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Accounting (Financial policies & Insurance)			
A1	Checks	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	The only checks that require 2 signatures are those checks written to Board members.
A2	Checks	10-16-1993 Chicago, IL	Checks Received: All checks made payable to the BCOA must be turned over to BCOA for deposit. It is a serious impropriety to countersign a check made payable to the BCOA and deposit it in a personal account.
A3	Checks- Applications	5-23-1993 Fife, WA	Allow membership application checks to be deposited immediately upon receipt
A4	Checks NSF	2-28-2008 phone conf.	Increase NSF fee from \$25 to \$35.
A5	Checks NSF	8-1986, Cleveland OH	A party will be requested to pay the check, plus all costs incurred in collecting the check (fees, certified letters, etc.). Anyone giving an NSF check places their membership in jeopardy
A6	Committees- Accounting	2-17-2011 phone conference	Approved a maximum of \$500 per meeting to the AKC Delegate to offset hotel and airfare, \$500 for travel expenses to attend the AKC Parent Club Conference. Confirmed the distribution of \$400 per year for the Judges Education Committee and \$300 per year to the Health Committee to attend the AKC Health Conference.
A7	Committee s - Accounting	11-16-2006 San Antonio TX	Committee Budget: Allocate \$400 a year to the Judges Education Committee chair to distribute at her discretion, to help offset expenses related to these presentations.
A8	Conference Calls	2-27-2003 Phone Conf.	Budget \$2500 per year for the conference line. Board approval will be needed for conference calls. Approval by email will be accepted
A9	Fees, Late Dues	2-27-2003 Phone conference	Institute a \$10.00 administrative fee for dues paid after 12/31 and prior to 3/1. Members can avoid the fee by paying on time. Dues received after 12/31 will not be considered to be paid if the fee is not included. The Treasurer will add this to the dues notice
A10	Fees to Individuals	11-14-2004	Per the tax attorney, anyone that we pay (not reimburse) an amount over \$600.00 must be issued a 1099. Clarified that fees are separate from expenses when paying judges
A11	Insurance Bonding	2-25-1998 Phone Conf.	Continue the bonding policy at a rate of \$538.00 for an additional 3 year period.
A12	Insurance Bonding	12-11-1983 West Chester PA	All bonding to be done under the regular insurance, if possible.
A13	Insurance Bonding	12-11-1983, West Chester PA	That BCOA Specialty Committee and officials be BCOA members for the purpose of bonding.
A14	Insurance Bonding	9-11-1982 Branchville NJ	Obtain BCOA insurance for the club as well as bonding for all who handle club monies.
A15	Insurance, replacement of assets	4-7-2008 phone conference	An asset insurance amount of \$4000 is included with the policy we havedecided to just insure the \$4000.
A16	Minutes Mailed, charge	4-16-2008 & 8-20-2012	Increase cost of mailing minutes to those who request this to \$15.00 per year. Dues notice should be amended accordingly. Increased to \$25.00 on 8-20-2012.
A17	Lure coursing, ASFA	8-1986 Cleveland OH	BCOA will pay \$100 toward registration fees only for the ASFA Convention and do not cover transportation, food or lodging.
A18	Shipment of BCOA property	3-4-2013	Members shipping BCOA property must be sure to have a tracking number and adequate insurance; the cost to be reimbursed by BCOA

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A19	Specialty Accounting	11-6-2010 San Diego	Advance of \$3000 for each upcoming Specialty
A20	Specialty-Accounting	8-2010 phone conference	Barbara O'Neill will acquire a debit card for the National Specialty checking account so that invoices can be paid directly. She did state that money will need to be in the account.
A21	Specialty-Accounting	8-13-1998 phone conf.	Credit Cards: Authorize Barbara O'Neill to establish a BCOA account for Visa/MC.
A22	Taxes	4-2005	Changing from a status of 501C7 to 501C4, The change in status will enable us to receive more than 15% of our income from non-members.
A23	Taxes	11-14-2004 Miami FL	Per the tax attorney, we should not have Treasurer's from the states of California, Connecticut, Minnesota or Indiana. We have to pay state income taxes if our checking account is located in a bank in those states.
Aristocrat			
B1	Content	2-21-2013	The Aristocrat will continue to be online only. Ads will be accepted.
B2	Content Annual Statistics	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	Publish the final results for the calendar year in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . Publish the names of the TOP-10 dogs in the following categories: Conformation, ASFA lure coursing, AKC lure coursing, open field coursing, LGRA, NOTRA, and the Obedience and Rally classes. In addition, the TOP-5 dogs that qualified for the Annual Versatility Award will be published. Further, the TOP-5 juniors in Junior Showmanship should be published. (Note that all these dogs have to be owned by BCOA members. The top junior has to be a BCOA member, but the other 4 juniors do not have to be BCOA members).
B3	Content	8-10-2011	AKC Breed Registration numbers will now be supplied only to parent club. It was decided that this would be included in the <i>Aristocrat</i>
B4	Content	2-17-2011	The <i>Aristocrat</i> will continue to include the various statistics, results from Specialties and TSE's, recipients and photos of BCOA annual awards, New Titles and potentially articles from the various committee chairs.
B5	Content	2-12-2009 phone conf.	Recognize all those who send additional funds for Juniors, Health, Rescue or Operating Expenses with their dues renewals... list in the <i>Aristocrat</i>
B6	Content	2-25-1998 Phone Conf.	Continue the printing of the New Champions in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . A list of committees shall be printed in the <i>Aristocrat</i>
B7	Content	May 1986, Olympia WA	The Summer issue of the <i>Aristocrat</i> each year will contain all the information that would have been found in the yearbook.
B8	Content	May 1986, Olympia WA	BCOA National Specialty results will be published in the <i>Aristocrat</i>
B9	Content	6-12-1983, Warren, NJ	The only articles automatically accepted for publication will be those from Regional Clubs and individuals appointed by the Board. All other articles submitted would be subject to approval and editing by the editors.
B10	Wins, Agility	11-6-2010 San Diego CA	A non-competitive list of any qualifying score achieved in any AKC agility trial or tracking test be published along with the current "Top 10" lists. This will not be a Top 10 as there are so few participants in these activities, and it will be the responsibility of each BCOA member to submit the results to the obedience statistician with the date, class and score.
B11	Wins, Lure Coursing	2-1979 New York NY	Records would be kept of Top Lure Coursers owned by BCOA members with statistics sent to the <i>Aristocrat</i> for publication.
B12	Wins, Obedience	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	The obedience statistician will keep scores for all member owned borzoi earned in the regular & optional titling obedience and rally classes. If the dog has more than 1 score in that class, the scores for that dog in that class will be averaged. Lists for each class will be compiled to rank the dogs from first to whatever placement includes all dogs that competed in that class. Scores in the "A" and

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			“B” classes will be combined; for example, scores from open A and open B will be published in the list under just Open. These lists will be published in the <i>Aristocrat</i> .
B13	Wins, Obedience	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	It will be the responsibility of each BCOA member to submit their wins in obedience & rally to the obedience statistician with their dog’s registered name, the date, name of trial, class and score.
B14	Wins, Obedience	11-6-2010 San Diego CA	Add a “top 10” category for Obedience Beginner Novice (BN) scores.
B15	Wins, Racing	11-11-2000	BCOA recognize the top 10 dogs in LGRA and NOTRA.
Awards (annual awards, special awards, title medals, top 10 statistics) (See also Junior Showmanship)			
C1	AKC Good Sportsman Award	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	Each year, the Board should consider whether to award the AKC Good Sportsmanship Medallion to a member at the National Specialty. This medallion should only be awarded for exceptional service to the breed and to this club over a long period of time. It is not required that this award be made each year.
C2	AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards	11-14-2009 New Orleans & 5-13-2013 Lancaster PA	Each Regional Governor will contact their area members asking for suggestions and a letter of recommendation detailing why that person should be considered for this honor. The Governors will forward these recommendations to the Recording Secretary in time for the first Board meeting of each year. These areas of nomination will cover Conformation, Obedience and Performance (field). It was noted that the BCOA nominees are from the ranks of BCOA members only. The Board will decide on no more than one nominee for each area, and does not have to make any recommendation. The corresponding secretary will forward the name to the AKC.
C3	All awards	May 1986, Olympia WA	For awarding BCOA awards, AKC and BCOA will recognize the first owner as the principal owner of the Borzoi. The first owner listed must be a BCOA member, regardless of who the dog lives with
C4	All Awards	11-2-2013 Huron OH	To allow a screen print of the Points and Awards page from the AKC website for an individual dog, as acceptable documentation.
C5	Annual Awards	11-2-2013 Huron OH	Only BCOA members names will be engraved on the annual awards plaques, and that the only titles that will be engraved are AKC, ASFA, LGRA, NOTRA, TCC, NACA & NOFCA titles.
C6	Annual awards	10-16-1993 Chicago, IL	The first listed owner and/or breeder receives the annual photo award plaque with additional plaques being available for order at the owners expense
C7	Annual awards	3-12-1992 Houston, TX	The first name on a Borzoi registration certificate, if a BCOA member, shall entitle that dog to compete for the BCOA Annual Award. The second name, if a non-member, shall not be listed.
C8	Annual awards	8-1988 Ravenna, OH	BCOA will standardize the Annual Award Plaques so that the wording and plaques will all be consistent.
C9	Annual awards, conformation	11-2-2013 Huron OH	The Top Breeder-Owner-Handler be awarded annually, using the BCOA Breed Point System, effective January 1, 2014.
C10	Annual awards, conformation	4-7-2004 Phone conference	Ending in 2004, BCOA will only award the Breed System (#1 Top Conformation Borzoi, Breeder of Top Conformation Borzoi and BOS) and will no longer award the All Breed System.
C11	Annual awards conformation	May 1987, Longmont Colorado	An Annual Award for Breeder of Top Conformation Borzoi. This will go to the breeder, if different from the owner; of the Top Conformation Borzoi. Breeder must be a BCOA member. This will begin in 1988.
C12	Annual award, lure coursing	12-3-1994 New Orleans	Approved to keep ASFA and AKC scores separately.
C13	Annual Awards, Lure Coursing	2-1979 New York NY	Records would be kept of Top Lure Coursers owned by BCOA members. Approved an Annual Award plaque for the Top Lure Coursing Borzoi of the year.
C14	Annual Awards, Obedience	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	For the annual award of #1 obedience dog, only scores from the obedience-novice, open, and utility classes will be used. The dog must have earned at least 3 scores in these classes. (For example, a dog could have 2 scores in novice and 1 score in open). These scores will be averaged, with the highest average awarded the #1 borzoi, BCOA member owned, for the calendar year.

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C15	Annual awards open field coursing	May 1986, Olympia WA	BCOA will present an Annual Award for Open Field Coursing.
C16	Awards, open field coursing	8-17-2006	Acknowledge TCC (The Coursing Conservancy) titles...The addition of these titles will affect the ROM and AVA programs.
C17	Awards, open field coursing	(no date, but documents current method)	The #1 Open Field Courser will be determined by the number of hounds defeated during the calendar year. The borzoi will get one point for each hound defeated by competing in NOFCA (National Open Field Coursing Association), NACA (North American Coursing Association) and TCC (The Coursing Conservancy) hunts.
C18	Awards, open field coursing	11-2-2013 Huron OH	The open field coursing titles that BCOA recognizes are: CC (Coursing Champion) and CM (Courser of Merit) titles from the National Open Field Coursing Association (NOFCA), the NACC and NACM titles from the North American Coursing Association (NACA), and the CBC, CMC and CCC titles from The Coursing Conservancy (TCC).
C19	Special awards	4-10-2003 Reno, NV	President's Awards: "In Appreciation" cloisonné pins made that can be awarded by the President (in addition to certificates) at the annual membership meeting, as appropriate.
C20	Title Medals	11-2-2013 Huron OH	A "Performance Titles Medallions" committee chairperson will mail the title medallions for the first title earned in AKC obedience, AKC rally, AKC agility, AKC tracking, coursing (AKC-FC or ASFA-FCH, not both), racing (LGRA-GRC & NOTRA-ORC) and open field coursing. Only the first open field title earned by the dog from the NOFCA, NAC or TCC organization will get a medal. The AKC titles will be given to the chairperson from the New Titles electronic file received from the AKC. Members will have to send documentation of their non-AKC titles to the chairperson. This is retro-active to 1 January 2013.
C21	Versatility, Annual & Lifetime Achievement Awards	11-2-2013 Huron OH	Added all AKC agility titles. Those requiring 3 legs worth 15 points. Those requiring 10 legs worth 30 points. Rest of these titles worth 40 points each.
C22	Versatility, Annual & Lifetime Achievement Awards	11-12-2011	Add the Obedience Beginners Novice (BN) title
C23	Versatility, Annual & Lifetime Achievement Awards	8-18-2005 phone conf	Add Rally Obedience titles.
C24	Versatility Awards	8-11-2004	that the BCOA Versatility Hall of Fame be changed to the Borzoi Versatility Lifetime Achievement Award
C25	Versatility, Annual Award	3-24-2002	Add Specialty BOB, Specialty BOS and Specialty AOM to the Annual Versatility Award (AVA)
C26	Versatility, Annual award	11-9-1996 San Antonio, TX	Top Versatility Borzoi will receive same photo engraved plaque as other Top Borzoi for the year.
C27	Versatility, Annual award	4-3-1996 Sacramento	Open Field Coursing will be included in the qualifications for Top Versatility Borzoi.
C28	Versatility Awards	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	Add the conformation Grand Champion (GCH), bronze GCH, Silver GCH, Gold GCH and Platinum GCH titles to the AVA, with each GCH title worth 15 points. Add the obedience Graduate Novice (GN), Graduate Open (GO), and Versatility (VER) titles, with each title worth 15 points. Add the multiple UDX titles (UDX2, UDX3, etc.) with each title worth 40 points. Add the Obedience Master

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			titles (OM), with each title worth 40 points
C29	Versatility, Hall of Fame	7-17-1996 phone Conference	To induct all past and present Borzoi who have met the maximum requirements of championship titles in the combined areas of conformation, obedience and coursing. A certificate will be presented to each owner.
Board Meetings, Officers, Regional Governors			
D1	Board Meeting	May 25,2006 Olympia, WA Annual Mtg	Board members minority or abstaining votes on non-confidential ballots votes be listed in the meeting minutes.
D2	Board Meeting, Annual	12-6-1997 New Orleans	Open the Annual Board Meeting to the membership for attendance. Consensus was that meeting could be closed during any confidential matters then reopened.
D3	Board Resignations	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	A resignation by any Board Member shall be a signed letter with an effective date, sent to either the President or to the Recording Secretary, who will then inform the rest of the Board Members, as soon as possible. The membership should be informed about the Board Member's resignation in the next mailing to the membership, or in the next email to the membership by either the President or by the Regional Governors. The resignation should also be reported in the next meeting minutes
D4	Board Resignations	12-11-1983, West Chester, PA	All resignations must be in writing.
D5	Code of Conduct	11-18-2006 San Antonio TX. Revised 4-10-2014 Albuquerque	BCOA Board will adopt a Code of Conduct, and that it is signed by all Board members at the beginning of every year, starting with 2007. (2014) New Board members will sign the Board Code on Conduct upon taking their seat on the Board. Members will re-affirm annually without signing a copy that would need to be filed.
D6	Email Voting	5-23-2012 Richland WA	That the Recording Secretary allows five days for discussion of all issues requiring an email vote by the Board of Governors before tallying said vote, except when time is of the essence.
D7	Regional Governors	8-6-2009 phone conf.	Each Region Governor is encouraged to verify email addresses in his/her region and pass along any corrections to the Recording Secretary.
D8	Regional Governors	4-16-2008 Sacramento CA	Guidelines for Regional Governors were approved and will be posted on the BCOA website.
D9	Regional Governors	2-17-1993, Phone Conf.	Regional Governors can establish own regional meeting dates without Board approval.
D10	Vice-President	2-28-2008 Phone Conf.	The VP will be assigned Ways and Means as part of the position's duty and responsibility.
Breed Standard			
E1	Purpose of the Breed	6-23-2004 Mesquite TX Annual meeting	Membership reconfirms that the original purpose of our breed was to hunt wolves, fox and hare.
E2	Colors	4-10-2003 Reno NV	Approved the Color Committee's Recommendations.
E3	Spelling	6-17-1992 Phone Conf.	Plural of Borzoi is Borzoi.
Committees			
F1	AKC New Titles	April 10, 2014	Receive the electronic file from the AKC listing borzoi with new AKC titles. Provide list to the Aristocrat, to the archives, to the Conformation Medallions chairperson and to the Performance Medallions chairperson.
F2	AKC Stud	April 10,	Receive the electronic file from the AKC listing borzoi entered in the AKC Stud

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	Book	2014	book, and provide the data for the BCOA archives
F3	Annual Awards Chairperson	No date (but documents current procedure)	Gets names of #1 winners from Statistics Coordinator. Contacts the winners to verify spelling of names and titles. Follows standing rules for titles allowed. Gets pictures of winners to forward to the Aristocrat. Gets plaques engraved and shipped so that the plaques can be awarded at the Specialty's Saturday banquet.
F4	Archives	April 10, 2014	An Archives committee was established.
F5	BTRC	April 10, 2007 Phone Conference	The first tasks of the BCOA Beverly C. Taylor Trust for Borzoi Rescue Committee will be to appoint a chair, and determine the criteria for how the rescue funds will be dispersed.
F6	BTRC	11-18-2006 San Antonio TX	The Board clarified that none of the members of the BCOA Beverly C. Taylor Trust for Borzoi Rescue Committee can be officers, directors, owners, family or household members of any organization that may be, or potentially may be a recipient of any rescue funds.
F7	Gazette columnist	6-3-1994, Pasadena CA	The AKC Gazette columnist will serve a two year term.
F8	Committees, Reports To The Board	11-09-2002 Charleston SC	Clarification regarding which committee chairs needed to be contacted to submit reports for the Board meetings. It was clarified that we do not need the different statistics as they are included in the Aristocrat
F9	Judges Education	4-10-2007 phone conf.	Potential Judges Education presenters should be approved by the Board.
F10	Judges Education, Costs	11-18-2006 San Antonio, TX	Allocate \$400 a year to the Judges Education Committee chair to distribute at her discretion, to help offset expenses related to these presentations. To ensure the uniformity of judges' education presentations, the presenters must use the BCOA approved material and script.
F11	Keeping In Touch	12-9-1995, New Orleans LA	Sunshine committee changed to "Keeping In Touch". To create a committee to keeping in touch with older life members, sending greeting cards, letters of inquiry, etc.
F12	Legislative	4-10-2007 Phone Conf.	Reports should include the name of the bill, a synopsis and recommendation.
F13	Legislative committee	5-2-1994, Windsor Locks CT	AKC Liaison for Club Legislation formed.
F14	Meet The Breeds	11-2-2013 Huron OH	Have a Meet The Breeds standing committee with co-chairs the chairs to support the AKC Meet the Breed in Florida and in New York.
F15	Nominating Committee	8-31-1994, phone conf.	Will be selected yearly with the first meeting of the Board so notification to the membership of the names and addresses can be within the time frame of the Constitution and By-Laws.
F16	Performance Titles Medallions	11-2-2013 Huron OH	A "Performance Titles Medallions" committee chairperson will mail the title medallions for the first title earned in AKC obedience, AKC rally, AKC agility, AKC tracking, coursing (AKC-FC or ASFA-FCH, not both), racing (LGRA-GRC & NOTRA-ORC) and open field coursing. Only the first open field title earned by the dog from the NOFCA, NAC or TCC organization will get a medal. The AKC titles will be given to the chairperson from the New Titles electronic file received from the AKC. Members will have to send documentation of their non-AKC titles to the chairperson. This is retro-active to 1 January 2013.
F17	Registry Of Merit (ROM)	2-21-2013	The following changes/additions were approved. 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 points each). SGRC and SORC titles - 10 points each (currently worth 9 points each)
F18	Registry Of Merit (ROM)	2-12-2009	Add Agility Novice Fast to the ROM Titles
F19	Registry Of	5-2007	Rally points will be half the points that are earned in regular obedience. Both rally

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	Merit (ROM)	Annual meeting	and regular obedience points will be counted
F20	Registry Of Merit (ROM)	April 24, 2005 Mesquite TX	Add to the ROM application: I certify that the information submitted with this application represents, to the best of my knowledge, all ROM recognized titles earned by this dog's offspring. I further agree that in the future, should enough additional titles be earned to change the ROM title of this dog, I will submit, in a timely manner, a supplemental application in order to have the dog classified correctly.
F21	Registry Of Merit (ROM)	8-11-2004 phone conference	Motion that the ROM application be amended to indicate that a non member will need to include a non refundable \$10 fee for record keeping, processing and for the certificate
F22	Registry Of Merit (ROM)	November 15, 2003 Santa Fe, NM	The offspring and their titles, as well as the Sire/ Dam need to be maintained in the database. Only the names of the dogs achieving the titles will be published in the Borzoi Connection. Approved the use of the Borzoi Champion books to verify titles. If the dogs and their titles are not verified by these books, documentation of the titles will need to be submitted by the applicant
F23	Rescue	11-2-2013	The BCOA Rescue committee is renamed the BCOA Borzoi Welfare/Rescue Committee
F24	Rescue	4-10-2007 Phone Conf.	All correspondence or requests should go through our rescue chair.
F25	Sales	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	The vice-president will be the chairperson. Purpose is fund raising. This committee would promote all BCOA items for sale, including yearbooks, the Visualization of the Standard, the BCOA logo patch, the "Growing Borzoi" mug, and items from past National Specialties. The committee would (1) Keep a current, detailed list of items for sale, including colors and sizes, prices, shipping costs, and where inventory is stored. (2) Have a system to communicate with the treasurer, the BCOA Shop website administrator, and those members who are storing & shipping the sales items. (3) Provide updated information and pictures for the BCOA Shop website. (4) A report to the Board for each Board meeting is not required.
F26	Standing Rules	4-4-2011	A standing rules committee was approved to update the standing rules files (current and history)
F27	Statistics Coordinator	No date (but documents current procedure)	send the list of all #1 dogs/persons to the Annual Awards chairperson in time for the Annual Awards person to order and ship the engraved plaques to be presented at the National Specialty banquet. These awards are Conformation (breed points), Breeder of the Top Conformation Borzoi, Conformation Best of Opposite Sex, Conformation Breeder-Owner-Handler, AKC Lure Courser, ASFA Lure Courser, LGRA, NOTRA, Open Field Courser, Obedience, Annual Versatility, and Junior Handler.
F28	Tabulator, Fees	2-28-2008 Phone Conf.	No tabulator will be allowed to donate his/her fee in an effort to ensure an unbiased count.
F29	Tabulator, & Alternate Tabulator	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	The Tabulator and alternate Tabulator will be listed in the Committee appointments made by the President each year. It was clarified that the President will contact tabulators of her choice each year to determine their willingness to serve on this Standing Committee. She will then inform the Recording Secretary of her choices so that the Recording Secretary can determine the availability of tabulators as needed throughout the year.
Election (National Specialty Breed & Sweepstakes Judges & Officers/Regional Governors)			
G1	Ballots	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	All mailings of ballots to members must be by First Class mail
G2	Ballots	11-28-1981 Philadelphia	Ballots: Destroy all election ballots which are more than one year old
G3	Candidate Profile Form	8- 17- 1993 phone conf	Candidates for office, when submitting the BCOA Candidate Profile Form are required to submit them in a "like form and style format".
G4	Judges	11-2-2013	The rules in this section referring to "sweepstakes" apply only to Puppy &

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		Huron OH	Veteran sweepstakes
G5	Judge, Election	11-2-2013 Huron OH	Specialty Judges will be elected once a year.
G6	Judge, Nominations	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS & 6-2-2011 phone conf. & 8-10-2011 phone conf. & 11-2-2013	Changed to nominate 1 judge for Breed and 1 judge for Sweeps (11-2-2013) Each member may nominate 2 judges eligible to judge the Breed classes, and 2 judges for the Sweepstakes. Nominees for Sweepstakes Judge must own or have owned Borzoi and not be approved by the AKC to judge Borzoi at the time of the nomination. If the Sweepstakes judge is not a BCOA member, then the address of the nominee must be included. Foreign judge nominations must include a valid address, if not a BCOA member. The Five year judging moratorium for Specialty Judges will remain valid for both Breed and Sweepstakes judges. For example, if the election is for Specialties 2013 & 2014, the nominee cannot have judged, or be scheduled to judge, our Specialties in 2008 – 2012
G7	Judges, Nominations	5-22-2009 Annual Mtg.	To restrict AKC approved Borzoi judges from judging sweepstakes at the National
G8	Judges, Lure Coursing, re-imbursment	8-18-2014	Reimbursement for a lure coursing judge is limited to \$200 and one night's lodging.
G9	Judges, reimburse-ment & critiques	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS & 8-20-2012	Breed judges who are BCOA members receive only expenses, including lodging at the host hotel, transportation, meals and the annual awards banquet. Breed judges who are not BCOA members, receive expenses plus \$1.00 per dog entered. Breed judges' airfare expenses are limited to \$500.00. Sweepstakes judges will get 2 nights' lodging and the Annual Awards banquet. All judges will be asked to give a verbal critique at the annual awards banquet and to provide a written critique for publication in the Aristocrat
G10	Judge, Breed, restrictions	11-2-2013	Those elected to judge the Breed classes will not judge a Borzoi Specialty in the USA for 1 year prior to the National Specialty. Also, the Breed judge cannot judge Borzoi at an all-breed show in the region where that Specialty show will be held, for 6 months prior to that Specialty.
G11	Judge, sweepstakes, restriction	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	The Sweepstakes judge shall be restricted from judging any Borzoi Sweepstakes for 6 months prior to the National. 'Any Borzoi sweepstakes' is defined as any show or match, including Specialties and TSEs.
G12	Judges, Voting, Break-down Ballot, to Members	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	The compiled complete list of membership nominations will be mailed to the membership for a break-down ballot vote. The breakdown ballot should state for both Specialty Judge and for Sweepstakes Judge: "You may vote for up to three judges from each category in order of your 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd choice preference. You must indicate your preferences with a written "1", "2" or "3" in order of your choices, as this breakdown ballot is a "weighted ballot" with a 1st choice receiving 3 points, a 2 nd choice receiving 2 points and a 3 rd choice receiving 1 point.
G13	Judges, Voting, Break-down Ballot from tabulator	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	On the report to the President and Recording Secretary which will be provided within one week of the voting deadline, the Tabulator shall list Specialty Judges in order of total number of points received, with the Judge receiving the highest number of points listed first. If there is a tie, the Board will decide how to break the tie. The same applies to the list for Sweepstakes Judges
G14	Judges, Voting, final ballot	4-4-2011 & 8-10-2011 & 11-2-2013	Each nominee, both Breed and Sweeps will be asked to provide a 100 word biography for the final ballot. If the biography is not received by the deadline, that name will be removed from the final ballot. Since the final ballots will be for a two ONE year period that final ballot will contain the top ten vote receivers in each category from the breakdown ballot, listed in alphabetic order, and members will be allowed to vote for two choices ONE CHOICE on the final ballot. A nominee for the final ballot must be eligible to judge either year. (Changed to voting for judges for 2 years to 1 choice for 1 year, 11-2-2013)
G15	Judges, Voting, Time Table	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	Members shall have the initial Nomination Form mailed along with their dues notice. The nominations will be sent to the Recording Secretary. Starting on January 15, the Recording secretary shall have a week to compile the Breakdown Ballot with the list of all nominations. The Breakdown Ballot shall be posted on

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			the BCOA website, and mailed to all members by First Class mail. The Recording Secretary shall notify the President when the ballots are mailed. Five weeks shall be allocated for ballots to be received by the members, and for members to mark their ballots and return to the Tabulator, to be received by the Tabulator by the deadline. The Tabulator will be asked to give the results to the Recording Secretary and to the President, within 1 week of the deadline. The Recording Secretary shall be given 1 week to contact the 10 persons receiving the highest number of points for Breed Judge and to contact the 10 persons receiving the highest number of points for Sweepstakes Judge. These people will be asked as to their availability, if they would agree to the judging restrictions, and to provide a bio limited to 100 words, to be returned to the Recording Secretary within 2 weeks. For the final ballot, there will be 10 names for Breed Judge and 10 names for Sweepstakes Judge. If necessary, the Recording Secretary will contact additional persons, from the ranked Breakdown Ballot List, in order to have the 10 names, and the responses. After the required number of positive responses have been received, the Recording Secretary shall have one week to prepare the Final Ballot. The Final Ballot shall also be posted on the BCOA website, and mailed to all members by First Class mail. The Recording Secretary will notify the President when the ballots are mailed. 5 weeks will be allocated for ballots to get to the members, and for members to mark their ballots and return to the Tabulator, to be received by the Tabulator by the deadline. The Tabulator will be asked to give the results to the Recording Secretary and to the President, within 1 week of the deadline. The President will notify the membership of each mailing using the President's List"
G16	Officers/ Board Members, Nominations	2-1987 New York, NY	When the list of nominations is sent out, the section of the Constitution which deals with this should be specifically spelled out. A petition must be received in one envelope containing the five signatures which can be on separate sheets of paper and the acceptance.
G17	Officers/ Board Members, Voting	8- 1986, Cleveland OH	Only contested positions will be voted on and all other offices are to be listed, but marked as uncontested. Profiles of all candidates to be printed and accompany the ballot
G18	Voting By Region	2-23-1994, Phone Conf.	Membership Voting by Region: It is not in the best interest of the Club to vote by region.
Juniors (Membership, Awards, Scholarship, Statistics)			
H1	Juniors, awards	8-20-2012	The Top Junior Award and Number One Certificate can be won only by a junior showman who is a member of the Borzoi Club of America. If any non-member should qualify to win the number two through five certificates, the appropriate certificate, along with a BCOA letter of invitation and membership application, will be mailed out to that junior.
H2	Juniors, awards	5-22-2009 Annual mtg.	to award Certificates to the top five Junior Showmanship individuals each year at the Annual Awards Banquet
H3	Juniors, awards	11-18-2006 San Antonio TX	Points toward the annual junior handler award will start accumulating on the date the membership application and fee are received.
H4	Juniors, membership application	4-7-2008 phone conf.	Create a Junior Addendum to the application so that we could also track the junior's 18th birthday
H5	Juniors, membership application	11-18-2006 San Antonio, TX	To encourage BCOA junior members, the application process will be streamlined by waiving the annual dues and sponsor forms. If needed, Board members could sign the application form for the junior. The application fee must still apply based on the BCOA constitution
H6	Juniors, scholarship	2-12-2009	For reimbursement to our Juniors who qualify for Westminster and Eukanuba. It was decided to call this a 'Scholarship' and distribute funds available rather than a specific amount.
H7	Juniors, scholarship	4-7-2008 phone conference	An application process will be created by which a junior can request reimbursement for expenses for competing at Westminster or Eukanuba. The junior must show a Borzoi at these events and must reside in the household of a

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			BCOA member in good standing or an approved junior only member. Amend the dues notice to provide for donations to this fund
H8	Juniors, statistics	4-27-2007 Warwick RI	The AKC stats are the only junior stats that will be counted.
H9	Juniors, statistics	5-23-1993 Fife WA	Calendar year for junior statistics will be January 1 through December 31.
Lure Coursing			
J1	ASFA Convention	8- 1986, Cleveland OH	BCOA will pay \$100 toward registration fees only for the ASFA Convention and do not cover transportation, food or lodging.
J2	ASFA Convention	12-18-1982 Philadelphia, PA	The BCOA shall pay the registration fee for the designated delegate representing BCOA to attend the Annual ASFA Convention.
J3	ASFA membership	2-27-2003 phone conf.	Continue our membership in AFSA
J4	ASFA trials	12-18-1982 Philadelphia	Requests for dates for ASFA sponsored events shall be accepted by BCOA only if they are received by the Coursing Chairman.
Membership (also see Junior Showmanship)			
K1	Application, Approval of Applicant when minutes are not sent out	8-13-2003 Phone Conference	Clarified the 45 day rule for membership applications – This rule is only used in situations where the minutes with the 1 st reading are not able to be sent to the membership on a timely basis . Once the minutes are sent out, the clock starts ticking. If no correspondence regarding the applicants is received within 45 days of the publication of the minutes, the membership application is approved
K2	Application Form	11-12-2011 Savannah	Replaced “Age” with “Birthdate (under 18 years, Junior applicants only). Revised the paragraph about payment: “Please include a check payable to “BCOA” for the application fee and current year’s dues: \$45 (Single membership) or \$50 (Household membership) or \$50 Foreign membership (outside North America) or \$5 application fee for a Junior membership. (No dues required for members under age 18). Applicants will need two current BCOA members (who do not reside in the same household) to fill out the Sponsor Form. A BCOA member must have visited the applicant’s home within the past two years. Sponsors are not required for Junior or Foreign applicants.
K3	Application Form	8-13-2003 Phone Conference	Add agility as an activity that can be done with Borzoi. Sponsor Form – Add a question to determine that at least one sponsor (or sponsor's designated BCOA member in good standing) must have visited the applicant's home and/or kennel within the previous 2 years.
K4	Applications, Reasons to Table	11-7-1998 Carmel CA	Application for membership may be tabled because: <i>Additional Information is Needed</i> – a. The sponsor may be asked for additional information. b. The applicant may be asked for additional information. <i>Protest</i> - a. Protest must be written and submitted to the Recording Secretary. b. All protests are kept confidential. c. Letter of inquiry shall be sent to the appropriate parties (sponsors) in order to obtain or verify the information required for a final decision. All correspondence is sent to the office of the Recording Secretary. d. No unsolicited letters will be considered. e. Final vote will be by written ballot on a protested applicant(s) and only during a face-to-face meeting of the BCOA board. <i>NSF Check</i> - Applications may be returned due to: a. Incorrect or insufficient information on application. b. One or more Sponsor forms not received. Applications may be rejected due to: As action taken by the board in reference to a member protest letter.

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			If approved, the Corresponding Secretary notified the applicant of their acceptance. If denied, the Recording Secretary notifies the applicant. If additional information is needed, the letters/requests are sent by the Recording Secretary.
K5	Application, Tabled, Voting	3-8-1990 Detroit MI	Approved outline for tabled applications with the addition that when voting on a protested application, it should be done by written secret ballot.
K6	Application Voting	4-10-2003 Reno NV	Sponsors: When an applicant is sponsored by a Board members, the sponsoring Board member shall reclude themselves from the vote for approval. Approval will be 2/3's of the eligible Board members.
K7	Foreign Membership	8-13-2003 Phone Conf.	Discussed dues amount for foreign members. Dues should be \$40 paid in US funds. Current foreign members will be grand fathered in and will retain voting privileges.
K8	Foreign Membership	5-29-1998 Racine WI Annual Mtg	Foreign memberships would hold no voting rights thus not be counted in a quorum with a "grandfather clause" for existing foreign memberships.
K9	Life Members	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	Around the first of February, the Treasurer will provide a list of Life Members, by region, who did not return the "Member Contact Form/Dues Renewal Form" or a check, to each Regional Governor. Each Regional Governor will try to contact these Life Members in their region, asking them if they want to remain active in BCOA, or if they want to resign. By March 1, each Regional Governor will report to all Board members (1) Life Members who want to remain active (2) Life Members who have resigned and (3) Life Members who could not be contacted. Life Members who resigned will be reported in the minutes of the first Board meeting held after 1 March, and will be removed from the Membership List. The names of the Life Members who could not be contacted, will be reported in the minutes of the first Board meeting held after 1 March, asking members if anybody has contact information for these people. Life Members who cannot be contacted will be moved to a separate list with their last known address, and removed from the Membership List that is used for mailings
K10	Life Memberships	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	The treasurer will provide the names of the new life members to the Corresponding Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary will provide certificates to be read and given out at the next Annual membership meeting
K11	Life Memberships	5-25-1995 Greensburg PA	Approved to maintain the status quo regarding any reduction in membership dues for a second party/spouse in the same household as a life member.
K12	Sponsor Form	11-12-2011	Added a line for the sponsor's phone and email address
K13	Sponsor Form	8-13-2003 Phone Conference	Add a question to determine that at least one sponsor (or sponsor's designated BCOA member in good standing) must have visited the applicant's home and/or kennel within the previous 2 years.
K14	Sponsor Forms	May 3, 1998 Racine WI	Membership sponsor forms be revised to reflect that sponsor may not reside in the same household and that the word "recommendation" be removed from the form.
K15	Process and privileges of new members	5-13-2013 Lancaster PA	Add to the application "After your application, dues check & two sponsor forms have been received, your application will be read at the next BCOA Board meeting. Your name will be published in the Board meeting minutes. If no letters are received protesting your application, you will be approved as a member at the following Board meeting. Your privileges as a member, including counting the wins of your dogs for top awards, start on the date you are approved as a member."
Miscellaneous			
L1	AKC flyers with registrations	11-09-2002	We were contacted by the (AKC) National Breed Club flyer program. There is a \$150.00 set up fee and 3 cents a piece for each flyer. These flyers go out to anyone that registers a Borzoi puppy. (Approved) that we participate in this program
L2	Breed brochures	2-4-2004 Phone Conf.	Notify regional clubs that this brochure can be used by them for as a public relations tool. They could also be put on the BCOA website.
L3	Kennel	11-7-1998	The following four famous kennel names have been officially

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	names	Carmel, CA	removed from by the BCOA with AKC from any future use: Trezor, Romanoff, Malora and O'Valley Farm. Other names considered but no action taken at this time are: Baronoff and Alpine.
L4	Logo	11-7-1998 Carmel, CA	It must clearly be stated that the BCOA logo is a copyright graphic belonging to the BCOA, and under no circumstances is it authorized to be used on any web site other than the official BCOA's web site. Legal actions would be under taken to protect the logo.
L5	Pictures	11-2-2013 Huron OH	Photographs of dogs to be used in any Member education program must have the owners' permission.
National Specialty (except for Breed & Sweepstakes judges)			
M1	Auction	11-18-2006 San Antonio	All art auction items need to be complete and present at the time of the auction.
M2	Auction	8-29-1990 Phone Conf.	Items donated to the National Specialty auction will be sold as is.
M3	Awards CHIC	5-6-2010 phone conference	BOB will be awarded \$200 if that dog has a current CHIC number. Triathlon Winner will be awarded \$200 if that dog has a current CHIC number. Best in Futurity \$200 to winner if both sire & dam have a CHIC number. Best in Sweepstakes (Puppy) \$200 to winner if both sire & dam have a CHIC number.
M4	Awards of Merit, obedience	12-6-1997 New Orleans, LA	Approved Award of Merit certificates and rosettes for Obedience Nationals for the next three highest scoring dogs w/qualifying scores eligible to receive the awards
M5	Awards of Merit	June 17, 92 Phone Conf.	No more than 10 Award of Merits may be given at the National Specialty.
M6	Award of Merit	8- 1988, Ravenna OH	Approved an Award of Merit to up to Ten Borzoi who have competed in the Best of Breed judging at the BCOA National Specialty, at the discretion of the Regular class judge. BOB and BOS are not included in the ten awards.
M7	Banners	2-25-1998	Banners will be retained each year with the challenge trophies and be transported to the next specialty with the trophies.
M8	Catalog	2-24-1999 Phone Conf.	Provide a page each year in the National specialty catalog in memory of our deceased BCOA members from specialty to specialty.
M9	Chairperson, showing	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	Dogs that are owned, co-owned or reside with the show chairperson, or co-show chairperson, and/or members of their immediate family may not be exhibited in the conformation classes (futures, sweepstakes and regular classes). Show chairperson, co-show chairperson, and any person residing in the same household as the show chairperson or co-show chairperson, shall not exhibit or act as agent or handler, in the conformation classes at the Specialty
M10	Class, Altered	11-6-2010 San Diego CA	The Altered Class at the National Specialty will be a 'unisex' class with Rosettes for placements 1-4.
M11	Class, Altered	5-6-2010 phone conference	Altered Class will be open to all Borzoi not just the Triathlon competitors....This class will be intersex competition and will be judged by the Regular Class judge as any other class with placements 1-4 being awarded on the merit of the individual dog. There will be no further competition for the winner of this class...offer Rosettes and a cloisonné medallion for the placements.
M12	Classes, conformation	11-14-2009 New Orleans	The splitting of the 12-18 class into 12-15 & 15-18 which is now approved by AKC was discussed.... (and voted) to not do this at our National Specialty.
M13	Classes, conformation	4-18-2008 Annual Mtg.	Not to offer the Amateur Handler class
M14	Classes, Conforma- tion, Veteran	5-21-2010 Ft Mitchell KY	Award 1st through 4th in Veteran classes instead of first place only
M15	Classes, Conforma- tion, Veteran	8-13-1997 Phone Conference	Approve the addition of an additional non-regular class of Best In Veteran Class in Specialty Show with a rosette to be provided by the BCOA for this class.
M16	Classes,	9-19-1992	Approved age split for Veteran Classes - 7-10 years and 10 years and

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	Conformation, Veteran	Dallas, TX	over.
M17	Classes, Obedience	11-6-2010 San Diego CA	Add the Beginners Novice class to the National
M18	Classes, Stud Dog & Brood Bitch	6-17-1992, phone conf	First Place through Fourth Place will be awarded in the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch classes.
M19	Classes, Stud Dog & Brood Bitch	6-17-1992, phone conf	At least two and no more than four get or produce allowed to be exhibited with a Stud or Brood entry.
M20	Classes, sweepstakes, puppy	11-14-2009 New Orleans	The addition of an 18-21 and a 21-24 month class to sweepstakes which is also newly approved by AKC was discussed....(and voted) to not do this at our National Specialty
M21	Entries	9-20-1989 phone conf	All National Specialties should hold events for everyone: conformation, obedience and Lure Coursing
M22	Exhibitors, Dogs, Clean-up	5-28-1999 Denver CO annual meeting	BCOA has "no tolerance" for violators of non-clean up after their dogs and that violators be fined \$50.00 for violation of non-clean-up.
M23	Futurity	8-14-2002	A short break be allowed after the judging of senior puppy in the futurity prior to having to go back in for best in futurity.
M24	Futurity	5-25-1995 Greensburg PA	Futurity Committee can establish seed money from the previous year and request additional monies to purchase trophies
M25	Futurity	10-16-1993 Chicago, IL	The owner of a puppy entered in the Futurity need not be a BCOA member, but the breeder must be a BCOA member.
M26	Health Clinic	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	The Show Secretary will inform the Health Clinic chairperson of how many borzoi are signed up for each health clinic, as soon as possible after entries close. The Health Clinic chairperson is responsible for letting local dog owners know that any breed can be tested at our Health Clinics by paying BCOA's cost for the test. The reduced rate for the Health Clinic, paid for by the BCOA Health Fund, is only available to borzoi, that are registered before entries close
M27	Hospitality	May 1986, Olympia WA	BCOA will be responsible for hospitality at the National Specialty.
M28	Judges, Approval of	12-4-1999 Las Vegas NV	All specialty judges (other than breed & sweepstakes judge) must be reviewed by the Board prior to their being asked to judge.
M29	Judges, Approval of	8-6-2009 & 11-14-2009	The proposal that the membership vote on judge for lure coursing & obedience was rejected. Each National Specialty Show committee has the ability to make recommendation to the Board for judges
M30	Judge, Triathlon	12-3-1994 New Orleans	Only the regular Conformation Judge shall be allowed to judge the Triathlon conformation portion of the event
M31	Lure Coursing Trial	5-18-2013 annual meeting	Each year, that Specialty's committee can decide whether to hold an AKC trial or an ASFA trial, or both.
M32	Lure Coursing, certification tests	11-14-2009 New Orleans	The Field Committee for each National will need to make this determination as the time required to complete the Field Events will take precedence.
M33	Lure Coursing, Junior Courser tests	8-6-2009 phone conf	Leave the option of Junior Courser testing to the show committee as the time required to hold all the events may preclude this activity.
M34	Owner Handled Award	11-2-2013 Huron OH	that BCOA participate in AKC Owner-Handler Series at our National Specialty Show
M35	Photos	8-14-2002	The Bronze trophies are included in the win photos at the National. A platform should not be used for these photos as many dogs are not

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			accustomed to it and the dogs then do not look their best.
M36	photos	12-9-1995 New Orleans	First Place in Sweepstakes as well as First in Regular classes will be taken for the Club Historian files and printing in the Aristocrat. .
M37	Photos & Results	11-2011 San Diego CA	In the past, official photos and critiques were not released to any publication until after the publication in the Aristocrat...results, photos and critiques on the BCOA website as they become available thus allowing the other magazines access to the material in a more timely manner. These items will also appear in the Aristocrat.
M38	Ring size	May 3, 1998 Racine WI	Specialty guidelines be revised to require the ballroom for the specialty show to be a minimum of 7,000 sq. ft. with a minimum width of 60 feet.
M39	Ring Stewards	2-19-1997 phone conf.	Ring stewards at any BCOA event may not exhibit, nor dogs owned or co-owned by them be entered in that show under any of the Borzoi judges
M40	Schedule	April 27, 2007 Warwick, RI	Move stud dog and brood bitch to after BOB judging
M41	Schedule	5-2000 Annual Mtg.	Futurity moved to the evening before the start of Conformation Judging. This would be followed the next day, by Veteran Sweepstakes, and the Puppy Sweepstakes. All performance events prior to the Futurity.
M42	Schedule	5-31-1998 Racine WI Annual Mtg	Breed judging would be held on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday with Sunday being reserved as a "travel day" for members and guests
M43	Schedule	5-26-1993 Fife, WA & 2007	National Specialty will rotate from region to region in a pattern as follows: Region 1, Region 4, Region 2, Region 6, Region 3, Region 5. (modified by switching region 2 in 2010 and region 6 in 2009)
M44	Sweepstakes, Puppy	June 1989, Warren NJ	BCOA will allow Sweepstakes classes to be greater than 18 months at those Specialties where, due to the shifting of Specialty dates, puppies will be unable to compete in two sweepstakes in a row. (Some puppies may be too young for one years sweepstakes and too old for the following years sweepstakes.)
M45	Triathlon Rules	5-13-2013 Lancaster PA	Added 17.5 points for Select Dog and for Select Bitch. (Complete Rules at end of this)
M46	Triathlon Rules	11-1-2014 San Antonio	Rally scores and Beginner Novice Obedience scores added to the Obedience portion of the Triathlon. Base Score is 80% of the points earned in rally-novice, 100% of the points earned in rally-advanced and in rally-excellent. Bonus points for the four class placements in Rally will be the same as for Obedience. (Note that the rally judge only gives a score to a dog who qualifies.) The Base Score is 90% of the points earned in the Beginner-Novice obedience classes, divided by 2.
M47	Triathlon Rules	11-1-2014 San Antonio	Placements in LGRA added to the Coursing portion of the Triathlon: Base Score is 50 for a dog who completes three races in good standing (no fouls, no off course, not dismissed, not disqualified). Bonus points are one point for each dog defeated, capped at 25. The only dogs that count as dogs defeated, are those dogs who complete three races in good standing (no fouls, no off course, not dismissed, not disqualified).
M48	Trophies, challenge	9-22-2007 St Louis MO	Challenge trophies are BCOA property once they have been donated and approved by AKC.
M49	Trophies, challenge	8-22-1995 phone conf	All future challenge trophies be accompanied by a proper container to facilitate ease of shipping from specialty to specialty.
M50	Trophies, cloisonné medallions	8-10-2011 phone conf.	The traditional cloisonné medallions are an expected part of the National Specialty and should be continued in 2012. We will review the costs each year.
M51	Trophy Pledge Book	2-21-2012	To allow trophy pledge book to be available at the national specialty once judging begins. Additionally, the pertinent sections be available at the performance & obedience events.
M52	Trophy, specialty	8-13-1997 phone conf	Approved the standardized trophy list
M53	Trophy, specialty	8-22-1995 phone conf	Only one trophy per award will be given out, even if a Second party (co-owner) has offered to pay for the second Trophy.
M54	Trophy storage	4-4-2011 Lawrence	BCOA do a Hold Harmless Agreement for members storing/transporting the Challenge Trophies

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M55	Trophy storage	4-7-2004 phone conf	Storage of perpetual trophies: All perpetual and challenge trophies should be stored in one location; they should not be spread around and should remain in BCOA's possession until they are retired.
M56	Trophies, Veteran Sweepstakes	8-11-2004	Veteran Sweepstakes give the heads to the first placements in each class. The Runners-up will receive a pewter double eagle medallion.
M57	Vendor Booths	8-17-1993 phone conf & 11-12-2011 Savannah GA	Only BCOA items may be sold on a BCOA table at the Specialty shows. No commercial items will be allowed. Any non-BCOA items sold at BCOA Specialty Shows can only be sold through a paid vendor table. Modified November 12, 2011, so that the show chairperson can let clubs and non-profit groups sell their items without paying for a vendor booth.
Reports/Notices			
N1	Dues Notices	11-6-2010 San Diego CA	Modify the current dues renewal notice to state that the BCOA Health Fund subsidizes our Health Clinics at the National Specialty and ongoing research relevant to Borzoi
N2	Dues Notices	11-09-2005	A line item was added to the BCOA Dues notice this year asking if the member would like to receive puppy referrals. (Corresponding secretary) ... responds to inquiries for puppy referrals that the names are referrals, not recommendations. The inquirer needs to do his or her own reference checks
N3	Dues Notices	May 1986, Olympia WA	Membership dues notices will be sent First Class mail. Membership dues final notification will be sent out on January 15 of each year.
N4	Membership Books	8-10-2011	When members in the same household have different last names, each member will be listed as a separate entry under their last name.
N5	Membership Books	8-10-2011	Officers and Regional Governors will be listed on the first page of the Membership Booklet with their name, position and region.
N6	Membership Books	5-6-2010 phone conf.	Junior members will be listed in a separate section of the Membership Booklet.
N7	Minutes	8-10-2011 phone conf & 11-12-2011 Savannah GA	Recording Secretary will provide a draft of the minutes to the President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary & Treasurer within two weeks of a Board meeting. Changes & additions must be returned to the Recording Secretary within 7 days. In case of a disagreement, the President has the final say.
N8	Minutes	4-29-2005	Minutes will be published online, without a password. They will not be mailed out, except to those who pay to receive a hard copy. An email will be sent to the membership to announce when the minutes have been posted. The Treasurer's report will not be posted.
N9	Nominating Committee Report to the Membership	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	The Nominating Committee will provide the following information in their report to the Membership: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Date of report (2) The name of each nominee and position nominated for (3) The names of the nominating committee members (4) The statement from the Constitution of 'Additional nominations of eligible members may be made by written petition, sent by registered mail, certified mail with return receipt requested, by Federal Express, or any other private courier service that will certify delivery. All petitions must be received by the Recording Secretary on or before midnight on the thirty-first (31st) day of October. The petition must be signed by five members in good standing, all of which have been members for at least five years, and must be received in one envelope, accompanied by the written acceptance of the petitioner signifying his willingness to be a candidate. No person who has declined a nomination by the Nominating Committee may be nominated by petition for the position he/she has declined, and no person may be a candidate for more than one position on the ballot'. (5) The name and address of the Recording Secretary

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			(6) The list of Board members with unexpired terms and their positions (7) Any vacancies on the Board that will be filled at the next Board meeting.
N10	Regional Governors Reports	11-2-2013 Huron OH	The Board and for members within a region, do not need the same report. The Board only needs to know of the events and issues concerning BCOA. Regional Governors are reminded to send news to the <i>Aristocrat</i> .
N11	Treasurer's Reports	2-12-2009 phone conf.	Make the Financial Statements available to members in good standing upon request sent to the Treasurer
N12	Treasurer's Reports	2005 Annual mtg.	Treasurer's reports will no longer be posted on the Secretary's page as there is no password requirement to view the information. Past Treasurer's Reports will be removed from the Web Site.
TSE's & Regional Specialties			
P1	Application, entry requirement	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	Discussion of minimum entries expected at TSE included the previous year's entry (if not a major entry the reason that a major can be expected for this TSE application). Will revise the TSE forms to include these entry expectations.
P2	Application, Judges	5-10-2006	Discussion regarding why we needed to know whom the judges are prior to approval. It is important to make sure judges are in good standing with BCOA
P3	Application, Regional Specialty	11-2-2013	Application must be sent to the Regional Governor for the region where that specialty will be held, at the same time as sending to the Corresponding Secretary
P4	Application, procedures	11-14-2009 New Orleans	It was clarified that the Recording Secretary should send a copy of the approved TSE application to the AKC, the person who requested the TSE and to... (the TSE medals chairperson)so that she knows which medals to send.
P5	Calendar, dates	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	will not approve a TSE in conjunction with a Borzoi specialty weekend
P6	Calendar, dates	5-6-2010 phone conf	Disallow two TSE in same region on the same day
P7	Calendar, dates	8-13-2008 phone conf	All events will be listed on the calendar on the BCOA website. The Corresponding Secretary will forward event approvals to (the webmaster) ... to be added to the calendar.
P8	Calendar, dates	5-10-2006	Multiple TSE's for the same weekend cluster...limit TSE's to a maximum 2 days of a cluster.
P9	Calendar, dates	5-3-1998 Racine WI	No BCOA TSE events will be approved on the weekend immediately prior to the (BCOA) specialty date unless it is part of the specialty week events.
P10	Calendar, dates	2-23-1994, phone conf	All BCOA events must receive Board approval prior to filing any application with the AKC. Event applications and guidelines are available from either BCOA Secretary.
P11	Hospitality	4-7-2004 Phone conf.	Amend the TSE guidelines to remove the \$20.00 advancement to the TSE chairman for hospitality expenses.
P12	Medallions & Trophies	4-4-2011 Lawrence KS	It was clarified that the TSE guidelines should state that 'any trophies offered at a TSE, if not delivered on the day of the show must be delivered by the TSE Chair within 30 days of the event, including any BCOA medallions offered.
P13	Medallions, TSE	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	Updated TSE Guidelines approved, with TSE medallions offered for BOB, BOS, WD, WB, and if the classes are offered, Best Puppy in Sweepstakes, Best Veteran in Sweepstakes and High Scoring Borzoi in Obedience .
P14	Medallions, TSE	2-28-2008 phone conf.	The Trophy Support Entry applications have been revamped to include Obedience medallions needed. This will affect the number needed to be sent
P15	Medallions, TSE	9-22-2007 St Louis MO	TSE medallions will not be mailed if they are not listed in the show giving club's premium list.
P16	Notification	5-23-2012 Richland WA	That the Recording Secretary will copy the Corresponding Secretary approved TSE applications so that she (the Corresponding Secretary) can more easily track them in correspondence from the AKC
P17	Purpose	11-3-2012 Albuquerque NM	The purpose of the TSE is to encourage the major entry of borzoi in areas where no specialty clubs exist.

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P18	Regional Specialties Approvals	4-23-2004 annual mtg.	Approximately five years ago the AKC gave parent clubs the option of utilizing a "Blanket Approval System" for approving Regional Specialties. Prior to that time, each regional club had to submit a request for their specialty, in writing, to their parent club. BCOA was one of the few clubs that opted to try this system. At our November Board Meeting it was decided that BCOA would no longer utilize the Blanket Approval System. We are not arbitrarily changing our policy, just returning to the original policy
P19	Sweepstakes Judges For TSE	4-23-2004 Mesquite TX Annual mtg	A list be created of people willing to travel at their own expense to judge sweeps at TSE events. BCOA Recording Secretary would maintain the list.
P20	Sweepstakes, Money	4-7-2004	When a TSE application states "The Club" will retain a percentage of sweeps monies, the term "The Club" refers to the host/all breed club, not BCOA.
P21	Sweepstakes, TSE	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	It is optional to hold a puppy sweepstakes and/or a veteran sweepstakes with a BCOA TSE
P22	Sweepstakes, TSE	11-12-2011 Savannah GA	The suggested money divisions for puppy & veteran sweepstakes are deleted from the TSE Guidelines.
Website			
Q1	Annual Versatility Award	2-1-2006	...publishing the names and scoresadd this information to the BCOA website
Q2	Calendar	8-13-2008 Phone Conference	All events will be listed on the calendar on the BCOA website. The Corresponding Secretary will forward event approvals to (the webmaster) ... to be added to the calendar.
Q3	Constitution & By-Laws	8-13-2003	Add a reference to the website for the Constitution and Bylaws and the AKC rules and regulations.
Q4	Judges Mentors	11-15-2008 Las Vegas NV	Include State, Email and Phone numbers of the mentors which will be put on the website in searchable form.
Q5	Judges Mentors	11-18-2006 San Antonio TX	Add list of approved mentors to BCOA website.
Q6	Judges for Regional Sweepstakes	11-14-2004	At the annual membership meeting it was proposed that BCOA maintain a list of members interested in judging sweepstakes for TSE's or independent specialties. The Board was asked to develop the criteria and to maintain a list. After discussion it was agreed that the criteria for a member to have their name on this list should be that they have been a BCOA member for at least 5 years and are willing to travel at their own expense unless the club offers a stipend . . . Those interested in being included on this list should send their names to ... the BCOA Recording Secretary. The list will be kept on the BCOA website.
Q7	Judges for Regional Sweepstakes	4-23-2004 Mesquite TX annual mtg	A list be created of people willing to travel at their own expense to judge sweeps at TSE events. BCOA Secretary would maintain the list.
Q8	Kennel Names	5-22-2001	have a list of existing kennel names on our web-site that should not be re-used
Q9	Links	8-10-2011 phone conference	Board Approved Commercial Sponsor links will be allowed on the website for each National Specialty as an incentive for sponsorship of that National with a minimum donation of \$1000.00. These links will be removed three months following that National Specialty.
Q10	Policy	12-4-1999	Reserve the BCOA web site strictly for BCOA information.
Q11	Specialty Results	11-6-2010 San Diego CA	Put the results, photos and critiques on the BCOA website as they become available thus allowing the other magazines access to the material in a more timely manner. These items will also appear in the Aristocrat.
Q12	Trophies	11-14-2009	Standardized trophies. It was decided to put pictures and description

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		New Orleans	of the trophies on the website.
YEARBOOK			
R1	Advertising	8- 1986, Cleveland OH	Individuals not members of the BCOA will be permitted to advertise in the Yearbook as long as they have not been refused membership in BCOA and are in good standing with the AKC
R2	Payment	4-5-1991 Ocala FL	Yearbooks will not be mailed until the checks have cleared the bank.
R3	Sales prices of old yearbooks	8-1986 Cleveland OH	Paper covered yearbooks of previous years may be sold at a set price as appropriate to collector's items.
R4	Timeframe	May 1986, Olympia, WA	Every 5 years a special yearbook be published

BCOA Board Calendar

Based on Constitution/By-Laws and standing rules. **Note that the By-Laws are in Quotes.**

January 1: “The elected Officers and Board members shall take office the first (1st) day of January.”

January 1: “Dues shall be due on the first day of January of each year. “

January - Treasurer will provide the names of the new life members to the Corresponding Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary will provide certificates to be read and given out at the next Annual Membership meeting.

January 15 - final notices sent to members whose dues are not paid.

January 15 of odd years - Starting on January 15, the Recording secretary shall have a week to compile the Judges Breakdown Ballot with the list of all nominations. Reference standing rule G15 for the rest of the schedule for Judges Ballots.

First Board meeting of the year - Decide if a member should be given the AKC Good Sportsman medallion, to be presented at the National Specialty.

First Board meeting of the year - Governors will forward recommendations from members in their regions, for the AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards, to the Recording Secretary, in time for the first board meeting of the year.

After 1 January and before 30 June: “At any Board of Directors meeting after the first (1st) day of January and prior to the thirtieth (30th) day of June, the Board shall select a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) members with two (2) alternates”. “The Recording Secretary shall notify the membership of the names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of the Chairman and members of the Nominating Committee and the name and address of the independent tabulators no later than thirty (30) days after Board approval.”

March 1: “A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member’s dues remain unpaid sixty (60) days after the first (1st) day of the fiscal year. Upon payment of the current dues plus a \$10 late penalty by the first (1st) day of March, a member in good standing who has lapsed shall be automatically reinstated.”

March 1: “The quorum shall be established on the first (1st) day of March of each year and shall remain a constant figure for the remainder of the year. The quorum figure will be sent to the membership in the first available mailing after March 1. A quorum for such meetings shall be ten percent (10%) of the members in good standing.”

September 15: “The Nominating Committee report must be received by the Recording Secretary no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of September. “

October 1: “The Recording Secretary shall, not later than the first (1st) day of October, notify the entire membership by mail in writing of the candidates nominated.”

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October 31 & November 15 - "If one or more valid additional nominations are received by the Recording Secretary on or before midnight on the thirty-first (31st) day of October, the Recording Secretary shall by the fifteenth (15th) day of November, mail to each member by First Class mail a ballot listing, in alphabetical order, all of the candidates for each contested position, along with a brief profile of each candidate(s)."

November: "dues notice shall be mailed during the month of November of each year "

November of even years: Send Judges Nomination form with dues notice.

December 1: "By the first (1st) day of December, the Recording Secretary shall send the tabulator designated for that year an alphabetical list of all members to whom ballots were sent."

December 15: "The election of Officers, Regional Governors and Delegate to the American Kennel Club shall be conducted by secret ballot. Ballots, to be valid, must be received by the independent tabulator designated by the Board of Directors on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of December."

After December 15 and before 1 January: "The Recording Secretary shall obtain from the designated tabulator the certified results of the election and the names of the members who voted. Prior to the first (1st) day of January, he/she shall notify those candidates elected."

General - Every 5 years a special yearbook (pedigree book) will be published.

General - The recording secretary will provide a draft of the minutes to the officers (not the 6 governors) within 2 weeks of a Board meeting. Changes and additions must be returned to the Recording Secretary within 7 days.

General : "The Annual Meeting shall be held each year as designated by the Board of Directors. All members of the Club shall be notified by mail of the date, time and place of the meeting by the Recording Secretary at least thirty (30) days in advance of the meeting. "

General : "A meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held in conjunction with the Annual Membership Meeting. Other meetings of the Board shall be held at such times and places as are designated by the President or by a majority vote of the Board. **Written, fax or email notice of each such other meeting shall be sent by the Recording Secretary to each member of the Board no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting and not more than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. This notice must include the President's agenda.** Board members shall sign an authorization agreeing to email communication. Such authorization, which is revocable, will also release the club from any liability should the notification be received late or not received by the Board member due to circumstances beyond the Club's control. Board members are required to notify the Recording Secretary immediately if they are unable to attend the meeting. Failure to make any attempt to attend meetings, or failure to notify the Recording Secretary concerning the inability to attend meetings, failure to return mail or email votes shall result in the Board considering that office for possible replacement. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the Board members. "

Triathlon Rules

The Lure Coursing Base Score (100 points maximum) will be
the ASFA total score divided by 4 when there are two judges,
or the ASFA total score divided by 2 when there is one judge,
or the AKC total score divided by 2 when there are two judges,
or the AKC total score when there is one judge.

(Single stakes entries are not eligible).

Lure Coursing Bonus Points:

- Best of Breed - 20 points
- Overall second highest score - 15 points
- First In Stake - 12 points
- Second In Stake - 8 points
- Third In Stake - 5 points
- Fourth In Stake - 3 points

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LGRA: The Base Score is 50 for a dog who completes three races in good standing (no fouls, no off course, not dismissed, not disqualified). Bonus points are one point for each dog defeated, capped at 25. The only dogs that count as dogs defeated, are those dogs who complete three races in good standing (no fouls, no off course, not dismissed, not disqualified).

OBEDIENCE:

Base Score - For the regular classes (Novice, Open, Utility) and Veteran classes the Base Score is one-half (1/2) of total points earned (or 100 points maximum). For the optional-titling Beginner-Novice classes, the base score is one-half of total points earned times 90% (or 90 points maximum). For all obedience classes, a qualifying score in any exercise is used for points, even if the total score is Non-Qualifying (NQ).

Bonus Points: (All bonus points require a qualifying score)

- High In Trial (Regular classes) - 20 points
- Highest Non-Regular (Veteran) class score if greater than High in Trial score - 15 points
- Overall second highest score (Regular classes) - 15 points
- First in Obedience Class - 12 points
- Second in Obedience Class - 8 points
- Third in Obedience Class - 5 points
- Fourth in Obedience Class - 3 points

RALLY:

(Qualifying Score required). For the Rally-Novice classes, the Base Score is 80% of the points earned. For the Advanced and Excellent classes, the Base Score is the points earned.

Bonus Points:

- First in Rally Class – 12 points
- Second in Rally Class – 8 points
- Third in Rally Class – 5 points
- Fourth in Rally Class – 3 points

CONFORMATION Base Score: Determined by the judge's evaluation of dog in the Triathlon Class, and is recorded on Conformation Score Sheet (100 points maximum).

Conformation Bonus Points:

- Best of Breed - 20 points
- Best Of Opposite Sex - 20 points
- Select Dog - 17.5 points
- Select Bitch - 17.5 points
- Winners Dog - 15 points
- Winners Bitch - 15 points
- Award of Merit - 15 points
- First In Conformation Class *- 12 points
- Second In Conformation Class *- 8 points
- Third In Conformation Class *- 5 points
- Fourth In Conformation Class *- 3 points**

* *Must defeat at least one dog to get conformation bonus points.*

If a dog qualifies in more than one bonus point category in any of these three events, he will only be awarded the higher bonus points. Example: A dog wins first in a lure coursing stake (12 points) and BOB (20 points), so the dog is awarded the higher points (20 points).

On the Triathlon Entry Form, the exhibitor must specify the 3 classes that his dog is entered in, that will count for the Triathlon, along with the score from the Triathlon Conformation class. The 3 classes are (1) the Open, Special or Veteran Stake in the AKC trial, or the Open, Field Champion or Veteran stake in the ASFA trial, or LGRA, (2) an obedience or a rally class and (3) a conformation class including the Altered class, a Veteran class or Best of Breed (stud dog, brood bitch, brace, team classes not eligible).