

Agenda for Board of Directors Interim Meeting

Date and time: 06/30/18 08:00 am to: 06/30/18 10:00 am

Organizer: Vickie Fisher

Participants: Ralph Stadter, Kurt Vlach, Steven Meserve, Agata Kruszona-Zawadzka, Luiz Paulo Faccioli, Shunichi Kuroda, Donna Madison, Anthony Hutcherson, Laurie Patton, Vicki Jo Harrison, Liz Hansen, Alex Chisholm, Gloria Mahan, Ellen Crocket, Mary Lou Anderson, Leslie Bowers, Frances Cardona, Roeann Fulkerson, Lisa Dickie

Location: Harlingen, Texas Telephonic **CDT**

Discussion

1. Call to Order 8 am - 9 am

2. Executive Session – continuation of hearing, complaints, legal briefing

3. Open Session 9 am - 10 am

3-1. Approval of Exceptions to Show Format – Approve – EO Attachment 1

3-2. Guidance for Judging Committee – Approve – Faccioli Attachment 2

3-3. Budget Amendment for Committee meeting – Approve – Faccioli Attachment 3

3-4. Incentives for Show Committees - Hutcherson - Discussion

4. Adjourn

Attachment 1

Approval of exceptions to Show Format Rules – Executive Office

Approve an exception to Show Rule 29.3.4 (*In non-isolated areas a judge may not judge more than two Alternative Format shows on the same weekend, except in cases of emergency where a contracted judge has canceled and a new (i.e. different) judge cannot be contracted.*) for the following shows:

**Enjoy Cat Club
05/03-04/2018
Chiba, Japan**

**Londoncats
5/12-13/2018
Surrey, England**

- **Enjoy Cat Club
06/02-03/2018
Ueda City, Japan**

**Forest Cat Japan
06/30-07/01/2018
Fukuoka, Japan**

RATIONAL: The Executive Office requests approval from the Board for shows inadvertently licensed outside the specified formats of S.R. 29.3.4

Attachment 2

Guidance for Judging Committee - Faccioli

I apologize for quoting myself, but I need to recall some points of my presentation of the Judging Committee's proposal on the last Winter Meeting. I have defended that:

1. It is time for our judges to govern themselves and take full responsibility for the Judging Program, dealing themselves with advancements, continuing education, training, and other related activities.
2. Once the Committee is created, we shall go further and let the judges take other responsibilities. Priority One I would say that it will be to update the program to make it better.
3. I would ask the Committee to propose changes and improvements on discipline and disciplinary processes.
4. We as a Board want to be the less possible involved with the judges' matters.

The proposal passed so I assume that the majority of the Board members agreed with its rationale and the terms I used to defend it.

Now that the Judging Committee is created we need to let its members work and organize themselves, but we as a Board will not get the result we expect if we don't enforce and support their responsibilities. I defend that the process must run firmly but slowly if we want good changes, and this moment is crucial for the development of a new reality and mentality in TICA.

Present situation is that the Judging Administrator works with some level of support, including a Guest Judge Committee, but she has full authority to decide on the acceptance of guest judges and on some advancements, besides she is the final responsible on making recommendations on the acceptance of candidates to the Judging Program, advancements and on the process of licensing/relicensing judges.

Some of the duties of the Judging Administrator may be easily delegated to the whole Committee and they would organize themselves to deal with them properly without our involvement. On this context, I would propose to the Board to recommend the Judging Administrator to start reviewing with the Judging Committee the process of testing, something that now is totally under her responsibility. This is the first proposal I will ask for the Board to vote in.

On the same direction, on the process of acceptance of guest judges we have already a case from the past Spring Meeting that we addressed to the Judging Committee for recommendation. I would propose to the Board to ask the Judging Committee to review the whole process, including the Licensed Guest Judges status, bringing us the solutions and proposals to change the correspondent rules. This is the second proposal I will ask for the Board to vote in.

My last proposal for the next Interim Meeting is a little more audacious. I would propose that from now we let the Judging Committee decide on acceptances of new candidates. Of course, some amendments would be necessary on the Judging Program rules, but I don't think that would be a real problem. Actually, the whole Judging Program needs to be updated not only to include the Judging Committee but as one of its priority goals. This Committee is formed by a team of ten experienced Allbreed judges who may decide better than anyone else if a candidate shall be approved or not. So that will be my third and last proposal for the Board to vote in on this meeting.

The next step will be to let to the Judging Committee the final decision on licensing and relicensing processes and also advancements.

When we reach the Judging Committee dealing with disciplinary actions the picture will be finished.

Attachment 3

Proposal for a Meeting of the Judging Committee — Anderson

Proposal:

We would like a face-to-face working meeting at the Annual. There are 4 members who will already be paid for. I am willing to put the budgeted \$2500 for JA towards paying for flights and 2 hotel nights for the remainder on the committee that could come. The Board voted to make this committee in spite of the majority of judges not being in favor of it and I would hope that the Board would support this to help get us started on the right foot and hopefully make it work.

It looks like the Annual rooms are pricey, about \$165/night (includes a very large Lodger's Tax). So we are talking about around \$2500 hotel cost, plus the travel costs which could be as high as \$7500 then less the \$2500 JA stipend I will assign toward the cost. But possibly use the Judge License fees as well towards the cost? Would you be willing to propose this to the Board? A lot depends on who is interested in coming as well.

Thank you for considering.

Marylou