President Peters-Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:32 PM EST
Present: KC Artley, Carol Enz, Prudence Hlatky, Joyce Katona, Karen Mays, Barbara O’Neill, Rebecca Peters-Campbell, Robin Riel (left at 8:55), Lorrie Scott, Roy Silguero, Ron Williams, Joy Windle

On behalf of the Board, Rebecca welcomed Roy Silguero as new Governor for Region 2. Board Members are reminded to sign and send to Joy Windle the Board Member’s Code of Conduct /Roles and Responsibilities Pledge.
Motion: That the Board should hold a separate meeting to discuss the charges brought by one BCOA member against another. Barbara O’Neill/ Second: Joy Windle Carried.
The Minutes of the November meeting were approved as sent.
Motion: KC Artley; Second: Barbara O’Neill Carried.

Applications for Membership
First Reading:
- Amy Balthrop 773 Jackson Taylor, MI 48180 313 283-0634
  o Sponsors: Amy Sikula Anne Midgarden
- Charles & Karla Grabosky 1029 Shoemaker Ave. West Wyoming, PA 18644 570 693-0735
  o Sponsors: G. Ariel Duncan Joy Windle
- Valerie Holmes 217 Whittier Ave. Moorestown, NJ 08057 609 304-1524
  o Sponsors: G. Ariel Duncan Joy Windle
- Mary McDonald 220 Shirley PWky, Piscatway, NJ 08854 908 930-8783 RE-INSTATEMENT
  o Sponsors: KC Artley Joy Windle
- Leigh Paintin 40550 Funk Rd. Ramah, CO 80832 719 541-3267
  o Sponsors: Leonore Abordo Tom Golcher
- Tina Wismer 799 E. CR 1700N Monticello, IL 61856 217 762-8152
  o Sponsors: Leonore Abordo Karla Smith

Second Reading:
- Karen Klein, PhD 263 Sidelinger Rd. Union, ME 04862
  o Sponsors: Joy Windle/ Patti Neale
- Roz Wenrich 80 East Charles St. Wernersville, PA 19656
  o Sponsors: Joy Windle/ Carol Backers

Motion to approve these applicants as members: KC Artley Second: Prudence Hlatky Carried

Membership Changes:
Member resigned: Elizabeth Denning.
Junior Members who are no longer juniors and who did not choose to join as adult members: Charles Harpole, Brigitte Lutsch, & Bethany McCamish.
Deceased: Donald Bowers, James Heard, & Len Renkenberger.
New life members: Marilyn Lockhart, Toni Paskey, Susan Pennington, & Gale Snoddy.
Applications for Mentorship

- Rita Rice  P.O. Box 122962  Ft. Worth, TX  76121  817 320-8551
- Lorrie Scott  1728 Hanson Ln. Ramona, CA  92065  760 789-6848

Motion to approve these members as Mentors: Barbara O'Neill / Joyce Katona  Carried

Trophy-Supported Entry

Application
Lake Minnetonka Kennel Club
Sunday 9 June 2013
TSE Chair: Lydia Pruett
Judge: Roger Hartinger  Sweepstakes Judge: Suzan Breaz
Approved by email vote 10 December 2012.

Officers' Reports

Recording secretary (Joy Windle): Motion to approve: KC Artley; Second: Barbara O'Neill  Carried.
Corresponding Secretary (Karen Mays): Motion to approve: Joyce Katona  Second: Ron Williams  Carried
NOTE: The Board was asked to discuss a situation involving somebody who inquired about buying borzoi puppies. He was referred to a breeder for more information about borzoi, and the breeder was unhappy about the referral. In respect for her views, her name will be removed from BCOA's referral list. The Board values Karen Mays' outstanding work for the Club, and affirms that the Corresponding Secretary is not expected to screen inquiries, or to reply to correspondents in a selective manner. All inquiries about borzoi are handled alike (with a letter, packet of materials, and possible breeder referrals), leaving breeders free to use their own screening strategies if they are contacted. Breeders are encouraged to use the check-off on membership renewals to indicate whether they wish to be on the Corresponding Secretary's referral list.
Treasurer (KC Artley): Motion to approve: Joy Windle  Second: Lorrie Scott

AKC Delegate (Barbara O'Neill)
AKC Delegates BCOA supports for office of the Board of Directors, Class of 2017:
Carl Ashby, Judith Daniels, Alan Kalter, & Harvey Wooding
Motion to approve: Joy Windle  Second: Karen Mays  Carried

Regional Governors Reports:  Motion to approve: Prudence Hlatky  Second: Barbara O'Neill  Carried

Standing Committee Reports:
Reports from committee chairs listed below, discussion as noted.

Annual Versatility Award (Karen Ackerman): Rebecca will work with Karen Ackerman on wording concerning points awarded in Obedience.

Aristocrat (Helen Lee): The Aristocrat will now accept advertising for the on-line magazine:
Ads: $35  Special for new titles, using a simple template: $25
Ads can be paid via credit card from the BCOA website by clicking on "SHOP", or mailing a check payable to "BCOA" to the BCOA treasurer, KC Artley 3706 W. Jackson Rd., Springfield OH 45502-8722.
Barbara O'Neill will notify Editor Helen Lee

Beverly Taylor Rescue Committee (Shen Smith)
Motion to approve the distribution of funds NBRF $11,250  BNRC $4491.77  BCOA for conference calls $110:
Prudence Hlatky  Second: Roy Silguero  Carried

Registry of Merit (Barbara Ewing):

Sire: Ch Majenkir Regal By Design  ROMX-C
Dams: DC Windrift Chihawk Nymphet, MC, LCX, FCh  ROM
GCH Sylvan Vitrina Finian's Rainbow, JC FCh  ROM-C

Motion to approve: Prudence Hlatky  Second: Joyce Katona Carried

Motion to approve specific changes recommended in the report as follows:
- Grand Champion - 2 point bonus.
- AKC FC and ASFA FCh titles (earned by the same dog) -1 point bonus.
AKC LCX and ASFA LCM titles (earned by the same dog) - 2 point bonus.
Open Field CC & CM or equivalent (earned by the same dog) - 2 point bonus.
GRC and ORC titles - 5 points each (currently are worth 4 each).
SGRC and SORC titles - 10 points each (currently worth 9 each)
Joyce Katona Second: Barbara O’Neill
Vote: Aye KCartley, Carol Enz, Joyce Katona, Karen Mays, Barbara O’Neill,
Lorrie Scott, Roy Silguero, Ron Williams, Joy Windle Nay Prudence Hlatky Carried

Sales (Carol Enz): Helen Lee has designed a new “Shop” for BCOA items for sale. Lynn Shell has implemented this new shopping cart which can be reached by clicking on “Shop” at the upper right of the BCOA webpages.
Website (RLynn Shell): New & revised pages are needed. Discussion tabled until May 2013.
National Specialty (Barbara O’Neill): Futurity * Guidelines * 2013 National Specialty * 2014 National Specialty
Motion: Barbara O’Neill requested $2000 to do something special to celebrate BCOA’s 110 Anniversary at 2014 national specialty Second: Prudence Hlatky Carried
Championship Medals (Chris Danker):
Club Inventory & Medals (Barbara O’Neill)
Judge’s Education (Patti Neale):
Junior Showmanship (Barbara T. Lord)
Keeping in Touch (Edna Ogata):
Membership (Patricia Paris) The Board thanks Patricia Paris for her years of service on this committee. The Board has decided to streamline the membership application process by having applications sent directly to the Recording Secretary and to discontinue the Membership Committee.
Statistics: The final results for 2012 were received from the Conformation, Lure Coursing, LGRA, Obedience/Rally, and Junior Showmanship chairpersons.
Health (Ginger Jones): Ginger Jones, as Heath Chairman, recommended that BCOA support two Canine Health Foundation (CHF) Oak Research Grants with $2500 each. Grant 01753: Identification of Genetic Factors That Alter the Severity of Cardiomyopathy and Grant 01760: Use of Gene Therapy to Treat Dilated Cardiomyopathy.
Some members are organizing a fundraiser to support the Bloat Initiative. Donations can be made to the BCOA Health Fund and earmarked for the Bloat Initiative.
Motion: Barbara O’Neill $5000 for the two studies from CHF Donor Advised Fund as recommended by Ginger Jones Second: Karen Mays Carried
$3000 from BCOA Health Fund for Bloat Initiative Motion: Prudence Hlatky Second: Joyce Katona Carried

Motion: approve $250 for Ginger Jones to attend Purina Parent Club Conference 2013 but not to approve additional funds for a second attendee. Barbara O’Neill Second: Ron Williams Carried
Motion: to spend $100 for Bloat Initiative Pins: Joy Windle Second: Barbara O’Neill Carried
Futurity Sculpture (update from December meeting with artist)
Barbara O’Neill, Prudence Hlatky, & Patti Neale met sculptor at the Eukanuba in December 2012. Her deadline for wax model: 15 March. Committee Prudence Hlatky, Lorrie Scott, Joyce Katona; this committee is to contact the sculptor, provide pictures to her and get the final details of the sculpture finished by the deadline.
BCOA Rescue (Dee Jones)
Motion to accept Committee reports: Joy Windle Second: Ron Williams Carried

The meeting was recessed at 10:43 PM EST.
It shall re-convene 4 March 8:30 PM EST

Respectfully submitted,
Joy Windle
Recording secretary
4 March 2013
President Peters-Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:38 PM EST
Present: KCArtley, Carol Enz, Prudence Hlatky, Joyce Katona, Karen Mays, Barbara O’Neill, Rebecca Peters-Campbell, Robin Riel, Lorrie Scott, Roy Silguero, & Joy Windle
Absent: Ron Williams

Unfinished Business
Using Polls and other Yahoo Features for Club Business
The polling feature will only work when all Board members have joined the Yahoogroup. Joy will help Karen Mays sign on this week.

Trophy Supported Entries: The Member who requested a vote of the general membership will be advised to request the question be added as an agenda item under New Business at the Annual Meeting.

Lost Banner Motion to order a new BCOA banner to replace the lost one: Joy Windle Second: Prudence Hlatky Carried

Shipping Standing Rules Motion: Members shipping BCOA property must be sure to have a tracking number and adequate insurance, the cost to be reimbursed by BCOA. Barbara O’Neill Second: Roy Silguero Carried KCArtley voted no.

Medallions for Foreign Specialties: The Board is considering offering BCOA medallions to foreign clubs’ specialties. Joyce Katona and Carol Enz will coordinate to create a list of foreign clubs that offer National Specialties for borzoi, with a contact person for each club. BCOA would send the medallion to this club contact, for award to the Best of Breed winner at the club’s National Specialty.

New Business
Committee Chair Nominations (for Board Confirmation)
The board reviewed Rebecca Peter-Campbell’s recommendations for members to chair the BCOA committees. This list will be posted on the BCOA website. It was agreed that the contact information for the tabulator and back-up tabulator will not be included on this list.

ASFA Annual Convention of Delegates (ACoD): Lure coursing chair, Tom Golcher, wants to attend the ASFA convention in Denver on March 23, as the voting delegate from BCOA and requests reimbursement for registration fees which he has paid. Motion: Joy Windle, second: Roy Silguero. Carried. The current standing rule regarding reimbursement will be followed, so Tom will be reimbursed for the meeting’s registration fees. There is one proposed rule change that could affect BCOA, and that is the change that at specialties all winners of flights could run off for Best of Breed. At Issue: At specialties & the International Invitational: All flight winners should run off for Best of Breed.

Motion: Instruct Tom Golcher to vote in favor of this rule change. KC Artley Second: Joy Windle Carried.

Date(s) for May Board Meeting: Teleconference: 8:30 PM EDT 29 April 2013
Face-to-face 1:30 PM 13 May 2013 at the Host

Yearbook Proposal: Yearbook-Pedigree book. A member proposal about a 2015 Pedigree (or yearbook), was tabled until the May meeting.

Judge’s Nomination Ballot: With a record 93 conformation judges and 105 sweeps judges nominated, it would have been a near miracle if everything had gone off without a hitch. Unfortunately, miracles were in short supply, and somewhere between the Word doc and the pdf, one name disappeared. The Recording Secretary is profoundly embarrassed at the accident and will do everything in her power to see that it doesn’t happen again.

Web page update: RLynn Shell is currently re-working BCOA.org. The text on many pages will be seriously revised.

Meet the Breeds: Many thanks to Chris Neale for organizing BCOA’s prize winning Breed Booth @ the Eukanuba! Many suspect they won Hound Group 1 on the strength of the mobile unit.
From Patti Neale: "Huge credit for the success and beauty of the booth goes to Tammy Smith (Monarch) who designed and produced the backdrop, architecture and accessories. The core staff, several who came a goodly distance to Orlando just to work the booth, arrived at O Dark Thirty each day to get parking. They included John and Nanette Hrenko with Borzoi Cici and Gander; Richard, Catherine and Annaliese Pohlmann with Borzoi Sirin; Michael Gilbrook and Cyndi Yerger with Borzoi O'Neill and Pantera; and Dee and Greg Jones with Beausoleil, and Tammy Smith on Saturday. With the addition of other BCOA folks dropping in for relief and support, there was never a time that the public couldn't admire and pet several beautiful dogs and talk to enthusiastic owners. The mobile unit was drawn by two harness teams. Mother and daughter, Fiona and Spring traded off hour-long stints with mother and son, Minka and Tigger. We worked the Meet the Breeds area for a bit, but the congestion there eventually sent us to the main area where the aisles were huge. We met folks with children as they came into the show, and gave rides around the center square to any kids who asked. LOTS! It was hard to make progress there too as EVERYBODY wanted to take pictures. Hope some of the ones with kids end up on the web."

**Borzoi Fun Book** Motion: BCOA finance a Borzoi Fun Book 28 pp color cover with crayons to be given away at future "Meet the Breed" Booths sponsored by BCOA. 500 books will cost approximately $1500. A $2000 budget is requested. Barbara O'Neill Second: Joy Windle KCArtley voted no. Carried.

**Top 20 Competition at the National:** Barbara O’Neill asked the Board to consider this event for 2014, as part of the 110th anniversary celebration.

Prudence Hlatky moved to adjourn, the hour being late.

**Adjourn 10:28 PM**