CORRESPONDING SECRETARY’S REPORT
05/10/19 – 08/04/19

05/16/19  Received the 2019 1st Quarter 2019 Donor Advised Statement from the AKC Canine Health Foundation and a notice that, per Foundation policy, a minimum 5% annual distribution of our fund balance is a recommended standard for each donor advised fund to meet IRS regulations.

05/17/19  Received a notice from AKC offering our club the opportunity to host the 2019 National Lure Coursing Championship since previous arrangements for this event unexpectedly did not come to fruition.

05/20/19  Received a letter forwarded from Ron Williams that was send to him by Edward Kraus, Director of Advancement, Pennsylvania State Animal Response Team, thanking BCOA for donations received at the Annual Awards Dinner.

05/21/19  Received a thank-you from Dennis Sprung at AKC thanking BCOA for participating in the 10th Annual Meet the Breeds event held with the Westminster Dog Show.

05/24/19  Received an invitation from AKC to participate in the AKC National Championship Meet the Breeds booth at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando December 14 – 15, 2019.

05/25/19  Submitted our nominations to AKC for their Lifetime Achievement Awards. Conformation: Richard Meen, Companion: Janet Brown, and Performance: Sandra Moore-Doby.

05/25/19  Notified AKC that Lyn Snyder Hoflin has been appointed our new Legislative Liaison.

05/30/19  Received notice from AKC that, effective immediately, Importation of dogs from Egypt to the U.S. is suspended. This is in response to multiple incidents of rescue dogs with rabies imported from Egypt and distributed in the U.S.

06/01/19  Sent supply of BCOA thank-you cards to Shirley McFadden.

06/02/19  Received the May statement for the Beverly Taylor Accounts from Charles Schwab.

06/03/19  Received a request from Jessica Cohen, Jessica.cohen7@gmail.com, for breeders in the Pennsylvania area. Sent.

06/03/19  Received notice from the NC State College of Veterinary Medicine that they are looking for dogs with storm phobia or storm associated anxiety for a clinical trial.

06/03/19  Received a notice from AKC that they have received our updated officer information.
06/03/19  Received notice that a study team has been awarded a grant from the AKC Canine Health Foundation to investigate infectious disease risks (e.g. canine influenza) for dogs in group settings such as shows and other locations where multiple dogs come together.

06/05/19  Received inquiry from AKC to asking to verify that a breeder of merit candidate was a member in good standing of BCOA. Verification sent.

06/05/19  Received copies of letter sent by Ron Williams to our AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards nominees.

06/06/19  Received a request from Renee McCartin for a Potomac Valley Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 with the Carroll Kennel Club Show in Westminster, MD. Conformation Judge: Jaime Ganoza. Sweepstakes Judge: Jennifer Steele. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Renee. Information sent to Helen Lee for the calendars and to Barbara O’Neill for the Medallions.

06/06/19  Received an updated membership and officer list for the Potomac Valley Borzoi Club from Renee McCartin.

06/09/19  Received letter of thanks from Joel Hersh with the Pennsylvania State Animal Response Team for our $500.00 donation as well as an additional amount of $375.00 from attendees at the National Annual Awards Dinner.

06/11/19  Notified Susan Lockhart regarding the Board suggestion regarding the home visit for her membership application.

06/11/19  Received the AKC Chairman’s Report that was forwarded to the BCOA Board Members.

06/12/19  Received a Press Release from the AKC Humane Fund asking for nominations of dogs for their Award for Canine Excellence (ACE Award). Forwarded to the Board.

06/12/19  Received an announcement from AKC regarding their 2019 AKC Veterinary Outreach Scholarship recipients.

06/14/19  Received the Close Out Event Information for this year’s National Specialty. Forwarded to Barbara O’Neill.

06/18/19  Received a request from Emily Leckie, eml14@outlook.com, for breeders in the New England area. Sent.

06/22/19  Received an inquiry from Lyn Hoflin regarding replacement of the Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club banner used at the National Specialty. Referred to the Board.

06/22/19  Received a request from Audrey A, ama110599@yahoo.com, for breeders around North Carolina. Sent.

06/23/19  Requested two checks from Jan Leikam. One for $125.00 for the breed medallions offered at Orlando and one for $110.00 for electricity hookup at the Meet the Breeds booth in Orlando.

06/25/19  Received a request from Pinky Doyle, Pinkydoyle@mindspring.com, for breeders in the North Carolina area. Sent.

06/28/19  Received the requested checks from Jan Leikam for the medallions and the electrical hook up in Orlando and they were submitted to AKC along with the response forms. Notified AKC that Patti Neale is the liaison contact for this event.

06/28/19  Sent a letter to Liz Duncan regarding a release of funds to NBRF with the explanation that we need a breakdown of expenses to comply with our requirements to release any funds.
07/03/19 Received an email from Toyokazu Suzuki regarding a picture used in the Aristocrat Summer of 2017 issue and indicating the copyright of this picture belongs to him and was used without his permission. The letter was shared with the Board and Joy Windle sent him a letter of explanation which proved to satisfy his concerns.

07/07/19 Received AKC approval for a Sweepstakes event on 07/19/20 at the NRG Arena in Houston, TX.

07/09/19 Received a Press Release from AKC indicating Dr. Thomas Davies was unanimously elected to serve on the AKC Board to fill the seat left vacant following the resignation of Harvey Wooding.

07/11/19 Received a notification from the Westminster Kennel Club Show Chairman indicating that Pier 92 is presently closed for repairs making it unavailable for their 2020 event and they will be conducting their events over four days in Pier 94 returning to a show of only Champion Dogs.

07/11/19 Received notice from AKC that the kennel name “SUNBARR” is now officially restricted from being used in the naming of Borzoi. The letter states, “We thank you for bringing this name to our attention and allowing us to show due respect to this legacy by restricting the Sunbarr name.”

07/11/19 Received notice from AKC that AKC will now be awarding points to Juniors who have competed in Junior Showmanship, Companion and Performance Events. The Junior’s number will need to be included on the entry form. Reports on a Junior status will be available on the AKC website.

07/19/19 Received an updated List of officers for the Puget Sound Borzoi Club from Karen Ackerman. Forwarded to Helen Lee.

07/23/19 Received the 2nd Quarter 2019 Statement of the BCOA Donor Advised Fund from the AKC Canine Health Foundation.

07/23/19 Received a request from Richard Witas, rwitas@ufl.edu, for breeders in Florida. Sent.

07/23/19 Received a request from KC Artley that the Regional Specialty medallions be sent to the trophy chairman and not the show chairman in time to get into the premium/catalog so that the medallions can be given out at the show.

07/26/19 Received the summer Newsletter from the AKC Canine Health Foundation.

08/03/19 Received a request from Lyn Hoflin for a Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Saturday, February 16, 2020 with the Colorado Kennel Club Show. Conformation Judge: TBD. Sweepstakes Judge: Sandra Moore-Doby. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Pam Buffington. Information to Helen Lee for the Calendars and to Barbara O’Neill for the Medallions.

08/04/19 Received the June statements for the Beverly Taylor accounts from Charles Schwab.