The Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc.

2014 BREED COUNCIL POLL

DEVON REX

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Linda Peterson – Clifton, VA
Total Members: 23
Ballots Received: 11

1. The Sphynx Breed Council has a proposal to allow them to remove the start date of 3/1/2014 for registering kittens from Devon Rex outcrosses and provide registration guidance for coated Sphynx. Here is their proposal, followed by the question about whether to support the proposed changes.

Current:

Sphynx Allowable Outcross Breeds: American Shorthair, Devon Rex born March 1, 2014 or after, Domestic Shorthair/Domestic Sphynx Outcross. Sphynx born on or after December 31, 2018 may have only Sphynx parents.

Proposed:

Sphynx Allowable Outcross Breeds: American Shorthair, Devon Rex born March 1, 2014 or after, Domestic Shorthair/Domestic Sphynx Outcross. Sphynx born on or after December 31, 2018 may have only Sphynx parents. Coated Sphynx are registered for breeding only.

Additional Information:

Approval of this proposal will allow Sphynx that contain Devon Rex within the first 3 generations of their pedigree be allowed to be registered as Sphynx for breeding and exhibition. *Note we are still keeping the 2018 closing date for outcross at this time.

Sphynx Breed Council Rationale: The purpose of bringing in the Devon Rex as an outcross was to broaden the Sphynx gene pool, and improve stamina and health. Having added the Devon Rex as an allowable outcross for Sphynx last year continues to help with the diversity and bring them in line with other associations’ registration rules regarding this breed. By placing the “born after” date, the CFA Board effectively limited many cats that can be used for breeding and be active on the show bench. There are many Sphynx pedigrees with Devon
Rex within the first three generations that are allowed to be registered as Sphynx with other associations. Allowing these cats to be registered with CFA will make it easier for Central Office to register them and give breeders access to more diverse pedigrees for the gene pool, which is why we want to eliminate the “born after” date for this outcross at this time.

Devon Rex Breed Council Rationale: The Devon Rex Breed Council voted as a majority to allow the Sphynx to use the Devon Rex as an outcross. As a breed that utilizes outcrosses to maintain genetic diversity, I would suggest we support this current proposal.

Are you in favor of removing the start date for registering Sphynx resulting from Devon Rex outcrosses and the registration guidance for coated Sphynx as proposed by the Sphynx Breed Council?

YES: 11
NO: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)
Votes: 11
50% of Voting: 6