

# THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION

1995 Annual Board Meeting  
Seattle, Washington  
August 30-September 1, 1995

***The President called the meeting to order at 9:36 AM on Wednesday, August 30, 1995.***

The following officers and directors were present:

Georgia Morgan - President  
Yvonne Patrick - Vice President  
Edith-Mary Smith - Director, Great Plains  
Connie Webb - Director, Mid Atlantic  
Sue Servies - Director, Mid Pacific  
Tord Svenson - Director, Northeast  
Juan dela Cruz - Director, Northern Europe  
Connie Zimmerman - Director, Northwest  
Sue Pannell - Director, South Central  
Frances Young - Director, Southeast  
Aline Noel - Director, Southern Europe  
Bob Mullen - Director, Southwest  
Larry Paul -Legal Advisor

Patti Andrews, Director - Great Plains, Jun Negami, Director - Asia, Jorge Cuellar, Interim Director - South America were not present.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the minutes of the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas with the following corrections:

The President welcomed Sue Servies, newly elected Mid Pacific Director, and then announced that Alberto Leal had resigned effective February 12, 1995.

Motion was made and duly seconded to appoint Robert Call, Frances Green, Tom McCartney, Paul Spoltore, and Betsy and David Tinney to the Computerization Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Tom McCartney be appointed Committee Chair for the Computerization Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept Erika Kay into the Household Pet Judging Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that this letter be written by Bill Jonson and forwarded to Tord Svenson for his signature. Motion carried with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded that life membership fee be increased to \$1000, effective immediately. Motion carried with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to raise the membership fees for US, Canada, and Mexico to \$30 with First Class mail. Motion carried with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Family Memberships be increased from \$10 to \$15. Motion carried with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded that membership dues for Europe be \$20 with \$20 additional for the TICA TREND by subscription. Motion carried with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to reconsider motions on European dues and US/Canada/Mexico dues. Motion carried with Andrews and Zimmerman opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to send the letter approved by Bill Jonson to the European Maine Coon Club with the instructions that they must publish this letter in their next newsletter and that they must write a general apology and also publish it in the same newsletter; if these instructions are not followed, your charter will be revoked. Motion carried with Svenson, Noel, Webb, and Young abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the letter to the club and the translation be published in the TICA TREND in a prominent place separate from the minutes. Motion carried with Noel, Webb, and Zimmerman abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded to advance Luiz Paulo Facciola to Provisional Allbreed Judge for Europe. Motion was denied with Webb in favor and Young abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded to advance Bernardino Paz Blanco to Provisional Allbreed South America Only. Motion carried with the President breaking a tied vote.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the 1994-95 Annual Awards Report as previously furnished. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the 1994-95 Scored Catalog Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that in the case of a catalog being late or not being received, the club and the regional director be notified by the Executive Office and the regional director will then follow up with the club. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that if the Executive Office does not receive a completely marked catalog, the offending club be fined \$100 and no other show license may be issued until the fine is paid. Motion carried unanimously.

}}}})STANDING RULES TO THE BY-LAWS{ { { {

The President reported on the progress of the CPA Audit (see attached).

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the 1995-96 License Fees Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded accept the 1995-96 Insurance Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Russian Club, MOKKO, be notified that they may not be licensed for the show and may not use the TICA name for the show in September until there is written permission from Juan dela Cruz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the judges be notified that they do not have authorization for any show in Russia without written confirmation that all requirements have been met and written permission from Juan de la Cruz has been received. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that TICA reimburse the regional directors for the cost of their hotel rooms at this meeting. Motion carried with Young and Pannell abstaining.

NOTIFY THE TICA TREND: The meeting in 2000 is Mid Pacific.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the proposal from WEBEKATZ to hold the 1997 Annual in Southern California. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no report from the Rules/Technical Terminology Committee.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the 1995-95 Budget Revision as presented in the agenda. Motion carried with Servies, Cruz, Smith, Zimmerman and Mullen opposed.

There was no report from the Genetics Committee.

There was no report from Legal/Judicial Committee.

Motion was made and duly seconded to table the Computerization Committee report until Friday. Motion carried unanimously.

On Friday, motion was made and duly seconded to untable the Computerization Committee Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom McCartney presented the Computerization Committee Report (attached).

Motion was made and duly seconded to establish a webb page effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that a Committee on Electronic Communications be chaired by Gloria Stephens, with Valerie Johnson, Lori Schiff, Betsy Tinney and Pam Barrett appointed to the committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to authorize the Executive Office to accept donations to pay the Internet bill. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the donations from Jedidiah Cattery, Jeanne and Armando Camarena, and Pasqual Portelas and Jean Ibanez for \$100 each. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to authorize a 3-day trip for Tom McCartney for assessment of the computers, hardware and software in the Executive Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Patti Andrews donate the ticket for Tom McCartney to travel to the Executive Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole for the standing committee reports. Motion carried unanimously.

Resa Bauer De-Meyere presented the Feline Welfare Committee Report (see attached).

Motion was made and duly seconded to table the Protocol Procedures for the Feline Welfare Committee until after the Legal Advisor had examine. Motion carried unanimously.

On Thursday, Resa Bauer De-Meyere presented the Protocols on Procedure for Animal Abuse, Cruelty and Neglect Complaints (see attached).

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Protocols on Procedure for Animal, Abuse, Cruelty and Neglect Complaints as submitted by the Feline Welfare Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to make the previous motion effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to make the Protocols on Procedure for Animal, Abuse, Cruelty and Neglect Complaints an addendum to the By-Laws to be placed immediately behind the Judicial Committee Guidelines. Motion carried unanimously.  
}}}}STANDING RULES TO THE BY-LAWS{ {{{

There was no report from the Marketing and Advertising Committee.

The report for the Finance Committee from Bill Becker was accepted (see attached).

The Membership Affairs Committee Report from Manny Levine was accepted (see attached).

Motion was made and duly seconded to appoint Robbin Higgins to the TICA Membership Affairs Committee. Motion carried with Zimmerman opposed, and Smith, Patrick, and Servies abstaining.

Pat Harding presented the Foreign Affairs Committee Report (see attached).

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Foreign Affairs Committee adopt Guidelines for Emerging Clubs with a report at the 1996 Semi-Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The President appointed Aline Noel, Sue Servies, Juan dela Cruz, Tord Svenson, and Edith Mary Smith as the committee to choose for Catalog of the Year.

The letter from the Belgian Cat Lovers from Lisette Baudoux was discussed and the Business Manager was instructed to write to the club stating that there would be at least 15 Board Members, plus the Judging Administrator, Legal Advisor and the Business Manager.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the "Express Package" at the Sheraton Brussels Hotel for 1996 Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to table the Yearbook until Bob Mullen can contact Nancy Nolen concerning various questions from the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on the letter from Cathy Galfo.

Motion was made and duly seconded to add to Standing Rules to the By-Laws, VII.A.: **Show Dates**. The Regional Director may deny a club a specific show date only if there is a previously scheduled TICA show in the region on the requested weekend or if a club is in violation of any of the rules of TICA. Motion carried with Svenson abstaining.  
}}}}STANDING RULES TO THE BY-LAWS{ {{{

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to table the Summary and Expenses, 1st and 2nd Quarters, 1994-95 to the 1995 Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded that no action be taken on this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to table the Marketing and Advertising Committee appointments until the Annual Meeting. Motion carried with Zimmerman opposed. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded that no action be taken on this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to table the rest of the complaint from Mr. Robert to the Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to table the complaint from Mr. Ruben Robert until Thursday at 9 AM. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded that the American Curl Standard be tabled until the 1995 Annual Meeting for notification from the Genetics Chair that it has been reviewed. Motion carried unanimously. At this time motion was made and duly seconded to table until it came up on the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to amend the By-Laws, ARTICLE VI, Section 4. Appointed Committees to read: Committees shall be appointed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Standing Rules to these By-Laws. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded accept the amendment to the By-Laws ARTICLE VI, Section 4 as presented at the Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.  
>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded that 1.67 in the Show Rules be amended to read: Shows wherein only household pet adults and kittens are eligible to compete for awards. Motion carried unanimously. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to accept the amendment to Show Rule 1.67 as presented and the Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.  
>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to change Article III, Section A.1. of the Clerking Program to delete "Master Clerk". Motion carried unanimously. {NOTE: This motion has been referred to the 1995 Annual

Meeting for proper wording. The Clerking Administrator has agreed to work with the intent of the motion until then.) At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to change the Clerking Manual to delete 3.a.1 and renumber the rest. Motion was made and duly seconded to table until wording had been corrected. Motion carried unanimously. On Friday motion was made and duly seconded to change the Clerking Manual to read: "III. Recertification. A. All licensed clerks are eligible for recertification upon meeting the following requirements. 1. Two satisfactory ring clerk evaluations from two different show managements or two satisfactory ring clerk evaluations from two different judges are furnished to the Clerking Administrator each show season. NOTE: Evaluations are not a requirement for recertification as a Master Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to accept the MID COM proposal until the Annual Meeting with a re-evaluation at that time. Motion carried with Young abstaining. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to refer the re-evaluation of MID COM to the 1996 Semi-Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to amend Registration Rules, ARTICLE X, Section 1 to read: "Litter of kittens must be registered with TICA provided the dam of the litter is registered with TICA. If the sire of the litter is not registered with TICA but is registered with another association, a copy of his certified pedigree showing three generations of pedigree or pedigree to the extent of his registration in the other association must accompany the application for litter registration. The copy shall then be attached to the application for a record in the association files." At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to add: "from a recognized registering body" and to refer this change to the membership ballot with additional wording. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to amend By-Laws, ARTICLE V, Section 1 to read: The Board of Directors shall be comprised of a President, a Vice President and Regional Directors. No member of the Board of Directors, or any of its committees, with the exception of the President, or the Vice President, when acting as President, shall be authorized to take any action, including but not limited to, entering into any contract or obligation binding TICA, speaking for the Board of Directors, or stating the policy of TICA, unless the Board of Directors has specifically authorized such action by an individual member. The President, and the Vice President, when acting as President, is authorized to take any action on behalf of the Association necessary to conduct the day-to-day operations of the Association. The President is the official spokesperson for the Association. Motion carried with Zimmerman opposed and Noel, Cruz and Smith abstaining. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to accept this motion with the following addition: "This does not apply to Board Members or other officials whose duties are outlined in the By-Laws." Motion carried with Young abstaining.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to amend Show Rule 12.3 to read: If there are LESS THAN 10 cats, kittens, alters, household pets, or household pet kittens competing, judges in either allbreed or specialty rings shall present the Top Five. However, if there are less than five entries in any class, the club is required to provide rosettes for only the number of entries competing. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to add the previous motion to the October ballot with the word "ONLY" stricken from the last sentence. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded that the By-Laws, ARTICLE XXII, Section 3 be amended to read: Show Protest. Protests charging misconduct or violation of the rules of the association, arising in connection with a show, shall be submitted in writing with evidence and a filing fee, to the Show Committee within 10 working days following the completion of the show. If the protest is upheld, one-half will be returned to the person bringing the charges. Motion carried with Pannell opposed. At this time motion was made and duly seconded to take no action. Motion carried unanimously.

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to amend Show Rule 3.9 to add to the bottom of the list: "Any entry prohibited by law". Motion carried unanimously. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded that this motion be on the October ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

At the 1995 Semi-Annual Meeting, motion was made and duly seconded to amend the By-Laws, ARTICLE XVII, Section 1.b. to read: Procedure: Any member may submit a proposal to amend the Show Rules or Registration Rules. Said proposals shall be first submitted to the Genetics Committee if applicable, and Rules/Technical Terminology Committee and the Board of Directors in writing stating the article and section to be amended and the wording of the new or amended section(s). The Board of Directors may approve, reject or refer the matter back to the appropriate committee. If the Board of Directors approves the matter, it shall be submitted to a membership vote on the annual ballot in October. Motion carried unanimously. At this time, motion was made and duly seconded to place this motion on the October ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

Motion was made and duly seconded to table South America until Friday until Mr. and Mrs. Pessoa arrive with input. Motion carried unanimously.

On Friday, motion was made and duly seconded to untable the South America issue. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the results of the South American Advisory Poll be disregarded. Motion carried with Connie Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Region of South America be left as it stands. Motion carried with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to do a straw poll of South America that reads do you want two regions: South America as one region and Brazil as the other region. Motion denied with Webb opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the clubs in South America be permitted to make the decision of whether a judge who is judging their show may judge a cat of their own breeding. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Executive Office is authorized to compile a list of awards for Brazil cats, and a list of awards for Argentina cats out of the South American regional list of awards. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Cats N Cats must be written and told not to use the TICA logo on a non-traditional show. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Haruyo Tomonari be informed that the logo may be used without the disclaimer as long as they have the written approval of their Regional Director on the finished translation. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole to hear information from Chieko Ohira. Motion carried unanimously. Original motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to reconsider the requirement for membership in order to receive an annual award. Motion carried with Zimmerman opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to require membership for awards. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole to allow Pat Harding to speak on the topic of requiring membership for award winners. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole to recognize Lori Schiff and Pam Barrett to speak on the topic of requiring membership for award winners. Motion carried unanimously. Original motion denied with Zimmerman and Smith in favor.

Motion was made and duly seconded to add to the Standing Rules to the Show Rules and Scoring System that all awards earned during the show year listed accordingly for every region or recognized area and internationally. Motion carried unanimously.

}}}}STANDING RULES TO THE SHOW RULES/SCORING SYSTEM{ { { {

Motion was made and duly seconded to consider the AACE request for reciprocal registration. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept AACE's request for reciprocal registration. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that no action be taken on LUCE Press Clippings. Motion carried with Smith, Patrick, and Zimmerman opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to request the price list and examples for the services from LUCE Press Clippings. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to consider the proposal from Lowell Ackerman to add TICA to the Family Internet. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that if this is a free service, we comply with Lowell Ackerman's request for information and that Bob Mullen will compile the information and send it to him. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole to hear Lori Schiff and Pam Barrett. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole for Gloria Stephens to speak about the Internet. Motion carried unanimously. Original motion denied with Young, Noel, Mullen and Svenson in favor.

Motion was made and duly seconded for Lori Schiff to give a demonstration on the Internet after lunch. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to table Lowell Ackerman's request until after the demonstration. Motion carried unanimously. Later, motion was made and duly seconded that Connie Zimmerman provide the present home page address to Dr. Lowell Ackerman. Motion carried unanimously.

Connie Zimmerman reported on The International Feline Foundation: A Tax exempt Foundation established in the state of California (Corporation Number C1946368-Domestic Nonprofit), in 1995, for the purpose of funding feline medical research with Connie Zimmerman as President and Chairman of the Board, Resa Bauer De-Meyere, Vice President, Leigh Polli as Secretary, and Karen McInchak as Treasurer.

Motion was made and duly seconded to reimburse Connie Zimmerman the entire amount of the filing upon receipt of a statement from her. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to take no action on the 800-Cat-Show number. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to authorize the Executive Office to purchase one of the new answering AT&T machines for use with the existing system. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to table the Laura Duffy issue until Thursday with the Judging Administrator present and while in closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to table the discussion on the lack of registration numbers on cats and alters for the correct wording.

Motion was made and duly seconded to untable the action regarding unregistered cats or alters in the catalog. Motion carried unanimously.

Later, motion was made and duly seconded to add to the Standing Rules to Scoring System: A cat or alter which does not have a registration number on the last day entries are accepted for a show cannot be entered in that show and shall not be listed in the catalog. If, due to an error by the entry clerk, a cat or alter does get listed in a catalog without a number, that cat or alter shall not be scored for that show and shall not be counted for number of cats or alters entered in that show, effective immediately. Motion carried with Smith, Zimmerman, Mullen, Andrews, and Servies opposed.

}}}}STANDING RULES TO THE SCORING SYSTEM{ { { { {

The President adjourned the meeting at 5:03 PM until 9:00 AM the next morning.

The meeting was called to order on Thursday, August 31, 1995 at 9:03 AM by President, Georgia Morgan.

Patti Andrews, Director-Great Lakes arrived at this time.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Mrs. Ohira be allowed to remain as an observer. Motion carried unanimously.

### {Executive Session}

Motion was made and duly seconded to go into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to take no action on the letter from Carolyn Koval. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to add to the Birman Standard: Silver and/or Smoke Point color. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend the Color Descriptions to read: "Silver tabbies: Eye colors may be green, copper, gold, yellow, or hazel; refer to the individual standards requiring specific eye color." Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to make the previous motion effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that in order for a judge to judge for another association the judge must contact the Judging Administrator with copies to the Regional Director where the show is held and the Executive Office and then the Judging Administrator may respond to the judge effective immediately. Motion was made and duly seconded to table this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend the fee list for judges to be paid by the clubs effective May 1, 1996: Approved Allbreed Judges-1 dollar, Provisional Allbreed Judges-75 cents, Specialty Judges-50 cents and Household Pet Judges-40 cents. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole for Armando Camarena to speak. Motion carried unanimously. Motion to increase judging fees was denied unanimously.

### {Executive Session}

Motion was made and duly seconded to go into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend of Show Rule 17.3 to read: "When a cat is judged, but receives less than 5th best of color, the judge shall clearly mark a dash (-) in the space in the judge's book where an award would have been placed to indicate that the cat was handled and judged." Motion was made and duly seconded the Judging Administrator will put a notice in the newsletter instructing judges how to mark more than five cats in a color class. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made and duly seconded to add 16.12 to the Judging Program. A licensed TICA judge may not serve as an officer in any other similar cat registering body except in "clubs" which register cats in Europe, South America and Asia and Australia. Motion carried with Pannell and Webb abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded amend 16.13 of the Judging Program. Licensed TICA judges may not hold judging licenses in any other similar cat registering body except in those registering bodies featuring "traditional" shows - presently consisting of Europe, South America and Australia. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole to allow Pat Harding to speak on this issue. Motion carried unanimously. Original motion carried with Pannell abstaining.

At 5:20 PM, the President turned the meeting over the Vice President, Yvonne Patrick.

Motion was made and duly seconded that all of the rules revisions listed in Section XII of the Agenda be *held in the breast of the Board until the Semi-Annual Meeting in February*. Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole to allow Lori Schiff to speak to this matter. Motion carried with Young abstaining. Original motion carried with Zimmerman, Andrews, Smith, and Mullen opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to reconsider the motion to table the Agenda items dealing with rules revisions. Motion carried with Young opposed and Pannell and Webb abstaining.

The Vice President adjourned for the meeting at 6:28 PM.

The meeting was called to order on Friday, September 1, 1995 at 9 AM by President, Georgia Morgan.

Motion was made and duly seconded to entertain the Pixiebob at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Pixiebob as NBC effective May 1, 1996. Motion carried with Andrews opposed and Pannell abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Executive Office be given the authority for the American Bobcat to be registered for use in the Pixiebob Breeding Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to go into a Committee-of-the-Whole for the entire day. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the report on the American Bobtail. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the American Curl Standard pending approval of the Breed section. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Chausie Annual Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to table Nebelung to this afternoon. Motion carried unanimously. Soon afterward, motion was made and duly seconded to untable the Nebelung. Motion carried unanimously. Cora Cobb and Dianna Zinn presented the Nebelung requesting Championship status. Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Nebelung for Championship status. Motion denied with Cruz in favor.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Siberian Breed Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Snowshoe Breed Report and request for change in category. Motion to separate the question followed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Snowshoe Breed Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to change the Snowshoe category. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to entertain the Sterling Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to reconsider the Sterling for NBC status. Motion carried with Svenson opposed and Young abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded to remove the Sterling from NBC status and send the colors shaded silver and chinchilla silver and shaded golden and chinchilla golden back to the Persian Breed. Motion carried with Young abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the motion on NBC status take effect immediately. Motion carried with Zimmerman and Young opposed and Smith abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Sterling be removed from NBC wherever it appears in the rules. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the cats formerly known as Sterlings be transferred back to the Persian breed. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that those cats transferred back to the Persian Breed have their titles restored. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to consider the Chantilly. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Chantilly for NBC status. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Chantilly must not reapply for NBC status for 2 years and they must submit a complete package on how many cats have been shown, where the cats have been shown, number of breeders in each region, and remove the dual name. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the LaPerms be tabled until this afternoon. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to untable the LaPerms. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the LaPerms as NBC. Motion carried with Young and Pannell abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded to discuss the Serengeti. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that no action be taken on the Serengeti. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that no action be taken on the Traditional Cat Association. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to form a standing committee for Feline Welfare Legislation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Feline Welfare Legislation Committee be allowed to meet with Pam Delabar and other associations to form a group to work together in harmony to promote breeding of companion animals and to address the problem of overpopulation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to give Fred Moormeier permission to begin discussion in setting up a VISA/MC for TICA membership and friends for funding to be donated to The International Feline Foundation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Lori Schiff be appointed as chair of the Feline Welfare Legislation Committee and that each director delegate someone in their region to work on this committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to establish a Household Pet Standing Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that Patti Andrews be appointed Chair of the Household Pet Committee and Sue Servies be appointed Board Liaison. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the TICA TREND Editor may receive a copy of the TICA TREND labels. Motion carried with Young opposed and Pannell abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept Alice Rhea as the TICA TREND Editor for the 1 year after signing the contract as written. Motion carried with Young, and Andrews opposed and Pannell abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the budget be increased to cover the cost of Alice Rhea's salary and the addition of four new pages for the TICA TREND. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Clerk's List be removed from the TICA TREND and sent with the show packet to each club. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the Computerization Committee will present a written assessment of the current software and hardware and recommend any changes at the Semi-Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to hold the following matter in the breast of the Board until the Semi-Annual Meeting: Amend ARTICLE V, Section 1 of the By-Laws to read: Board of Directors: The Board of Directors shall be comprised of a President, a Vice President, a Treasurer, a Secretary and Regional Directors. a. The President Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected by the membership at large to serve a term of 3 years or until a successor is duly elected. b. No one person may hold the office of President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary and the office of Business Manager/Executive Secretary concurrently. Motion carried unanimously.

\*\*\*\*\*ITEM FOR THE 1996 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING\*\*\*\*\*

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 5:14 PM until 11:00 PM in the Hospitality Suite of The Evergreen Cat Fanciers in the Hyatt Hotel.

Meeting was called to order at 11:30 PM Friday night with the following Board Members present: Georgia Morgan, Yvonne Patrick, Sue Pannell, Frances Young, Patti Andrews, Bob Mullen, Connie Zimmerman, Aline Noel, Juan dela Cruz and Sue Servies.

APPOINTMENT: Bob Mullen was appointed to keep a list of people attending and the time of this meeting.

Motion was made and duly seconded that the names and addresses of each chair of each committee shall be published in the TICA TREND at least twice a year. Motion carried with Young abstaining and Pannell opposed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to hold the amendment to the By-Laws, ARTICLE VII in the breast of the Board until the Semi-Annual Meeting. Amend the By-Laws, ARTICLE VII, Section 1 to read: Duties of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary...c. Duties of the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintain in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, adequate and correct accounts of the properties and business transactions of TICA, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains losses, capital and earnings (or surplus. The books of account shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection by any director. The Treasurer shall render to the President and directors, whenever they request it, an account of all the transactions and of the financial condition of TICA. The Treasurer shall cause to be published in the TICA TREND, annually, in the first issue of each fiscal year, a financial statement of TICA. d. Duties of the Secretary. The Secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept a book of minutes at the principal office of TICA, of all meetings of Directors of TICA. This book shall be accessible during regular business hours and upon reasonable notice, to all members of TICA.

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Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the amendment to the By-Laws, ARTICLE IX, Section 2.d. All meetings shall be open to the public unless the matters or contract negotiations, or is of such a nature that it may be embarrassing, derogatory or humiliating to a member, in which case the Board of Directors may go into closed session. The Board of Directors may not go into closed session unless: 1) The specific subject matter necessitating the need for a closed session is stated; 2) Limitations as to the discussions to be held in closed session are provided; and 3) A motion to go into closed session is approved by a roll call vote of two-thirds of the Directors present. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made and duly seconded to accept the amendment to the By-Laws, ARTICLE IX, Section 2.h. The full minutes, except any minutes relating to charges, complaints, or protests which have been found to be groundless, or pending contract negotiations, of the meetings of the Board of Directors shall be provided to any member upon the request of that member an payment by the member of the cost of reproducing and mailing those minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend ARTICLE X, Section 2.a. to read: The proposed action shall be submitted to the Business Manager/Executive Secretary with as full an explanation as possible and a request that the matter be submitted to the Board Members for a vote. The President and Vice President may submit any matter to the Board Members directly. The ballot shall note the date it is mailed, the date it is returnable, and whether it is returnable to the Business Manager/Executive Secretary or the President as the case may be. The return date shall be 14 days after the date issued. The ballot shall contain a space for "yes", "no" and "abstain" vote, the date and the signature. The Executive Office shall also mail a copy of the ballot the same day to all Board Members. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend ARTICLE X, Section 2.b. to read: Except as otherwise provided in the By-Laws adoption of any proposal by mail ballot shall require an affirmative vote of the majority of votes cast. Motion denied with Zimmerman in favor and Noel abstaining.

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend ARTICLE XVII.b. to read: Procedure: Any member may submit a proposal to amend the Show Rules or Registrations Rules. Said proposals shall be first submitted to the Executive Office in writing along with 20 copies, stating the article and section to be amended and the wording of the new or amended section(s). The Executive Office shall then distribute the proposal pursuant to the direction of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may approve, reject or refer the matter back to the appropriate committee. A committee may not reject a proposal on substantive grounds. If the Board of Directors approves the matter, it shall be submitted to a membership vote on the annual ballot in October. Motion carried with Pannell and Young opposed.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend ARTICLE XXIV.b. to read: Procedure: Any member may submit a proposal to amend the By-Laws. Said proposals shall be first submitted to the Executive Office in writing along with 20 copies, stating the article and section to be amended and the wording of the new or amended section(s). The Executive Office shall then distribute the proposal pursuant to the direction of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may approve, reject or refer the matter back to the appropriate committee. A committee may not reject a proposal on substantive grounds. If the Board of Directors approves the matter, it shall be submitted to a membership vote on the annual ballot in October. Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>MEMBERSHIP BALLOT<<<<<

Motion was made and duly seconded to amend the By-Laws ARTICLE XXII, Section 2 to read: SECTION 2. Procedure Disciplinary power may be exercised only after due notice and an opportunity to be heard are first given to the party accused. The complaining party must, in the complaint, state the specific By-Law, Show Rule, Registration Rule or other rule violated, and attach all evidence which they contend supports the complaint. Any non-documentary evidence must be submitted in the form of a declaration or affidavit, signed or sworn under penalty of perjury by the testifying person and include a statement that the facts contained therein are within the personal knowledge of that person. The complaint must be received by the Executive Office not later than 180 days after the alleged incident occurred.

a. The accused party shall be furnished a copy of the charges within 10 days of the receipt thereof by the Executive Office including all evidence pertaining thereto and informing the accused party that they have the right to reply to the complaint in writing, and may be assisted by counsel. Any such reply shall be submitted to the Executive Office within 21 days of the receipt of the complaint by the accused party, and shall attach all evidence which supports the reply. Any non-documentary evidence must be submitted in the form of a declaration or affidavit, signed or sworn under penalty of perjury by the testifying person and include a statement that the facts contained therein are within the personal knowledge of that person. A copy of the reply

shall be forwarded to the complaining party by the Executive Office. b. (remains the same) c. Should the Board of Directors and/or the Judicial Committee elect to hold a hearing on a matter, the parties shall be notified of the time, date and place of the hearing not less than 60 days prior to the date of the hearing. All hearings shall take place during the annual or semi-annual meeting of the Board of Directors, and shall take priority at the specified time, date and place over all other business. Motion was made and duly seconded to hold this matter in the breast of the Board until the Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made and duly seconded to hold in the breast of the Board until the Semi-Annual the following matter: To change the Registration Rules, Section 4.d. to read: A name change may be requested provided the Executive Office receives the request for a name change within 45 days (90 days in remote areas) from the sale of the cat/kitten. Registration Certificate and the request is accompanied by the original Registration Certificate and the designated fee, which fee shall be determined by the Board of Directors. The name change will be approved only if there has been no previous transaction recorded for the cat by the Executive Office (i.e., show wins, lease agreement, or any transaction processed in the original name of the cat). Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made and duly seconded to hold the following matters in the breast of the Board until the Semi-Annual Meeting: Amend the Show Rules, ARTICLE EIGHT, 8.1 to read: Protests against an exhibitor or any show official for violation of any Rules of TICA shall be filed in writing with the show committee at the show or within 10 working days immediately following the show and shall be accompanied by a filing fee as may be set by the Board of Directors (cash, certified check or money order). If the protest is against the actions of the club, the show committee of the club, a member of the club, show committee, or production company, or the show committee does not resolve the matter to the satisfaction of the complaining party within 60 days of filing the protest, the protest can optionally be filed with the Executive Secretary to the Association, with the filing fee, to be handled by the Board of Directors pursuant to ARTICLE XXII, Sections 2 and 3 of the By-Laws. A copy of the protest shall also be sent to the show committee. These fees are non-refundable, however, the Board of Directors shall have the discretion to return any part or all of the filing fee after a determination on the merits of the protest.

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AND

Add to the Judging Program, ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: Complaints and protests are to be resolved by the Board of Directors pursuant to ARTICLE XXII, Sections 2 and 3 of the By-Laws, except that such complaints must first be forwarded to the Judging Administrator.

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The meeting was adjourned sine die by the President at 12:30 AM on Sunday, September 3, 1995.

## Standing Committees

### Legal/Judicial Committee

Chair: Arthel Scheuermann  
Board Liaison: Frances Young  
Members:

### Rules/Technical Terminology Committee

Chair: Arthel Scheuermann  
Board Liaison: Frances Young  
Members: Armando Camarena  
Bill Jonson

### Genetics Committee

Chair: Solveig Pflueger  
Board Liaison: Sue Pannell  
Members: Gloria Stephens  
Jay Jerome

### Computerization Committee

Chair: Tom McCartney  
Board Liaison: Sue Servies  
Members: Robert Call  
Frances Green  
Paul Spoltore  
Betsy Tinney  
David Tinney

### Electronic Communications Committee

Chair: Gloria Stephens  
Board Liaison:  
Members: Valerie Johnson  
Lori Schiff  
Betsy Tinney  
Pam Barrett

### Feline Welfare Committee

Chair: Resa Bauer-DeMeyere  
Board Liaison: Connie Zimmerman  
Members: Laura Cunningham  
Caroline Fralia

### Feline Welfare Legislation Committee

Chair: Lauri Schiff

Board Liaison:  
Members:

### Marketing and Advertising Committee

Chair:

Board Liaison: Bob Mullen  
Members: Fred Moormeier  
Laurie Bobskill

### Finance Committee

Chair: Bill Becker  
Board Liaison: Connie Zimmerman  
Members: David Boswell  
Vickie Fisher

### Membership Affairs Committee

Chair: Manny Levine  
Board Liaison: Patti Andrews  
Susan Levine  
Members: Laretta Nawojski  
Nancy Welch  
Robbin Higgins

### Foreign Affairs Committee

Chair: Pat Harding  
Board Liaison: Yvonne Patrick  
Members: Robert Forte  
Bernardino Paz Blanco  
Pascale Portelas  
Massimo Picardello  
Louise Van de Water  
Mexico ONLY-Georgia Morgan

### Household Pet Committee

Chair: Patti Andrews  
Board Liaison: Sue Servies  
Members:

August 28, 1995

To the Board of Directors  
The International Cat Association

As you are probably aware, the Board of Directors engaged us to perform an audit of the books and records for The International Cat Association for its year which ended June 30, 1995.

In the way of a brief message to the Board, we have completed our field work related to the audit on Friday, August 25, 1995. Although the final audit report and management advisory comments have not been completed as yet, we did find the books and records in excellent order. The final audit report should be complete in the next few weeks.

Should anyone have any questions in this regard, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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## FELINE WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Statistics thus far show that 64 TICA breeders have signed and agreed to abide by the *Voluntary* Code of Ethics (VCOE) and 25 TICA catteries have been inspected and declared OUTSTANDING CATTERIES with a generated revenue of \$1015.

Two of the three members of the Feline Welfare Committee (FWC) have completed VCOE's and a Cattery Evaluations (CE). Three TICA Judges have completed VCOE's and CE's. Two TICA Board Members have completed VCOE's and CE's. One TICA Judge has completed the VCOE Only. Distribution of the VCOE and CE participants: Canada - 8; US - 55; Italy - 1.

PROPOSAL: Those TICA members completing the VOCE and the CE be honored in the TICA TREND, with quarterly updates as needed.

Group insurance for TICA Responsible Breeders (TRB) will be unavailable until we reach a rroup of one hundred. That's seventy-five to go.

Policy statement on "illegal search and seizure" of catteries. Not needed, we're against it. Obviously.

Proposal for feline welfare complaints-see Protocols.

Mandatory cattery inspections: The FWC recommendation is to "mandate" cattery inspections when a feline abuse, neglect or cruelty case is given a temporary suspension. Before returning to full TICA privileges, cattery inspection must be completed.

Many of the exhibitors and breeders are discussing a mandatory inspection of catteries, when that cattery has litter registered an excess o 75 kittens per year. I ask that you take this issue back to your constituency and get some feedback for the next meeting.

As soon as we have organized a meeting o representatives from the animal welfare/anti-breeding legislation folks of TICA, CFA, AKC, AQHA, IAHC, and any others we can convince, I will be attending this meeting to represent TICA.

Presentation of feline welfare cases.

Melissa Swenson candidate for FWC.

Anti-breeding, anti-animal, etc., pending legislation in Salt Lake City. UT and Orlando, FL. Severe curtailing of breeding and the owning of animals. We need either a Feline Legislating Committee or we need to form a subcommittee of the Feline Welfare Committee.

The FWC has received three complaints in regards to the welfare issue of the Munchkin.

The FWC requests that every call that comes to the Executive Office in regards to pending anti-breeder, anti-animal, etc. legislature be referred to the Chair until such a time that the Feline Welfare Legislation Committee is in place.

## FELINE WELFARE COMMITTEE:

### Protocols On Procedure for Animal Abuse, Cruelty and Neglect Complaints:

- I. Written complaint received by the Feline Welfare Chair
- II. Feline Welfare Chair confirms with Executive Office
  - . Is accused a current member of TICA?
  - . Has accused registered litters/cats with TICA?
  - . Has accused exhibited at TICA sanctioned shows?
  - . Confirms that Executive Office records correspond with Feline Welfare Committee records as to whether accused is or not participating in the TICA Responsible Breeder Program.
- III. Acknowledgement
  - . Letter of acknowledgment sent to complaining party (petitioner)
  - . Certified letter sent to accused party (defendant) notifying them of complaint filed, requesting a written response within 30 days
  - . Letter must include
    1. Copy of original complaint
    2. Copies of any documentation
    3. Copy of letter sent by Feline Welfare Committee to complainant/petitioner
  - . In the event a law enforcement agency, HSUS, or city/county/state animal control is involved and has written eye-witness testimony, video and/or photographs, these records must be requested in writing by the Feline Welfare Committee to be used as evidence at a possible hearing to be held at the next available TICA Board Meeting.
  - . In the event that a court of law has determined the defendant is guilty or the defendant has plead guilty of animal abuse, neglect, or cruelty, then that court order is requested in writing by the Feline Welfare Committee and will be presented at the TICA hearing as evidence.
- IV. Assume that response is received by defendant
  - . Copy of response sent to petitioner if indicated
  - . All copies furnished to the Board member liaison by the Feline Welfare Committee
  - . In the event of a rebuttal letter received from the petitioner, it is also furnished to the Board liaison and the defendant
- V. Consideration
  - . Consideration is given jointly by the Feline Welfare Chair and the Board member liaison to all the evidence in their possession.
  - . TICA legal counsel is given all copies of documentation and the written recommendation from Feline Welfare and Board liaison.
  - . If the preponderance of the evidence is against the defendant, as determined by the Feline Welfare Committee Chair, Board Member Liaison, and TICA Legal Counsel, then a hearing is set. (Feline Welfare Committee files protest.)
- VI. Notification to all parties:
  - . The defendant is notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, that a hearing date and time is set and the defendant and/or his representative is asked to appear. The defendant is furnished with all the evidence against him or her.
  - . Failure to respond or appear, admission of guilt.
  - . When return receipt of certified letter from defendant is returned to FWC Chair, petitioner is notified that a hearing has been set. As all evidence should at this time be documented, there is no need for petitioner to appear, although he/she may appear at hearing if desired.

- VII. Possible actions to be taken by the Board of Directors
- . Revocation or suspension of TICA membership and/or
  - . Suspension or denial of future litter/cat registrations and show privileges and
  - . Revocation of VCOE and Outstanding/Cattery of Merit certificate(if participating)
  - . Outcome of hearing to be printed in the TICA TREND within the minutes, so as to notify other concerned parties of the cause and nature of the charge, outcome of hearing and penalty
- VIII. Defendant is notified in writing by the Executive Office of the decision by the board of Directors. This letter sent certified.
- IX. Petitioner notified in writing by the Executive Office as to the outcome of the hearing. This letter sent certified.
- X. The TICA membership, other cat associations, and other concerned parties are notified via the TICA Board minutes reference the decision of the board.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Committee has begun a review on the various insurance contracts, with reference to type of coverage, deductibles, adequacy of coverage and pricing of same.

Currently, we have a Commercial Insurance Policy, No. 01-CC-194194-8 with American Economy Insurance Company, a division of Lincoln National Insurance Co., which is rated A. This has a general aggregate of \$3,000,000 with a \$1,000,000 limit for each occurrence, \$50,000 for fire damage, and \$5,000 medical coverage for any one person. There is no mention of a deductible per occurrence per club. The premium for this coverage is \$8,416. Coverage is through 4/1/96.

There is also a Commercial Auto Coverage policy with American Economy Insurance Company, No. 02-BA-348658-8, which covers hired or borrowed autos and non-ownership. The premium for this coverage is \$141.00 per annum.

We are exploring what coverage a club gleans from the show insurance with reference to individual club members who transport judges to and from shows. Does the TICA coverage allow for this, or does the coverage revert to the club member's individual policy?

The office policy is handled through Trinity Universal, which is an A++ company. This is policy 02-BA-348658-6. The premium is \$270. per annum.

We also have a "Texas Standard Policy" with Trinity Universal fire and extended coverage on contents and office space. The total premium for this coverage is \$358 per annum. We are looking into the exact coverage provided. The policy number is TXF 8387651-03-05.

There is an employee theft policy with The Fidelity and Deposit Company, policy 981-85-48-T2. The coverage is \$25,000 with no deductible. F & D is rated as A+. We are checking into the possibility of obtaining similar coverage as a part of the commercial package for a lesser premium.

We also noted that there are no benefits for the office staff. A SEP-IRA would allow the employees to contribute to a simplified pension program and place no annual duty on TICA to contribute. When earnings allow, TICA could also make contributions to the plan, but would be under no obligation to do so. A health insurance plan might be considered where in TICA contributes a minimum of 25% toward the premium for group health coverage for their employees only. The balance of the premiums, plus any for family members would be the responsibility of the individual employees.

Overall, we are currently in the process of obtaining quotes from independent agencies for all of this coverage, either in its present configuration or modified to give TICA and its member clubs less liability and more adequate coverage at a better rate.

We would like to undertake a feasibility study with reference to a computer program that will track points and titles. We would like to see a tickler system as part of the program which would flag cats that have achieved the next title, but for which the owner has not claimed same. A post card could then be sent to the owner reminding him or her that the cat is eligible to have a win claimed. In addition, we would like to determine if a telephone call-in system utilizing a 900 number would be advantageous both to TICA and the exhibitor to ascertain the total points and title of their cats. TICA might be able to recoup the cost of the program through the charges received on the phone calls to say nothing of the added revenue to be had from people who are currently not claiming their cats' titles. We would like to interface with the Standing Computer committee to see what their program recommendations would be.

The Committee would like to recommend that the Board of Directors establish a policy which may have a financial impact be referred to the Finance Committee for the purposes of completing a "Fiscal Impact Analysis" prior to final vote by the Board. A minimum amount for this process might be set at \$2,500.00

The Committee would like to recommend to the Board that we have a formal role in the budget process. We suggest that the Policy should clearly indicate that the Finance Committee is required to make a recommendation on the Budget.

The committee would like to suggest that we receive financial statements on a quarterly basis, with comparisons to the Budget. This would allow us to establish an "early warning" process.

Finally, The Committee is considering a recommendation of creating the office of Treasurer. A complete proposal for the Board, including duties and responsibilities will be ready for consideration for the February 1996 meeting.

## **MEMBERSHIP AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Since our inception at the Semi-Annual Meeting, our small committee has been organizing itself into a group that can communicate with the membership. We have published a letter in the TICA TREND announcing the committee to the general membership, letting them know what, why and how to use the committee. We also requested that tica members who wished to become members of the committee submit their names of members they considered qualified.

We have received several inquires, requesting advice about solving problems in a confidential nature on the local level. We have given the inquiries our consensus of opinion as to how best solve the problem. It is unfortunate that there have been several distractions that are outside our scope occupying the minds of our membership, resulting in less than anticipated inquiries. There have been several suggestions made to the committee concerning increasing membership that do need further study and will be presented to the board at a later date.

The committee has received a request from TICA member Robbin Higgins of Athens, GA. To be appointed to the Membership Affairs Committee. We as a committee recommend and request that the TICA Board of Directors appoint Robbin Higgins to the committee.

Because of the length of time between Board Meetings. The committee requests the Board of Directors to pass a motion allowing the Chairperson of the committee to accept tica members as associate members, until the next tica board of directors meeting, when the names of those members with associate status can be placed before the board of directors for approval or denial.

The associate status would help in recruiting members for the committee, giving some status to new members along with the regular committee members who are trying to recruit new memberships, obtain information for problem solving or generally helping members and/or clubs. Hopefully we will have a member of the committee in each of the regions by the semi-annual meeting.

MANNY LEVINE  
COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Foreign Affairs committee is up and running and we all wish to bring the Board up to date on the latest information, upcoming situations and potential growth that will allow complete development of all the respective regions.

### SOUTHERN EUROPE-France, Switzerland, Austria, Spain, Italy, Portugal

Massimo Picardello of Italy reports that he has recruited 5 people for the Judging program. All speak English and are very interested in Tica. They will apply to the Judging Coordinator. (A list of their names appear at the end of this report and a list will be furnished the Judging Coordinator). Massimo is translating some of the standards into Italian. Massimo also feels if a club is started in Spain, Argentina will be of great assistance to them because of the language and the close ties between these two countries. Massimo also reports that CFA is trying to upset FIFE in that country, Kurt Vlach, a new member in Vienna, Austria will be staging the first TICA show in that country on May 11, 1996 in conjunction with a FIFE show the following day. he expects an entry of 175 to 20 in the Tica show. This is a reasonable estimate, made possible by FIFE allowing FIFE members to show in other associations. (voted on and passed at the FIFE annual held in May of 1995) Kurt's Regional, Aline Noel will be a great help to him and she and Philippe will be judging. Kurt has translated the clerking manual and is working on other standards as the year progresses

### NORTHERN EUROPE = Holland, Belgium, Germany, Russia, all of Scandinavia and Great Britain

There is a new club established this year in Moscow, Russia. Their name is MOKKO and the President, Tamara Saposhnikova. Let's wish them all the luck in the world and best wishes from all the TICA membership.

### SOUTH AMERICA = AT THIS TIME THE ENTIRE CONTINENT

This continent, at this time, very strongly, wishes to be two separate regions and will most probably want to divide in regard to language rather than geographics. Thus Brazil, Portuguese speaking, will become one region and the rest of South America Spanish speaking will become the second region, headed by Argentina. The consensus at this time, is that given their growth rate, they would be able to sustain two separate regions.

### JAPAN

This country sits quietly in the Pacific and is experiencing phenomenal growth both in membership and registrations. Since TICA now has a member in Hong Kong. Japan and Hong Kong become a Pacific region.

### SUMMATION:

FIFE'S recent decision to allow their members to show in other associations, starting January 1, 1996 will be help to Tica internationally, allowing a new, large, bloc of exhibitors to be exposed to TICA. This in turn, will allow European and South American TICA clubs to have larger show entries, which will produce more revenue and allow the regions to develop, with more shows, exhibitors and more judges. The stumbling block to this that membership and registration in TICA is a requirement for Regional and Annual awards. This needs to be thoroughly researched and perhaps, an amendment can be considered reference International clubs for a time period to be set by the Board.

Consider, if you please, TICA with a strong international membership that would allow for various Regionals within a continent and a show combined with a awards banquet for the top European cats. The same would occur in South America. Japan can continue as before. These new awards shows would stimulate tremendous growth and membership levels and financial growth. Consider, too, membership and developing regions would possibly allow for a Annual outside of continental USA, tho possibly, not for the next 20 years. The Foreign affairs committee wishes to develop a set of guidelines for the Board to consider and approve allowing international regions to work and grow and intermesh with the founding country's original concept.

## COMPUTERIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Introduction: The computer committee was created at the Feb. 1995 board meeting. The committee consists of six members as follows: Tom McCartney, Chair, Betsy Tinney, David Tinney, Paul Spoltore, Robert Call, Frances Green, Sue Servies (Board Liaison).

The duties of the committee as stated in the standing rules are: "To advise the Board of Directors in the development of programs for the computerization of registration, annual awards computations, computer preparation of catalogs, and any other area involving computer science."

The issues addressed and discussed by the committee included: Computerization of registrations; Annual Award Tracking; Computer Preparation of Catalogs; General Information Management-including accounting and other records keeping-at the TICA Executive Office; Telecommunications and information distribution by electronic means.

Addressing the Issues: The committee has agreed that before any individual issue can be addressed, the current practices and requirements for TICA's information management and computing needs must be assessed. To do this we suggest the following process:

TICA Executive Office: To assess the needs of the TICA Executive Office:

1. The committee requires a listing of the computer assets of the Executive Office. This would include the make, model and type of the computers, the hard drive capacities and processor types. The types and numbers of printers in use.

2. A description of the software used by the Executive Office; including both commercial software and custom software and custom software written specifically for TICA's use.

3. Copies of the custom software should be made available for review purposes by the committee members.

4. Each of the business processes for the areas listed below need to be outlined, in detail, to the committee. Business processes include both computerized and un-computerized steps of a process. Without a full model of the process, no concrete suggestions can be made, or considered on the which portions of the process can improved, simplified or made more efficient by the use of computers.

Suggested business processes include: Registration-including pedigrees and changes of ownership; Recording of Awards; Catalog Scoring and Annual award calculations; Tracking of breeding and registration information; Tracking of members and membership information; Creation, reproduction and distribution of show rules, manuals and breed standards; Tracking and distribution of other membership related information; Insurance of show licenses and tracking of moneys owed. Examining these processes does not mean that they require changes or that improvements to these processes are possible, but the examination can aid in determining areas where improvements can be made.

Software for TICA membership. Entry Clerking: The principal area of software specifically mentioned in the mandate of the committee was entry clerking or catalog generation. Some members of the committee are intimately familiar with this type of software, Tom McCartney, Betsy Tinney and Frances Green have all written programs which addresses these needs. The Board of Directors approved an expenditure to cover the development of such a program at the same meeting that they created the committee to advise the board on such decisions.

The membership of the committee feels that the proposal for the entry clerk system was too vague and did not adequately outline what was to be delivered. Nor was any provision made for a review of what was needed. The committee recommends that if a computer interface is required to improve the speed of data entry of scored catalogs, a standard be published outlining the file structure required to import the necessary data into the scoring system. After this information is published developers of various versions of entry clerking systems can then create an export function for their particular programs.

Telecommunications: The computer is a tremendous tool for the storing and manipulation of information. It is also finding an increasing role in the transmission of information and as an aid for communication. In particular, the Internet provides an almost central way of tying diverse communication media together. The committee proposes creating a TICA web page. (a web page is a combination of text and graphical images which can present a large amount of information on the Internet). The TICA web page as envisioned by the committee would be maintained by the computer committee and would contain information such as cat show locations, TICA rules, breed standards, information on award winners, TICA breeders information, and may even permit on line registration information to be created. What other information could be included is limited by the imagination of the board and TICA membership. Betsy Tinney has volunteered to undertake this project and will present a proposal on implementation.

Items to be considered by the board: Any computer proposal before the board should be forwarded to the computer committee for review prior to any board vote. A written assessment of the proposal will be sent to the members of the board 30 days prior to a vote on the issue. Information pertaining to computer related budget items should be reviewed by computer committee prior to any expenditures.

In the Next Year: The computer Committee will undertake to review the business processes of the TICA Executive Office as outlined previously. The committee will present a written assessment of the current software and hardware and recommend changes if necessary. The committee will present a report on creating an internet web page including an estimate of related costs.

**PROGRAM SPECIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY CLERKING PROGRAM:**

**System Overview:** The program will be distributed as a compiled EXE Program. It will be self-contained with unlimited distribution rights. TICA will be the exclusive owner of the source code. It will allow input of show information, judge's names and competitor data. The recorded data will be used to produce a judge's books, a show catalog and an exhibitor's list. It will allow the show information to be downloaded to floppy disks for transport to the Executive Office, and the required programs and audit reports will automatically upload this information into the existing TICA Scoring Program.

**Entry Clerk Program:** A screen will be provided that allows the input, lookup, and modification of all information contained on the Official Entry Form. Form information on cat, sire and dam, breeder and owner will be recorded in a DBF type data file. The program also records club and show information and the names of the judges. Fields that require specific input are checked using lookup tables to insure data consistency, i.e., breed, color, and class, etc. An audit program consisting of counts will be available.

**Show Output:** After all of the information is entered into the computer, the program provides the ability to print a show catalog, exhibitor's list with names and addresses and judge's books together with related reports as requested. These reports will comply with TICA Show Rules and requirements. A general dot matrix printer and the HP Laserjet III printer will be supported.

**Show Data Distribution:** After the show, a program option allows the data contained in the computer to be downloaded to a floppy disk for backup and transport to the TICA office. The audit counts report will be sent along with the disks for verification at the TICA office.

**Executive Office Output:** The Executive Office receives the data from the show and uses a program to upload this data to the TICA computer network. All of the reports and books produced at the show are now available to the Executive Office. The audit counts report will be run and compared in order to confirm that the data is exactly the same as it was at the show.

**Interface with the TICA Scoring Program:** After the data is verified the program will mark the catalog and print audit reports. The system will then be ready to interface with the Scoring Program to automatically record the show results.

**Support:** The Show Reporting System will become part of the TICA software system and be supported in the same manner as the TICA system. Code will be produced and submitted to TICA for approval and compliance to the design detailed in this document. The TICA staff will be trained in the use of the programs. At the time that the program is finished and accepted by TICA, a 1-year warranty will begin. This warranty will include correcting any errors found in the code for a period of 1 year after acceptance of the finished work. Distribution to TICA clubs along with required support of the programs will be the responsibility of TICA.

**CURRENT SOFTWARE:** Lantastic Network Operating System. For DOS: Wordperfect 5.1, Quattro, Foxbase, Membership Program, Scoring Program, Registration Program

**INTERFACE:** All software programs can be interfaced as requested.

**CURRENT HARDWARE:** Panamax Surge Protectors are used on all equipment.

**PRINTERS:** Two Laserjet Series III Hewlett Packard printers and one NEC 860 Laser Printer.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE COMPUTER INFORMATION:

Manager Computer

==== CONFIGURATION INFORMATION ====

DOS Version: 5.00  
ROM BIOS: Phoenix BIOS Date: 03/01/93  
Processor Type: 80486 AT Machine (A20 Active)  
Math Coprocessor: 80486 FPU  
Base Memory: 640K Available: 516K  
Extended Memory: 3360K Available: 0K  
EXPANDED Memory: No EMS driver installed  
Video Adapter: VGA EGA Switches: 0110  
Video Address: A000h Video RAM Size: 256/512K  
Hard Drive(s): Drive 0 (C:) = 245M,  
Drive 1 (D:) = 245M  
Floppy Drive(s): A:1.44M(3.5"), B:1.2M(5.25")  
Clock/Calendar: CMOS Clock  
Parallel Port(s): LPT1=378h  
Serial Port(s): COM1=3F8h, COM2=2F8h  
Mouse: None Joystick(s): None

Scoring Computer

==== CONFIGURATION INFORMATION ====

DOS Version: 5.00  
ROM BIOS: Phoenix BIOS Date: 03/01/93  
Processor Type: 80486 AT Machine (A20 Active)  
Math Coprocessor: 80486 FPU  
Base Memory: 640K Available: 543K  
Extended Memory: 3360K Available: 0K  
EXPANDED Memory: No EMS driver installed  
Video Adapter: VGA EGA Switches: 0110  
Video Address: A000h Video RAM Size: 256/512K  
Hard Drive(s): Drive 0 (C:) = 245M,  
Drive 1 (D:) = 245M  
Floppy Drive(s): A:1.44M(3.5")  
Clock/Calendar: CMOS Clock  
Parallel Port(s): LPT1=378h  
Serial Port(s): COM1=3F8h, COM2=2F8h  
Mouse: None Joystick(s): None

President Computer  
==== CONFIGURATION INFORMATION ====  
DOS Version: 5.00  
ROM BIOS: Phoenix BIOS Date: 03/01/93  
Processor Type: 80486 AT Machine (A20 Active)  
Math Coprocessor: Not Present  
Base Memory: 640K Available: 465K  
Extended Memory: 3360K Available: 0K  
EXPANDED Memory: No EMS driver installed  
Video Adapter: VGA EGA Switches: 0110  
Video Address: A000h Video RAM Size: 256/512K  
Hard Drive(s): Drive 0 (C:) = 85M  
Floppy Drive(s): A:1.44M(3.5")  
Clock/Calendar: CMOS Clock  
Parallel Port(s): LPT1=378h  
Serial Port(s): COM1=3F8h, COM2=2F8h  
Mouse: None Joystick(s): None

Registration Computer  
==== CONFIGURATION INFORMATION ====  
DOS Version: 5.00  
ROM BIOS: Phoenix BIOS Date: 03/01/93  
Processor Type: 80486 AT Machine (A20 Active)  
Math Coprocessor: Not Present  
Base Memory: 640K Available: 543K  
Extended Memory: 3360K Available: 0K  
EXPANDED Memory: No EMS driver installed  
Video Adapter: VGA EGA Switches: 0110  
Video Address: A000h Video RAM Size: 256/512K  
Hard Drive(s): Drive 0 (C:) = 85M  
Floppy Drive(s): A:1.44M(3.5")  
Clock/Calendar: CMOS Clock  
Parallel Port(s): LPT1=378h  
Serial Port(s): COM1=3F8h, COM2=2F8h  
Mouse: None Joystick(s): None

Membership Computer

==== CONFIGURATION INFORMATION ====

DOS Version: 5.00

ROM BIOS: (Standard) BIOS Date: 09/26/90

Processor Type: 80386 AT Machine (A20 Active)

Math Coprocessor: Not Present

Base Memory: 640K Available: 546K

Extended Memory: 1024K Available: 0K

EXPANDED Memory: No EMS driver installed

Video Adapter: VGA EGA Switches: 0110

Video Address: A000h Video RAM Size: 256/512K

Hard Drive(s): Drive 0 (C:) = 85M

Floppy Drive(s): A:1.44M(3.5"), B:1.2M(5.25")

Clock/Calendar: CMOS Clock

Parallel Port(s): LPT1=378h

Serial Port(s): COM1=3F8h, COM2=2F8h

Mouse: None Joystick(s): None

PORTABLE COMPUTING: A Premium Exec 386 SX/20 AST Laptop and a Cannon BJ-30 Bubblejet Printer are currently in use.