The meeting was call to order at 8 AM on Wednesday, February 15, 2006 by the President, Kay DeVilbiss. The following Board Members were present:

Kay DeVilbiss - President  Lisa Dickie - Director, Mid Atlantic
Nancy Parkinson - Vice President  Pamela Barrett - Director, Mid Pacific
Motoko Oizumi - Director, Asia  Don Caruthers - Director, South Central
Jamie Christian - Director, Great Lakes  Jo Parris - Director, Southeast
Ralph Stadter - Interim Director, Northern Europe  Genevieve Basquine - Director, Southern Europe
Ellen Crockett - Director, Northwest  Vickie Fisher - Director, Southwest

Carlos Arrieta - Director, South America was not present due to illness, Judy Miers was proxy for Tracey McCullough - Director, Great Plains, and Donna Gonyea was the proxy for Louise Vandewater, Director, Northeast. Laurie Schiff - Legal Advisor, Bobbie Tullo, Judging Administrator and Michiko Dodge, Translator were also present. Dorothy Lewis, Rules Chair arrived on Thursday.

1. Motion was made by Vickie Fisher and seconded by Ralph Stadter to accept the change of Item 7 of the Consent Agenda to place 13 on the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Unanimous consent to accept the Board Governance Committee Charter. Without objection.

   BOARD GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE CHARTER:
   Infuse a desire for and commitment to best practices in governance within the TICA Board of Directors. Review and recommend to the full Board governance processes such as agenda design and management, Board action follow up, budget and strategic planning "rhythm", and meeting evaluation. Oversee development of TICA Board policies, including "Board Ethics." Solicit recommendations and arrange for Board "educational" sessions about TICA's business and operating processes.

3. Unanimous consent to accept the governance policy on Action by Board Ballot as amended. Without objection.

   ACTION BY BOARD BALLOT
   The By-Laws of the Association provide that a Director may request a ballot be taken on an issue between formal meetings of the Board. These are to be submitted through the Business Manager. The President and Vice President may request action on an issue directly.

   It is the policy of the Board that ballots submitted between meetings be kept to a minimum and, generally, be limited to items for which action must be taken prior to the next regularly-scheduled Board Meeting or those items of a routine nature which do not require extensive debate.

   Ballot Issues Initiated by a Regional Director. Issues which come to the attention of a Regional Director, and for which they feel a Board vote is necessary, must first be submitted to the full Board for discussion. A period for discussion will be set by that Director. At the conclusion of the discussion period, that Director (or any other) may decide to submit the issue for a formal ballot. The motion and an explanation must be submitted to the Business Manager who will submit the formal ballot for vote.

   As each individual board member votes, their vote shall be made known to the remaining members of the Board.

   Use of Board Ballots for Consent Agenda Items. The President should consider the use of a Board Ballot prior to the actual meeting of the Board for those items which are of a more routine nature, require little discussion or are generally for information only purposes. These items might require a “receipt be noted” action by the Board. It will be the responsibility of individual Board members to read these items, ask appropriate questions and then vote on those items. If there is an individual item that a Board Member feels deserves debate and discussion, rather than the answering of simple questions, it may be pulled from the Consent Agenda Board Ballot and placed on the regular meeting agenda for discussion and action.

***Board Governance***
4. Unanimous consent to accept the governance policy on Meeting Agenda Management as amended. Without objection.

MEETING AGENDA MANAGEMENT:

It is the policy of the Board that the agenda be efficiently managed in order to engage the Board in the most important business facing the Association and reflect the discussions necessary for the highest and best use of the Board of Directors.

Time Management. The agenda items should be assigned suggested time limits. The Board finds this useful in managing discussions. Additionally, when there are items and reports that do not need to take up meeting time for discussion, they should be placed on a consent agenda. This would include items that the Board needs to take action on but could easily be read by the board members, questions asked ahead of the meeting, and passed without discussion or debate. If a particular item is felt to need discussion or debate (not just a simple question answered), it can be pulled off the consent agenda and added into the regular agenda, at the request of a Director.

Governance Cycles. There are at least three major categories of agenda items which are recurring and components of which might be presented to the Board in cycles. They include the Budget cycle, Legislative cycle, and the Committee cycle.

Budget Cycle
Topics for Annual Meeting: Review wrap up of prior year budget. Review results of prior year’s indicators (in business plan).

Legislative Cycle
Topics for Annual Meeting: Proposals which, if passed, require membership vote. Proposals which require no membership vote.
Topics for Semi Annual Meeting: Proposals which require no membership vote.

Committee Cycle
Topics for Annual Meeting: Report on prior year’s accomplishments. Receive and approve recommendations for new goals.
Topics for Semi Annual Meeting: Report on progress of goals

Governance Cycle: An additional cycle is the Governance Cycle, which includes a review of the make up and viability of regions every 3 years.

Follow Up Report: A follow up report will accompany each set of meeting minutes. Follow up items will be reported on or included in the next meeting agenda. The follow up report will list any action that the Board had requested during the prior meeting, the person assigned the task, a time frame for accomplishment, and status. Part of every agenda would be the review of the follow up report.

***Board Governance***

5. Unanimous consent to postpone the decision on Travel Reimbursement: Regional Directors until the end of the day. Without objection. See Motion 45.

6. Unanimous consent to accept the governance policy on Travel Reimbursement for the President and Vice President. Denied.

*DENIED*

7. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Stadter to accept the governance policy on Travel Reimbursement for the President and Vice President. Motion carried with Barrett opposed because she would like the expense reimbursement of the President and Vice President to go through the same.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT: PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT (OFFICERS)
In accordance with SR 1011.4.3, the travel expenses of the President and Vice President to attend Board meetings are to be reimbursed by the Association, if funds are available.

Procedures for Implementation of Policy:

Reimbursable Expenses: If an Officer chooses to travel by car to a meeting, reimbursement for transportation will be based on the lesser of 1) mileage at the prevailing rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service or 2) the lowest reasonable airfare available, including any additional ground transportation required. The Officer must demonstrate that the cost of travel by car is the lesser by submitting a brief analysis, comparing the two. Officers will be reimbursed for hotel and meals at the same rate that is available for Regional Directors.

Claiming Reimbursement: Officers may claim reimbursement under this policy by completing and submitting the TICA official Expense Report. All original receipts must be attached for any expenses claimed which are not paid for directly by the Association or included in per diem. Expense reimbursements for the Vice President must be approved by the President, prior to payment. Expense reimbursements for the President must be approved by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, prior to payment.

***Board Governance***

8. Unanimous consent to postpone the Travel Reimbursement: Office of the President until the end of the
day. Without objection.

**TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT: OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

The Board of Directors recognizes that the President of the Association has additional duties to the Association that require expenditure of funds for travel to attend meetings with other organizations, conduct business at the Executive Office, and make business-related trips. The Board of Directors will provide a budget for the President for reimbursement of this type of expense, if funds are available.

**Reimbursable Expenses:** Reimbursement for transportation expenses will be limited to the lesser of the lowest reasonable available airfare or mileage at the prevailing rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service. Reimbursement for meals will be based on the same per diem rate applicable to the Regional Directors, for meeting attendance, times the number of days required to conduct official business. Hotel expense will be reimbursed at the lowest reasonable available room rate times the number of nights required to conduct official business. Other reasonable expenses may be reimbursed, including car rental, taxi and train.

**Claiming Reimbursement:** The President may claim reimbursement under this policy by completing and submitting the TICA official Expense Report. All original receipts, as applicable, must be attached. Expense reimbursements for the President must be approved by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, prior to payment.

***Board Governance***

9. Unanimous consent that the 2007 Semi-Annual Meeting be held in Harlingen, TX on February 16, 17, and 18, 2007. Without objection.

10. Unanimous consent that the 2008 Semi-Annual Meeting be held in Paris, France. Denied.

*DENIED*

11. Motion was made by Basquine and seconded by Parkinson that the 2008 Semi-Annual Meeting be held in Paris, France together with a show. Motion carried with Parris opposed because half the Regional Directors will be newly elected.

The President assigned the Board Governance Committee to pick the meeting place for the Semi-Annual Meetings.

12. Unanimous consent to accept the proposal by the South Central Annual Team for the 2008 Annual in Arlington, Texas. Without objection.

13. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Parkinson to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**Executive Session**

43. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

44. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Gonyea to accept the Travel Reimbursement Policy: Regional Directors as below to take effect at this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT: REGIONAL DIRECTORS**

**Policy:** It is the policy of the board that a portion of the transportation expenses of the Regional Directors will be reimbursed when they attend Board Meetings.

- North American RDs - Up to $300 for meetings held in North America
- International RDs - Up to $800 for meetings held in North America

For meetings held internationally, directors from the continent in which the meeting is held - Up to $300

Other directors - Up to $800

**Procedures for Implementation of Policy:** If a Director chooses to travel by car to a meeting, the director may be reimbursed:

1) mileage at the prevailing rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service or
2) the cost of an airline ticket. The Director must demonstrate that the cost of travel by car is the lesser by submitting a printout of the lowest available fare between the airport nearest to the Director and the location of the meeting. Directors judging the show and those using mileage award tickets will not be reimbursed.

***Board Governance***
45. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Crockett to accept the Travel Reimbursement: Office of the President/Vice President as below. Motion carried unanimously.

**TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT: PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT (OFFICERS)**

In accordance with SR 1011.4.3, the travel expenses of the President and Vice President to attend Board meetings are to be reimbursed by the Association, if funds are available.

**Procedures for Implementation of Policy**

**Reimbursable Expenses.** If an Officer chooses to travel by car to a meeting, reimbursement for transportation will be based on the lesser of 1) mileage at the prevailing rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service or 2) the lowest reasonable airfare available, including any additional ground transportation required. The Officer must demonstrate that the cost of travel by car is the lesser by submitting a brief analysis, comparing the two. Officers will be reimbursed for hotel and meals at the same rate that is available for Regional Directors.

**Claiming Reimbursement.** Officers may claim reimbursement under this policy by completing and submitting the TICA official Expense Report. All original receipts must be attached for any expenses claimed which are not paid for directly by the Association or included in per diem. Expense reimbursements for the Vice President must be approved by the President, prior to payment. Expense reimbursements for the President must be approved by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, prior to payment.

***Board Governance***

46. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Gonyea to include in the Governance rules that new Regional Directors' shall be required to visit the Executive Office up to 3 nights during their first year in office using the same reimbursement policy as for meetings. Motion carried with Caruthers, Parris, Stadter opposed.

***Board Governance***

47. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Caruthers to limit the Semi-Annual Meetings to Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Motion denied with Parkinson, Barrett, Basquine, Crockett, Miers, Stadter, and Gonyea opposed with Christian opposed because it was too limiting.

48. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Parkinson to accept the following resolution for planned banking changes as detailed below. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Directors instructs Leslie Bowers, TICA Business Manager, to make necessary changes within the financial institutions to insure that TICA maintains the most lucrative returns on all interest bearing accounts and certificates of deposit and still remains within the recommended guidelines established by the FDIC (limit $100,000) for protection on ALL accounts.

49. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Parris to appoint Nancy Parkinson as the Liaison for South America to assist in getting the plan revised and completed. Motion carried unanimously.

50. Motion was made by Parkinson and seconded by Stadter go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

[*Executive Session*]

54. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

55. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Parkinson to approve the 2006-2007 budget to include proposed revisions for the 2005-2006 budget. Motion carried with Barrett opposed because TICA's budget is a continuation of the status quo and does not reflect any movement towards modern office procedures or improved customer service to our customers.

55. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Parkinson to approve the 2005-2006 Revised Budget to include proposed revisions. Motion carried with Barrett opposed because TICA's budget is a continuation of the status quo and does not reflect any movement towards modern office procedures or improved customer service to our customers.
56. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Crockett to get a detailed income and expense report on the Yearbook 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

57. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Fisher to form a Yearbook Ad Hoc Committee to review this year’s Yearbook and give feedback to the Editor. Motion carried unanimously.

The President appointed Dickie, Christian, Parris, and Barrett to the Yearbook Ad Hoc Committee.

58. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Parkinson to approve the 2006-2007 Budget. Motion carried with McCullough abstaining and Barrett opposed because TICA’s budget is a continuation of the status quo and does not reflect any movement towards modern office procedures or improved customer service to our customers.

59. Unanimous consent to approve the Executive Office Website. Denied.

*DENIED*

60. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Crockett to approve the Executive Office Website. Motion carried with Barrett opposed.

61. Unanimous consent to refer the Purebred Rescue Committee to the Rules Committee to define it as a Standing Committee. Without objection.

62. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Fisher to strike one sentence in the Standing Rules “106.4 Standing Committees. The President, with the advice of the Board of Directors, shall appoint persons knowledgeable in the fields specified to serve on the following standing committees, and such other committees that from time to time may be necessary and proper for the effective and efficient operation of the Association. Each committee may have budgets as needed which shall be provided annually with the approval of the Board of Directors. Each committee shall have a chairperson, members as needed and a Board Member who works with the committee as a Liaison Director. It is the duty of the Chairperson to formulate the committee goals, to communicate the policy of the committee to the committee members, to direct the work of the committee and to seek information and guidance from the Board through the Board Liaison, and information from the Executive Office as needed. It is also the duty of the Chairperson to provide progress reports of the committee to the Board annually. The duties of the Board Liaison shall be to serve as a channel of communication between the Committee and the Board, to provide encouragement and incentive for activity of the committee and to be available for consulting and mentoring as needed or requested by the Committee Chairperson. Board members may not be included in the committees other than as a liaison to the committees. These standing committees shall be as follows.” Motion carried unanimously.

63. Unanimous consent to appoint a committee to investigate premium services with regard to titles, (i.e., when registering a blue slip, pay for all titles ever to accrue to the cat for less than $35) to include a cost study. Without objection.

The President appointed Dickie, Crockett and Barrett to the Ad Hoc Committee for Premium Title Services.

64. Unanimous consent to have the Webmaster develop guidelines for accepting advertising on the website to include pricing. Without objection.

65. Unanimous consent that the date for cattery links to be paid by is May 1st. Without objection.

66. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Stadter that a regional breakdown on votes cast by each region be furnished by the Ballot CPA for the next election. Motion denied with Oizumi abstaining, Parkinson, Caruthers, Christian, Dickie, Miers, and Parris opposed and DeVilbiss breaking the tie.

67. Unanimous consent to communicate to Karen Hauge that we no longer need the budget for the Madison Square Garden show. Without objection.
68. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Parkinson to pay per diem of $64 for up to 5 days and the hotel room for up to 5 nights. Motion carried unanimously.

69. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Parkinson to give Ralph Stadter the authority to negotiate a contract for web design to bring back to the Board for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

70. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Parkinson to pay Ralph Stadter $2,500 for his role as Website Development Liaison. Motion carried with Stadter abstaining and Barrett and Dickie opposed because they’re not comfortable paying a Board Member in this position and Christian abstaining because he didn’t feel comfortable voting and Crockett abstaining because she was conflicted about Board Member getting a contracted amount.

71. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Caruthers to authorize Ralph Stadter to receive TDS data and current equipment and software for use in developing reports. Motion carried with Stadter abstaining.

72. Unanimous consent to trademark the marketing logo with ears and whiskers. Denied.

73. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Gonyea to trademark the marketing logo with ears and whiskers. Motion denied with Parkinson, Caruthers, Fisher, Stadter and Gonyea in favor. The President appointed Barrett as Liaison for the Marketing Committee.

74. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Parkinson to delete 19.2.7 of the By-Laws.

19.2.7 - Proxies: Should any Regional Director be unable to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors due to illness of the Director or the immediate family of the Director, that Director may designate, in a properly executed proxy, some other member of that region to attend that meeting in his or her place. The proxy will have all the rights and duties of the Regional Director at that meeting including the right to vote on any or all matters brought before the meeting. Motion carried with Barrett and Miers opposed. Christian was in favor so that the membership can voice their opinion.

Rationale: The decisions made by the Board are made by duly elected officials that have a financial responsibility to the association. A proxy does not have that same responsibility.

75. Unanimous consent to delete 118.3 of the By-Laws:

118.3 In the first year of formation, the Board of Directors shall have the authority to recognize all breeds, colors and patterns so that this Association is on par with other similar associations without breed section participation. Without objection.

Rationale: This rule is no longer needed.

76. Unanimous consent to take no action on amending ARTICLE TWENTY-FIVE Parliamentary Authority. Without objection.

Amend 125.1 to read: The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt.

77. Unanimous consent to accept the changes to ARTICLE TWO of the Judging Program. Without objection.

Article Two - Application for Admission to the Judging Program (To be effective May 1, 2006)

42.1 Names of applicants MUST be published in two issues of the TREND. Notices must be sent to the Judging Administrator and received by April 25th for application at the Annual and by September 25th for the Semi-Annual. The Judging Administrator will then place the notices in the TREND. TICA members shall be invited to send comments, favorable and/or unfavorable, to the Judging Administrator/Designee and to the applicant's Regional Director.

42.1.1 At the time of sending notice of intent to the Judging Administrator, an applicant to the judging Program must send a photograph to the TICA TREND Editor for publication with the notice in at least one issue of the TREND prior to the Board...
meeting at which the applicant is being considered.
4.2.2 General Requirements. Applicants must meet the following requirements:
4.2.2.1 Be 21 years of age or older.
4.2.2.2 Be a member of TICA in good standing.
4.2.2.1 Be a TICA member for a minimum of four (4) years prior to the effective date of a TICA Probationary Specialty
Judging License.
4.2.2.3 Have a TICA registered cattery.
4.2.2.4 Be a working member of an active TICA club which hosts TICA shows in resident region.
4.2.2.5 Be a licensed TICA Head Ring Clerk and a licensed TICA Master Clerk.
4.2.2.5.1 Must have served as a Head Ring Clerk in at least ten TICA shows
4.2.2.5.2 Must have served as Master Clerk in at least five TICA shows.
4.2.2.6 Have an Approved Allbreed Judge as sponsor.
4.2.2.7 Have attended one TICA judging school, one breed seminar and one TICA genetics seminar within one year of application.
4.2.2.8 Have actively served at least two times as a TICA show manager (may be "co-show manager" only once)
4.2.2.9 Have served two times as a TICA entry clerk. (Additional activity is encouraged.)
4.2.2.10 Be familiar with and agree to abide by the TICA By-Laws, TICA Show Rules, TICA Registration Rules and TICA
Standards.
4.2.2.11 Prior to being granted a Probationary Specialty License, breeder applicants must have been breeding cats for four years
AND non-breeder applicants must have been actively showing cats in TICA for a minimum of four years. (See 42.2.2.1)
42.3 Breeding and/or Showing Requirements.
42.3.1 For Breeders
Prior to application, must:
- have bred a minimum of five TICA registered litters;
- have shown in at least 25 TICA shows (back-to-back shows will be considered as one show)
- have shown to TICA Grand Champion status a minimum of four cats, as follows:
  - three of the four must be unaltered
  - one of the four must have been bred by the applicant; any cat not bred by the applicant must be acquired by 5 months
  - of age and must live with the applicant from the time the cat is acquired until the requisite title is achieved.
  - one of the three unaltered cats must have achieved the title of Supreme Grand Champion
  - one of the three unaltered cats must have received a Regional Win in the Top 20 Allbreed Cats
  - one of the four must be a cat of opposite body type and coat length Selection of the breed of cat of opposite body
type and coat length must be approved by the Judging Administrator.
42.3.2 For Non-Breeders
Prior to application must:
- have acquired all qualifying cats at 5 months of age or younger;
- have shown a minimum of five cats from both longhair and shorthair breeds to TICA Grand Champion or Grand
Champion Alter status with no fewer than three from one body type and coat length;
- three of the five Grand Champions or Grand Champion Alters must achieve the title of Supreme Grand Champion or
Supreme Grand Champion Alter
- one of the Supreme Grand Champions or Supreme Grand Champion Alters must be a different body type and coat length
from the primary body type and coat length.
- have achieved a minimum of three Regional Wins in the Top 20 Allbreed Cats or Alters
- one Regional Winner must be in the opposite body type and coat length from the primary body type and coat length
- have shown in 25 TICA shows (back-to-back shows will be considered one show).
42.4 Consideration may be given for Regional and International Top 20 wins, to include kitten, cat, alter and household pet
awards. However, all requirements in 42.2 and 42.3 must be met.
42.5 Applicant must submit a $40 dollar application fee to the TICA Executive Office, and an official Application to the Judging
Program to the Judging Administrator/Designee, together with:
42.5.1 A personal resume.
42.5.2 Letter of recommendation from the club in region of residence, in which the applicant is an active member.
42.5.3 Copy of Head Ring Clerk and Master Clerk License.
42.5.4 A letter of sponsorship from one TICA Approved Allbreed Judge who must review the applicant’s complete packet and
sign where indicated on the check-off list that the application has met all requirements.
42.5.5 A recent professional 4x6 color photograph.
42.5.6 Documentation verifying fulfillment of all requirements as listed above.
42.6 When the applicant has an Allbreed Sponsor and up to one year prior to the anticipated date of application, the applicant
may request a comprehensive written open book examination covering TICA By-Laws, Show Rules, Breed Standards, Ethics
and the cat fancy, in general,. The applicant must score 95 percent or higher on the examination, and all questions missed must
be answered correctly. If the applicant fails to complete the examination within the time allowed, application may not be
resubmitted for 6 months.
42.6.1 Application and examination must be received NO LATER THAN May 15th for application at the Annual or November 15th
for application at the Semi-Annual.
42.7 Upon successful completion of the examination, the Judging Administrator will submit the applicant’s name for consideration
by the Board for acceptance into the TICA Judging Program.

42.7.1 The Board of Directors will consider the applicant's knowledge, ability and experience in breeding, showing, clerking, show management, and club activity. The Board will also consider the applicant's personal appearance, deportment, attitude and any other factors it deems appropriate. The Board may approve the applicant upon any appropriate terms or conditions, deny the applicant or require additional work.

42.7.2 If the applicant is denied admission to the Judging Program, s/he may not reapply for one year.

42.8 Upon acceptance by the Board of Directors, the applicant must send a recent professional color photograph, no smaller than 4" x 6" (10cm x 15 cm), to the Yearbook Editor.

``````Judging Program'''''''

78. Unanimous consent to amend the Judging Program 43.3.2 as proposed.

*DENIED*

79. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Parkinson to amend the Judging Program 43.3.2 as proposed. Motion carried with Gonyea opposed because she felt that it was already too expensive and this added to the cost.

Amend Judging Program - Training Program 43.3.2

43.3.2 Ring Training.

43.3.2.1 Ring training consists of handling a minimum or 40 kittens, cats, alters, household pets or new breeds. The selection of the cats for training is at the training judge's discretion. Training may consist of handling full classes (such as championship cats, etc.) or handling full breeds or breed groups (such as the Persian Breed Group or Maine Coon kittens, cats and alters, etc.). The trainee is expected to handle his or her own cat(s) during the training session without calling attention to the ownership of the cat. The trainee is expected to remain in the judging ring until dismissed by the instructor. During the final five training sessions (36-40), the trainee must stay in the ring with the training judge the entire day, handling cats as designated by the judge.

NOTE: The sentence above in italics was inadvertently omitted from the proposal submitted to the Board at the Annual.

43.3.2.2 Training sessions are limited to two training sessions per show weekend, except when training overseas. When training overseas, three training sessions are allowed per show weekend. A "show weekend" is defined as 1-day, 2-day or 3-day shows. Only one training session is permitted per day, except when training overseas. When training overseas up to two training sessions per day are permitted not to exceed three sessions per weekend.

43.3.2.4 Trainees residing in North America must train in at least six North American regions. Trainees residing on either the East or West Coast must train on an opposite coast at least once. Trainees located centrally must train on both coasts.

43.3.2.5 ALL trainees are strongly advised to train at least once overseas. (For example, a trainee in North America is advised to train in Europe or Asia; a trainee in Europe is advised to train in Asia or North America; a trainee in Asia is advised to train in North America or Europe; a trainee in South America is advised to train in Europe, Asia or North America.)

Rationale: It is very expensive for trainees to travel in order to train, particularly overseas. It seems fair to allow additional training sessions in those circumstances. However, it is important for trainees to train in different parts of the country, not just the regions contiguous to their own region. Equally, it is important that trainees train overseas whenever possible. The more varied the training, the likelihood of a better judge.

``````Judging Program'''''''

80. Unanimous consent to amend the Judging Program 43.5.2 as proposed. Without objection.

43.5.2 The trainee must write Breed Comparison reports. These may be assigned by a training judge OR the trainee may visit a cattery to write reports on select cats. Reports must be signed by the training judge or the cattery owner and returned to the trainee, who will send to the appropriate persons. Cattery reports must be reviewed and signed by the Allbreed Sponsor prior to being forwarded to the Trainee Coordinator. A minimum of fifteen Breed Comparison Reports are required.

Rationale: Broadens the opportunities for breed comparisons. Brings program into line with what is currently being done.

``````Judging Program'''''''

81. Unanimous consent to amend the Judging Program 414.7 as proposed. Without objection.

414.7 Judges shall be licensed each year at the Semi-Annual Meeting. Judges with a current license will be listed in the appropriate publications.

414.10 (renumber the current 414.10 as 414.11) A current professional color photo must be submitted to the TICA Yearbook Editor every three years. Photographs must meet the following specifications set by the Yearbook Editor: 5in X 7in (12.5cm x 18cm), Scanned at 300 dpi.
Rationale: Judges’ licenses are no longer mailed to judges on an annual basis. Licenses are issued upon first licensing and upon advancement to a higher level. The proposed change reflects what is currently done based upon Board action at the 2005 Semi.

``````Judging Program''''''

82. Unanimous consent to refer the amendment of Registration Rule 33.4 to the 2006 Annual Meeting. Without objection.

33.4 **Championship Advancement Class Program.** The Championship Advancement Class consists of **two** three parts.

33.4.1 Part One consists of two levels outlining the requirements for developing new breeds.

33.4.1.1 The beginning level shall be known as Preliminary New Breed.

33.4.1.2 The second level shall be known as Advanced New Breed.

33.4.2 Part Two outlines the requirements for recognition of non-recognized traits in cats, kittens and alterations of breeds recognized for Championship. This class shall be known as New Traits Class.

33.4.3 **Part Three outlines the requirements for Championship recognition of Transfer New Breeds (33.1.1).**

Add: 33.9 Transfer New Breeds (TNB) to Championship

33.9.1 Transfer New Breeds accepted for Championship status in affiliated associations (Standing Rules 303.9.1) and accepted for Registration Only status in TICA, may apply for Advanced New Breed status, without previously being accepted as a Preliminary New Breed, upon satisfying the requirements outlined below.

33.9.1.1 At least one year has passed since the breed was accepted for Registration in TICA;

33.9.1.2 At least 50 individual cats have been registered with TICA;

33.9.1.3 At least 25 litters have been registered with TICA;

33.9.1.4 At least 10 TICA members in good standing, in at least five different regions, are actively breeding the breed.

33.9.1.5 At least ten individual cats of the breed have been evaluated in TICA shows. Kittens and alteration may be included in this total but each individual only counts once for the total, regardless of how many times shown.

33.9.1.6 Submission of an Application for acceptance as an Advanced New Breed to the Executive Office and a copy to each member of the Genetics Committee at least 90 days prior to the applicable board meeting.

33.9.1.7 A letter of intent to apply for approval as an Advanced New Breed, signed by at least ten TICA members in good standing;

33.9.1.8 A proposed breed standard, approved by the Rules Committee, including any permissible outcrosses;

33.9.1.9 An indication that the breed is to be categorized as an Established Breed, a Natural Breed, a Mutation Breed or a Hybrid Breed and the rationale for the proposed category. (See RR 37.1.2)

33.9.1.10 Cause a Notice of Intent to apply for advancement to Advanced New Breed status to be published in the April/May TICA TREND for application at the Annual meeting and the October/November TICA Trend for application at the Semi Annual meeting;

33.9.1.11 At least 60 days prior to the Board Meeting, the Genetics Committee must forward a written report commenting upon the application. Such report may recommend approval or denial of advancement, or may recommend further requirements be met prior to approval.

33.9.1.12 Make a formal presentation at the Board Meeting, including photographs, illustrations, statistics, health and breeding reports, representatives of the breed and any other relevant material.

33.9.2 Upon acceptance by the Board as an Advanced New Breed, the Transfer New Breed shall follow the requirements for competition, exhibition and advancement to Championship as outlined in 33.6.2, 33.6.3 and 33.7 of these Rules. Rules Comments: At the Annual 2003 the Board accepted for Registration Only status several breeds which have championship status in other associations such as GCCF, LOOF, and FIFe. These are not breeds under development like the breeds in TICA’s New Breed program, but they are new outside of their foundation region and need exposure in significant number outside of their home/foundation region. This proposal attempts to provide a means for these breeds to reach championship status in TICA without having to follow the New Breed program in its entirety, but at the same time provide sufficient exposure to ensure that the breed(s) will be viable outside of the original foundation region(s). This proposal is the result of a Board directive at the 2005 Annual to allow Transfer New Breeds to go directly to Advanced New Breed status without having to go through Preliminary New Breed status first.

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83. Unanimous consent to amend the Show Rules 211.9. Without objection.

211.9 **Catalogs shall contain the number of entries present and competing in each of the following categories:** LH Kittens, SH Kittens, LH Adults, SH Adults, LH Adults, SH Alters, SH Alters, LH HHP Kittens, SH HHP Kittens, LH Household Pets, SH Household Pets, Preliminary New Breeds, Advanced New Breeds and New Traits classes as well as list each entry present for Exhibition Only, including for sale cats and kittens.

Rationale: The text in the first strikethrough makes no sense. It cannot be known how many cats are
present and competing before the show.

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84. Unanimous consent to take no action on Registration Rule 39.12. Without objection.

39.12 It shall be a violation these Registration Rules, subject to disciplinary action, to knowingly submit false pedigree information to the Executive Office.

Rationale: There is currently no rule against falsifying pedigrees.

85. Unanimous consent to take no action on the amendment of Standing Rule 901.4.3.5. Without objection.

901.4.3.5 International Awards. International Awards will be presented to the cats, kittens, alters, household pets, and household pet kittens having the highest aggregate points for their class in the association during the applicable show year. All awards earned during the show year will be listed accordingly for every region or recognized area and internationally.

901.4.3.5.1 Highest scoring 25 allbreed cats, highest scoring 25 longhair cats, and highest scoring 25 shorthair cats will be awarded.

901.4.3.5.2 Highest scoring 25 kittens will be awarded.

901.4.3.5.3 Highest scoring 20 alters will be awarded.

901.4.3.5.6 The international award winners and the best cat in each breed are honored at the Annual Awards Banquet.

901.4.3.5.6.1 The best championship cat in every TICA region will be recognized during the International Awards presentation with identical awards.

NOTE: Rationale for 901.4.3.5.6.1: As an international organization we need to recognize all parts of our community equitably. The current practice of recognizing the best championship cats in non-North American regions and excluding the best championship cats within North America is not an equitable approach. Early on when our international award winners were exclusively from North America, this may have been a good idea to encourage people outside of North America to show. This year four of the top twenty championship cats are from outside North America. It is now time to truly be an international organization and recognize this class equitably.

901.4.3.5.7 International award winners and best of breed winners are featured in a visual media presentation at the Annual Awards Banquet.

901.4.3.5.8 International award winners are featured in the TICA YEARBOOK in color, free of charge.

901.4.3.5.9 Best of breed winners are featured in the TICA YEARBOOK free of charge.

Rationale: Over the last few years the number of championship kittens and championship cats has increased. We are now recognizing a very minor number of the cats being shown in these classes when compared to the alter/hhpk/hhp classes. Looking at the last standings for the 2005 show season we are recognizing 1% of the kittens and .7% (1.5% including LH/SH awards) of the cats shown in comparison to 2% of the alters, 5.1% of the household pet kittens, and 4% of the household pets shown. Although moving to a top 25 format for kittens/cats won’t bring the equity across all classes, it will help in bringing kittens to 1.3% and cats to 1.*%. This also brings us in line with other associations who have made similar changes (of interest to potential cross-over exhibitors).

86. Unanimous consent to use secret ballot to appoint Jean Marc Legard, and Janis Berry to the Abyssinian Breed Committee. Without objection.

87. Unanimous consent that if within 30 days of notification the person receiving the highest number of votes to fill the vacancy in the committee fails to respond then the position shall be offered to the person with the next highest vote. Without objection.

88. Unanimous consent to appoint Sherrrie Zabriskie to the Chartreux committee. Without objection.

89. Unanimous consent for a secret ballot to appoint Whitney Nickel and Evelyn Graddo-Wolynies to the Egyptian Mau Breed Committee. Without objection.

90. Unanimous consent to appoint Vandy Veeder to the Japanese Bobtail Committee. Without objection.

91. Unanimous consent for a secret ballot to appoint Heike Patz to the Selkirk Rex Breed Committee.
Without objection.

92. Unanimous consent to appoint Erica Tadajewski to the Turkish Van Breed Committee. Without objection.

93. Unanimous consent to combine the American Shorthair and American Wirehair to one breed committee. Without objection.

94. Unanimous consent to combine the Bombay and Burmese Breed Committee. Without objection.

95 Unanimous consent to destroy the secret ballots on the breed committee appointments. Without objection.

96. Withdrawn.

97. Unanimous consent to appoint Tina McPeek to the Ocicat Breed Committee. Without objection.

98. Unanimous consent to appoint Francine Hicks to the Ocicat Breed Committee. Without objection.


100. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Parkinson to go into a Committee of the Whole to allow Solveig Pflueger to speak. Motion carried unanimously.

101. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Miers to add a third classification of Experimental Registry as outlined by the Genetics Committee Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

102. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Stadter that the Executive Office immediately start registering experimental breeds as the specific rules are developed. Motion carried unanimously.

103. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

104. Executive Session

107. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

108. Unanimous consent to take no action regarding the Dwelf, Minskin, and Skookum as they will be registered in the Experimental Registry. Without objection.

109. Unanimous consent to take no action on the LaPerm as to removal of championship status. Without objection.

110. Unanimous consent to appoint Ellen Crockett as Board Liaison to the LaPerm to aid them in working out their TICA registration and showing records. Without objection.

111. Withdrawn.

112. Unanimous consent to go into a Committee of the Whole to allow Tom Piazza to speak. Without objection.
113. Unanimous consent to take no action on the Ragamuffin at this meeting. Without objection.

114. Unanimous consent to appoint Nancy Parkinson as a Liaison for the Ragamuffin. Without objection.

115. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Dickie to change the brush coat from penalize in adults to withhold on the Peterbald Standard. Motion carried with Parkinson abstaining. (See Addendum.)

116. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Stadter to move the Peterbald to championship status. Motion carried unanimously.

117. Unanimous consent to go into a Committee of the Whole to allow Judy Sugden to address the Board. Without objection.

118. Unanimous consent to move the Toyger to Category I. Without objection.

119. Unanimous consent to revise the Toyger standard to remove Permissible Outcrosses. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

120. Unanimous consent to move the Toyger to Advanced New Breed. Without objection.

121. Unanimous consent to place Alex Chisum on the Ocicat Breed Committee. Without objection.

122. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Parkinson to place the TICA Standards Guideline Packet on the website. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum.)

123. Unanimous consent to go into a Committee of Whole to allow Karen Walbrun to speak. Without objection.

124. Unanimous consent to add 76.1.1 of the UCD, the term: Gloved Pattern - a predominantly colored cat with white limited to the paws and back legs with minimal white allowed on the ventral midline. White on the head is not allowed. Without objection.

125. Unanimous consent to approve the description of Gloves and Laces for the Birman breed. Without objection.

Front paws have white gloves, preferably ending in an even line across the paws at the third joint (where toes meet paws). The back paws have white gloves covering the front of each paw, extending up the back of the legs ending in a point approximately half way up the hock. These are called "laces".

126. Unanimous consent to place the Donskoy in Preliminary New Breed. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

127. Withdrawn.

128. Motion was made by Parkinson and seconded by Stadter to move the Pixiebob Breed Group to be Category I. Motion carried with Crockett opposed.

129. Unanimous consent to send out a poll to the American Bobtail and American Bobtail Longhair for a decision on Category I or III explaining all of the ramifications. Without objection.

130. Unanimous consent to take no action on the Thai standard. Without objection.

131. Motion was made by Stadter and seconded by Parkinson to accept the solid and tortie division for
Championship in the Turkish Van pending approval of the breed section with the pattern to remain van in the particolor. Motion carried with Basquine opposed.

132. Unanimous consent to accept the Program Certification Procedures. Without objection.

133. Motion was made by Parkinson and seconded by Stadter to accept the specifications for the Program Certification Procedures. Motion carried with Barrett and Gonyea opposed.

134. Unanimous consent to accept the application for Genetics Instructors as below. Without objection.

201.27 Applicants for genetics instructor must submit to the Chair of the Genetics Committee: A written resume and evidence of one or more of the following:
   1) an advanced degree in genetics or related field;
   2) advanced knowledge in the field of genetics as evidence in peer review journal, presentation at professional meetings or similar documentation; or
   3) reputation within the cat fancy that would demonstrate broad knowledge of genetics or addition qualifications.

135. Unanimous consent that upon approval by the chair of the Genetics Committee, the application will be sent to the Executive Office for inclusion on the next agenda for Board approval. Without objection.

136. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Stadter to amend Registration Rule 37.6.4 version 1 to eliminate the conflict in the Registration Rules and to mail as an emergency ballot to the membership. Motion carried with Barrett abstaining because she is concerned over calling a cat a “P” or “N” foundation when there is a non-domestic in the pedigree because of concern over CITES legislation.

37.6.4 Requirements for Registration. Non-domestic source species hybrids may apply for Category V Registration status during the new breed process and may be registered according to the following rules:

37.6.4.1 A cat with a Non-Domestic Source Species parent, grandparent or great grandparent is a hybrid cross* and is considered a domestic cat. It will be considered a P Foundation *Breed Name* if the cross is permissible within the breeding program. It will be considered an N foundation *Breed Name* if the cross is not permissible within the breeding program. It will be designated by S (367.2.5) indicating the Non-Domestic Source Species is still on the pedigree.

*Hybrid cross: an animal resulting from the crossbreeding between two different species or types of animals. Crosses between wild animal species, such as lions and tigers, are considered to be wild animals. Crosses between wild animal species and domestic animals, such as dogs and wolves or buffalo and domestic cattle, are considered to be domestic animals. (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA, SubChapter A: Animal Welfare, Part 1: Definition Of Terms)

37.6.4.2 A P Foundation bred to an N Foundation will result in an N designation. For a P designation, there can be no N designations in a three generation pedigree.

37.6.4.3 Any cat with a parent, grandparent or great grandparent that is a non-permissible domestic outcross (i.e. a cat of any breed not specifically listed as a permissible outcross breed in the approved breeding program) will have the term N Foundation *Breed Name* in its description if the non-permissible outcross is within the three generation pedigree.

37.6.5 Requirements for Showing Category V cats in Championship Advancement Classes.

37.6.5.1 A cat with a Non-Domestic Species parent or grandparent may not be shown in any class. (See 23.19)

37.6.5.2 A cat with a Non-Domestic Species grandparent may be shown in Preliminary or Advanced New Breed with permission of the Board of Directors. (See 23.19 and 203.9.1.1)

37.6.5.2.1 Category V breeds must have the following registration status codes to be eligible to be shown in the Advanced New Breed Class: SB, CO or C3.

Rationale: Developing breeds are required to submit a breeding program and list any outcrosses when they leave Registration Only. The P and the N designation show if the cross is Permissible for the program or Non-permissible for the program. Calling the crosses Pfoundation and Nfoundation go along with the P and the N in the registration code once the S for species drops off. While it is agreed that both the N and the P will only take the breed to fertility, not to SB status, it is felt that a breeding program should be established and guidelines set.
Guide for Reading Chart for Assigning Registration Codes
Domestic x Non-domestic Species Hybrid Crosses  ** = check the pedigree of the cat/kitten –
  •  NF becomes PF when there are no longer any non-permissible cats in the three generation pedigree;
  •  S becomes P or N when the non-domestic is no longer in the three generation pedigree;
  •  3 becomes 0 when a domestic is the parent and the number has not changed in an earlier generation.
  
n/a = does not apply to this breeding program
  00 = non-domestic source species
  P = permissible outcross
  NP = non-permissible outcross
  01 = unknown or unregistered domestic; 02 = unknown or unregistered grandparent domestic; 03 = unknown or unregistered great grandparent domestic
  NF = non-permissible foundation breed
  PF = permissible foundation breed
  SBT = studbook
If parents, grandparents, great grandparents are all of the same breed ➔ SBT
If parents, grandparents, great grandparents represent more than one breed ➔ A, B or C
If either parent has an 01, 02, 03, AON, AOP, BON, BOP number the kittens CANNOT be SBT.

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137. Unanimous consent to move the Savannah back into Preliminary New Breed until they apply for Advanced New Breed. Without
138. Unanimous consent to request from the Marketing Committee, their plan for using an alternative logo. Without objection.

The President appointed Dewane Barnes and Donna Gonyea to the Rules Committee.

139. Unanimous consent to go into a Committee of the Whole. Without objection.

140. Unanimous consent to go out of a Committee of the Whole. Without objection.

141. Unanimous consent that cats which were only shown in a non-quarantine area but owned by a person residing in a quarantine country and which were banned from entry due to quarantine time lines, be scored and eligible for awards in the quarantine region for the 2005-2006 show season only. Denied.

*DENIED*

142. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Parkinson that cats which were only shown in a non-quarantine area but owned by a person residing in a quarantine country and which were banned from entry due to quarantine time lines, be scored and eligible for awards in the quarantine region for the 2005-2006 show season only. Motion carried with Barrett, Christian, Crockett, Dickie, and Gonyea opposed.


144. Unanimous consent to allow Pam Barrett to submit her Expense Report for the 2005 Annual Meeting. Without objection.

145. Unanimous consent to place the TICA logo on the front of the TICA Trend. Denied.

*DENIED*

146. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Christian to put the TICA logo on the front cover the TICA Trend. Motion carried with Parkinson, Caruthers, Parris, Stadter, and Gonyea opposed.

147. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

148. Unanimous consent to adjourn. Without objection.