

THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION, INC.

2011 Annual Board Meeting

September 1-2, 2011

Philadelphia, PA

The President called the meeting to order on Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 8:01AM and welcomed the Board to The Loews Hotel in Philadelphia. The following Board members were present:

President, Vickie Fisher

Vice President, Bobbie Tullo

Directors:

Asia, Hisae Tasaki

Great Lakes, Jamie Christian

Mid Atlantic, Susan Adler

Mid Pacific, Linda Kay Ashley

Northeast, Francine Hicks

Northern Europe, Ralph Stadter

Northwest, Ellen Crockett

South America, Carlos Lopez

South Central, Cheryl Hogan

Southern Europe, Genevieve Basquine

Southeast, Ed Manning

Southwest, Jackie Rose

Western Europe, Martin Wood

Laurie Schiff, Legal Advisor and, Keiko Miyama, Translator were also present. Linda Kay Ashley was reached by phone.

1.	Unanimous consent	To accept the consent agenda.	Without objection.
2.	Unanimous consent	To make no corrections to the future meetings or to the minutes.	Without objection.
There was a discussion on the site of the 2012 Winter Meeting. Suggestions were Atlanta, GA at the LaQuinta and Orange County, CA.			
3.	Crockett/ Christian	To meet live for the 2012 Winter Meeting.	Motion carried with Hicks opposed and Lopez abstaining.
4.	Stadter/ Hogan	To meet in Harlingen, TX for the 2012 Winter Meeting.	Motion carried with Hicks opposed and Lopez, Tasaki and Basquine abstaining.
<p>The Board discussed the use of the TICA Logo and the disclaimer that must be included when it is used. The Standing Rules state:</p> <p>“903.4.1.5 A conditional license is granted for the use of the TICA logo on personal and cattery web sites or pages or any personal cattery stationery or promotional material, provided that the owner of any such web site or page or cattery has fully completed and provided to the TICA Executive Office a completed waiver of liability form and places the following on the web site or page or promotional material:</p> <p>903.4.1.5.1 “This cattery has not been inspected by and is not endorsed by The International Cat Association, Inc.”</p> <p>903.4.1.5.2 This conditional license may be revoked or suspended by the Board of Directors at any time...”</p>			
<p>The President asked for opinions on TICA hosting the World Cat Congress Meeting in the US in 2012. It was generally agreed by all that TICA would host the World Cat Congress Meeting in the US with a decision on the dates to be made in the future.</p>			

<p>Hogan and Hicks updated the progress on MEET THE BREEDS. Plans were moving along and AKC was doing a great job with media and PR status. There would be a job for any and every one of the Board members who could make it to the event. Hicks reported on the fact that most of the Breed Booths were filled but she was still missing a few and those breeds would be shared with the Board so everyone could help fill in the remaining spots.</p>			
<p>The Board discussed the acceptance of pedigrees from other registries. At the 2006 Special Meeting in Houston, TX, motion 26 stated: "Unanimous consent that effective immediately it shall be the policy of TICA NOT to accept pedigrees from North American associations with no licensed judges and/or which do not sponsor licensed shows. Without objection."</p>			
<p>At this time, after clarification, the Executive Office is accepting pedigrees from international sources provided that they meet the following requirements: English or translated to English, names of at least three generations of cats in the background with registration numbers and colors, and breeder's signature when required. The discussion was tabled below and later the Board agreed to leave this decision in place.</p>			
5.	Unanimous consent	To table this discussion until tomorrow.	Without objection.
<p>The President gave a financial report and commented on the draft End of the Year Statement. The Audit Report will be published with these minutes in the TICA TREND.</p>			
6.	Crockett/ Wood	To accept the Financial Report.	Motion carried unanimously. Ashley was not present.
7.	Crockett/ Tullo	To authorize TICA to pay up to 5 nights for the hotel.	Motion carried unanimously. Ashley was not present.
8.	Wood/ Crockett	To pay per diem of \$66 and on Saturday for \$94 up to 6 days.	Motion carried unanimously. Ashley was not present.
9.	Unanimous consent.	<p>To accept the following proposal:</p> <p>Amend: "115.3 Signatures and Fee. For recall of the President or Vice President, the petition shall contain a minimum of 250 signatures and shall be accompanied by \$250; for Regional Director, signatures of 150 or one-half of the members of the Region and \$150; for Breed Committee, signatures of 50 or one-half of the members of the Breed/Breed Group Section and \$50.</p> <p><i>In every case, it shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee as specified in the Standing Rules.</i></p> <p>Add:</p> <p><i>105.3 The filing fees for recall shall be:</i></p> <p><i>For the President or Vice President \$250</i></p> <p><i>For a Regional Director \$150</i></p> <p><i>For Breed Committee \$ 50</i></p> <p>Amend:</p> <p>116.1 Petition. Notwithstanding anything else in these By-Laws, upon a petition signed by at least 100 members in good standing from a minimum of three regions and composed of the greater of six members or 10 percent of the membership of each of the</p>	Motion carried unanimously. Ashley was not present.

9. cont		<p>three regions, accompanied by a filing fee of \$100 <i>as specified in the Standing Rules</i>, any amendments of the By-Laws, Show Rules, or Registration Rules of the Association, and any matters concerning the business affairs, government and policy of the Association, shall be submitted to the membership for a mail vote.</p> <p>Add: 1016.1 The filing fee shall be \$100.</p>	
10.	Christian/ Hogan	<p>To change the Standing Rules to the Registration Rules as below:</p> <p>Amend Standing Rules to Registration Rules 39.4, 39.7 & 39.9 Regarding a Change of Registered Name</p> <p>“39.4 The names of cats may not be changed in any manner after they have been registered, except:</p> <p>39.4.1 The correction of clerical errors in the recorder's office.</p> <p>39.4.2 The addition of a cattery name as provided in ARTICLE EIGHT, 38.7, 38.8, and 38.10.</p> <p>39.4.3 To re-register as Household Pets, TICA registered championship class cats may be registered pursuant to Show Rule 23.7.2.</p> <p>39.4.4 A name change may be requested provided the Executive Office receives the request for a name change within 45 days (60 days in remote areas) from the date of issue of the initial 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).</p> <p><i>309.4.4 The name of a cat previously registered in another association may not be changed under any circumstances except for the addition of a cattery suffix in accordance with 38.7 and, if required, the use of a registry code in accordance with 309.9.3.1.</i></p> <p>39.5 Names of cats and catteries may not be duplicated.</p> <p>39.6 Second and third choice of names may be given on the application for registration form. Otherwise it may be necessary to return the application if the name chosen is not acceptable.</p> <p>39.7 A cat's name, including cattery names and the word " of " may not exceed 35 letters, characters and spaces combined.</p> <p><i>309.7.1 If a registry code (see 309.3.1) is used, then this is included in the 35 letters, characters or spaces limit.</i></p> <p><i>309.7.2 The owner's name, address and city are not allowed in the name of the cat unless it is a TICA registered cattery.</i></p> <p>39.8 Cats may not be named after an ancestor without written permission of the owner of the ancestor; a letter attesting to such permission is to be filed with the registrar.</p> <p>39.9 Application for Registration. Each application for registration must fulfill one of the following:</p> <p>39.9.1 Be made by submitting an individual application for registration of a cat of a registered litter issued by TICA (TICA blue slip).</p> <p>39.9.2 Be accompanied by a minimum of 3-generation Certified pedigree (from another registry) of the cat for which application is being made and a photocopy of a registration certificate from that registry showing proof that this cat is owned by the person making the application and asking to be named the owner of this cat.</p>	Without objection.

		<p>39.9.3 Be accompanied by a minimum three-generation pedigree, stating the color and pattern and the registry's assigned registration number for each ancestor listed, except, if either the sire or dam is registered in the stud book (SB registration status code) of TICA, the ancestors of such sire and/or dam need not be shown on the pedigree. This pedigree must be signed by the breeder of the cat for which application is being made and include a statement that this pedigree is true and correct to the best of the breeder's knowledge, and a statement as to whether the cat may or may not breed. In addition, a photocopy of a registration certificate from the other registry is required, showing proof that this cat is owned by the person making the application and asking to be named the owner of this cat.</p> <p><i>309.9.3 The name of a cat previously registered in another association may not be changed under any circumstances except for the addition of a cattery suffix in accordance with 38.7 and, if required, the use of a registry code in accordance with 309.9.3.1.</i></p> <p><i>309.9.3.1 If the cattery name of a cat previously registered in another registry is not a TICA cattery name that is registered to the cat's owner, then a registry code shall be added at the end of, and form part of, the cat's name. Registry codes shall be comprised of a slash followed by a two-letter code identifying the registry.</i></p> <p><i>309.9.3.2 The registry codes currently in use are: /CF - CFA, /FI - FIFe, /GC - GCCF, /ID - Independent, /WC - WCF. Additional unique codes may be assigned by the Executive Office as required."</i></p>	
11.	Unanimous consent	<p>To accept the following: Proposal to Amend the UCD Color Descriptions (Parkinson) Add the following colors to the UC: "Blue Mink Torte: Soft blue-grey to medium blue with darker blue points, mixed with light cream with light apricot to peach overtones of the cream mink. Blue Sepia Torte: Medium blue with fawn overtones mixed with light cream with light apricot overtones of the cream sepia.. Chocolate Mink Torte: Buff cream to beige with points of tan, milk chocolate or coffee brown, mixed with red with pale peach beige to apricot overtones of the red mink. Chocolate Sepia Torte: Warm honey beige with overtones ranging from grey to pink mixed with apricot with melon-orange overtones of the red sepia. Cinnamon Mink Torte: Golden to amber body with an apricot cast, with points of light ruddy tan, soft muted burnt sienna or sorrel, mixed with red with pale peach beige to apricot overtones of the red mink. Cinnamon Sepia Torte: Warm honey to orange-tinged gold mixed with apricot with melon-orange overtones of the red sepia. Fawn Mink Torte: Light rosy sandy beige body with points pinkish buff, a light mocha or cocoa with pale lavender overtones, mixed with light cream with light apricot to peach overtones of the cream mink. Fawn Sepia Torte: Warm taupe or beige with pale lavender grey undertones mixed with light cream with light apricot overtones of the cream sepia. Lilac Mink Torte: Pale pearl to silvery grey body with points a light pewter to taupe with a pinkish lavender cast, mixed with light cream with light apricot to peach overtones of the cream mink.</p>	Without objection.

		<p>Lilac Sepia Torte: Bright silvery platinum grey with pink overtones mixed with light cream with light apricot overtones of cream sepia.</p> <p>Seal Mink Torte: Warm medium brown body with points of bitter chocolate to sable brown, mixed with red with pale peach beige to apricot overtones of the red mink.</p> <p>Seal Sepia (Sable) Torte: Rich, warm sable brown mixed with apricot with melon-orange overtones of red sepia.”</p>	
12.	Unanimous consent	To go into Executive Session and to allow Legal Advisor, Laurie Schiff and translator, Keiko Miyama to remain.	Without objection.
<p>In the afternoon, the Board, along with selected Executive Office Staff, Judging Administrator, the Chair of the Rules Committee and the Chair of the Genetics Committee participated in a strategic business discussion about the status and future of both TICA and the cat fancy.</p>			
<p>The meeting was recessed at 5:26 PM.</p>			
<p>On Friday, September 2, 2011, the meeting was called to order by President Fisher, with Vice President Tullo presiding.</p>			
13.	Wood / Stadter	To accept Jane Allen as a transfer Probationary Specialty LH/SH Trainee.	Motion carried.
14.	Basquine/ Lopez	To accept Steven Corneille as LH/SH trainee.	Motion carried.
15.	Wood/ Manning	To accept Sue Hart Jones as Probationary Specialty Judge.	Motion carried.
16.	Christian/ Manning	To accept Susan Lee as Provisional Allbreed Judge.	Motion carried.
17.	Manning/ Hogan	To accept Kim Tomlin as Approved Allbreed Judge.	Motion carried.
18.	Crockett/ Hicks	To accept Melissa Parsley as Approve Allbreed Judge.	Motion carried.
19.	Unanimous consent	To go into Open Session.	Without objection.
20.	Crockett/ Stadter	<p>To accept the proposal on the Judging Contract as below:</p> <p>Revise Judging Contract, paragraph 1, as follows: “b. Lodging expenses at a hotel or motel of the Club's choice for the night prior to the Show and the day(s) and night(s) of the Show, as well as any night during which the judge is required to be traveling to and/or from the Show, including travel delays not the fault of the Judge.”</p>	Motion carried with Christian opposed.
21.	Crockett/ Stadter	<p>To revise paragraph 2 as shown below:</p> <p>“2. The Club will reimburse to the Judge the following, in the event the Club has not arranged to pay these expenses directly: a. Transportation costs to and from the Show by air, rail, bus or automobile at the lowest available reasonable rate including any related fees, and on the airline of the Judge's choice, provided such airline's pricing is competitive with other airlines flying into</p>	TABLED

21. cont		<p>the airport designated by the club. The Club may not require nor request the Judge to travel on connecting flights when more direct flights are available, <i>at times that are inconvenient to the Judge when more convenient itineraries are available</i>, to travel on specific airlines, require that the Judge purchase tickets from a specific travel agent, or require that the Judge drive instead of fly to the Show if the Show is located more than 200 miles from the Judge's residence;</p> <p>b. The judge is authorized to purchase airfare up to the amount of ____without prior approval of the club."</p> <p>Put the previous "b" aside.</p> <p>Rationale: A judge should not be forced to take time off work, get less than a full night's sleep, etc, to save a club a few dollars; flight schedules should be convenient for the judge.</p> <p>4. The Judge will notify the Club at least 21 days prior to the Show of the amount to be remitted for transportation costs.</p> <p>Add:</p> <p><i>"A club may not require that a Judge purchase travel or advance any anticipated expenses over the amount of \$200.00 [is this a workable amount]. Within 14 days [discuss] of a request for an advance for travel expenses from a Judge, the Club shall forward funds in an amount at least as much as the Judge's anticipated travel expenses, to the Judge. Should the Judge not receive such funds, the Judge may, upon notice to the Club, terminate this Agreement and be under no further obligation to the Club or to judge the Show.</i></p> <p>g. In the event the Show is cancelled or the Judge does not Judge the show, the Judge shall refund to the Club any unused advanced funds, less any change fees (if the Show is cancelled) within 14 days."</p> <p>Rationale: As TICA expands and as more judges are requested to travel to distant locations, a mechanism should exist so that the burden of financing the advanced costs of a show does not rest on the shoulders of our judges.</p> <p>Add to item 2 of information sheet:</p> <p>"c. The show hotel is mile/show hall is miles from the airport. Anticipated travel time to and from the airport is minutes /hours."</p>	
22.	Unanimous consent	To table the motion.	Without objection.
23.	Unanimous consent	<p>To accept the revision of the addition of "kilometers" to item 2 of information sheet.</p> <p>c. "The show hotel is ____miles/kilometers; show hall is ____miles/kilometers from the airport.; anticipated travel time to and from the airport is ____ minutes /hours."</p>	Without objection.
24.	Unanimous consent	<p>To accept the proposal to amend the Judging Program regarding wait periods for reapplication.</p> <p>Preface. If an applicant for acceptance or advancement is denied at the Annual the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Spring Meeting. If denied at the Winter Meeting the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Annual. If denied at the Spring Meeting the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Winter Meeting. The applicant must reapply in accordance with the Rules asset forth in the Articles of the TICA Judging Program-, <i>the applicant may not apply for re-consideration for 1 year.</i></p> <p>42.7.2 If the applicant is denied admission to the Judging Program, at the Annual the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Spring Meeting. If denied at the Winter Meeting</p>	Without objection.

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42.7.2 *Upon reapplication* the applicant need only furnish proof to the Judging Administrator/Designee that any requirements set by the board have been met. The Judging Administrator has all the documentation and fee-paid information and will advise the Trend editor to continue the listings in the Trend.

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43.6.2 If the applicant is denied admission on the second presentation to the Board, s/he must wait 1 year before re-applying for consideration. *Upon reapplication* the applicant need only furnish proof to the Judging Administrator/Designee that any requirements set by the board have been met. The Judging Administrator has all the documentation and fee-paid information and will advise the Trend editor to continue the listings in the Trend.

45.5 If an applicant for advancement is denied, at the Annual the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Spring Meeting. If denied at the Winter Meeting the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Annual. If denied at the Spring Meeting the applicant may apply for consideration at the following Winter Meeting. *the applicant may not apply for re-consideration for 1 year.*

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25.	Unanimous consent	To destroy the ballots.	Without objection.
26.	Crockett/ Manning	That for the October 2011 election, people who currently serve as elected breed officials in other associations shall not be disqualified from serving on a breed committee for the upcoming term.	Motion carried with Ashley, Christian, Rose, Stadter, and Tasaki opposed and Adler, Basquine, Fisher, and Lopez abstaining.
27.	Unanimous consent	To go into a committee of the whole.	Without objection.
Dr. Solveig Pflueger spoke to the Board on genetic coding and the eventual use of these codes in our registration programming. She reviewed the current Registration Rules in the New Breed Program and shared ideas on possible revisions.			
28.	Crockett/ Hogan	That the Kurilian Bobtail and Kurilian Bobtail Longhair be placed in Advanced New Breed and that they apply for championship at the 2012 Winter Meeting after submitting a report showing that they have met the requirements to advance and they can be accepted and begin championship on May 1 st , 2012.	Motion carried unanimously.
29.	Crockett/ Hogan	To deny the request of the American Bobtail to add the asterisk to their Category II breed.	Motion carried with Christian and Hicks opposed.

30.	Fisher/ Hogan	To accept the Napoleon as Preliminary New Breed.	Motion carried with Crockett and Basquine opposed and Christian abstaining.
The following breed reports were received: Chausie, Kurilian Bobtail/Kurilian Bobtail Longhair, Savannah, Serengeti, Sokoke, and Thai.			
31.	Christian/ Crockett	To advance the Khaomane to Preliminary New Breed.	Motion carried unanimously.
32.	Unanimous consent	To accept the proposal from the NE region for the 2014 Annual in Boston.	Without objection.
The President reported that GCCF had accepted our proposal for reciprocity for disciplinary actions.			
The President opened the meeting to those present for discussion and/or questions.			
The President appointed Steven Savant to chair the TICA Committee on Mentoring Clubs with Francine Hicks, Susan Adler, Ralph Stadter, Elaine Weitz, Jaime Christian and Jackie Rose appointed to the Committee and with a report furnished at the 2012 Winter Meeting.			
The meeting was adjourned at 4:35PM.			