



BCOA Annual Membership Meeting
Friday, April 11, 2003

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara O'Neill, at 1:00 PM.

BCOA has 369 individual members and 151 family memberships for a total of 671 voting members. A quorum for 2003 is 67 members. There are 118 BCOA members present at this meeting. A quorum was established.

Barbara introduced the Officers of BCOA.

A motion was made by John Rowton to approve the minutes of the last Annual meeting. There was a second by Virginia Graff. MOTION PASSED.

Fred Edlin made a motion to approve the Recording Secretary's annual report. There was a second by Joe Rogers. MOTION PASSED.

There was no annual report from the Corresponding Secretary. It will be mailed to the membership with these minutes. Karen Mays indicated that the dues notice for 2004 will have a box to check if you would like breeder referrals sent to you.

Lynda Gillaspey made a motion to accept the annual Treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by R.Lynn Shell. Discussion followed. There was a question from John Rowton asking if the Borzoi Connection was included in the report. No, it is not, except BCOA's contribution to the BC as an expense. Jan Leikam asked what the IRS taxes were that were listed as expenses. We have to figure taxes on the portion of income that comes from non members. There was a question regarding the cost of accounting charges. There are none. It was asked if we are approved as a non-profit. Yes, but we still have to pay some income taxes. We are in a 501 C5 bracket. MOTION APPROVED.

Chris Bradley reminded everyone to sign up for the slot tournament fundraiser.

Patti Neale gave a report regarding the Color Committee's recommendations. She explained the committees' process and the recommendations. The information will be on BCOA's website. The committee will not be responding to any discussion regarding the recommendations that may take place on the Borzoi News List. Bonnie Dalzell has a website that explains the different colors and markings.

<http://borzoi-color.batw.net/index.html>

Patti Neale handed out the request for photographs to be used in the Judges Education presentation. She received very few photos after making this same request last year. Please! Send Patti your photos!

Maureen Bardwell gave a brief rescue report. \$8500 has been raised using online auctions and the proceeds went to individual rescue groups. She thanked Janice Butkowsky for her work on the BCOA rescue website. Tips for how to get your dog back if it has been lost will be added to the website.

Barbara O'Neill passed out a draft of artwork to be used for various Centennial projects. The Board has chosen to have multiple judges for 2004. Gerda Kennedy, the top nominee, will get first choice. Jim Heard will get second choice and Kent Delaney will get third. The non-regular classes will be split according to the entries and availability. Chris Neale asked if there were going to be concurrent rings. No, there will only be judging in one ring at a time. He asked if this will increase our judging budget. Yes it will, but we have money put aside for 2004 from fundraising. Patti Neale asked if this is a one time thing. Yes, this is for the Centennial only. Mary Moran asked if the membership supported this. Yes, the results of the opinion survey indicated that the membership was in favor of this. The results will be mailed to the membership. Prudence Hlatky gave an overview of the Centennial site. Barbara Yoon indicated that she can take trophy donations for the Centennial after the banquet. Color catalog ads will be available with a \$50.00 deposit. AKC will be covering the Centennial and Borzoi will have the cover of that issue of the Gazette.

Amy Sorbie thanked the Specialty facility committee for providing the large pen outside for exercising the dogs. Jan Leikam suggested that clubs or individual members sponsor these pens in the future to help defray expenses.

Jan Leikam asked a question regarding the annual report from the health committee chairman. She was wondering how frozen semen from dogs that were deceased would be handled if there was a requirement that OFA heart certifications would be needed on the sire and dam in order to entry the futurity. The Board made a decision not to accept this recommendation.

Barbara O'Neill indicated that the Bronze Trophies were not shipped from Atlanta for display in Reno. They are hopefully on their way.

There was a motion from Barbara Yoon to adjourn the meeting. Second by Jim Anderson.
MOTION PASSED.

