Minutes of the Annual Meeting April 8, 2011

Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Kelly Brunarski at 12:27PM.

Recording Secretary Jan Leikam conducted the roll call determining that there were 100 members plus 27 guests in attendance. As there were a total of 519 voting members of BCOA, quorum was determined to be 52 members – 10% of the voting membership.

Ms. Brunarski welcomed the members and guests to the National Specialty and Annual Meeting.

Lynda Cattoni-Shafer moved to approve the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, May 21, 2010, Mary Childs seconded, minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report – KC Artley
BCOA had a healthy increase in assets in 2010 due to the 2010 Yearbook sales plus a successful National Specialty in Kentucky. Jan Leikam moved to accept the Treasurer’s report, Valori Trantanella seconded, report accepted.

BTRC – Barbara O’Neill The BTRC held a meeting on March 17 to discuss the distribution of 2010 profits. It was announce that even though the economy had a tough year the fund had a profit of 26,882.74.

The Board has approved the BTRC recommendation of retaining $5,000 as a hedge on inflation and reimbursing BCOA for expenses of $190.36. The remaining balance will be distributed at $14,100.04 to NBRF and $7,592.33 to BR-NC.

Barbara have been involved with the Bev Taylor Fund since the beginning in 2005. Now that it has been established that the system put it place is working fine, she has resigned and the BCOA has placed the BTRC in the capable hands of Shen Smith, as chair, and with a new Committee Member in Ron Williams.

Health – Ginger Jones

Kelly Brunarski spoke of the difference between the BTRC and Borzoi Rescue funds. The basic difference is that BTRC can only donate to 501 C (3) charities but BCOA Rescue fund can donate to any worthy cause. This is particularly needed during disasters as with Hurricane Katrina or the California wildfires.

Ready Borzoi – Veni Harlan
There has been a network set up to assist when needed through the website. Veni also suggested that when a need arises to contact your Regional Governor or Dee Jones for BCOA assistance.
Judge’s Education – Patti Neale
In 2010 at the National Specialty there was a very small attendance for the presentation. There have been 2 presentations in 2011. Robin Riel had 4 students at the Western Washington Cluster in January with Marilyn Polsfuss and Lydia Pruett doing a presentation with approximately 15 students in Minnesota.

Joyce Katona moved to approve the Committee Reports, Chris Danker seconded, reports approved.

Unfinished Business

2013 & 2014 National Specialty Judges. President Pruett has decided to begin the process over to ensure that all members receive the opportunity to nominate and vote for the judges according to the BCOA’s established criteria.

On-Line ads for BCOA
To find the BCOA online ads, go to Borzoionline.com or contact R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock who is the webmaster for information.

It was announced that the back issues of the BC will be sold with proceeds to Borzoi Health fund.

Meet the Breeds
Jane Schreiber will chair the ‘Meet the Breeds’ booth at the Eukanuba show in December. Ron Williams will chair the ‘Meet the Breeds’ booth at the Javitz Center in New York City. If you have an interest in helping, please contact the Chairs.

VP Brunarski announced the BCOA nominee for the AKC Lifetime Achievement Award will be Ariel Duncan in all three categories.

Barbara O’Neill presented her findings to reissue the ‘Growing Borzoi’ Mug. There was much interest in this sale item.

Prudence Hlatky moved to adjourn, Trudi Jensen seconded, meeting adjourned at 1:45PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Leikam
Recording Secretary