement that. **Calhoun:** Us too, yeah. **Morgan:** I understand, so if you don't mind, I will throw ideas your way. **Calhoun:** Yes, yes. **Morgan:** Thank you. This was great.

***ID Other CFA Board***  
*Bob Zenda, Subcommittee Chair*

*The 2022-2023 show season was a banner year for CFA Shows in the International Division (except China). Twenty-nine clubs hosted seventy-five successful shows with 7,495 cats present, as shown below.*

<b>CFA INTERNATIONAL DIVISION (except China) 2022-2023 SHOW SUMMARY</b>						
	<b>FINAL - shows by country</b>					
<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>Shows</b>	<b>Entries</b>	<b>Kit</b>	<b>CH</b>	<b>PR</b>	<b>HHP</b>
<b>Hong Kong</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Indonesia</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,908</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>185</b>
<b>Korea</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Malaysia</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1,685</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>262</b>
<b>Thailand</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2,165</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Vietnam</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Singapore</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Taiwan</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Kuwait</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Israel</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Shows</b>	<b>Entries</b>	<b>Kit</b>	<b>CH</b>	<b>PR</b>	<b>HHP</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>7,495</b>	<b>2,449</b>	<b>3,559</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>565</b>

*Now, for the new/current show season -- as of June 10<sup>th</sup>, ten shows have already been held in the ID Other, and nine more have been licensed thus far. In addition, forty show dates (including the nine already licensed) have already been reserved, one Clerking School has been held in Indonesia and two more are planned in Malaysia (Melaka and Kuching).*

*There are currently forty-seven clubs in good standing in CFA's International Division (except China). One club was dropped (Regal Cat Fanciers Israel) for non-payment of dues or submission of a membership list, despite failure of all attempts to contact the former club's President/Secretary.*

*The following applications for CFA Club membership are recommended for acceptance by the CFA Board at the June 2023 meeting:*

*Galaxy Cat Club, Hong Kong  
Felidae Beyond Infinity, Hong Kong  
Hong Kong Bengal Cat Association, Hong Kong  
Mahameru Cat Club, Indonesia*

*It should be noted that although there are already 13 Clubs in good standing in Hong Kong, they are all active, show producing clubs. In other words, there are NO “paper clubs” in Hong Kong, and I am confident that the three new clubs recommended will coordinate and cooperate with the existing clubs if accepted.*

*There are several active systems employed in the ID Other to ensure that show conflicts do not exist and that lines of communication remain open. First, all show dates must be reserved with the ID Show Scheduler (Nada Jaffar, Singapore), who ensures that clubs within each country are given priority for show dates, before clubs outside the country are allowed to schedule a show in that country (a common practice in ID Other). Secondly, I rely on a cadre of volunteer Country Coordinators who deserve recognition for their advice and assistance with local issues. They are:*

*ASIA/WEST AFRICA: Sandra AISumalt  
HONG KONG: Suki Wong  
INDIA: VACANT  
INDONESIA: Indra Faisal  
KOREA: Jinson Choi  
MALAYSIA: Muhammad Hafidz bin Rahmat  
SINGAPORE: Nadia Jaffar  
TAIWAN: Tsung Chih Tsai  
THAILAND: Keratiya (Zun) Cruvongpaiboon  
VIETNAM: Nguyen Kieu Ngoc*

*Last but not least, all applications for show licenses are forwarded by Lisa Brault (CFA Show Scheduler) to Matthew and I for our approval before they can be licensed. Kathy is also copied on show licenses for the International Division.*

*The International Division Awards Banquet will be held on August 27, 2023 in Hong Kong.*

**Calhoun:** We have more of the report. I don't know if Bob wants to say anything, but he has provided an excellent report on activities in ID-Other. He's got a lot on his shoulders and he is doing a fabulous job. Again, ID-Other, there's just wonderful acceptance and participation by clubs and their willingness to have shows, and just a great, great motivation in ID-Other around shows.

**DelaBar:** I'm looking at the graph for ID-Other. I see there was a show for Kuwait but no show for Saudi Cat Club. **Calhoun:** Are you looking at this one? **DelaBar:** Yeah. Kuwait was on Saturday, Saudi was on Sunday. **Calhoun:** OK. **DelaBar:** Saudi should be on there because they can – **Currle:** I can address that. I talked to Sandra about it. They filled out the show application wrong. They had both names of the club on it, but CFA took the first club, and that's where the mix-up is. **Calhoun:** OK, yeah. **Currle:** They intended it to be two separate shows.



**Calhoun:** And it's not showing up on the records that way. **Currle:** They didn't follow the procedure. That's the reasoning for that. **DelaBar:** Having judged the Saudi show and having a contract that says Saudi Cat Club. **Calhoun:** Yeah, yeah. **DelaBar:** All of a sudden, they just disappeared. **Calhoun:** But thank you Kenny. Thank you. **Currle:** They were disappointed. I know the Saudi club is disappointed they didn't get recognition, but it was a simple mistake and they didn't catch it in time.

***International Division - China Show Activities***  
Submitted by John Colilla

***Season 2022 -2023 – 26 shows***

*The total number of entries for the season was 4230 with an average of 162.6 entries per show. There were no shows from May through June 2022-2023.*

Date	Club Name	City	Region	Show Format			Show Count Entries									
				AB	LH	SH	Kittens		Champions		NOV		Premier		HHP	Total
							LH	SH	LH	SH	LH	SH	LH	SH		
07/02/22	China Free Heart Cat Club	Chengdu	W		4	4	10	7	20	17	3	5	3	2	0	67
11/05/22	Oriental Crown	Zhejiang	E		3	3	46	37	41	26	9	12	7	4	43	225
12/03/22	Swire CFC	Ningbo	E		2	3	61	40	28	24	8	7	12	10	33	223
12/16/22	Dragon King	Zhejiang	E		3	3	54	17	41	20	2	7	11	9	33	194
12/24/22	Beyond Love Feline Fanciers	Zhejiang	E		3	3	31	17	30	17	2	0	2	2	6	107
12/25/22	China Kiwi Fancies Cat Club	Sichuen	W		3	5	21	10	15	17	6	3	0	2	0	74
01/14/23	Winterfell Club	Shenyang	N		4	4	23	23	12	16	5	4	0	1	14	98
02/11/23	Yan Huang Cat Club	Chengdu	W	1	3	3	46	14	37	28	0	4	7	1	0	137
02/17/23	China Ace Cat Club	Chengdu	W		3	5	38	5	15	52	0	0	2	0	0	112
02/25/23	Hua Xia Cat Club	Chengdu	W	1	3	3	37	12	37	22	1	1	4	0	0	114
03/04/23	Man Miao Cat Club	Chengdu	W		3	7	41	71	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	150
03/11/23	China Ace Cat Club	Chengdu	W		4	6	44	70	28	27	4	1	1	0	0	175
03/11/23	The Polaris	Nanjing	E		3	3	46	31	21	67	7	14	8	0	1	195
03/25/23	China Peach and Love Club	Chengdu	W	2	1	3	56	12	61	9	3	1	4	1	0	147
03/25/23	Oriental Crown	Nanjing	W		2	3	12	16	81	69	3	15	6	0	4	206
04/01/23	China Morning Star Club	Shenyang	N	1	4	4	57	10	12	65	0	0	0	0	4	148
04/01/23	XiJing Cat Club	Chengdu	W		3	3	42	65	36	74	0	1	0	0	0	218
04/08/23	Jiangnan	Nanjing	E	1	2	4	9	7	94	76	1	10	4	0	0	201
04/08/23	Last Chance CF International	Chengdu	W	5	1	1	57	29	68	59	1	0	2	0	0	216
04/15/23	China Ace Cat Club	Chengdu	W		5	6	63	51	4	104	0	1	0	0	0	223
04/15/23	Hua Xia Cat Club	Nanjing	E	5	2	4	58	43	99	117	4	11	5	1	0	338
04/15/23	The Polaris	Changsha	E	3	1	0	3	4	78	26	2	4	0	0	2	119
04/22/23	Mountain City Cat Fanciers	Chongqing	W	3	3	4	29	11	33	17	2	0	3	1	0	96
04/23/23	Beyond Love Feline Fanciers	Changsha	E	1	1	0	3	5	100	42	2	0	2	0	0	154

04/29/23	China Scenery Cat Fanciers Club	Chengdu	W	3	2	0	43	3	15	8	0	0	39	14	0	122
04/29/23	Starry Sky Cat Fanciers' Club	Nanjing	E	0	4	2	4	75	56	33	1	2	0	0	0	171

### **Season 2023 – 2024 – 5 shows**

*There were five shows through the end of June this year compared to none last year. Sixteen (16) shows booked and six pending to the end of the new show season. That is a total of twenty-seven (27) shows. We will be getting more show dates starting in late summer.*

Date	Club Name	City	Region	Show Format			Show Count Entries									
				AB	LH	SH	Kittens		Champions		NOV		Premier		HHP	Total
05/02/23`	Dragon King	Shenzhen	E	1	3	3	17	13	11	6	15	11	6	1	0	80
05/27/23	Xijing Cat Club	Chengdu	W	2	3	3	1	4	43	42	3	0	10	14	0	117
06/03/23	Squires CF	Wuhan	E	1	2	2	12	4	6	4	2	1	16	0	0	45
06/10/23	Angel Fairy Sphynx	Tianjin	N	4	0	0	11	10	12	19	10	2	30	16	0	110
06/17/23	China Peace and Love Club	Guangzhou	E	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*The 2022 – 2023 China Banquet is scheduled to be held on November 17 with a Clerking School on November 16 and the show will be on November 18 and 19, 2023.*

**Calhoun:** In addition, John Colilla has provided a report. China, under the supervision of John and Wain and also Matthew, the amount of clubs and shows that we are having in the ID Division is just fabulous. It took a little bit of time to come back after COVID, but we've overcome that and things are really, really doing well in the ID Division.

**Colilla:** I just wanted to make a comment on China. Since that report was created, there's another show being approved. From what I gather, there will be more shows in China in areas where no shows before, so China is growing tremendously. I'm projecting – and I hope I'm correct – that we're going to double the amount of shows this show season compared to last show season.

**Mastin:** Any additional comments, questions or recommendations? **Calhoun:** That's it.

### (13) WORLD CAT CONGRESS.

**Delegate:** Kathy Calhoun  
**Advisor:** Rachel Anger

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*The 2023 World Cat Congress Annual Meeting was held in Launceston, Tasmania, Australia, June 9-13, 2023, in conjunction with the ACF Annual Meeting and Cat Show. Rachel Anger and Kathy Calhoun were in attendance representing CFA.*

**Calhoun:** World Cat Congress. So, Rachel and I just recently got back from Tasmania in Australia. I think we are both probably still recovering from jet lag. I know that I am, but it was a fantastic event.

*The ACF National Show was held on June 10 -11. It was well attended with lovely cats. The judges' decisions were entered by each judge on a tablet. The decisions were automatically transmitted to the equivalent of CFA's master clerks. Scoring was done automatically, and a best of the best ceremony was held immediately after judging.*

**Calhoun:** The ACF National Show was held on the weekend and we both judged on Saturday and Sunday. There were lovely, lovely cats. One thing that I wanted to point out is that the judges' decisions were all put in tablets and the tablet information was sent over via internet to what would be the equivalent of a master clerk for the U.S. Once the last ring was completed, they were immediately ready for best of the best. So, bravo to them for being innovative.

*A Symposium was held on June 11. The presenters and topics follow.*

- *Professor Jan Slapeta – Toxoplasmosis and Toxoplasma: What is Going On*
- *Associate Professor Heather Lorimer – Subspecies View, Genetic Diversity, and Health Implications*
- *Dr Justine Schellekens – Does your litter tray talk to you? FLUTD & Haematuria Detect*
- *Professor Leslie Lyons – Genetics Updates & Advancements*
- *Dr Richard Makik – Feline Infectious Diseases with Major Focus on FIP and the Treatment Thereof*

**Calhoun:** A symposium was held on Monday. Rachel and I have provided a list of the speakers. Wonderful information that was in many instances, and I think Allene kind of inferred this, that professors who could speak to their subject matter in a way that everyone could understand it. It wasn't veterinary speak, it was very easy to understand and follow, and a great, great opportunity to learn a lot.

*The WCC Congress meeting was held on June 12.*

*Professor Leslie Lyons also attended the WCC meeting on Tuesday and spoke to the elimination of targeted feline diseases using genetic testing and selected breeding. Dr Lyons also spoke to structural issues that may be exacerbated by breeding for extreme features.*

*The business meeting included assigning investigation on the impact of the dominant blue eyed to feline health and establishing a position on the corin gene, sunshine, sunshine-silver and bimetallic cats.*

**Calhoun:** Then, the World Cat Congress meeting was on Tuesday. Leslie Lyons also spoke at the World Cat Congress meeting itself and talked to the genetic opportunities that exist to eliminate certain defects or abnormalities in many, many breeds. She has a passion for that. We like to have a statement from the World Cat Congress around that and perhaps be interested in coming to some of our meetings and speaking to that. So, just a head's up on that. That was great. There was quite a bit of conversation around the dominant blue eyed gene and the corin gene in color, so there's going to be some additional work done around that. **Morgan:** When they were talking about the genetic updates, did they talk at all about the fact that they seem to have identified the silver gene, or was that not a topic? **Calhoun:** That was talked about earlier on and I can give you some additional information. **Morgan:** OK, thanks.

*The 2024 WCC meeting will be held in Bali sponsored by WCF. The date is to be determined.*

**Calhoun:** The 2024 World Cat Congress meeting is scheduled for Bali. They do not have a date as of yet, so they are working on that. It's sometime in 2024. [**Secretary's Note:** The date has been set as March 20-27, 2024.]

*The 2025 WCC meeting is available if CFA would like to host that year.*

**Calhoun:** Questions? **Hannon:** The last sentence of your report, 2025. **Calhoun:** I was going to get to that. **Hannon:** Do you want to talk about that? **Calhoun:** Yeah. **Mastin:** Do you want to talk about it now or do you want to take Melanie's question? [transcript goes to previous discussion] **Calhoun:** 2025 is open. It has been a number of years since we've had it in the U.S., sponsored by CFA. We mentioned that in the meeting and, given the fact that we're going to have a board meeting right the next week, I told the committee that we would discuss it at our board meeting and make a decision if 2025 was doable, and if we wanted to support that or if we wanted to look at a future year. **Hannon:** I move that CFA sponsored the World Cat Congress. **DelaBar:** Second. **Calhoun:** In 2025. **Mastin:** I think that was Mark who made the motion and Pam DelaBar second. **Eigenhauser:** I was going to make the motion that Mark did, but I want to say that I think it's important that CFA maintain a highly visible presence in the WCC and I think this is a good way to do it. I support it. **Calhoun:** Just for a little context, I talked to Allene about the timing on this. Allene thinks it's doable. That was a ringing endorsement, but that it's doable. One of the outstanding questions with making it doable is whether or not we would have a cat show associated with it. Another opportunity may be that the cat show that is associated with it would be the International Cat Show. Of course, we wouldn't have the guest judges that would potentially be delegates or advisers participate in the International Show judging, but certainly it would bring another level of attention to that show and it could probably be an internal savings for CFA. Those are thoughts that are being bantered around. **Hannon:** What I would think this motion would do would be to tell you, go ahead and start making some plans, come back to the board with location, dates, etc. **Calhoun:** Excellent. **Mastin:** Any other comments or questions on Mark's motion? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Anger:** Thank you. **Mastin:** Kathy, are you done? **Calhoun:** I am. **Anger:** I would like to make one comment. We had a gift for all of the delegates and advisors that CFA intended to give in 2018 or 2019. We finally had a face-to-face meeting and those gifts were given to the delegates and advisors. **Hannon:** The problem was that that year the meeting was in Italy and Rachel had some dental issues. **Anger:** I did. **Hannon:** She had the gifts and she didn't go. It was a very last-minute thing so there was no way to get the gifts there. **DelaBar:** But you got to go to a CFA show [in Italy]. **Hannon:** I got to go to a CFA show because Pam kindly came to the – it was a FIFe show, wasn't it? It was a FIFe show that picked me up and took me to 44 Gatti for their show in Italy. **Mastin:** Anything else, Rachel? **Anger:** No, thank you.

*Respectfully submitted.  
Kathy and Rachel*



**Mastin:** The next item on the agenda is a break for lunch. We are going to break and return at 1 p.m.

**BREAK.**

**Mastin:** OK, I'm calling the meeting back to order. I hope lunch was good. Somebody said the dessert was very good. It came from this side of the table. **Calhoun:** Very good. **Mastin:** So, Team CFA Central Office, thumbs up. Lunch was very good. Thank you.

(14) **SHOW RULES.**

<b>Committee Chair:</b>	<b>Ed Raymond</b>
<b>Liaison to Board:</b>	<b>Carol Krzanowski</b>
<b>List of Committee Members:</b>	<b>Cathy Dunham, Kathy Gumm, Shirley Michaud-Dent, Brad Newcomb</b>

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

*In addition to preparing the show rule changes which will be required if the delegation approves assigning Russia to the International Division rather than Region 9 (see Board Action Items), the Committee has been collecting show rule change requests to be worked on for the October Board meeting. A draft of show rule changes related to the utilization of Associate Judges in areas which have reopened to international travel has been shared with the Judging Program chair for review by that committee.*

**Board Action Items:**

***The following Show Rule changes will go into effect immediately if Proposed Bylaw Amendment 4 is passed at the Annual Meeting on Friday, June 23, 2023. Should Amendment 4 not pass, they will have no effect.***

**Mastin:** Show Rules is next. Ed Raymond and Carol. **Currle:** I would like to propose to the board that, I think this is like putting the cart before the horse. I would rather hear the delegation's vote on these show rule changes via what we're bringing up. I think it was #4 board action to remove Russia from Europe. If it passes on Friday, I think the new board could take this up, so I would like to propose a motion to do just that, to table. **Hannon:** Second. **Mastin:** OK, so Kenny made the motion, Mark made the second. **DelaBar:** I originally wrote these to go in front of the delegation on Friday, with the caveat that they could be withdrawn if the amendment to the bylaws was not passed. Ed thought it prudent to have a provisional acceptance at this board meeting because if the amendment passes and any one of these proposed show rules did not also pass, then we would be going back to square one and trying to get everything written. So, that's why Ed Raymond decided – who is Chair of Show Rules – he decided it would be more beneficial to have them accepted provisionally at this time. **Mastin:** Ed, can you speak on that? **Raymond:** By doing them today, one, we don't have a period where the bylaws are amended but the show rules are out of sync. This way, you have show rule changes that are ready to go into effect immediately if the delegation accepts the amendment to the bylaws. If that amendment does not pass, then these show rule changes are null and void. They do not go into effect. Secondly, in speaking with Rich, I knew that a number of board members have flights on Sunday morning – early flights – so I'm trying to help to minimize the length of the Sunday meeting. **Moser:** I didn't quite understand. So, you're going to – we have to pass – we don't have to, but we're going to try to pass this, so if the delegation passes it then it's done, right? But

if we don't pass this, then what happens if the delegation wants to pass it? **Raymond:** The delegation is only being asked to vote on the bylaw change to move Russia from Region 9 into the International Division. If they accept that, then we need to change the show rules. That's what you've got in front of you right now. If the delegation says no, what you're passing today is conditional on Amendment #4 passing tomorrow. If Amendment #4 does not pass, your vote today is moot, because there's nothing to amend. These changes are really housekeeping in nature. They really just change the wording in the show rules to reflect that Russia is no longer part of Region 9 but is part of the International Division. **Eigenhauser:** If Resolution #4 passes and we brought this in front of the delegation as a show rule, it would be a non-pre-noticed show rule, so it would only be advisory to the board, and the board would have to vote on it anyway. So, one way or another, if Resolution #4 passes, we have to do something, whether we do it today or do it Sunday. Given that there are people that need to get out on Sunday, let's do it today if we can. **Mastin:** Was there a question there as well, or just a statement, George? **Eigenhauser:** Just a statement on the motion to table, so I'm speaking to the motion. **Mastin:** I think I heard earlier, and I don't remember if it was Pam or Ed who mentioned, this was presented to this board from Pam back in February or April. **DelaBar:** Only the amendment, not these. **Mastin:** Only the amendment, that's correct. Only the amendment was presented to this board in April and the logic behind it was what Ed had mentioned, was to – if it passes, let's put the show rules effective immediately with the bylaws that will be effective immediately, only if it passes. If it does not pass, these are moot. It's as if they didn't happen. That's all we're doing here. I don't remember what the – you had to get support from the board to write these. **DelaBar:** May I speak? **Mastin:** Yes, please. **DelaBar:** In April, the board voted to make this a board-sponsored amendment, #4. Once that happened, I wrote up the show rules to make it to where Russia could immediately start to participate fully. Right now, Russia can only put on a maximum of 4 ring shows in Russia, with Russian exhibitors and with Russian judges, which would give them, they have two CFA judges and they can have – since the ID and Region 9 are allowed 50% guest judges, could have 2 guest judges, which would give them a 4 ring show. This reflects basically that premise, but it also with, being a member of the ID, could go to several of the ID countries to compete. They cannot come to Europe. They cannot get visas to come to Europe.

**Moser:** I'm sorry, I don't get this. I understand that we have already passed this, right? **DelaBar:** No. **Moser:** To go before an amendment. To go before it, right? **DelaBar:** Yes. **Moser:** Alright, I understand that, but what if we say we don't want this now and we vote no. Can we do that? **Eigenhauser:** If there's a substantive problem with this, we would have to adjust it on Sunday. **Moser:** You can't just say no now. **Currle:** Yeah, you can. **Eigenhauser:** You can, but we have to do something. If Resolution #4 passes, we have to do something to bring our show rules in harmony with our bylaws. **Moser:** Yeah, I understand that, that it's a show rule. **Eigenhauser:** We can either discuss it today or discuss it Sunday. That's the motion that's pending right now. **Currle:** Right. **Moser:** I was thinking that the amendment, we could reverse ourselves on the amendment but we can't because we already passed it, right? **Eigenhauser:** It's in front of the delegation. **Moser:** In front of the delegation, right, with our blessing. **Raymond:** If the delegation passes it, it goes into effect immediately.

**Mastin:** So Kenny, the motion on the floor is to handle this on Sunday if the delegation passes Amendment #4? **Currle:** I just think it's the proper pecking order. We have already created an influence on the delegation's vote by presenting this resolution. This is going to

double that down if we pass all these show rules, so I just want a fair, fair vote coming out of the delegation and I think very quickly we can get this done on Sunday, to take these up if it does pass. **Mastin:** Mark, do you have any comments? I believe you seconded it. **Hannon:** No. **Mastin:** OK, I'm going to call the motion. Are you in favor of – I want to get this right. **Currle:** Table. **Mastin:** Tabling it until Sunday pending the outcome of tomorrow's vote. All those in favor raise your hand.

**Mastin** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Colilla, Eigenhauser, Krzanowski, Morgan and Shelton voting no. DelaBar and Anger abstained.

**Mastin:** Mark Hannon, Kenny Currle, Cathy Dunham, Paula Noble, Yukiko Hayata, Pam Moser, Annette Wilson, Sharon Roy, Kathy Calhoun and Russell Webb. All those opposed raise your hand. Mike Shelton, Carol Krzanowski, George Eigenhauser, John Colilla, Melanie Morgan. If you are an abstention raise your hand. Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar. **Anger:** That's 10 yes votes, 5 no votes, 2 abstentions. **Mastin:** OK, the motion passes to table this matter, pending the outcome of tomorrow's vote, until Sunday.

1. *Adjust the requirements mandating the number of rings which must be judged by CFA judges to remove reference to Russia.*

Article III – Invitations to and Acceptance by Judges, amend 3.13		CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)					
Existing Wording				Proposed Wording			
<b>3.13</b> For kitten, championship, premiership and veteran classes, a CFA judge (at least Apprentice) or approved guest judge must be used. For Household Pet classes it is permissible for a club to use a Trainee. Depending on the show location, the number of rings that must be judged by CFA judges at the show are as follows:				<b>3.13</b> For kitten, championship, premiership and veteran classes, a CFA judge (at least Apprentice) or approved guest judge must be used. For Household Pet classes it is permissible for a club to use a Trainee. Depending on the show location, the number of rings that must be judged by CFA judges at the show are as follows:			
Regions 1-9 (excluding Russia)		International Division (including Russia)		Regions 1-9 <del>(excluding Russia)</del>		International Division <del>(including Russia)</del>	
<u># of Rings</u>	<u>CFA Judges</u>	<u># of Rings</u>	<u>CFA Judges</u>	<u># of Rings</u>	<u>CFA Judges</u>	<u># of Rings</u>	<u>CFA Judges</u>
2-3	2	2-3	2	2-3	2	2-3	2
4-5	3	4-5	3	4-5	3	4-5	3
6	4	6	4	6	4	6	4
7	5	7	5	7	5	7	5
8	6	8-9	6	8	6	8-9	6
9-10	7	10-11	7	9-10	7	10-11	7
11	8	12	8	11	8	12	8
12	9			12	9		
As used above, ....				As used above, ....			
<b>RATIONALE:</b> Housekeeping change to remove reference to Russia since Russia is now part of the International Division.							



**Tabled.**

2. Add Russia and Russian designation to the area of residence on the entry form.

Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.22	CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
<b>6.22</b> It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, AS=South or Central America, AW=Africa & Western Asia, EC=East China, WC=West China, NC=North China, HK=Hong Kong, ID=Indonesia, IL=Israel, KR=South Korea, MY=Malaysia/Brunei, PH=Philippines, SI=Singapore, TH=Cambodia/Laos/Myanmar/Thailand, TW=Taiwan and VN=Vietnam (see CFA’s Bylaws Article VIII, for regional boundary specifications).	<b>6.22</b> It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, AS=South or Central America, AW=Africa & Western Asia, EC=East China, WC=West China, NC=North China, HK=Hong Kong, ID=Indonesia, IL=Israel, KR=South Korea, MY=Malaysia/Brunei, PH=Philippines, <u>RU=Russia</u> , SI=Singapore, TH=Cambodia/Laos/Myanmar/Thailand, TW=Taiwan and VN=Vietnam (see CFA’s Bylaws Article VIII, for regional boundary specifications).	
<b>RATIONALE:</b> Providing designation for Russian area of residence on entry form.		

**Tabled.**

3. Remove “east of the Ural Mountains” when referring to Russia.

Article XXVII – Obtaining Titles – Champion/Premier, amend 27.03 a	CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
<p>27.03 a. Six (6) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or</p>	<p>27.03 a. Six (6) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) four (4) Qualifying Rings earned under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or</p>	

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<b>RATIONALE:</b> Housekeeping change.	

#### Tabled.

- Remove references to “east of the Ural Mountains” for Russia.

<b>Article XXVIII – Obtaining Titles – Grands, amend 28.04 b.</b>	<b>CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)</b>			
Existing Wording			Proposed Wording	
28.04 b. Grand Point Requirements for the Grand Champion and Grand Premier title are as shown in the following table based on location of cat ownership:			28.04 b. Grand Point Requirements for the Grand Champion and Grand Premier title are as shown in the following table based on location of cat ownership:	
<u>Country/Area</u>	<u>GC Pts Rqd</u>	<u>GP Pts Rqd</u>	<u>Country/Area</u>	<u>GC Pts Rqd</u> <u>GP Pts Rqd</u>
Regions 1-9 except as noted, China	200	75	Regions 1-9 except as noted, China	200   75
Maritime Provinces of Canada			Maritime Provinces of Canada	
United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta,			United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta,	
Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, & Indonesia)	75	25	Hawaii, <del>Russia east of the Ural Mountains</del> , International Division (except Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, & Indonesia)	75   25
Hong Kong	125	75	Hong Kong	125   75
Thailand, Indonesia	125	25	Thailand, Indonesia	125   25
Malaysia	125	50	Malaysia	125   50
Ukraine	200	25	Ukraine	200   25
Taiwan, Vietnam	90	40	Taiwan, Vietnam	90   40
<b>RATIONALE:</b> Remove reference to Russia as Russia is now part of the International Division.				

**Tabled.**

5. Remove reference to Russia and correct reference to Ukraine.

<b>Article XXIX – Obtaining Titles – Household Pets, amend 29.02a</b>	<b>CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)</b>	
<b>Existing Wording</b>		<b>Proposed Wording</b>
29.02 a. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Household Pet in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Province of Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural Mountains) and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in those excepted areas (except Hawaii) one hundred (100) points are required for the Grand Household Pet (GH) title. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii thirty-five (35) points are required for the GH title.		29.02 a. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Household Pet in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Province of Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, <del>the</del> Ukraine, Hawaii, <del>Russia (east of the Ural Mountains)</del> and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in those excepted areas (except Hawaii) one hundred (100) points are required for the Grand Household Pet (GH) title. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii thirty-five (35) points are required for the GH title.
<b>RATIONALE:</b> Remove reference to Russia as Russia is part of the International Division. Housekeeping change to remove “the” before Ukraine.		

**Tabled.**

6. Add Russia to the International Division for season end awards.

<b>Article XXXVI – National/Regional/ Divisional Awards Program, amend International Division Awards</b>	<b>CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)</b>	
<b>Existing Wording</b>		<b>Proposed Wording</b>
<p><b><i>International Division Definition:</i></b> for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is divided into the following geographical areas based on quarantine requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hong Kong</li> <li>• Indonesia</li> <li>• South Korea</li> </ul>		<p><b><i>International Division Definition:</i></b> for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is divided into the following geographical areas based on quarantine requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hong Kong</li> <li>• Indonesia</li> <li>• South Korea</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Israel</li> <li>• Malaysia/Brunei</li> <li>• Phillippines</li> <li>• Singapore</li> <li>• South or Central America, including the Caribbean nations;</li> <li>• Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand</li> <li>• Taiwan</li> <li>• Vietnam</li> <li>• Africa and western Asia (including the middle east (minus Israel), Turkey, Iran, India, Maldives, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, etc.)</li> </ul> <p><b>Three areas in China</b> defined as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• East China - (the provinces/cities of Fujian, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Zhejiang, Anhui, Shandong, and Shanghai)</li> <li>• North China - (the provinces/cities of Inner Mongolia, Hebei, Shanxi, Tianjin, Beijing, Liaoning, Jilin, and Heilongjiang)</li> <li>• West China - (all of China not already covered by the provinces/cities listed for either East China or North China).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Israel</li> <li>• Malaysia/Brunei</li> <li>• <del>Phillippines</del> <u>Philippines</u></li> <li>• <u>Russia</u></li> <li>• Singapore</li> <li>• South or Central America, including the Caribbean nations;</li> <li>• Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand</li> <li>• Taiwan</li> <li>• Vietnam</li> <li>• Africa and western Asia (including the middle east (minus Israel), Turkey, Iran, India, Maldives, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, etc.)</li> </ul> <p><b>Three areas in China</b> defined as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• East China - (the provinces/cities of Fujian, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Zhejiang, Anhui, Shandong, and Shanghai)</li> <li>• North China - (the provinces/cities of Inner Mongolia, Hebei, Shanxi, Tianjin, Beijing, Liaoning, Jilin, and Heilongjiang)</li> <li>• West China - (all of China not already covered by the provinces/cities listed for either East China or North China).</li> </ul>
<p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Add Russia to the International Division for season-ending awards. Also, housekeeping change to correct the spelling of Philippines.</p>	

#### **Tabled.**

7. Clarify that only points earned in Russia can be used for Russian divisional wins.

<b>Article XXXVI – National/Regional/ Divisional Awards Program, amend Regional Definition 4</b>	<b>CFA Board (Pam DelaBar)</b>
<b>Existing Wording</b>	<b>Proposed Wording</b>
4. Awards given in the International Division are based only on points earned in the International Division with the following exceptions: a) cats/kittens/household pets from outside of the China DW Award geographical area may NOT earn points at shows in the China DW Award geographical area, b) only points earned at Singapore shows will be accrued towards Singapore	4. Awards given in the International Division are based only on points earned in the International Division with the following exceptions: a) cats/kittens/household pets from outside of the China DW Award geographical area may NOT earn points at shows in the China DW Award geographical area, b) only points earned at Singapore shows will be accrued towards

DW awards, c) only points earned at Taiwan shows will be accrued towards Taiwan DW awards, d) only points earned at Africa/Western Asia shows will be accrued toward Africa/Western Asia DW awards, e) only points earned at Central/South America shows will be accrued toward Central/South America DW awards, and f) only points earned at shows in Israel will be accrued toward Israel DW awards. In addition, points earned at the CFA International show may be used toward this award.	Singapore DW awards, c) only points earned at Taiwan shows will be accrued towards Taiwan DW awards, d) only points earned at Africa/Western Asia shows will be accrued toward Africa/Western Asia DW awards, e) only points earned at Central/South America shows will be accrued toward Central/South America DW awards, <del>and f)</del> only points earned at shows in Israel will be accrued toward Israel DW awards, <u>and g) only points earned at shows in Russia will be accrued toward Russia DW awards.</u> In addition, points earned at the CFA International show may be used toward this award.
<b>RATIONALE:</b> Clarifying that only points earned in Russia can be used for Russian divisional wins.	

**Tabled.**

8. Amend the Show Rule Addendum which modifies the requirements to obtain the grand title to exclude reference to Russia.

Amend Show Rule Addendum 5.	CFA Board				
Existing Wording			Proposed Wording		
5. Extended the modification of 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 and in Mainland China to require 175 points for the Grand Champion title, and 50 points for the Grand Premier title, as noted in the following table for the 2023-2024 show season.			5. Extended the modification of 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 and in Mainland China to require 175 points for the Grand Champion title, and 50 points for the Grand Premier title, as noted in the following table for the 2023-2024 show season.		
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Regions 1-9 except as noted	200	75	Regions 1-9 except as noted	200	75
Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, Russia east of the Ural Mountains, International Division (except China)	75	25	Maritime Provinces of Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Hawaii, <del>Russia east of the Ural Mountains</del> , International Division (except China)	75	25
Ukraine	75	25	Ukraine	75	25
Mainland China	175	50	Mainland China	175	50
<b>RATIONALE:</b> Reference to Russia no longer required as Russia is part of the International Division.					

**Tabled.**

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

*Unless a show rule change is requested which requires immediate action, the committee does not plan to present anything at the August meeting.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Ed Raymond, Chair*

**Mastin:** Thank you, Ed. **Currle:** Quick report, Ed. Good job.

**(15) SHOW PROMOTION COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** *Mike Altschul*  
**Liaison to Board:** *Cathy Dunham*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Jennie Batten, Melody Boyd, Pam Moser, Ariel Bartelmes, Becky Galloway, Kate Sain, Janet Moyer, Carmen Marie Johnson-Lawrence, Michelle Piatt, Amy Sutherland, Sueann Spinder, Wendy Carson, Charli Ann Stevens, Crystal Wood*

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

*While most of the work of our committee is helping many shows get great gates, we also help clubs with shows that do not use our social media assistance.*

*It's funny how a platform once created to share photos and memes is now one of the most powerful business tools ever created. We stay up to date with the best practices on social media so that clubs don't have to.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*In the 2022-2023 show season, our group helped 55 shows bring in 55,539 guests producing a gross income of \$507,603, thru paid Facebook ads and other social media platforms' organic (free) posting. We work closely with clubs to ensure their venue, show hall layout, and personnel can handle the number of energized guests we can bring in.*

*Our group, mainly through the help of Melody Boyd, is working full-time doing video reels, organically, across 3 social media platforms, Facebook Reels, Instagram, and Tik Tok. While targeting local markets initially, because of the high click-through rate (CTR) of the videos, most of the videos have gone viral, worldwide. We have an estimated accumulated video plays/views on Facebook of 2 million, Instagram of 10 million, and Tik Tok of 75 million. The help to the local markets is small, but the increased awareness of CFA cat shows, worldwide is amazing.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*We are increasing our ability to do more shows per weekend. We estimate assisting 75-80 shows this show season. Not all clubs want help or even want guests visiting their show.*

*We would like to see more shows use our services, worldwide, instead of just the United States.*

*We are in the process of making available support for traditional media, including TV, radio, newspaper, and magazines which can include both digital and print media.*

**Board Action Items:**

*None*

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

*Updates about our progress as needed.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Mike Altschul, Chair*

**Mastin:** Is Mike Altschul here? **Dunham:** No. I will present it, Rich. **Mastin:** You are going to? OK, great. Cathy please present this. **Dunham:** This is from the Show Promotions Committee. It is just an update of what they've been doing since the beginning of the last show season to date. If there are any questions, I'm happy to entertain those. **Mastin:** Cathy, do you remember how many shows the Committee helped 2 years ago? **Dunham:** I believe they only helped about 30 clubs 2 years ago. They helped 55 in the 2022-2023 season and they have had a significant increase in the number that have asked for help in the current show season. **Mastin:** Great. So, it's going in the right direction in terms of helping clubs hold their shows. **Dunham:** Absolutely.

**Mastin:** Do you want to take this opportunity to announce the seminar Mike is putting on? **Dunham:** Sure. He is having a seminar on Saturday. I believe it's from 2:00 to 3:00 Saturday afternoon. **Mastin:** Allene, is that correct? 2:00 to 3:00 on Saturday? **Dunham:** 2:00 to 3:00 Saturday afternoon. We invite everyone that wants to learn about show promotion, using FaceBook and other social media, to attend. He's got some speakers from his Committee, as well as himself that will be presenting some very valuable information. They invite the clubs to come and learn and ask for help if they need it. That's what they're there for, is to help bring in gate to help offset show expenses.

**Mastin:** Anybody have any questions or comments for Cathy? Cathy, please thank Mike and the Committee. **DelaBar:** I did have a question. What is the cost to the clubs, if any? **Dunham:** Mike charges – he has a contract that's I want to say \$200 plus then whatever the club wants to provide for the expense on FaceBook. Then, if the gate is over \$5,000 then it's an extra percentage of that paid to Mike or whoever the committee member is that's working the show. **DelaBar:** So, this is an entrepreneur type of relationship. **Dunham:** That \$200 to that individual plus – most clubs are doing \$500 to pay for FaceBook advertising, the actual advertising piece, so generally a club puts out \$700 first, then if gate is over \$5,000 then the contract specifies a percentage as those increments go up. If anybody from Europe is interested or wants to be part of Mike's Committee, I'm sure he would welcome it so they can learn how to do this for the shows over there, too. **Mastin:** Pam, are you done? **DelaBar:** Yes. **Roy:** I was just going to say, we just used Mike for the New Hampshire show and it was \$200 and then \$500 for FaceBook expenses, but what I will say, we had a couple people who judged the show. What I will say is, our gate went from about between \$7,000 and \$8,000 to \$18,000. That's in a city where the population is about 80,000, so it's well worth it. **Moser:** I know the percentage, but if you make over \$5,000 he charges about .45%. That's the percentage you pay. **Mastin:** Is it .45 or .045? **Moser:** .045, yeah. So, if you would like him to do it, then if you have an \$18,000 gate, then he gets an extra about \$600-\$700. [**Secretary's Note:** .045% of \$18,000 is \$810.00.] **Hannon:** I know the clubs that I have talked to that have used Mike are just thrilled with the results. I know at the Southern Regional it was done by the club. They didn't go outside, and they brought in \$8,000 in gate. You don't have to use Mike. You can still have good results. I know that he has also got, like



Lorna is doing similar types of productions for shows. There are others that are doing it, but Mike seems to be, probably because of the fact that he's Chair of this Committee, has a lot of visibility and he's getting good results, so people are happy.

**Mastin:** Does anybody else have any additional questions or comments? Cathy, thank you for reviewing that.

**(16) ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** Charlene Campbell  
**Liaison to Board:** Pam DelaBar  
**List of Committee Members:** Charlene Campbell Acting Breeders Assistance  
Nancy Hitzeman Food Pantry  
Tamara Sender Breed Rescue  
Cyndy Byrd Treasurer  
Linda Berg Disaster Relief Liaison

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**Animal Welfare:**

*I want to thank the board for the \$750.00 each month for Breeders Assistance and Breed Rescue and your donations for emergencies and disasters. We ran a large loss again this year due to smaller donations during our inflationary period. We are very grateful for CFA donations due to the number of cats this year we treated who were in need of Vet care. We have had over 400 of Rescue cats treated, some had very serious medical issues, many had never seen a Veterinarian.*

*A special "Thank you" for the CFA Hurricane Ian funding aid for the SWFL and Southern breeders affected by the Hurricane Ian. Waiting for Insurance Companies to respond to Cat Fanciers, the Cat Food Aid was greatly appreciated. Breeders available cash went to gas for generators, temporary accommodations, debris removal and roof tarps. We had a few Maine coon Felines drowned on Sanibel Island, it was very sad, poor escape plan.*

*I am still having problem getting Court records. Many Government agencies still work remotely. We have picked up on cases. Most complaints are under \$3,000. The others are quite complicated.*

*We are having a lot of identity issues with on line scams. Our CFA Breeders want me to fix these issues but I have no means to do that. The CFA logo and Cattery of Excellence is being used fraudulently on some scam and unregistered breeders web sites. Purchasers are paying big money to non-existent breeders who copy and paste real CFA Breeders Photo's. I hope we can find a way to get the word out on how Consumer can make sure they are buying from a legitimate CFA Breeder! Can we set something up on our CFA Web Site?*

*We need to educate CFA Breeders to watch for on line cattery Identity Theft. We have "look-a-like" Breeders steal breeder web photos, pose on line and take consumer's deposits.*

*Is there a way to warn the Public?*

*I want to encourage all Breeders to get a kitten/cat they sell microchipped and Vet Heath Certificate issued. Required overseas with many feline sales. It would help with so many issues. I would like to see the Health Certificate suggestion added to our CFA Breeder Code of Ethics.*

**Mastin:** Animal Welfare. **DelaBar:** Yes. Part of this we will be talking about in executive session. **Mastin:** Is Charlene still here? **DelaBar:** She left. She had to go to a meeting about money. **Eigenhauser:** Just so we're all clear what we're not allowed to say here, the part

that we're moving to closed session I assume is the third paragraph under *Current Happenings of Committee* where we're discussing a specific investigation that is ongoing. **DelaBar:** Correct, and we have this much that I'm going to – **Eigenhauser:** We don't want to discuss it at all in open session. I just want to make sure what we can't talk about so we don't accidentally run over it, so when we get to *Current Happenings of Committee*, when we get to the third paragraph, that's the closed session item. Is there any other part that's moved into closed session that we're aware of? **DelaBar:** No. **Eigenhauser:** OK, then I'm good. **DelaBar:** Basically, you're seeing Charlene's report thanking the board for the \$750 a month assistance.

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

*Our Volunteer Regional Coordinators have had changes this year. We spent \$89,375.90 in our rescue Operation this year. We had donations of \$54,751. 06, as you see we are operating at a loss again this year due to the economy and inflation. We are very concerned as we could be out of funds to provide services by mid year.*

*We gave \$73,898.14 aid to 346 US cats taken into rescue and \$15,476.86 to 296 catteries, families and Dobrokit Rescue in the Ukraine. BOD Treasurer have been working hard doing a great job issuing these payments. Below is a list of Coordinators etc. working for our Regions.*

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*Region 2 Coordinator Erin Cutchen - [wedotv@hotmail.com](mailto:wedotv@hotmail.com)*

*Region 3, Gulf Shore Andrea Ward- [andrea.cfabap@outlook.com](mailto:andrea.cfabap@outlook.com)*

*Region 4 Tamara Sender, Breed Rescue, [tamara.bap@outlook.com](mailto:tamara.bap@outlook.com) , Desiree Bobby, Breeders Assistance, [dbobby@cfa.org](mailto:dbobby@cfa.org)*

*Region 5 have a volunteer Mary Barber [mary.a223@yahoo.com](mailto:mary.a223@yahoo.com) who will assist for the present time and Linda Berg- [oakhaven@aol.com](mailto:oakhaven@aol.com)*

*Region 6 Tamara Sender, Breeders Assistance and Breed Rescue, [tamara.bap@outlook.com](mailto:tamara.bap@outlook.com)*

*Region 7 Susan Pyles [susan.pyles15@gmail.com](mailto:susan.pyles15@gmail.com)*

*Acting, International Breeders Assist Chair, Alice Rosol, Germany, [Rosol@web.de](mailto:Rosol@web.de)*

*Corporate Business Management, President, Linda Berg [oakheaven@aol.com](mailto:oakheaven@aol.com) and Treasurer, Cyndy Byrd, [chelrose@earthlink.net](mailto:chelrose@earthlink.net) We are still looking for a Chair for CFA Breed Assist. Charlene Campbell, Acting BAP, 239-810-3424 [jcampb4244@aol.com](mailto:jcampb4244@aol.com)*

**DelaBar:** There have been a great deal of rescues and helping breeders downsize. They put out over \$89,000 and only getting in like \$54,000 I think it was. They had donations of

\$54,751.06 and they spent \$89,375.90 on these rescues and rehomings. There have been – I have this booklet to pass around so everybody can see. We’re keeping very strict figures on all the money that’s going to Ukraine, whether it’s with the Breeder Assistance being helped with. Rolandus Cat Club has been of great assistance, plus I have others. We have a phenomenal inter-associational cooperation going on between CFA, FIFe and WCF, in helping get supplies into much-needed areas in Ukraine. We also have the veterinary group that Peter Vanwonderghem has been working with, to get donations. Basically, we’re looking at 2/3 of the donated money is going to the overall breeder assistance in Ukraine and 1/3 is going to the veterinary group that’s doing the other rescue. Charlene has started sort of a pen pal program and in this booklet are, besides pictures of the cats and catteries being helped, letters back to the U.S. thanking for the assistance that we’ve given. I know that I have sent over €20,000 worth of assistance into Ukraine, and most of that is coming from donations from the U.S. and our breeders.

**DelaBar:** There have been a lot of changes in regional coordinators and she has listed the new people. We now have a new one in Region 9. Charlene is also very concerned about identity theft and how it’s affecting our breeders. People’s info off of social media is being hacked – not only hacked, copied. People have been sending money to fraudulent catteries and not getting what they want. We want to find a way to warn the public, and so we’re taking in ideas on what to do.

**DelaBar:** Other things of concern have been cats that have been taken for whatever reason. This is something I brought up many years ago with Disaster Relief and also with civil seizures of animals, is that in many cases we cannot rehome animals because we can’t identify them, and how we can get people to microchip their animals. I can tell you, out of some seizures that happened a few years ago, 200 cats were taken. This was a breed council secretary and she had cats in for breeding. Several were domestics, others were of two different breeds. Of the cats that were in for breeding, one was microchipped and got back to its owner – one. So, whatever you can do as being the influencers of this organization, if you can help get people to understand the importance of what we have. Also, as club members, to work with our local animal control and humane societies to say, “if you do not have a universal chip reader, can we help get you one” and we’ll get training to help them use it. I cannot speak enough on microchipping. It’s something that’s required where I live and we have no problems.

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

*We continue to have several large cattery (15 – 40 cats) and small cattery downsizes/closures due to health, we have worked with over 346 and 150 Hurricane Disaster Cat Food Aid CFA Pedigree cats in 2023.*

*In addition to small rescues, we have had some large downsize of catteries. We must encourage all breeders to get regular Vet Care for their felines. Over 60% of the cats we took in from these down sizes had never seen a Vet!!! Many of these cases had had complicated feline health issues.*

**[Secretary’s Note:** The paragraph originally appearing here has been moved to executive session.]

*Supplied Food, litter and vet care for a few Breeders who experienced hardships and Hurricane Disaster needs. Breeder Assist has three regular food/litter/Vet care aid operation in progress and we are working with a CA breeder to downsize but finding affordable Vet Care in her area is difficult at this time.*

*Networking for Ukraine Disaster Relief Assistance, Region 9 with Director Pam DelaBar for the Breeders in need, along with Olga Rakitnyh and Andrew Ustinov, Rolandus Cat Club 296 breeder and families; and Peter Vanwonderghem with Dobrokit Rescue and Vetexpert volunteers.*

*Due to the shortage of Retail Cat Food in the country this aid will be ongoing for some time until the war ends and regular shipments resume.*

*As of April 30th \$15,476.86 aid went to Ukraine efforts. We gave another \$3,500 this June. Many THANK YOU's to our generous CFA Folks for their donations and support!! This will be ongoing support.*

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

*I have attached our year Income-Expense Report. Please note we can use some financial support from the Regions, please encourage your Regions donations, we have regions that we have barely any donations and lots of aid given. If every Region could give funds that would be great help to our break even bottom line.*

*Thank you, our CFA BAP-BRP team are unpaid volunteers, we work very hard to elevate CFA as a conscious Organization that goes above and beyond not to be a burden to any Animal Control Organization or Rescue.*

*We plan to continue to raise fund and help the Ukraine feed their felines. They have disrupted commerce and our help is feeding many breeders felines and families felines in need. 296 households given aid on the last list from Rolandus Cat Club all through the Country. Plus we are helping the Vets at Dobrokit Rescue.*

*We will be adding a Breeders Assist Coordinator for Region 9. We are hoping Alice Rosol, Germany will take the position on a permanent basis.*

*We are still looking for help to design a New Web site, new logo to incorporate our Disaster Relief, recruit more volunteers for our Regions. Anyone who wants to volunteer please email Charlene Campbell [jcampb4244@aol.com](mailto:jcampb4244@aol.com). We also could use some computer experienced volunteers (sadly none of us are Tech Savvy, many ways to volunteer! Create a User Manual for future BAP-BRP Chairs.*

### **Request of Board:**

*We are asking all the Regional Directors to ask their Regional Membership to help us with our efforts and donate to CFA BAP-BRP, especially for the ongoing Ukraine needs. We are very grateful to all the donations from the CFA Shows.*

*We spent \$89,375.90 in our rescue Operation this year. We had donations of \$54,751. 06, as you see we are operating at a loss again this year due to the economy and inflation. We are very concerned as we could be out of funds to provide services by mid year.*

*We need to educate CFA Breeders to watch for on line cattery Identity Theft. We have “look-a-like” Breeders steal breeder web photos, pose on line and take consumer’s deposits.*

*Is there a way to warn the Public looking to purchase a feline?*

*I want to encourage all Breeders to get a kitten/cat they sell microchipped and Vet Heath Certificate issued. Required overseas with many feline sales. It would help with so many issues. I would like to see the Health Certificate suggestion added to our CFA Breeder Code of Ethics.*

**DelaBar:** The request of the board, please ask regional membership for donations. As you can tell, there was quite a disparity between money that went out to help our animals and the donations that we had in. We need to develop a program to educate our people on breeder identity theft and get this out. We need to also educate the public on how to purchase a pedigreed feline cat. We need to get those programs going again and getting our name out. Since we know cats, let’s get this information out to the public.

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

*Updates.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Charlene Campbell*

*Charlene Campbell, Chair*

*Cc: Linda Berg, President BAP-BRP*

**DelaBar:** Any questions? I have more information to give in executive session. **Mastin:** No questions, Pam. **DelaBar:** No questions, OK. **Mastin:** Thank you Pam.

**(17) CFA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.**

**Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser** gave the following report:

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

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

*It is with great sadness we note the passing of Joan Miller on May 16, 2023. On November 13, 1990, Joan's life took an unexpected turn when she drove her black Porsche from her home in Napa, California down to the Peninsula Humane Society in San Mateo for introduction of a moratorium on breeding dogs and cats facilitated by "mandatory spay and neuter." Righteous animal activists and outraged dog fanciers and cat fanciers attended the unusual off-site San Mateo County Board of Supervisors hearing in the PHS auditorium. TV and other reporters sat on the floor in front of the stage. Two opposition speakers drew rousing responses. Karen Johnson, a cat show vendor, said that the solution to excess cats was to "neuter those dominant toms." Author, San Mateo County Supervisor Tom Nolan's surprise was priceless. Sharon Coleman, attorney and dog fancier, said, "they want to criminalize our way of life" to a standing ovation by opponents. Joan put her extraordinary networking skills to work that day enlisting help and contacts for what turned out to be years of work, hearings, meetings, coalition building, conferences, working groups, and more moving from local, to state and federal government.*

*Always representing CFA with eloquence and confidence, she spread knowledge of cats from veterinary issues of reproduction, vaccination, and infectious diseases to teaching shelters how to handle fractious cats. As a CFA Board member, Joan championed the new threat to the fancy including a forming the CFA Legislative Committee and CFA matching grants for Karen Johnson's ground-breaking cat population studies through the new National Pet Alliance and for publication of Perspectives on Legislative Approaches to Animal Control by The Animal Council (TAC), a new organization formed by dog and cat fanciers who met that fateful day in San Mateo with Sharon Coleman as president and CFA fancier Gayle Hand, secretary. In 1994, a matching grant from the Sy Howard Legislative Fund supported TAC's project to distribute materials to all California legislators.*

*By 1997, twenty-seven years ago the legislative challenges were national and exceeding the limits of volunteers. Joan proposed that CFA establish a permanent group comprised of experienced volunteers transitioning to professional status. Thus began the CFA Legislative Group, led by Joan for years to come with her final lobbying trip, with her husband, Peter Keys, to Ventura, California in November 2014. Even in retirement and now beyond, "What would Joan do?" inspires perseverance, exacting standards of excellence, and the power of "showing up."*

**Mastin:** George, CFA Legislative Committee. **Eigenhauser:** You've all seen the report, so unless somebody has questions, the only real thing to note is the passing of Joan Miller. She basically created the Legislative Committee and the Legislative Group in the form that we have now. Sharon Coleman is the last surviving member of the original Legislative Group. Joan not only was a brilliant person who brought a lot to legislation, but she was an inspiration because she was always trying to emphasize the positive. She always wanted to create alliances, she always wanted to be professional, she always wanted to be the voice of reason and help get us out of the pit that we were in before of being the crazy cat lady. She will be sorely missed.

*While some states have already ended their legislative session for this year, the United States Congress and many local government entities continue to introduce new legislation. Our state and federal bill tracking begins with help from the Pet Advocacy Network (formerly the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council) who provide us with a list of bill introductions based on animal-related parameters we provide. We review the bills and select the most relevant for CFA tracking. In some instances we are tracking bills that may not affect us directly, such as bills restricting breeding of dogs, but which could easily be amended at any time to become a problem for cats.*

*We track bills that may impact cats or cat fanciers either positively or negatively. However, out of caution we rarely offer our support for bills we assess to be positive until they appear to be near the end of the legislative process. Many states are quite liberal in allowing bills to be amended with new text unrelated to the original language.*

*We also monitor several dozen pet law lists online as well as relying on our "grassroots" fanciers in reporting pet-related legislation in their area ("You are the eyes and ears of the fancy.") We work with other animal groups and monitor their alerts. We continue to watch major Animal Rights groups, their websites, and public events for information on upcoming legislative initiatives.*

*The CFA Legislative News Facebook page provides cat fanciers a source of current news articles on legislative issues. By posting a wide variety of legislative articles from the news media or other groups focused on pet legislation, usually involving cats, fanciers can use the Facebook page as a quick check for news that may affect them. The Facebook page has increased page-likes to 666 and page-followers to 723. For the 90-day period ending on May 31, 2023, the articles posted generated 489 reaches and 166 post engagements. The post with the most reach and engagement by far were the posts about the Texas Breeder Licensing Threshold Reduction bills. CFALegislativeNews:*  
<https://www.facebook.com/CFALegislativeNews>

*The CFA Legislative Group blog is our platform integrated with our other social media activities and communications strategies that has established an online presence that we manage ourselves. The revamped appearance using the new CFA logo and its color possibilities along with the new Wordpress Theme has made it more fun to update and use. It has public links to our material that can be used in other contexts for direct accessibility and reference. The individual blog posts consist of monthly What's Hot articles republished here for wider circulation and long-term availability and include occasional topical pieces of our*



own work. When there are additional developments, particularly for What's Hot topics, we often add an "Editor's Note" of explanation and/or URL for the new information. There are also additional pages within the blog site. The Resources page features additional materials including selected Cat Talk articles that were published six or more months prior to publication on the blog as well as other subject-specific work. The URL for new posts is posted on CFALegislativeNews Facebook Page or other pages we follow or as topics come up in other contexts, and this functionality is a very useful tool for maintaining our communications strategies. CFA Legislative Group blog may be found at: <https://cfalegislativegroup.wordpress.com>

### **Current Happenings of Committee and Group:**

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

#### ***Federal***

HR 1624: The "Puppy Protection Act" would expand standards that govern the humane handling, care, treatment, and transportation of animals to include new requirements for commercial dog dealers.

#### ***State***

AR HB 1591: Pre-empts local governments from passing ordinances prohibiting a retail pet store from acquiring animals from catteries, kennels, or US Dealers or selling such animals. It is now Act 730. Enacted.

FL HB 1581: Dogs Only. Would have required any individual or corporation that breeds dogs for profit to register with the Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services and for dog breeding facilities to be inspected. Died.

IN HB 1121: Would have pre-empted local pet store bans, and defined hobby dog breeder. Died.

IN SB 134: Would have prohibited future local pet shop bans. Defined hobby dog breeder. Died.

KY HB 294: Would have prohibited retail pet stores from selling cats, dogs, and rabbits. Died.

ME LD 157: Would have required the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall adopt rules that set standards for animal rescue entities. Died.

ND HB 1361: Amends the definition of person in §1-01-49(8) to exclude artificial intelligence, animals, inanimate objects, and environmental elements. Enacted.

NY SB 142: Would prohibit devocalization of dogs and cats. Passed Senate.

*OK HB 1992: Would have required all animal control, animal shelters, and rescue groups to conspicuously post a copy of the Dog and Cat Bill of Rights. These rights ranged from being free from cruelty to the right to mental stimulation, sterilization to prevent unwanted litters, and veterinary care. Died.*

*OK SB 349/HB 2059: Repealed the annual reporting requirements in §30.11 of the Commercial Pet Breeders Act. Enacted.*

*PA HB 508: Would add declawing to the criminal offense of animal mutilation. It has been referred to the Judiciary Committee.*

*TX HB 3081: Would deregulate several activities, including repealing the Dog and Cat Breeder Act of 2011. It was been assigned to the same committee that voted favorably on SB876/HB2238. Died.*

*TX HB 4280: Would prohibit local governments from adopting pet shop bans. Died.*

*TX SB 876: Breeder Licensing Threshold Reduction Bill amended the statutory definition of "Dog or cat breeder" for purposes of state licensing to mean "a person who possesses five or more adult intact female animals and is engaged in the business of breeding those animals for direct or indirect sale or for exchange in return for consideration." SB 876 was signed by the governor on May 29 and is effective September 1, 2023.*

*VA HB 1382: Would make declawing cats unlawful, except for a therapeutic purpose. Died.*

*VA HB 1406: Would allow municipalities to adopt ordinances providing for lifelong cat or dog licenses. Died.*

*WA HB 1424: Pet stores are prohibited from selling cats and dogs unless it meets grandfathering requirements. Enacted.*

### **Local**

*Colorado Springs, CO: Pet Store Ban on the retail sale of cats and dogs not acquired by specified "humane" sources. Failed.*

*Hall County, GA: Prohibits pet shops from selling cats and dogs, and establishes a Community Cat program. Adopted.*

*Indianapolis, IN: Prohibits the retail pet store sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits not obtained from a shelter or rescue. Includes problematic rescue definition. Adopted.*

*Valparaiso, IN: Pet store ban with problematic rescue definition. Adopted.*

*Derby City, KS: Increased the number of cats or dogs allowed in a residential home from four to six. Maximum number remains eight. Adopted.*

*Bossier City, LA: Is considering a mandatory spay/neuter ordinance. Cats and dogs registered with a recognized organization, such as CFA, and for which the owner can present proof of participating in shows would be exempt.*

*Braintree, MA: "Humane Pet Store Ordinance." Would prohibit pet stores from selling cats, dogs, guinea pigs, or rabbits. It also includes a problematic definition of animal rescue organizations that excludes rescues that includes a breeder, a place where a breeder is located, or obtains or facilitates obtaining animals in exchange for compensation.*

*North Andover, MA: Introduced by citizen petition, the "Humane Pet Store Ordinance" prohibits the sale of dogs, cats, guinea pigs, and rabbits at pet shops. It also includes a problematic definition of animal rescue organizations that excludes rescues that includes a breeder, a place where a breeder is located, or obtains or facilitates obtaining animals in exchange for compensation. Passed.*

*Berkeley, MI: Pet store ban on the sale of dogs and cats. Ordinance: O-05-23.*

*Woodhaven, MI: Prohibits pet stores from selling cats and dogs, includes a definition of rescue that excludes rescues associated with fanciers. Adopted.*

*Lawton, OK: Considering a mandatory microchipping ordinance.*

*Scappoose, OR: Prohibited the retail sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits in stores.*

*Smyrna, TN: Pet store ban on dogs and cats. Passed.*

*Grand Prairie, TX: Prohibits the exchange of a cat or dog for consideration, "regardless of the age of the cat or dog, at a location other than where the cat or dog was born." The animal must be microchipped and registered with a national registry. "Existing Pet Stores" and specified animal welfare organizations are exempted. Adopted.*

## ***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. In April 2023 CFA joined an amicus brief in Andrea Schriver and Kyle Schriver v. Zachary Joseph Raptosh and Lakeshore Animal Hospital, LLC. Plaintiffs/appellants Schrivers were the owners of a domestic shorthair cat, Gypsy, purchased for \$100 several years earlier. Dr. Young suspected a urinary tract infection and recommended a blood draw and urine collection. She allegedly never mentioned performing a cystocentesis – inserting a needle through the abdominal wall to draw urine. Due to low urine volume Dr. Young turned Gypsy over to Dr. Raptosh for the procedure, who struck a blood vessel. Mrs. Schriver heard Gypsy's scream in the adjacent exam room. Gypsy later died at the clinic. When informed Mrs. Schriver objected to doing a necropsy but said her husband would call back later. Afterwards, she collapsed and became hysterical. Without waiting, Dr. Raptosh performed the necropsy. Mrs. Schriver became suicidal and fell into*

*depression. The Schrivvers sued for \$35,000, including claims for emotional distress damages for the intentional torts. Ultimately, the trial court entered a partial summary judgment in favor of the defendants including dismissing the claims for negligent infliction of emotional distress.*

*The plaintiffs petitioned the Idaho Supreme Court to overturn the summary judgment and dismissal of the emotional distress claims. The Idaho Veterinary Medical Association, American Kennel Club, Cat Fanciers' Association, Animal Health Institute, American Veterinary Medical Association, National Animal Interest Alliance, American Pet Products Association, American Animal Hospital Association and Pet Advocacy Network filed a joint amicus curiae brief in support of the respondents. The brief explains that Idaho law does not allow for non-economic damages for damages to personal property, including pets. Many rulings around the country have denied such claims and the brief explains the downside such claims would have on pet care, among other things. We will continue to advise the Board of any new details as they become available.*

### **Publications**

*The CFA e-Newsletter provides space for a "What's Hot" legislative column used to provide brief 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 advocacy. Articles since the February 2023 Board meeting:*

- \* CFA e-Newsletter, February 2023, **"Texas Déjà Vu – 2021 Licensed Breeder Bills Repeated in 2023"** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. In 2020 the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission recommended eliminating the Licensed Breeder Program as part of a sunset review. Instead of abandoning the program, activists sought to preserve the program by increasing the number of licensees to increase the size of the program. This year brought legislation to reduce the threshold at which licensing is imposed to "5 or more adult intact female animals and is engaged in the business of breeding those animals for direct or indirect sale or for exchange in return for consideration." Currently, the numerical threshold is 11 adult intact females. The bills would also eliminate the minimum transaction threshold from the licensing requirements.*
- \* CFA e-Newsletter, March 2023 **"A Dog and Cat Bill of Rights and Commercial Pet Breeder Reporting Requirements Legislation Introduced in Oklahoma Legislature."** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article discussed two Oklahoma bills of concern to fanciers. House Bill 1992 is similar to a bill rejected twice by the California legislature – the Dog and Cat Bill of Rights. These rights range from being free from cruelty to the right to mental stimulation, sterilization to prevent unwanted litters, and veterinary care. The bill would cause an unnecessary burden as humane organizations already know to educate and screen potential adopters while existing*

*anti-cruelty laws are critical for intentional malfeasance. The second bill, SB 349, would repeal the annual reporting requirements of the Commercial Pet Breeders act.*

- \* *CFA e-Newsletter, April 2023 **"Update on Texas Breeder Licensing Threshold Reduction Bills"** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. As reported in What's Hot February 2023, two bills pending in Texas would reduce the trigger at which breeders would be required to obtain licenses. Texas HB 2238 and SB 876 passed favorably in committee and moved closer to a floor vote. The article also discussed an app that can be used by constituents to contact their representatives in the Texas House on bills scheduled for a public hearing.*
- \* *CFA e-Newsletter, May 2023 **"Oklahoma Updates on Bill of Rights and Breeder Reporting Bills - In Other News, North Dakota States Animals Are Not People"** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This was a follow-up to Oklahoma legislation as reported in What's Hot March 2023. Oklahoma was considering a Dog and Cat Bill of Rights, similar to legislation previously rejected in California. The Rules Committee failed to even hold a vote to move HB 1992 out of committee. The bill has missed the deadline to be considered by the House as a whole. Oklahoma SB 349/HB 2059 to repeal the annual reporting requirements in the Commercial Pet Breeders Act were amended and were passed and approved. In North Dakota HB 1361, was enacted to exclude from the existing "person" definition "... environmental elements, artificial intelligence, an animal, or an inanimate object."*
- \* *Cat Talk Almanac, January/February 2023, **"Pet Night on Capitol Hill"** by Susan Cook Henry. As first reported in What's Hot October 2022, Pet Night on Capitol Hill resumed their in-person event on Wednesday, September 21, 2022. This article provided a more in-depth account of the history of CFA and Pet Night and the importance of the event. George Eigenhauser took part in visits to Congress. The CFA booth was run by Kathy Calhoun, Susan Cook Henry, Melanie Morgan, along with Susan's cream Persian "Jamie." While Jamie was the star of the show, CFA's human team engaged with other sponsors who showed interest in working relationships with CFA and its marketing/branding efforts.*
- \* *Cat Talk Almanac, January/February 2023, **"Trends in Pet Microchip Laws 2001 - 2022"** by Kelly Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, Legislative Legal Analyst. This article covers some of the advancements in microchip technologies over the years since the first one was implanted in 1989. In addition, the article discussed the importance of pet identification and the limitation of current technologies and legal structures. Only 12 states and the District of Columbia require all cats to be scanned for microchips on admission, seriously limiting the usefulness of microchipping as a primary means of identification.*

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

***HSUS Animal Care Expo 2023***, April 3 - 6, 2023, New Orleans, LA. 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. While we may not agree on all issues, there are areas of common ground. (The EveryCat Feline Foundation had a booth at the expo this year. In prior years CFA used to have a booth as well.) Our continuing CFA presence at the Expos each year allows us the opportunity to reinforce CFA's goal of promoting respect for all cats with an emphasis on public education. George Eigenhauser attended on behalf of CFA this year.

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

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

***Pet Week on Capitol Hill*** will be held in Washington, D.C. the week of September 18, 2023 with the Pet Night Reception on Wednesday, September 20th, 2023. Formerly "Pet Night on Capitol Hill" the event now includes a lobby day "Pet Care Community D.C. Fly-In", several webinars during the week, as well as the traditional Pet Night reception.

The event joins CFA with a coalition of pet-related groups, which have including HABRI, the Pet Food Institute, the Pet Advocacy Network, CFA, AKC, the World Pet Association (WPA), Animal Health Institute (AHI), Nestle-Purina, Mars Petcare, American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and many more. Many of the Pet Night sponsors work with us on joint legislative strategies on matters ranging from non-economic damages, pet shop bans, and other issues. Participants provide us with legislative information, access to inside opinions of their lobbyists, and other help throughout the year. George Eigenhauser plans to attend the lobby day as well as Pet Night.

#### ***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.*

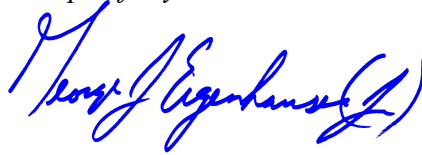
**Action Items:** *None at this time.*

**Time Frame:** *Ongoing.*

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

*Updates and pending legislative matters.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr., Chair*

**Eigenhauser:** Unless somebody has questions, I don't have anything to add. **Mastin:** No questions, George.

(18) **EVERYCAT HEALTH FOUNDATION.**



***PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
June, 2023***

<b><i>President:</i></b>	<b><i>Vickie Fisher</i></b>
<b><i>Immediate Past President:</i></b>	<b><i>Drew Weigner, DVM</i></b>
<b><i>President Elect:</i></b>	<b><i>Dean Vicksman, DVM</i></b>
<b><i>Secretary:</i></b>	<b><i>Steve Dale</i></b>
<b><i>Treasurer:</i></b>	<b><i>Kathy Calhoun</i></b>
<b><i>Board Members:</i></b>	<b><i>George Eigenhauser (Liaison to CFA Board), Brian Holub DVM Kara Burns, MS, MEd, LVT, VTS</i></b>
<b><i>EveryCat Staff:</i></b>	<b><i>Jackie Ott Jaakola, Executive Director Alisa Salvaggio, Donor Care Specialist Virginia Rud, RVT, Outreach and Education Specialist Whitney Armentor, Development and Marketing Director Ann Fries, Foundation Assistant</i></b>
<b><i>Veterinary Consultant:</i></b>	<b><i>Dr. Philip Kass (UC Davis, College of Vet Med)</i></b>
<b><i>Scientific Advisors:</i></b>	<b><i>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)</i></b>

**Grant Review Program**

- *EveryCat held its annual EveryCat grant review on March 16, 2023. A total of 39 proposals were received. We were able to fund 11. The total awarded in this cycle was \$316,530. A complete list of the research funded is attached to this report.*

*It is important to note that cat lovers and researchers from around the world all work together to give cats a 10<sup>th</sup> life. Grants were made to researchers at universities, not only in the United States, but also in Belgium, Switzerland, Canada, and Israel.*



- *EveryCat continues with the Cap-K Project, sponsored by both Nestle Purina and Mars, Inc. With a somewhat expanded scope of research, this series of research grants investigates the relationship of dietary Calcium and Phosphorous to the development of Feline Kidney Disease. To date, we have funded over \$225,000 in this project. The current RFP for the 2023 cycle is now closed. We received 5 proposals, totaling \$191,000 in requested funding. All of the proposals will receive a rigorous review by our Scientific Advisory Committee during their review meeting scheduled for the end of this month (June).*

### **Educational Programs**

- *We are excited to present a special symposium on FIP at this 2023 CFA Annual. We hope that both the Board and Delegates find the information useful. The discovery of a cure for FIP, after almost 50 years of persistence, is definitely a “Greatest Hit” for EveryCat and our donors.*
- *EveryCat representatives and speakers continue with outreach efforts to expand our base of cat lovers and supporters. We will be making our second appearance at CatCon this summer, are planning our participation at the CFA International Show, and are continuing to target specific conferences, pet expos, and cat shows to attend.*
- *With strong support from corporate sponsors, we have scheduled a robust series of online webinars throughout this year. All of the webinars are free of charge and vary in their focus from the veterinary community, to breeders, or cat lovers in general.*
- *EveryCat is proud to continue our collaboration with the American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP). We have recently awarded two Veterinary Scholarships to outstanding veterinary students:*
  - *Emma Li – Ohio State University - Clinical Practice Scholarship*
  - *Haley Davis – Colorado State University – Clinical Research Scholarship*

### **Donor Programs**

- *EveryCat’s goal for our Springing into Action campaign was to raise enough in donations to fund at least one grant - \$50,000. We are pleased to announce that we met that goal with total proceeds of \$53,310. Many thanks to all the cat lovers who supported this campaign.*

*The future for feline medicine looks bright!*

*EveryCat Board of Directors*

*By*

*Vickie Fisher, President*

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*EveryCat Health Foundation 2023 Grant Awards*

**EC23--0000000009: “Use of the DNA damage response inhibitor BAY 1895344 as a component of care in feline oral squamous cell carcinoma.”** Principal Investigator(s): Michael Nolan, North Carolina State University; Yvonne Mowery, Duke University; \$32,000 (Cancer/Oncology Fund, EveryCat Health Foundation Funds)

**EC23--0000000012: “Preventing severe adverse drug reactions in every cat by assessing the P-glycoprotein substrate status of clinically important drugs.”** Principal Investigator(s): Katrina Mealey, Washington State University. \$21,260

**EC23--0000000019: “Effect of inhaled albuterol on whole blood potassium concentrations in healthy cats.”** Principal Investigator(s): Elizabeth O’Toole, Jo-Annie Letendre; Université de Montréal. \$7,648

**EC23--0000000034: “Molecular characterization of feline fibrosarcomas using spatially defined proteomics and transcriptomics.”** Principal Investigator(s): Prof. Dr. med. Vet. Dr. sc. Nat Enni Markkanen, PD Dr. med. vet Mirja C. Nolff; University of Zurich. \$35,000

**EC23--0000000041: “Development of a Machine Learning Algorithm for Diagnosis of Feline Infectious Peritonitis.”** Principal Investigator(s): Samantha J.M. Evans, DVM, PhD, DACVP, The Ohio State University; Krystle L. Reagan, DVM, PhD, DACVIM, University of California, Davis. \$14,030 (Bria Fund)

**EC23--0000000043: “Molecular characteristics and clinical outcomes of uropathogenic Escherichia coli in aging cats.”** Principal Investigator(s): Erin Frey, DVM, MPH, DACVPM; North Carolina State University. \$34,919

**EC23--0000000047: “Feline FAANG: what makes a cat – a cat!”** Principal Investigator(s): Leslie A. Lyons, PhD, University of Missouri; \$33,738 (Miller Trust Fund, EveryCat Health Foundation Funds)

**EC23--0000000060: “Assessment of phage therapy in cats: a solution for antibiotic-resistant infections.”** Principal Investigator(s): Ronen Hazan, The Hebrew University; Alin Barsheshet, Vet-Holim JVMC Veterinary Medical Center. \$34,000

**EC23--0000000069: “Urinary active transforming growth factor beta 1 in cats with hyperthyroidism before and after radioiodine treatment.”** Principal Investigator(s): Laura

*Perez Lopez, Sylvie Daminet; Ghent University. \$35,000 [Feline Kidney Fund in honor of Vicki Thayer, DVM, DABVP (Feline)]*

**EC23--0000000074: “Identification of the receptor allowing feline coronavirus type I entry into its natural target cell, the enterocyte.”** *Principal Investigator(s): Hans Nauwynck; Ghent University. \$34,250 (Bria Fund)*

**EC23--0000000076: “Assessing Pharmacokinetics of the Novel Antiseizure Medication Brivaracetam in Healthy Cats.”** *Principal Investigator(s): Amanda L Gross, Tom Jukier; Auburn University. \$34,685*

***TOTAL: \$316,530***

*EveryCat Board of Directors  
By: Vickie Fisher, President  
[www.everycat.org](http://www.everycat.org)*

**Eigenhauser:** EveryCat. We had our meeting on Wednesday. Basically, we re-elected our current slate of officers, so Kathy is now beginning the first full term as treasurer. We have a deep tie to Joan Miller, as well. She was a member of the EveryCat board and was EveryCat president for years. We’re probably going to do something to honor her, but we want to talk about it with Peter and some other people before we actually do anything about it, so there’s nothing affirmative to discuss. Unless people have questions about that report, I’m done.

**Mastin:** Anyone have questions? No questions. Thank you, George.

## **(19) EXPERIMENTAL FORMAT PROGRAM REPORT.**

**Committee Chair:**     **Sharon Roy**

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1.     *Ragamuffin and TA show, Oaks PA, Region 1*
2.     *Seacoast Cat Club, Region 1, 23-24 Show Season3.*

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

*The CFA Facebook site asked exhibitors' opinions on OCP format. I was surprised at how many calls and emails I received, both positive and negative.*

**Positive.** *The format, that allows a judge to award 10 places was very welcome. Surprisingly more so late in the show season as people are trying to finish up grands.*

*The format was especially liked by some exhibitors bringing out older cats. They felt they had a chance in those rings against the shiny new penny. Many of these older cats had been pulled for breeding. If nothing else, it gave exhibitors a good feeling about CFA in general.*

**Negative.** *Surprisingly and I hate to say it, it did not increase entries. At this point, there were not enough extra Grand points given out in the 6 to 10 placements especially in the new season. Many of the finals already had multiple ch or pr in the top 10.*

*Surprisingly, at the Seacoast show, especially in Pr, cats earned more Grand points within breed than being 9 or 10 best pr in the OCP ring.*

*The other surprise, many exhibitors and judges do not like the free standing OCP rings. Common themes are that it discriminates against the GC/GP and HHP. They pay the same entry but get 2 less rings than CH to achieve a goal.*

*Judges are reluctant to accept an assignment that is just OCP. It may be different with the International as it is a much larger show. Some judges feel it is a long way to travel for maybe 50 or so cats.*

### **Current Happenings of the Committee**

*Continue to receive requests for OCP rings. Come up with a solution to make the format equitable in all regions. One thought sent to me was to have RD submit 2 or 3 shows within their region for further evaluation. One other suggestion was to offer the format at some of the known larger CFA shows to attract more entries.*

*Much like Super Specialty, it is difficult sometimes to enact changes. Rather than concentrate on OCP only, we should try to come up with ideas to make SSP more attractive. At one time people/clubs were concerned about the extra awards but today many clubs rely on awards other than Rosettes that are more cost effective.*

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

*Any evaluations received by clubs hosting an OCP or SSP ring.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Sharon Roy, Chair*

**Mastin:** Sharon Roy, Experimental Formats. **Roy:** I have nothing more really to add to the report. There was one more show. You see three. That was Cathy's show. Can you talk a little bit? Do you have any information at all from last weekend? **Dunham:** The club is going to put together a report that we will probably actually see at the August board meeting, but I thought the show went really well. It was well received. We had more entries in opens/champions and opens/premiers than I ever thought we could get, so yes, we kept those three judges busy on Sunday and the exhibitors were excited. They brought out cats that were older, maybe they were born during the pandemic and never got out, older cats that had been in breeding programs as breeding females or studs and now they were trying to finish that grand that they had started before breeding took over. Young cats came out and this was their first show, they were just getting started. So, from my perspective, I thought it was a great way for these cats to get started and/or maybe finish with those last few points that were needed. The club was excited about it, they promoted it, they got the entries in. Rachel and Russell were two of those judges, so I'm sure they probably have their own set of comments that they would like to talk about. I would do it again in a heartbeat. With the stand-alone rings, I thought it went over great. **Mastin:** Rachel, do you want to make any comments? **Anger:** Sure. I thought it was great. I was surprised by the entry. It was very competitive and I do have to say there were cats I gave awards to I would have not otherwise considered, but they were certainly competitive. Another judge might have had a different opinion and placed them higher, but it was nice to acknowledge the competitiveness of the group that was there. It was a real fun group of exhibitors. They stayed over an extra day for it, and everyone was just having a great time. It was very nice. **Mastin:** Russell, do you have any comments? **Webb:** I agree with Rachel. Everybody enjoyed it. Some of the cats too, I would have never gave ribbons to but in a situation like that, I granded six I think that day. **Hannon:** I just want to comment one more time, since this is my last board meeting, that when the club has existing judges just expand their finals to incorporate 10 opens/champions or opens/premiers, as Sharon said in her report, they're not pulling in any additional entries – which was the purpose of this. I really don't think we should be allowing clubs to do that. I think we should require clubs to have extra judges and we just heard that by doing that it brought in extra entries. **Morgan:** I agree with Mark and I want to say that, philosophically, I have a problem with continuing – I don't have a problem with the concept in a vacuum, I have a problem with continuing with this concept without the back-up data to it. It seems to me that we continue to expand the ways to grand our cats, and I think that if we pull the numbers, which I would like to see, I suspect that we would see that we have much higher percentage of cats granding versus cats being shown than we have ever seen in the past, because we have continued to increase the opportunities to do this and we have never increased the points necessary. Now, people would say that that's because all the extra cats have just gone home and we're only showing the best of the best. While I agree that probably all the cats that you saw were ultimately very competitive, you yourselves admit that you're now finaling cats that you wouldn't probably have considered. A grand title is something that should be earned and I'm not saying these cats aren't earning it, but I am saying that we are continuing to lower the bar for this

title, in my opinion, and when we just expand the number of placements to 10 with existing judges, all we're doing is increasing our opportunity to crank up points. I don't have anywhere near the problem with the way that Region 3 I think it was that did the program where they actually brought people back in and went back to what the original goal supposedly was; which was, to crank up those entries. I have not seen a corresponding increase in entries in those shows where they asked for and received permission to have OCP rings. I don't mean to keep going on, but with this experimental format, I would like to see two things. I would like to see data and I don't know if Dick is still out there. I think they left, but something that maybe he could pull about the percentages over the past years in increments of cats exhibited versus cats graded. I would like to see an actual form. This goes to Central Office, probably much like we do the miscellaneous and provisional forms that basically goes over the key questions of information that we need to get back on this. I would like to see data on previous entries for these shows versus entries that we have, to see what kind of increases we're seeing. Without that kind of data, I don't see how we can continue to support this experimental format, regardless of what people are saying in terms of what they want. That's it. Sorry to go on so long. **Colilla:** I will never support this and I'm going to tell you why. Remember the good old days when we had winners ribbons? After we get rid of winners ribbons, the count tanked tremendously. You have to think of the survival of the club. If you grand cats fast, it's going to hurt the club down the line there. We are going to – the shows are going to go downhill if we keep this going on. **DelaBar:** We were talking the other evening about the same thing. We feel, 1) one of the problems that came about is when we established the one day 6 ring show, because we negated the social aspect of what we have with two day shows. Then the other one was getting rid of the winners ribbons. We got into a campaigner mentality when we did that, and we need to think more on the ground level of our average exhibitor. When you think of, say, Regions 1-7, we're talking maybe the higher level campaigner, about 150 people. We cannot run an association and a cat fancy on 150 people. So, we need to go back and rethink some of our past decisions and relook. One other thing I want to say is, Sharon, I don't know quite what makes super specialty so popular in Europe, except people get the idea that they have a chance for a final. Just having the opportunity to have that final has driven up the number of shows that we have the super specialty and the reception of it with the exhibitors. **Dunham:** When we proposed this format for our regional, we had the intent of having the 3 stand-alone rings and we started a little later in the morning. The club worked really hard, and they had two seminars in the morning before the show ever started. One, Russell and Rachel talked a little bit about the make-up of CFA and how business is conducted. It was more of a Q&A kind of session, very well received. In fact, I think everybody that was there kind of wished that it had been a half day seminar or whatever, because they had lots of questions and they did a great job answering them. The second seminar was all about new exhibitors and how shows work for new exhibitors. We had a tremendous amount of newer exhibitors that, maybe it was only their third or fourth show, they were still trying to figure things out, and they were excited if their cat made one of those finals on Sunday, because they weren't making them on Saturday for the very reasons that Rachel and Russell talked about. They had a nice cat, but competition was competition. We had a great entry, 161 entered total, and it's probably going to keep those few finals on Sunday that they stayed over for, that's probably going to keep those exhibitors coming back. So, I think there's a real benefit to it. I agree that I would prefer to see them as stand-alone rings, not extending an existing final. I think with a few tweaks here and there and some additional data as we go through the process, I think this format could be put in and it will work just like the super specialty or any other format we

have. If the clubs want it, fine, they'll use it; if not, they won't. But I would encourage it and I would be happy to promote it for any of my clubs in my region. **Roy:** I was just going to comment what Pam said with super specialty. The Canadian Cat Association adopted it right after CFA and it flied with the Canadians. They love it. So, I just wonder if we need to start re-introducing super specialty at certain shows across the country and see if that will generate more interest, because you will be making some specialty finals that you might not make in an allbreed ring. **Wilson:** I wanted to speak to super specialty also. I think the way to do super specialties, if a club is not sure about it, is to have one – it's difficult to do a schedule around it – is to have one judge do super specialty in kittens, one in premiership, one in championship, or two in each one and spread it out so that it's not tying up the entire show. When we reduce the requirement for how many specialty rings shows had to have is when we start seeing people that want to make a prize and can't compete at the allbreed final level, this a way for them to have a chance to get a final. On the OCP rings, I don't know who can keep track or take a lot at if we're granding cats faster, but when Rachel said that she used some cats that maybe she wouldn't have used otherwise because pretty much you have to, when you look at a cat and you wonder – from a judge's aspect or from a breeder's aspect – how did that cat ever grand, that's how. But, the same thing could happen in a real small show that doesn't have OCP rings. When you get down to Sunday and cats have granded and left, or left for other reasons, and there's two cats or three cats in there that certainly meet their standard enough not to be disqualified or whatever, you're handing out points to those cats. But, the problem we have here is that, now we've got to hand out 10 and I don't know how many you had – how many premiership cats did you have? **Anger:** Premiership? 82 total champions and premiers. **Wilson:** Right, but you're handing 10 – how many premiers were there? **Anger:** There were about 30. **Wilson:** 30, OK. **Webb:** 30 or 35. **Wilson:** But if you don't get that many, or they enter and they don't show up, then it's a little trickier. I think we do need to look at our cats granding faster. **DelaBar:** I was going to say what Annette did on splitting the [super specialty] rings from kitten to adult to premiership. Depending on the counts, judges should not be doing the whole thing together. The other thing we need to do is actually educate our judges. Some just cannot get a handle on the fact that you are following mechanics to bring up from your specialty rings to your allbreed rings. We need to do some training on the judging part. **Morgan:** Gotcha. **Mastin:** All set, Pam? **DelaBar:** Yes.

**Morgan:** Two things. I totally agree on super specialty, but I think we have spoken about that off and on in the last year or so. I would like to see something come up to make that part of the parameters in the show rules for super specialty, because the clubs get confused and judges don't want to be difficult so they just say yes and then they get overwhelmed and it screws up the schedule, so I personally would like to see that come to the board. I think it can wait until October, but I think if we have that in the show rules, that we might see clubs utilizing that format more because it's a more viable way to implement the idea, which does have a lot of merit. Two, going back to the OCP rings, let's take away what Cathy did with the extra rings, because I think that clearly seems to have worked. Let's talk about the rings where we're allowing existing rings to go to 10. I did my first OCP ring at a show recently, and I was lucky. I judged on Saturday, so I only had to final 10 out of the 14 cats that I had in premiership. On Sunday, since I granded 5 or 6 of them, every cat that they handled had to be finaled – every one. This is not a competition when it comes down to that. So anyway, I have a really fundamental problem with putting it into expanding on existing judgments. I'm done. **Mastin:** Sharon, do you have anything further? **Roy:** No. **Mastin:** Alright, good discussion there. Maybe for the next meeting we can spend more time trying to figure out what the future direction is. Thank you.

## Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees

### (20) SPECIAL INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE.

**Committee Chair:** *Michael Shelton*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Bob Clark, Erin Cutcheon, Karen Godwin, Ginger Meeker, Beth Polstra*

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

*The committee meets regularly via Zoom. Following approval of the Exhibitors Code of Conduct, we have been discussing how to make sure that this document has as much visibility as possible to CFA Exhibitors at large. An article was published in a monthly newsletter, and another will be in an upcoming edition of Cat Talk. We have also prepared a single page version to be provided to clubs to print in show catalogs.*

*As was mentioned at the April board meeting, we would also like to see this document translated into other languages.*

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

*Pursue any investigations as the matters arise.*

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

*None.*

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

*Results of any investigations completed in the interim.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Shelton, Chair*

**Mastin:** We are now on Special Investigation Committee. Mike? **Shelton:** I have a very short report here. There are no action items at this point. I'll have more in executive session later. Right now, our focus is on trying to get the Exhibitors' Code of Ethics in front of as many pairs of eyes as we possibly can, so we've got a document that we're going to supply to Central Office for the clubs to be put into catalogs. Rich, thanks for talking it up on FaceBook whenever that was, a few weeks ago. **Mastin:** You're welcome. **Shelton:** We're going to have an article coming up in the next edition of *Cat Talk*. Just trying to get places where everybody can see it and be aware of it. **Mastin:** Anybody have any questions for Mike? Mike, thank you.



*SIC INITIAL LETTER (proposed)*

*(Date)*

*(Name and Address)*

*RE:*

*Dear*

*This letter is to advise that a complaint has been filed against you for a violation of the CFA Show Rules. A special investigations committee was formed by the CFA Board of Directors to review and investigate alleged violations of the CFA Show Rules 1.03 and 6.34 governing unsportsmanlike conduct and count manipulation. The complaint contains the following allegation(s):*

*(brief statement of allegations in the complaint)*

*You are welcome to submit a written statement and/or other documentation on your own behalf to be considered by the committee. Should you wish to do so, all documentation must be sent to the committee chair at [cfa.mike.shelton@gmail.com](mailto:cfa.mike.shelton@gmail.com) within ten (10) days of the date of this letter. Should you require additional time, please let me know.*

*It should be noted that all matters before the CFA Special Investigations Committee will be kept strictly confidential within the committee and, if necessary, the CFA Board of Directors and/or the Protest Committee.*

*Sincerely,*

*Michael Shelton*

*Chair, CFA Special Investigations Committee*

*SIC FINDINGS LETTER (proposed)*

*(Date)*

*(Name and Address)*

*RE:*

*Dear*

*You were previously notified by letter dated \_\_\_\_\_ that a complaint had been filed against you for a violation of the CFA Show Rules.*

*The Special Investigations Committee has now concluded its investigation of the matter. The committee reviewed all pertinent documentation, including but not limited to, the show package and other documents or records maintained by the CFA Central Office and the show licensing club, and also any written statement and/or documentation submitted by you to the committee. As a result, the committee found there is sufficient evidence to support a conclusion that, more likely than not, an infraction of the show rules has been committed, as follows:*

*(brief statement of show rule violated and facts in support thereof)*

*All matters before the CFA Special Investigations Committee are strictly confidential. This confidentiality also extends to the contents of this letter. However, should another similar complaint be lodged against you, this and any such new allegation may be referred to the CFA Protest Committee or Board of Directors for further action in accordance with the CFA Bylaws and CFA Show Rules. Please note, in the event a complaint is referred from this committee, confidentiality will be extended to include both the CFA Board of Directors and/or CFA Protest Committee. Accordingly, you are strongly urged to refrain from engaging in any such similar conduct in the future.*

*Sincerely,*

*Michael Shelton  
Chair, CFA Special Investigations Committee*

## ***Standards of Behavior for CFA Show Exhibitors (proposed)***

### **Introduction**

*Advancing the welfare of all cats sits at the core of CFA's mission. CFA's activities include breed registration, pedigree archives, and the maintenance of breed standards. CFA supports clubs and club members and promotes the interests of breeders and exhibitors of pedigreed cats. Cat shows are an integral tool in achieving CFA's mission. Cats are evaluated with respect to written breed standards, helping breeders improve each breed. Shows provide a venue for communication among breeders and offer opportunities for the public to view our cats and benefit from our combined experience. Shows are produced by clubs that have the necessary resources to provide a quality experience for everyone involved. Exhibited cats demonstrate the very best of health, care, and grooming.*

*These Standards of Exhibitor Behavior are meant to guide members of the cat fancy toward stated goals. They remind us of the things we share in common and of our need to always act in the best interest of the cats in our care and the organization we represent.*

*Each standard is defined by an overarching goal, followed by a list of criteria through which we gauge our achievement of that goal. Exhibitors are advised to read these standards, reflect on the criteria, and think about ways in which they may improve the cat fancy experience.*

### **Standards of Behavior**

#### **Standard 1: Health, Safety and Wellbeing of the Cats in our Care**

*Exhibitors' common interest in and love for cats drives their behavior not just on show days, but throughout their lives. We recognize that the wellbeing of the cats in our care is of paramount importance in all that we do.*

#### **Criteria:**

- A. Every cat in each exhibitors' care receives the best possible care at all times. All decisions made regarding our cats are made with the best interest of the individual cat foremost in our minds.*
- B. Each cat is maintained to the highest possible health, hygiene and nutritional standards.*
- C. Veterinary care is made available as required for each cat's wellbeing.*
- D. Every cat brought to a show is cared for in accordance with the above stated criteria, and meets every requirement listed in the CFA show rules.*
- E. Under no circumstances will a cat exhibiting signs of a communicable disease, internal or external parasites, or any condition that would endanger the wellbeing of this cat or others, enter a show hall.*
- F. We hold the wellbeing of all cats in the show hall in the same regard as the wellbeing of our own cats. We never behave in a manner that endangers any cat.*

#### **Standard 2: Competition that Promotes the Betterment of our Breeds and Advancement of the Cat Fancy**

*Exhibitors recognize that fair, honest comparison of all show cats to their individual breed standards enables breeders to improve the quality of their breed, and present to the public the very best cats their breed can offer.*

*Criteria:*

- A. Exhibitors recognize that it is the degree to which individual cats meet the breed standards that is being judged, not the character of the breeder or owner of the cats. We improve the cat fancy by keeping the judging focused on this goal.*
- B. Exhibitors do not engage in any activity which shifts the focus from comparing cats to the standard. This includes altering entry counts to manipulate scoring, simultaneously entering multiple shows with the intent to influence others' decisions regarding which shows to enter, or coercing others to enter or withhold cats from shows or rings to impact competition.*
- C. Exhibitors will not habitually withhold entered cats from rings with the goal of shifting points to other cats. Withholding a cat from a ring(s) when that cat may be experiencing excessive stress, compromising its behavior, health or grooming is not only allowed but supported by these standards.*
- D. Exhibitors show respect for the cat on the judging stand by refraining from anything that might distract or upset the cat such as the waving of toys, quick movements, or loud sounds.*
- E. Exhibitors do not distract judges from the cat being judged by making comments about the cat, engaging the judge in conversation, or commenting to others about the cat on the judging stand.*

*Standard 3: Support and Camaraderie Among Cat Fanciers*

*Exhibitors accept that all in the cat fancy come together out of common interest in cats regardless of Division, Class, or Breed. While we recognize that our opinions on a variety of topics may differ, exhibitors unite in our devotion to cats and the betterment of the cat fancy.*

*Criteria:*

- A. Exhibitors accept that we are all present at shows out of common interest in the cats, betterment of our breeds and advancement of the cat fancy.*
- B. Exhibitors are supportive of each other in the interest of our common goals.*
- C. Exhibitors do not engage in unsportsmanlike behaviors before, during or after shows which may detract from fair and honest judging of cats. Social media is considered an extension of the physical public space and respectful conduct is expected there, as well.*
- D. Exhibitors are respectful of others by keeping conversation during finals to a minimum, and not disparaging the decisions of the judge or the cats being honored.*

*Standard 4: Outreach and Education to Promote the Welfare of all Cats*

*Exhibitors acknowledge that not everyone in our society values cats to the extent that we do. We know that education of the public can improve the lives of cats. We also believe that bringing more members into the cat fancy will enrich their lives and strengthen our common interests.*

*Criteria:*

- A. Exhibitors only present cats of exemplary health and grooming. The cats' wellbeing is most important. The public's perception of the cat fancy should never be negatively impacted by an exhibitor's actions.*

*B. In all activities related to showing cats including travel to and from shows, overnight accommodations, and presentation while in the show hall, exhibitors recognize that they are representatives of the cat fancy.*

*C. Exhibitors demonstrate exemplary behavior and a welcoming atmosphere in the show hall. This influences spectators' attitude toward cats and may improve cats' lives.*

*D. Exhibitors encourage others to become interested in the cat fancy and join us in our endeavors.*

(21) **ABUSIVE CONDUCT PREVENTION POLICY.**

*Involved in creating the proposed policy: Shelly Perkins, George Eigenhauser, Ed Raymond & Rich Mastin*

*Presented to the CFA Board of Directors for approval*

*Motion: Approve the CFA Abusive Conduct Prevention Policy, effective immediately.*

**Mastin:** The next agenda item is one that I was involved in. It was presented to me by a number of different people, and I can't remember when. I think it was shortly after the April board meeting I received a phone call, emails, and I reached out to Shelly first to begin the process, then once the process started we included George and Ed. Shelly also included our legal counsel in New York. It went through Anita then to a specialist from there. Sorry, I can't remember his name. This is what the group came up with and we're proposing this. It's the CFA Abusive Conduct Prevention Policy. This is what's being presented to the board for approval. If there's any questions, comments, changes you would like to make. **Eigenhauser:** Since I'm the only member of the Committee that routinely makes motions, I move we [reads]. **Currle:** Second. **Mastin:** OK, does anybody have any questions? Shelly, do you have any comments you want to make on this? **Perkins:** I wanted to just say that considerable time was put into this by our New York attorney. It does match New York law. I think that it's a way to limit liability for CFA, so I'm suggesting that CFA adopt the policy. **Mastin:** George, do you wish to make any additional comments? **Eigenhauser:** Just to point out that four lawyers have already looked at this, and we have pretty much beaten it to death. The intention is to be inclusive enough to make people feel they have a reasonably safe environment, but still give us the flexibility that not every tiny transgression needs to be dragged through the protest process or dragged through the Special Investigations Committee. We look at factors like how severe it is, how often it happens, how closely it's connected to a CFA event. So, it is a very robust policy. At the same time, it gives us some flexibility to use some common sense, as well. **Mastin:** Ed, do you want to make any comments? **Raymond:** Everything has already been said. **Mastin:** George, if this should pass, would this be effective immediately? **Eigenhauser:** Yes, that would be my request. **Mastin:** And Kenny, you agree? **Currle:** Yes, I agree. **Mastin:** Anybody have any other questions or comments? Are there any objections to adopting this policy? Seeing no objection, this motion passes unanimously.

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

**Mastin:** Congratulations and thank you. **Eigenhauser:** I would like to ask Pam to make sure that this gets included in the summary notes of the board meeting. **DelaBar:** Verbatim? **Eigenhauser:** I would be happy with verbatim if you've got room. **DelaBar:** Which part? **Mastin:** Do you want to put the whole policy in it? **Eigenhauser:** Why not? **Mastin:** Along with that, Pam, do you think, do you want – **DelaBar:** Yes, I want a paper copy because I will be typing this. **Mastin:** Can you send her a paper copy of this? You have a file of it, right? **Anger:** I can send you an electronic copy in Word. **DelaBar:** That won't do me any good. I need the paper copy. **Mastin:** Allene, can you make a paper copy? **Eigenhauser:** If Pam is going to have to retype this whole thing verbatim, maybe the better thing is, just let her summarize it because that's a lot of typing. **Perkins:** I think Allene, do you – **Tartaglia:** Is this the one? **DelaBar:**

May I say, Allene, this is what you can copy and paste into my report or my notes? **Tartaglia:** Sure. **DelaBar:** OK, then we have taken care of that. **Mastin:** In addition to that, Allene, if we're going to put it in Pam's notes, can we also get it on the official page? **Tartaglia:** The discussion group page? **Mastin:** Yes, the official discussion. **Tartaglia:** Yes. Do you also want it on the website? **Mastin:** Yes, absolutely. Very good, thank you.

### **CFA ABUSIVE CONDUCT PREVENTION POLICY**

#### **Purpose**

*CFA is committed to providing a safe and respectful environment that is free from bullying and abusive conduct. CFA prohibits and will not tolerate any form of bullying by and against CFA employees, officers, directors, contractors, interns, judges, clerks, committee members, vendors and event participants.*

*Every individual employed or affiliated with CFA, including anyone who participates in or attends any CFA event (including events sponsored by or affiliated with CFA), is responsible for maintaining and contributing to an environment that is free from bullying and other abusive conduct. All such individuals are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates professionalism and mutual respect for others.*

#### **Prohibited Conduct**

*For purposes of this policy, abusive conduct is defined as acts or omissions that a reasonable person would find hostile, offensive, humiliating, intimidating, or otherwise abusive in any way concerning a CFA event or activity. Factors to be considered when evaluating whether particular incidents constitute prohibited abusive conduct under this policy include, but are not limited to: the severity, nature, and frequency of the conduct; the actual or perceived intent of the person(s) involved; any past instances of abusive conduct or similar behavior; the occurrence's associated with a CFA activity or event; CFA's involvement in the situation, and/or the context within which any particular behavior occurred.*

*Conduct that violates this policy includes but is not limited to:*

*Verbal or written comments that include derogatory remarks, insults, and epithets.*

*Verbal, nonverbal, or physical conduct of a threatening, intimidating, or humiliating nature.*

*Sabotaging or undermining another's performance of their duties and/or participation in CFA or CFA-sponsored/affiliated events.*

*This list is illustrative only and not exhaustive. No form of bullying or abusive conduct will be tolerated.*

*This policy applies to all forms of conduct including but not limited to that which occurs over email and other electronic communication systems or devices, including social media and other internet sites/forums.*

*Any person found to have violated this policy will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action at CFA's sole discretion pursuant to the CFA Bylaws.*

### **Complaint Procedure**

*CFA expects all employees, officers, directors, contractors, interns, judges, clerks, committee members, vendors and event participants to immediately report all concerns of bullying or abusive conduct so that prompt and appropriate action can be taken.*

*If any party ~~witnesses or~~ is subjected to any conduct believed to violate this policy, the party must provide a written complaint to the protest committee or special investigations committee.*

*Conduct that violates, or may violate, this policy should be reported even if the complaining party is not the intended target of the conduct.*

*A complaint should be as detailed as possible, including the date, time, and location of the incident and the names of all individuals involved and any witnesses.*

*CFA will investigate all complaints as soon as practicable through the protest process and will take prompt corrective action, including discipline, if appropriate in accordance with the CFA Bylaws discipline procedures. Employees, officers, directors, contractors, interns, judges, clerks, committee members, vendors and event participants are expected to cooperate in any related investigation. In appropriate cases, CFA will do its best to keep the report confidential to the extent possible.*

### **No Retaliation**

*CFA prohibits any form of discipline, reprisal, intimidation, or retaliation for reporting incidents of bullying or abusive conduct of any kind, pursuing a complaint, or participating and cooperating in related investigations.*



## **Unfinished Business and General Orders**

### **(22) UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

**Mastin:** Next is Unfinished Business. Do we have any unfinished business? I know we've got New Business coming up.

(23) **OTHER COMMITTEES.**

**Mastin:** Other Committees? No.

(24) **NEW BUSINESS.**

**Mastin:** New Business. We've got three items, correct? **Anger:** We do.

(a) **Pre-Noticed Motion re: Clerking Awards.**

***MOTION** made by Hannon, seconded by DelaBar: Clerking Service awards will return to recognition with a pin with the number of years included on the pin. Clerks who received pens will receive pins retroactively. The timing for these awards will remain the same.*

***RATIONALE:** Recently CFA changed the recognition from a pin to a pen. The pen simply states "The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. Clerks Service Award." The number of years nor the CFA logo are included. A number of clerks believe this is inappropriate. We want pins back.*

*Clubs frequently post "in need of clerks" for our shows. The lack of appreciation and recognition is not helping our clubs staff their shows.*

**Anger:** The first is the pre-noticed motion regarding the Clerking awards. Would you like me to read the motion? **Mastin:** Yes please. **Anger:** Motion made by Hannon, seconded by DelaBar: *Clerking Service awards will return to recognition with a pin with the number of years included on the pin. Clerks who received pens will receive pins retroactively. The timing for these awards will remain the same.* The rationale is that, *Recently CFA changed the recognition from a pin to a pen. The pen simply states "The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. Clerks Service Award." The number of years nor the CFA logo are included. A number of clerks believe this is inappropriate. We want pins back. Clubs frequently post "in need of clerks" for our shows. The lack of appreciation and recognition is not helping our clubs staff their shows.* **Mastin:** Mark and Pam DelaBar, do either of you have any additional comments? **Hannon:** I've got the p-e-n here. Imagine my surprise to open an envelope congratulating me on **50 5-0 years** of service as a clerk and receiving this. It just says *clerk service award* on it. If you have 5 years or 50 years, you get the exact same pen. There's no designation of how many years it was. When we gave out pins – with an i – they had the year designated. My recollection is, Allene brought this to use and said how expensive it was when you got to the higher numbers, that you don't order that many of them, so the cost per pin was high. I assume that if we added the year to the p-e-n-s, that it would also be higher per pen if you only ordered a couple of them. I don't know how many other people have received 50 years as a clerk. I know Betsy Arnold got it last year, but it's fairly rare when you get to those higher numbers. So what if it costs a little bit more? They have been around a long time. So, my motion is to go back to what we had. **DelaBar:** I started the recognition of clerks when I was in charge of the Honors and Social Committee. Clerks were not getting recognized, and this is something that is very important, for people to get that recognition. We have gotten so much into our awards ceremony on doing the cats, we forget the people behind the cats. Sometimes, keeping people in the cat fancy is just that little bit of extra recognition for the effort that they put forward in keeping this association going. So, I have no problem seconding Mark's motion, as I feel that this is highly important. People are going to get that "atta boy" to keep going, then we should be giving out the "atta boy"s. They don't have to be star awards, they don't have to be the Medal of Honor, but they should be a pin, not a pen. **Calhoun:** Do we have a budget for the p-i-n? A proposed budget? Anyone? **DelaBar:** Who is in charge of clerking. **Colilla:** Bethany [Colilla]. **Hannon:** He [John Colilla] is the board liaison.

**Colilla:** No budget. **Calhoun:** We had no budget? So, what is the ask? **Hannon:** Well, they had to spend something on this [the pen]. **Calhoun:** What was the incremental cost and is that part of the – it probably should be part of the motion, to spend X amount for this award. **Mastin:** Allene, can you answer her question? **Tartaglia:** As I recall, the last time we had pins that we could engrave with years, they averaged about \$10 to \$12 each. We can purchase the pins in bulk that say *Clerk* and then each year we have to have them engraved with the appropriate number of years, because when we tried to keep them in stock before, that just never works out very well. We average about 40 to 50 clerk service awards per year. That's something we can certainly look into. I do have a question if I may. **Mastin:** Kathy, you finish. **Calhoun:** I'm not opposed to this in any way, shape or form, but what is the cost of the pen? **Tartaglia:** The pin? **Calhoun:** No. **Tartaglia:** Oh, the p-e-n. **Calhoun:** What are we currently spending on the p-e-n? This one? **Tartaglia:** They were about \$3 or \$4. **Calhoun:** So the engraved pin would be like an incremental \$5 or \$6? **Tartaglia:** Right. The engraved pins, p-i-n-s, with the specific year, are probably double to triple the cost. **Calhoun:** And what did we spend on this? The pen, the p-e-n, the writing pen. **Tartaglia:** Those were about \$3 to \$4. **Calhoun:** How many of these do we have? **Tartaglia:** How many? I don't know offhand. **Mastin:** I'm doing the math in my head at this point in time to help get to a number. If you're ordering 40 per year at \$15 apiece, that's \$600. That's basically what it boils down to. We're not talking thousands, we're talking just a few hundred bucks, to reward dozens of people. We'll have to figure out a way to get this in the budget. It's well below a number that does not need the board to approve \$600. Kathy, yourself, myself, the Finance Committee, we can establish that. We can figure out how to make that work. **Calhoun:** If that's what it is. **Tartaglia:** Absolutely. It wasn't my decision. It was certainly a suggestion as a budget issue. I certainly recognize that everyone should be recognized for their years of service. What I'm wondering is, should it be a pin? How many people wear a pin? **Colilla:** That's my point. **Tartaglia:** Would we want to look at something that might be – **Mastin:** A Rolex? Is that where you're going? **Calhoun:** Where's the budget for the Rolex? **Tartaglia:** Something more useful. For instance, we have – and I just happen to have this handy – we have CFA mugs. They have the logo on them. Perhaps we could come up with a program where clerks, we have them for clerks. We have a certain color for clerks. Perhaps there's another color for judges, or something where people are actually using it, rather than – how many people wear a pin? **Colilla:** Nobody. **Tartaglia:** So, it's just a thought. Perhaps the Awards Committee or whoever makes these decisions might want to consider. **Mastin:** OK. **Hannon:** Allene, when we give out service awards to the board members, to the judges, to the Credentials Committee, are we giving them one of these (a pen), or are you giving them something else. **Tartaglia:** We have something for the board members this year. It's not one of those (a pen). **Hannon:** It's not this (a pen). **Tartaglia:** It's not one of those pens for the board members. **Hannon:** It just seems to me that we're discriminating against the clerks. **Tartaglia:** No, we're not. **Hannon:** This is all the clerk gets for 50 years (a pen). **Currie:** You use a pen. **Hannon:** I don't need to use the pen, because my second part of my comment was that because we don't have the storefront open, I on my own decided to order some pens with the CFA logo on them, and they were so well received that the Central Office decided to order them and pass them out here at the annual. We're giving away a better pen for not doing anything except showing up. I'm handing them out at cat shows. I'm not requiring them to do anything for it. I spent 50 years to get this (a pen), and it's not as nice and it's more expensive. Kristi, what did you spend for the pens that you bought for this annual, per piece. **Wollam:** 58¢. **Hannon:** 58¢, and what did you spend on these? **Tartaglia:** I don't remember exactly. **Hannon:** I thought you said it was like \$3 or \$4. A better pen for free

that costs us far less money. I mean, I have hundreds of these (a pen). I didn't need one of these (a pen). **Tartaglia:** It's not my decision. **Hannon:** I know, and I'm not blaming you, I'm just asking the board to reconsider this decision. **Mastin:** Mark, are you all done? **Hannon:** For now. **Mastin:** I'm going to put an end to it pretty soon here. **DelaBar:** We need to really re-look at our entire awards system. For 30 years of service on the board, I got a certificate and a small pin which I will wear tomorrow, that says *CFA 30 Years – Board* on it. For judges, we all bought our little pendant. **Hannon:** It's like a rosette. **DelaBar:** It's the rosette, and we used to get a small diamond chip put into that rosette for every 5 years, but we don't get that anymore, so when I went over 30 years of judging, our lady who did the work was no longer doing the jewelry, so it only looks like I have 5 of these little diamond chips. [*sic*, CFA provides the diamond for any current and future service awards if a judge purchases a pin.] Our judges' award program needs to be relooked, and obviously the clerks. We need to get something that tells people, "we appreciate you for what you do," and I'm sorry Allene, we all have 10 million thousand mugs crammed in some store room in our houses because we have so many of them. **Tartaglia:** It's just an idea. **DelaBar:** I know it's an ideal. I just don't think it's wise. **Mastin:** John then George, then I'm going to call the motion. **Colilla:** I think it should be more than a pin. I don't know about you guys, I just throw it in with all my other pins. I never wear it and I don't see it until the next time I get another one. I think we should have an incremental, at 5 years you get this, 10 years you get this, 15 years a different one so people can display it instead of just a little pin. **Eigenhauser:** I think giving clerks a pin again is at least a start in the process. We may decide we need additional recognition somewhere down the line. That's not been pre-noticed for today. Mark's motion is in front of us so we can vote on it. To respond to Allene and not to pick on Allene, I get free pens in the mail with my name on it for people trying to sell me pens. The more practical the award, the less it seems like a trophy and the more it seems like some business swag. I don't want to get a mug for service. I would rather get a trophy that I can't drink out of than a mug that I can. A trophy looks like an award. A pin looks like an award. A rosette looks like an award. A coffee mug is just a coffee mug.

**Mastin:** OK, so the motion on the floor is for the clerks to receive a pin and not a pen, correct? **DelaBar:** Correct, retroactively. **Mastin:** Are there any objections to that motion? Seeing that there are no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Hannon:** Thank you. **Mastin:** Congratulations Mark. **Currle:** Good job Mark.

**(b) Motion re: Borneo Cat Fanciers.**

**BACKGROUND:** The Borneo Cat Fanciers submitted a show license for a 4 AB ring show via email. Almost immediately after sending that email, the club was able to get Chloe Chung and now wishes to have a 5 AB ring show. The Show Licensing staff used the first email to license the show as a 4 AB ring show. The club wants to change the show license to 5 AB rings.

**MOTION:** Grant an exception to Show Rule 4.04 and allow the Borneo Cat Fanciers to change their licensed show format from 4 AB to 5 AB for its July 8, 2023 show in Jakarta, Indonesia.

**Anger:** The second one is a motion regarding the Borneo Cat Fanciers. I'll read the background and the motion. [reads] **Eigenhauser:** If that's the motion, I'll second it. **Mastin:** Was that actually Kathy Calhoun's motion, or is it Rachel's motion? **Calhoun:** It doesn't matter. **Mastin:** I just want to get it right. **Anger:** Let's do Ms. Calhoun, since it's through her committee. **Mastin:** OK, so it was from Calhoun, George seconded. I just want to remind the board this was not pre-noticed. This will require 2/3. **Calhoun:** The ID Committee is in support. **Mastin:** Any questions or comments? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Anger:** Thank you.

**(c) Motion re: In-Conjunction Show with CCA.**

**BACKGROUND:** Golden Triangle CF's show will be Saturday May 25, 2024 with CCA on the Sunday. The show manager has already contacted judges for our show, 5 have replied yes so far and she has signed contracts for 3 as of now.

**MOTION:** For their show on May 25, 2024 in Cambridge, Ontario (Region 4), grant the Golden Triangle Cat Fanciers permission to hold an in-conjunction show with a Canadian Cat Association club on the condition that the club be informed that they should comply with the Guidelines (and enclose a copy with our approval).

**Anger:** Our third motion is regarding an in-conjunction show. [reads] **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Mastin:** Any questions or comments? **Colilla:** I think it's an excellent idea. I am hoping to have more CFA and CCA shows in the future, like in-conjunction shows, because this is an opportunity that we can help CFA grow up in Canada. Right now, Canada is probably non-existent as a CFA member. I think we need to approve this and talk to some other CFA clubs up there. I have no idea how many we have up there right now. Hopefully, we can use this to grow CFA. **Mastin:** Rachel, do you have any comments? **Anger:** Just that we have one. Golden Triangle is the hold-out in Canada. They just had a show in May that was fairly well attended, a very nice show. **Colilla:** I don't have the name of the CCA club yet. She is working on it. She is going to let me know which one it is. **Mastin:** Any questions or comments? Any objections? Seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously.

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

**Colilla:** Thank you. **Anger:** That is all the New Business that I'm aware of. **Colilla:** Can I let the club know that it's approved, or should I wait? **Anger:** It's open session. **Mastin:** Yeah, it's open session. **Anger:** They saw it on FaceBook. **Colilla:** OK.

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**Mastin:** Is there any other business? **Anger:** Just for Sunday. **Mastin:** It's all for Sunday, right? Before I adjourn the meeting, I want to thank three board members. They have decided not to continue at this time. Maybe they will consider to come back. We'll see how they enjoy their retirement. Annette, who has I believe 14 years on the board total. Thank you for your years of

service. [applause] George, you are also retiring or semi-retiring. You are still going to be involved, as Annette is. If I have the correct information, 24 years of service. Thank you George. [applause] **Mastin:** Did you get that for the minutes? **Anger:** I did. **Mastin:** Annette was awarding him a pen. **DelaBar:** A p-e-n. **Webb:** A CFA pen. **Mastin:** Mark Hannon, also 24 years of service on the board. Thank you very much. [applause] The meeting is adjourned. Thank you everyone for attending. We will reconvene in 15 minutes, which is 2:22 for executive session.

The Thursday open session meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.

Thursday executive session meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.

Respectfully submitted,  
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