

**CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 3/4, 2009**

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**Secretary's Note:** The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Saturday, October 3, 2009, via teleconference. President **Pam DelaBar** called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. EDT with the following members present after a roll call:

**Ms. Pam DelaBar (President)**  
**Ms. Joan Miller (Vice-President)**  
**Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)**  
**Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**  
**Ms. Debbie Kusy (NAR Director)**  
**Ginger Meeker, Ph.D. (NWR Director)**  
**Miss Carissa Altschul (GSR Director)**  
**Mrs. Loretta Baugh (GLR Director)**  
**Mrs. Dee Dee Cantley (SWR Director)**  
**Ms. Nancy Petersen (MWR Director)**  
**Ms. Peg Johnson (SOR Director)**  
**Mrs. Yayoi Satoh (Japan Regional Director)**  
**Roger Brown, DVM (Director-at-Large)**  
**George J. Eigenhauser, Esq. (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mr. Richard Kallmeyer (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mr. David L. Mare (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mr. Darrell Newkirk (Director-at-Large)**  
**Mr. David White (Director-at-Large)**

Also present were Ms. Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director; Ms. Roeann Fulkerson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations; Fred Jacobberger, Esq., CFA Legal Counsel; and Shino Wiley, Japanese interpreter.

**Secretary's Note:** For the ease of the reader, some items were discussed at different times but were included with their particular agenda.

**(1) CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES.**

No corrections to the June 2009 minutes having been submitted, **Eigenhauser** moved to accept the minutes as published. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**RATIFICATION OF ON-LINE MOTIONS**

|           | <b>Moved by</b>               | <b>Motion</b>  | <b>Vote</b>            |
|-----------|-------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| <b>1.</b> | Executive Committee via Anger | <p>The Siamese Fanciers (Region 5) request permission to change their entry fees for their July 11, six ring/one day show. The flyer was already published.</p> <p>From: 1st - \$50; 2nd - \$50; 3rd+ - \$45</p> <p>To: 1st - \$50; 2nd - \$40; 3rd - \$30; 4th - \$20</p> | <b>Motion Carried.</b> |

|    | Moved by                                       | Motion   | Vote  |
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| 2. | Cantley  | Allow Houston Cat Club 1/9-10/2010 and San Diego Cat Fanciers 1/23-24-2010 each a two-day 10-ring show. Format to be: 6 AB rings and 4 SP Rings with no more than 5 rings of judging per day.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b> Miller, Eigenhauser and Cantley abstained. Kallmeyer voted no. |
| 3. | Executive Committee via Anger                  | Allow Tonks West to move their October 25, 2009 show from Victorville CA to Visalia CA.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |
| 4. | Baugh  | Any club desiring to hold a ten ring, two-day show during the current (2009-2010) show season be permitted to do so with the following restrictions: The format shall be 6 all breed rings and 4 specialty rings, with a maximum of five judgments per day and excludes using the format for a back-to-back. | <b>Motion Failed.</b> Meeker, Baugh, Kallmeyer, Johnson and Newkirk voting yes.       |
| 5. | Newkirk  | Ratify the President's appointment of John Hiemstra as the Clerking Program Chair, Debbie Kusy Liaison.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b> Satoh did not vote.  |
| 6. | Executive Committee via Anger                  | Allow an exception to Show Rule 28.21 to allow Garden State Cat Club to award top 15 Household Pets at their July 18/19, 2009 show if they receive 50 or more entries.   | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |
| 7. | Japan Region and Executive Committee via Anger | Grant an exception to Judging Program Rule, Section V., Paragraph A.3.d. to allow two shorthair trainees to train at the same show in Japan (one trainee each day, no cat to receive more than one additional handling).   | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |
| 8. | Central Office via Anger                       | Allow Metroplex and Wild Blue Yonder to use a combined catalog for their August 29/30, 2009 experimental format 6x6 show.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b> Miller and Satoh did not vote.                                 |

|            | <b>Moved by</b>                 | <b>Motion</b>  | <b>Vote</b>   |
|------------|---------------------------------|--|---|
| <b>9.</b>  | Executive Committee via Miller  | Allow Maine Street Cat Club to give top Maine Coon Breed awards 1-5, Kittens, Champions & Premiers and top Maine Coon Kitten, Champion and Premier at the Freestate Feline Fanciers partner show, September 26/27, 2009. | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |
| <b>10.</b> | Executive Committee via Anger   | Allow Hidden Peak Cat Club to give out top 15 for HHPs if they get an entry of 45+ HHPs for their show being held August 8/9, 2009 in Timonium MD.   | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |
| <b>11.</b> | Executive Committee via Anger   | Grant permission to Sarawak Cat Club and Borneo Cat Club to hold a 6 x 6 show in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on the weekend of November 8/9, 2009.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b> [subsequently withdrawn]                               |
| <b>12.</b> | Executive Committee via Anger   | If 45 or more HHPs are entered, grant permission to Freestate Feline Fanciers to give top 15 Household Pet ribbons in their 8 HHP rings at their September 26/27, 2009 show in Timonium MD.                              | <b>Motion Carried.</b> Miller and Calhoun did not vote.                       |
| <b>13.</b> | White                           | Allow the Havana Breed Club to represent the Havana Brown at their own expense at the 2009 Meet the Breeds event.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b> Cantley abstained. Calhoun and Kallmeyer did not vote. |
| <b>14.</b> | Executive Committee via Newkirk | Approve a 6x6 show format in the Asia area of the International Division on February 6/7, 2010. The sponsoring clubs are Hong Kong Cat Lovers Society and the Persian and Exotic Cat Club.                               | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |
| <b>15.</b> | Executive Committee via Anger   | If 45 or more HHPs are entered, grant permission to National Capital to give top 15 Household Pet ribbons in their 8 HHP rings at their September 12/13, 2009 show in Chantilly, Virginia.                               | <b>Motion Carried.</b>  |

|     | Moved by                        | Motion   | Vote  |
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| 16. | Executive Committee via Newkirk | Due to a judge cancellation, after all efforts were exhausted to locate a replacement CFA judge, allow the Chatte Noir club an exception to Show Rule 25.13 so that they may hire an additional guest judge for their October 17, 2009 show. | <b>Motion Carried.</b>                      |
| 17. | Executive Committee via Miller  | Approve CFA joining on the <u>Kaufman</u> case Animal Health Institute amicus brief as submitted by the CFA Legislative Committee.   | <b>Motion Carried.</b>                      |
| 18. | Executive Committee via Anger   | Grant the request of Cat Friends of Germany to change its format from 3 AB/3 SP to 4 AB/2 SP for their September 19/20, 2009 show in Ilsenburg, Germany.   | <b>Motion Carried.</b>                      |
| 19. | Executive Committee via Anger   | Grant Kino Kat Klub and Superstition Cat Fanciers' request to use one catalog to save on printing at their 6x6 show (already approved) September 5/6, 2009. The option just became available from their entry clerk.                         | <b>Motion Carried.</b>                      |
| 20. | Executive Committee via Anger   | Approve the request of Chatte Noir Cat Club to award top 10 Cornish Rex in championship in all four rings at their October 31, 2009 show.  | <b>Motion Carried.</b> Miller did not vote. |
| 21. | Executive Committee via Anger   | Allow the National Birman Fanciers permission to award top 5 Birman ribbons in each category (kittens, champions, premiers) in each judging ring at their upcoming show to be held in Lititz PA on October 10/11, 2009.                      | <b>Motion Carried.</b>                      |
| 22. | Executive Committee via Anger   | Grant permission to allow exhibitors to attend the Liberty Trail Cat Fanciers show in Philadelphia PA area (10/25/09) AND the Southern Dixie Cat Club show in Richmond VA (10/26/09).  | <b>Motion Failed.</b> Calhoun voting yes.   |

**Eigenhauser** moved to ratify the on-line motions. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

## (2) **TREASURER'S REPORT.**

**Treasurer Kathy Calhoun** gave the following report with a standing motion and the right to vote no:

*This report is based on financial reports for the period beginning May 1, 2009 through August 31, 2009*

### **Key Financial Indicators**

#### **Total Assets (primarily cash)**

*Key cash reserves are lower than a year ago.*

#### **Ordinary Income-Registrations and related services**

**Budget Comparison:** *Income from registration is slightly behind budget primarily driven by a \$4,000 shortfall in individual registration. Other categories that are unfavorable to budget include breed council dues (\$3,900) and certified pedigrees (\$3,500). Favorable categories include show license fees (\$2,700) and registration from pedigree (\$6,700). Overall ordinary income is \$6,500 unfavorable to budget.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *Income from registration is down \$15,900 when compared with last year. This represents a 9.8% reduction when compared with the same time period last year.*

**Comments:** *Overall, revenue from Ordinary Income was down \$18,300 for the first four months of the fiscal year compared to prior year. The greatest portion of the decline in revenue comes from registration.*

**Action Item:** *A committee be formed comprised of Budget Committee and Audit Committee members, to analyze data and present an action plan to the Board at the February meeting and that appropriate time be set aside on the agenda for discussion and gain Board alignment on next steps.*

**DelaBar:** I've got a CPA and a lawyer on the Audit Committee, and this would be perfect for them. I want our fee structure reviewed and solid recommendations to the board in February. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### **Yearbook Schedule**

**Budget Comparison:** *Revenue generated from advertising is \$6,000 lower than the budgeted amount. This is the largest contributor to this publication's revenue shortfall. Overall expenses are lower than budget but that is driven by the timing of production expenses for the current book.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *Due to a reduction in salaries, this publication expense schedule is \$6,000 lower than last year.*

**Comments:** *The Yearbook schedule is showing a profit at this point but the majority of production costs are captured in the back half of the year.*

### **Almanac Schedule**

**Budget Comparison:** *The Almanac is coming in very close to budget. The Almanac has no commercial ads which presents itself as an opportunity. Breeder ads are ahead of budget and on-line subscriptions are at budget. Expenses are at parity to budget.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *Due to a reduction in salaries this publication expense schedule is \$8000 lower than last year.*

**Comments:** *Almanac, at this point in the fiscal year is breakeven.*

**Action Item:** *Task the Publications committee to present an marketing strategy for the on-line Almanac focusing on opportunities to increase subscriptions and advertising to be presented at the February Board meeting.*

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### **Marketing Schedule**

*The marketing schedule has been revised to clearly reflect all incoming revenues in the income section, including DNA test revenue, branding revenue, sponsorship revenue for sponsored activities such as the Ambassadors program and sponsorship revenue CFA for club/show activities including Meet the Breeds and the International and all of the disbursements in the expense section.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *DNA Program revenue and marketing revenues have been realized earlier than last year.*

**Action Item:** *Present pricing strategy in February to be implemented in May 2010.*

**Calhoun:** The Board discussed this in June. I would like to see that we do something with that. If there is going to be a change, then implement it in May. **Brown:** We have been working on a new price structure, and some new tests are going to be added. We need several months to get those tests online before we can raise fees. We will be offering more for the money. **Calhoun:** What is our actual cost per test? Let's talk about an increase in terms of the margin. **Brown:** I agree that we should work on a financial structure. The chips used to run these tests are going up. Everything is static until we find out what the laboratory costs are going to be. **DelaBar:** We need to know this by February before we have our Budget Committee meeting. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### **Central Office**

**Budget Comparison:** *Central Office has a significant overspend in Travel/Board meeting expense. The annual budget for Central Office travel/board meetings is \$6000 of which \$5924 has been expensed.*

**Recommendation:** *Conference calls be used in lieu of travel where possible. Any incremental travel, this fiscal year, receive prior approval with the appropriate budget be identified to support expenses.*

*Professional fees are \$3,000 over budget due to incremental work authorized to facilitate transition, incremental work to correct accruals and redesign of specific schedules. It has become apparent that although past accountants worked diligently, they were not as effective as our current accountant because of a lack of knowledge of our business. Moving forward, incremental time in the office will be necessary to address issues regarding reporting and manage the regional treasury reports.*

### **Computer Expenses**

**Budget Comparison:** *Computer expenses are \$1,000 over budget.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *Equipment maintenance came in lower than last year offsetting an increase in software rental/support.*

### **CFA Programs**

**Budget Comparison:** ~~*The Judges Workshop came in 56% over budget.*~~ [Secretary's note: this was subsequently clarified and resolved offline, and no over-budget exists]

**Last Year Comparison:** *Annual meeting charges being expensed in this quarter is a significant driver in the \$46,000 unfavorability to last year.*

**Comment:** *The Awards Committee was incorrectly booked \$2,000 which should have been an expense attributed to the International committee. Committee chairs are encouraged to monitor their budgets keeping as overspends without prior approval will not be reimbursed.*

**Action Item:** *Committee chairs be provided a detailed report of the items charged to their budgets by Central Office. These reports should be emailed when there is an expense charged against the budget.*

**Calhoun:** It isn't fair to hold the committee chairs accountable if they are not getting the detail around what is hitting their committee. My recommendation is that the committee chair receive the ledger detail for their area of responsibility. We will be held accountable to a greater degree. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### **Corporate Expense**

**Budget Comparison:** *With 33% of the fiscal year expired, this category has only absorbed 25% of budget. This is driven by board meeting expenses coming in \$17,000 under budget. That being stated, it is important to note that the Board meeting budget is skewed to be heavy in the first half of the year due to the Annual Meeting.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *Board meeting expenses were \$2,300 more than a year ago.*

**Comment:** *Board meeting expenses may be problematic with increases in airfares and hotels. The Board is encouraged to book flights to Houston for the February meeting and Minneapolis for the June meeting at least 30 days in advance to obtain best price. Also, Sunday overnights should be avoided.*

**Action Item:** *To avoid Sunday overnight stays at the February board meeting, adjust the board meeting agenda to reflect an 8:00 a.m. start time and 4:00 p.m. conclusion, to help facilitate Sunday evening flight schedules.*

**Calhoun:** On travel, let's be proactive not reactive. **DelaBar:** Yes, but I do encourage board members to stay as late as possible on Sunday, because we are conducting the business of the organization and we usually go until 5:00 p.m. I would like as many board members there as possible. To help with that, we can start the Sunday meeting earlier. **Miller:** I don't see any problem getting out on Sunday after the annual meeting, just the February meeting. **Calhoun:** So moved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### **Legislative**

**Budget Comparison:** *Legislative consultant fees are on track with travel, running slightly unfavorable to budget.*

**Last Year Comparison:** *Consultant fees are the same as last year. There were conference-related charges which cause a \$1,700 variance from last year but as mentioned they are favorable to budget.*

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*Net income for the total period being reviewed is reported at \$40,975 compared to \$97,344.*

**Calhoun:** It's early in the year, so if we do the due diligence around the financials, if we keep the publications in line and break even, and if our Meet the Breeds and International shows are positive to their budgets, we will be in good shape.

### **Regional Alignment**

*As part of the audit performed for the year ending April 30, 2009, by Paduano, DiTommaso & Golda, LLC certified public accountants, CFA is provided with recommendations relative to internal controls and operating efficiencies. One of the recommendations was not to continue to allow use of the Federal Identification number assigned to CFA by the Regions. In addition, there was a recommendation that the Regions file for non-profit status as soon as possible. The Finance/Budget Committee launched a study which included recommendations submitted by past auditors, current tax assumptions, the CFA Constitution, operating parameters, integral parts assumptions and reasonable expectations of the Regions.*

*Beginning with the CFA Constitution: The CFA Constitution recognizes the Regions as geographical divisions of CFA. CFA controls the elections of Regional Directors and has the Directors as an integral part of the CFA Board. The Regions exist for the furtherance of the mission of the Cat Fanciers Association.*

*Past recommendations from certified public accountants engaged with CFA in an audit function were divided on the issue.*

*The integral parts test, which is a series of questions designed to establish accountability and control, was passed in that the Regional Directors control the regional activities to support two primary functions; those functions being, having a Regional Awards event annually and hosting*

*the CFA Annual in the seventh year. Most regional activities are designed to support those activities.*

*The operational complexities of having each region function independently are challenging in that each Region would have to apply for independent non-profit status, establish by-laws and engage a certified public accountant in an audit function. There are also implications that the appropriate compliance with tax laws, both submission and performance, may still be an implied responsibility of CFA.*

*The Finance/Budget Committee which includes a tax attorney and the CFA accountant, met with Laura DiTommaso on Wednesday, September 30, 2009 to discuss the reasons for their original recommendation. We learned that the firm had some incorrect assumptions around the independence of the regions and their functionality.*

*As a result, the recommendation of the Finance/Budget Committee is that the Regions continue to use the CFA Tax Identification number, that they do not file for independent non-profit status and that CFA and the Regions continue to operate as they do today with the additional recommendations:*

- The Regional Directors and Treasurers submit financial statements as previously directed. These statements are critical and must be submitted on a timely and complete basis. Any one region failing to submit financial statements puts the entire organization at risk in that complete tax returns cannot be filed for the whole. Central Office to publish a scorecard monthly.*
- The Regional Directors and Treasurers be responsible to submit bank statements monthly with the financial statements.*
- The Regional Directors and Treasurers disclose any other incorporations and tax identification numbers used.*
- The Regional Directors and Treasurers keep documentation of all transactions and produce those documents in an expedited manner in the event they are selected by the auditors. Paduano, DiTommaso & Golda, LLC will provide additional information regarding the type, threshold and duration of record keeping.*

**Eigenhauser:** The regions have no separate existence from CFA. We are one entity, but we keep revisiting this. I'm glad they have come to this conclusion. This should be a motion.

**Mare:** The regions are divisions of CFA. The board should make that determination, not take the recommendation from someone from the outside. **Calhoun:** Part of the functionality of the auditor is to take the current tax laws and operating processes, and to bring that information to CFA. What we do with it is our business, but we ask for those recommendations, because they have a broader eye than we do. We appreciate their recommendation but it is the business of this organization to make a decision on whether we accept those recommendations or not. **Calhoun** moved that the CFA board deem that the regions continue to use the CFA tax identification number, and they do not file for independent non-profit status. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Calhoun:** My second motion would be the four bullet points, as they are. **Kusy:** Who is the scorecard be published monthly to? **Calhoun:** To the board. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Budget Mid-Year Planning**

*The committee is planning a mid-year budget review in January after the results of Meet the Breeds and the International Show are available but before the February Board meeting. The committee will likely meet at a show location to minimize costs.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Calhoun  
CFA Treasurer*

**Anger** moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### (3) CLUB APPLICATIONS.

**Club Membership Liaison Carol Krzanowski** presented the following club applications for approval, reserving the right to vote no:

*Committee Chair: Liz Watson*  
*Board Liaison: Carol Krzanowski*

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#### Current Happenings of the Committee

*Region Five: Minority Report Cat Club – TABLED*

**Krzanowski:** Minority Report Cat Club from Region 5 has requested to table that application again until February 2010. I move that the Minority Report Cat Club, held over from June 2009 be held over again to February 2010. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*Only two clubs are up for consideration:*

*Region Five: Lucky Penny Cat Club*  
*Region Eight: Ever Green Cat Club*

**LUCKY PENNY CAT CLUB**  
**Region 5 (Southwest) – Dee Dee Cantley, Director**

#### Constitution and By-Laws meet CFA guidelines

- *Fifteen members*
- *Club officers have different addresses*
- *Eight members belong to different CFA clubs*
- *Two members are directors or officers of other CFA clubs*
- *One member is SWR Treasurer*

#### Have you incorporated or plan to incorporate?

- *Plan to incorporate*

#### Club Interest

- *Allbreed*

#### Club Activities

- *To become a show producing club within one year*
- *Meantime, plan to contribute to all regional activities and concentrate on fund raising*

#### Disbursement of funds in the event the club disbands

- *All funds and property will be donated to the SWR fund*

#### With respect to sponsoring CFA shows

- *Initial intent is to produce one show annually in Moreno Valley, CA area*
- *Will look at Nevada as a possible second show venue as there are currently no shows being produced there*
- *Plan to start with allbreed six ring, one day shows*

### Additional Information

- none

### From club constitution

- Objectives
  - To promote the health and welfare of all cats.
  - To promote responsible breeding of pedigreed cats to the standards as accepted by CFA
  - To sponsor cat shows and exhibits
  - To promote sportsmanship and friendship among cat fanciers

### Membership

- Persons interested in the objectives of the organization eligible for membership

**Cantley:** I support this club. The members have not been involved in clubs in the region and they want to put on a show on a vacant date. We have lost a couple of clubs in our region, so we would like to add one. **Miller:** Some of these people are members of the San Diego Cat Club. I don't understand why they need a separate club. I wonder if this is a group that can be sustained and why it is necessary to have a separate club in order to put on a show. **Cantley:** There are members that do not belong to any other clubs and are fairly diverse. **Newkirk:** Whenever we have a group of people that want to get together, there is going to be some overlapping membership. We have fewer and fewer clubs putting on shows, so if they want to get together and put on a show, they should be approved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

## **EVER GREEN CAT CLUB** **Region 8 (Japan) – Yayoi Satoh, Director**

### Constitution and By-Laws meet CFA guidelines

- Twenty members
- Secretary and Treasurer reside at the same address--\*\*this has been changed and change sent to Gwen Foster. Treasurer is now Izumi Shimomura. Katsuyuki Tamagawa is now a director.
- One member is a member of another CFA club
- No members are directors or officers of another CFA club

### Have you incorporated or plan to incorporate?

- No plans to incorporate

### Club Interest

- Allbreed

### Club Activities

- Produce a cat show
- Hold grooming and breed seminars

### Disbursement of funds in the event the club disbands

- In the event of dissolution, any property and assets shall be distributed to a non-profit organization consistent with the policy of the CFA. (from Ever Green Cat Club constitution) I contacted Shizuko-san for clarification and she stated that she would

*donate all funds and “for the red by the show or others just by myself”. I take this to mean that she is solely responsible for any debt due at the dissolution of the club.*

*With respect to sponsoring CFA shows*

- *Hold a show once a year in Chiba*
- *Would like to have a Junior Showmanship ring as there are few in Japan*

*Additional Information*

- *None*

*From club constitution*

- *Objectives*
  - *To promote the welfare of all cats*
  - *To promote the breeding of pedigreed cat to the standards as accepted by CFA*
  - *To sponsor cat shows and exhibits*
  - *To promote sportsmanship and friendship among cat fanciers*

*Membership*

- *Persons of good character interested in the object of this organization shall be eligible for membership.*

**Newkirk:** This group of people have supported CFA and the Japan clubs for many, many years. All of them except one person are new club members and don't belong to any clubs. I highly suggest that we support this club application. They want to hold a show in Chiba, which is the easternmost prefecture of Tokyo, which is a huge city. These are good people that I have known for a long time. They support all the Tokyo shows, so I suggest that we support this club.

**Satoh:** The person who is applying for this club was trying to pull out the application.

**Krzanowski:** All of the fees have been paid and we have no other information that they have any intention to pull the application.

**Newkirk:** These people were misled, and were told they had to pull their application. This kind of thing has got to stop over there.

**Eigenhauser:** I'm not getting a clear message from the Regional Director. I would be more comfortable if we table this until she can tell us what is really going on.

**DelaBar:** There is no documentation that this club wanted to withdraw.

**Newkirk:** The club should be voted on now. The Regional Director has had the paperwork and if she had an opinion about it, she should have voiced it and had a statement prepared to speak against the club.

We don't even know if she is for it or against it.

**Anger:** We had this same unfounded objection in June with a different club, which proved to be untrue. We should be voting today on what they have submitted.

**Krzanowski:** Not only was this report pre-noticed and the application sent to all the board members, but the club application was pre-noticed on the CFA website and there have been no negative letters received regarding this club.

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser abstained.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Liz Watson, Chair*

**(4) INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.**

**International Division Committee Chair Darrell Newkirk** gave the following report:

**Committee Chair:** *Darrell Newkirk*  
**Committee Members:** *Liz Watson – Europe Liaison; Robert Zenda – Asia/Latin America Liaison; Olivier Grin – Elected European Representative; Fund Manager Europe – Vacant; Fund Manager Asia/LA – Rarteo Lo; Wilson Ng – Elected Asia/LA Representative; Rob Loot - ID Clerking Liaison – Europe; Eric Wang – ID Clerking Liaison – Asia/LA; Alenka Unk - ID Legislative Liaison; Manfred Pszak - Europe show Scheduling; Vera Chan - Asia/LA Show Scheduling; Rob Loot/Henny Wintershoven - ID Website; George Cherrie - Sister Club Liaison; Dick Kallmeyer, Board-Appointed Member*

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***Recent Happenings in the International Division***

*At the June annual meeting I reported to the CFA Board the issue of Breeders in the U.S. taking money for deposits from breeding stock from our International Division breeders. This problem continues to be a problem and in fact seems to be on the increase. Over the last 6 weeks I have resolved one problem and avoided a protest between a breeder in Russia and the U.S. It was reported to me that one breeder has not made good to three breeders in Italy. This was too complicated for me to resolve, so I recommended that they file a formal protest. The issue with the Scottish Folds remains unresolved.*

*The new Spanish club is working hard to put on their first cat show, as is the club in Malta. I was informed that Malta is a rabies restricted country and therefore, I would like to ask the Board to add this club to the list of countries that require 4WRs to claim a champion/premier and 75/25 points to claim a Grand Champion/Grand Premier.*

*The European Divisional Awards Banquet and show was held in Helsinki, Finland. Other than a very hot show hall, the show and banquet were a great hit. The show was well attended and the banquet was the largest yet for a European Awards Banquet. This year Samuli Mollberg was the European Spotlight award winner. Congratulations to Samu! If you missed the show/banquet in 2009, you might want to make plans for 2010, as they has asked to host the show and banquet next year.*

**Europe Liaison Report:** *Liz Watson:*

**Europe Representative Report:** *Olivier Grin:*

**Asia/Latin America Liaison Report:** *Robert Zenda*

*Activity in the Asia/Latin American continues at a very fast pace. Since the CFA Annual Meeting 8 shows have been held (Formosa/Taiwan, Indonesia, Kuching/Sarawak, Malaysia-2, Singapore, Thailand & Hong Kong). In addition, 11 more shows have been scheduled between now and the end of December (Sao Paolo Brazil-4 rings, Selangor Malaysia-4 rings, Hong Kong-4 rings,*

*Formosa-2 rings, Shanghai China-6 rings, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia-4 rings, Bangkok Thailand-6 rings, Cheng Du China-4 rings, Beijing China-4 rings, Singapore-4 rings and Indonesia-2 rings).*

*Since annual meeting we have gained one Certified Clerk in Korea and we have a new Master Clerk in Hong Kong (Li Ling Chung aka “Chloe”). Several others are also within 1-2 more assists to become Master Clerks. We now have a total of 22 CFA licensed clerks in Asia.*

*Two new club applications have been submitted for consideration at the February Board Meeting (Siam Cat Fanciers Club – Bangkok, Thailand and China Southern Cat Club – Shenzhen, China). I am also aware that completion of an application for a new club in Malaysia has received government approval and is nearly ready for submission.*

*On July 23 I met once again with the Hong Kong AFCD and was introduced to the new Director, Mr. Grant Clarke. I was accompanied by Phebe and Rarteo and Mr Clarke’s staff presented a review of previous violations of the HK quarantine regulations. I presented them with a copy of the Traditional Chinese version of our CFA Show Rules and assured them that our clubs will continue their cooperative efforts to prevent future abuses and that CFA will consider appropriate disciplinary action if violations are brought to our attention through the CFA protest process. Another bright note on the subject of quarantine restrictions in Asia, the government of Singapore has reclassified the rabies classification status of several countries that will permit participation of cats from some Asian countries that were previously prohibited effective January 1, 2010. Further details and the complete listing of countries affected will be forthcoming soon.*

*The Asian/Latin America DW Award Banquet in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on July 19, 2009 was a rousing success. For the first time, every country except Formosa, Korea and South America was represented, and attendance was approximately 100 --, far exceeding previous events. One of the major factors contributing to the success of this event was approval of the CFA Board to increase the awards to top 25 Cats & Kittens and top 20 in Premiership. The banquet committee did a fabulous job, and highlights of this DW Banquet included presentation of a special original Ceramic Cat Plaque to the CFA Central Office staff (which I accepted on their behalf), and presentation of the Spotlight Award to Vera Chan (Hong Kong), one of the most successful CFA breeders in Asia, and who also serves as the Asia/Latin America show scheduler. It will be my pleasure to present the beautiful plaque to Allene for the CO Staff and photos of this event at the February Board meeting.*

*Bob Zenda  
CFA International Division Liaison for Asia/Latin America*

**Asia/Latin America Representative Report: Wilson Ng**

**Club applications:** *There are no club applications for review at this meeting.*

**Action Items:** *None*

*This report is respectfully submitted by,  
Darrell Newkirk, Chair  
CFA International Division Committee*

**Newkirk:** Both of our divisional award shows came off without a hitch this year. Vera Chan was our Spotlight winner in Asia, and Samuli Mollberg was the European Spotlight winner. One other thing is, we get no communication with the clubs in Korea. We used to get that information from Yaeko Takano. It might be a good idea to add her back on the committee as the liaison for Korea and to work with Bob Zenda under the Asia/Latin American division of the International Division.

**Altschul:** In future financial reports, can we see revenue in North America versus International? We keep hearing that all the growth is in the International Division. I want to see the data supporting those claims. We are making decisions based on that information. It is important to see it. **Calhoun:** I agree, we say this all the time, so we need to understand and be more transparent on it.

(5) **SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

**Chair Dr. Roger Brown** presented the following report:

*Committee Chair: Roger Brown, DVM*  
*Committee Members: Ginger Meeker, Gerri Miele*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate past Committee Activities:**

1. *Monitoring CFA's CatGenes Program.*
2. *Communication via phone and e-mail with CatGenes clients.*
3. *Co-ordination of website changes and instructions being added to CFA's CatGenes website.*
4. *Attended Tufts Genetic Conference.*
5. *Gave Cattery Management Seminar at the Norwegian Forest Cat Specialty show in Kansas City, MO.*

**Brown:** The CFA CatGenes project has been in effect for about 20 months and has processed between 6,500 and 7,000 feline samples. About 50% of the samples received by the lab come from outside the United States. Catteries are joining the program and they are testing all their animals. It's a tool that we all should consider using for our breeding programs, when we are selecting which cats we want to put together.

We are presently assessing the value of three new tests that were added to the array at no additional cost. We have worked very hard to cut down on the lag time and make this program as user friendly as possible. With the help of Karen Lawrence, website updating has been done, with a story board added that explains through pictures and verbal description how to collect samples. We are hoping very soon to modify the website so that clients can track their samples from the time of order until the finished report is ready.

There was a lot of excellent information at the Tufts genetic conference that I attended. 30 genetic feline diseases have been documented, yet there are 200 genetic diseases that we don't have markers for or we don't have a test for, so it's a wide open field. We hope that a number of new tests are going to become available some time in the near future. The Hills Company, through the Morris Foundation, donated \$1 million towards sequencing the feline genome, and the chip for the feline genome is going to be available some time the end of October. The new chip has a great deal of genetic data on it, and may allow scientists to detect and identify mutations in months instead of years. It will probably be one of the greatest things that has happened to feline medicine and genetic testing since the inception of DNA. Several presenters talked about Feline Infectious Peritonitis. They all agreed that (1) there is a genetic susceptibility, (2) that FIP is related to the corona virus that had gone through a mutation (cats that have FIP shed the mutated virus at very low levels and the chance of transmission from cat to cat is rare), and (3) they have to be subjected to stress.

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

1. *We are working on our website to streamline CatGenes' program.*
2. *Sample tracking through the CatGenes' website with the use of client's purchase reference number has been designed, and will be online soon.*
3. *Marketing the CatGenes program to other registries.*
4. *Co-ordination of program changes as new tests are being added to CatGenes.*
5. *Remodeling the price structure for array testing, and new tests being added as single tests.*
6. *Daily troubleshooting and answering CatGenes client questions on test results and sample status at the labs.*
7. *CatGenes is a project that has never been attempted by anyone in the cat fancy....there are no guidelines and it has to constantly evolve to meet the demands of a worldwide program. New science... and a groundbreaking program equals many changes as the project matures.*

### **CatGenes**

*CFA's CatGenes project is about 20 months old. During this period we have processed more than 7000 samples from cats. Almost half of the samples come from owners outside the United States making this a unique project with worldwide participation.*

*We are constantly striving to streamline the program and reduce time delays. Array testing for multiple mutations on one sample in one test will result in 1 to 5% of the samples having an inconclusive result at one of the 60 + markers. This requires a retest resulting in a time delay. In the past, retests were being run by a second laboratory. This resulted in an ever longer time delay. Retests are now being run by the same lab that performed the original array test. Time lag should be reduced as the result of this change.*

*Many changes have been put into place as we continue to re-shape the CatGenes program. This will be an ongoing process as the need dictates.*

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

1. *Search for new DNA tests to add to our present array.*
2. *Investigate new tests that can be added as a single test option*
3. *Periodic updating of CatGenes website*
4. *Train someone to act as a back-up program watchdog should the need arise.*

### **Action Items:**

*None*

**What will be presented at the Next Meeting?**

1. *Update on the CatGenes project*
2. *Update on a multi-tiered program to market CFA's services through CatGenes, Pet Health Insurance, microchipping, and certified pedigrees.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Roger Brown, DVM*

(6) **CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.**

**CFA Acting Executive Director Allene Tartaglia** gave the following report:

1. **Club Name Change**

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|----|-----------------------|---|
| a) | <i>Current Name:</i>  | <i>Little Egypt Cat Fanciers</i>  |
|    | <i>Proposed Name:</i> | <i>New Horizons British Shorthair Breed Club</i>  |
|    | <i>Region:</i>        | <i>Midwest (Region 6)</i>   |
|    | <i>Reason:</i>        | <i>To fill the need for a breed club to promote the interest in and knowledge of the British Shorthair breed in the cat fancy and to the general public, to promote enthusiasm and participation among British Shorthair breeders and owners, and to promote CFA and the welfare of all cats.</i> |

**Petersen:** All of the primary British Shorthair breeders within Region 6 are members of this and they are gaining membership in other parts of the country from British Shorthair breeders. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

To allow discussion to continue on item #1, **Kusy** moved to reconsider. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Meeker:** If this is a British Shorthair breed club, it should be open enrollment to all British Shorthair breeders, and that's not happening. **Kusy:** Did you contact them and ask if they would accept your application? **Meeker:** Yes, but those invitations have not been forthcoming. If you're starting a club and representing yourself as a breed club, the folks in your breed council should know what's going on. I support the need for a British Shorthair breed club, but I don't want another venue for acrimony and divisiveness. I'm concerned about my breed and I don't want to see that happen. **DelaBar:** This is already a club. **Meeker:** It is changing its function. **Altschul:** Do we have any history of mandating the membership of a breed club? I don't see the CFA board having that authority. If a club wishes to limit membership, that's their business. **Mare:** This is only a name change. **Eigenhauser:** We are not voting on whether this should be a breed club. We have no authority over that. They are going to become a breed club whether we say yes or we say no. All we're voting on is whether we allow them to change their name. That is the only thing we have control over, that is the only thing we are voting on today. The question is, should we allow them to change their name? If we were to pick up the issue of whether they should become a breed club, my view is, they should. It gives them a voice and a home in CFA. Every point of view should have a voice. **Krzanowski:** CFA has never become involved in directing clubs as to who they have to invite. There is nothing in our constitution that limits the number of breed clubs per breed. It's strictly a name change at this point. **Miller:** Each breed club can have a different function. **Kusy** moved to accept this name change. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

2. **Club Resignation/Retirement**

Milwaukee Cat Club (Region 6)

**Tartaglia:** The Milwaukee Cat Club has been around since 1941. They are donating their treasury to the Breed Rescue/Breeder Assistance Program. [Secretary's Note: No board action is required; the club resignation was accepted, with regret.]

### 3. Unpaid Late Fee

**Tartaglia:** A club in the International Division sent in the show license less than 30 days prior to the show date, triggering a \$500 late fee. The club maintains they were not aware they had to pay late fees (which is incorrect). The show was held in July and the late fee is still unpaid. Typically, we apply any new fees that come in towards outstanding balances, which is what I would like to do in this situation. **Eigenhauser:** In the future, we should be looking at a policy where we hold the license until they pay the late fee, and then we don't get into this situation at all. **Tartaglia:** I agree; however, given the timing, it's very possible judges already have their plane fares, exhibitors have entered, so when we say we're not going to license that show, not only is it penalizing the club, it's really penalizing everyone involved with that show.

[Secretary's Note: After an executive session discussion and sealed vote, the club in question was suspended until the fee is paid.]

### 4. 6x6 Show Catalogs

**Action Item:** Allow any club producing a 6x6 show to use a combined exhibitor catalog. The master clerk catalog will still be separate.

**Tartaglia:** Not all shows want to do this, but if they do, I didn't see a reason for them to have to ask special permission. We should allow them to do it if they so choose. **Newkirk:** So moved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

### 5. Regional Assignment for Straddle (split season) Kittens

*Attached is a letter from Laurie Holmes and Amy Diem regarding the regional assignment for their kitten. At the February board meeting, the board endorsed a policy (at my request) that the regional assignment for a straddle kitten be determined by the first show in which the kitten is shown. Although there was certainly merit in allowing the regional assignment be determined by the last show for a kitten, we felt it was best to have the "first show" rule applied to any cat or kitten being shown after the deadline weekend in January regardless of whether it was a straddle kitten or not.*

*In this particular instance, the kitten was first shown on 2/28/09 as a region 7 cat and continued as a region 7 cat for the next four shows through a show on 5/2/09. The region changed to region 2 with a 5/9/09 show and the kitten continued being shown as region 2 through its last show on 6/20/09. We assigned the kitten to region 7 based on the first show in which the kitten was shown and earned points which was 2/28/09.*

*There are two show rule resolutions being proposed during the show rules section of the meeting which would change the determination of the regional assignment for a straddle kitten to either the last show in which the kitten is shown and earns points or the first show in the new season in which the kitten is shown and earns points. However, these are not effective immediately and would take effect in the new show season starting May 1, 2010. There is certainly logic for either of these and I have no issue with them although my preference would be for the "last show in which the kitten earns points" option. Regardless, we need to consider Laurie and Amy's request. As best we can tell, there are no other straddle kittens whose region would change if we apply the rule to the last show instead of the first show.*

**Action Item:** Determine method of regional assignment for season end 4/2010 straddle kittens.

[Secretary's Note: this issue was addressed in Section 10, Show Rules.]

***The following items are informational.  
No specific action is being requested.***

6. **On Line Registrations**

CFA began registering litters online in November 2006. Since that time, approximately 15,650 litters have been registered online out of a total of 60,000 litters, which equates to 26% of total litters since November 2006 being registered online. More importantly, the percentage of online litters has increased steadily with 16% of litters being registered online in 2007, 28% registered online in 2008, and 38% percent registered so far in 2009. More than 1/3 of litters being registered are now being done online! Sadly, the total number of litters being registered, regardless of method, has not increased. Instead we are seeing a move from manual/paper applications to online.

Cat fanciers like using the online services and this is supported by the statistics mentioned in the previous paragraph. Unfortunately, we have been unable to move ahead with online individual cat registrations due to budget constraints. Over the past few years, Connie Sellitto (our in house IT person/programmer) and I have discussed a variety of methods to incorporate online cat registrations at a reduced cost. As with many things, this was pushed to the back burner as other projects/updates took priority. Carissa Altschul, as the newly appointed chair to the IT committee, proposed a method of doing online cat registrations which, although not interactive like litter registrations, still gives some semblance of registering cats online. Ironically, the method she proposed (an online "blue slip" of sorts) is one Connie and I had discussed previously. Since then, we've discussed a number of scenarios with Carissa, and Connie researched available software options. Carissa will cover the details in her IT report.

5. **Special Regional Rules**

All regions, with the exception of region 8, have reported they have no special rules applicable to their region other than those relating to show scheduling. The special rules for region 8 are included as an attachment to the region 8 report.

**Calhoun:** If we need to have guidelines, I recommend that they be the same in all regions. **Eigenhauser:** Regions have earmarked funds. Maybe there should be rules as to how they are handled. There ought to be some consistency within the region, but not necessarily between regions. Every region has different circumstances. **Johnson:** We have guidelines for the duties of regional directors that outline what a region does. We don't need to build special rules.

8. **Exotic Longhair Registrations**

To date, we have rejected the registration of 35 litters (containing 112 kittens) due to the restriction that any Exotic LH with a birthdate of 4/15/09 or later must have at least one Exotic SH parent.

## 7. Cattery names

*I review the cattery names registered on a weekly basis. I started doing this to catch any inappropriate names that might have slipped through such as the cattery names registered some time ago that started with the initials NW. The initials were used to denote “Northwest” but were interpreted by some to mean “National Winner.” Regardless, the city, state and country are included in the listing and I started noticing a while back there are a good number of catteries being registered in the International Division. In fact, often at least 50% or more of the catteries are outside the U.S.*

## 8. Yearbook

*Publications committee members: Ande DeGeer, Art Graafmans, Mary Kolencik, Nancy Petersen, Alene Shafnisky, David White and myself. Our first conference call was held on August 1 and the main focus of the call was to determine the viability of the CFA Yearbook and to seek methods to insure it is not a financial loss.*

*The number of Yearbooks peaked in 1992 with approximately 6,000 Yearbooks printed and sold. We ordered 700 Yearbooks for 2009 and have 284 in inventory. Hopefully, we will sell the balance before the release of the 2010 Yearbook since sales slow down considerably for prior edition Yearbooks once the new book is released. Interestingly, the number of Yearbooks sold has been on the same path of decline as registrations. However, this is not a coincidence. With fewer breeders and exhibitors, there are fewer advertisers and purchasers of the Yearbook.*

*There are other challenges the Yearbook faces but we believe the biggest challenge is the internet. Breeders can create their own website for less cost than an ad in the Yearbook, update it on a daily basis and potentially reach hundreds of people a day. The Yearbook requires high-resolution photos, a website does not. People like having a hard copy book, yet the cost to print and ship continues to increase.*

*We can’t compete with the ease and flexibility of the internet but we do offer stability and a permanent record of CFA business, CFA breeders and CFA cats. We are obtaining bids from various vendors for printing the Yearbook in hopes of finding a more cost effective option than we currently have, Jostens. We are working to beef up the content for future Yearbooks. Yet, the obstacle of finding good, volunteer writers who will meet deadlines is always present.*

*We received 129 ads this year vs 164 for the 2009 Yearbook – disappointing but not surprising. The ad deadline was strictly enforced this year and I believe this caught some people off guard. The 2010 Yearbook is scheduled for release in January, and hopefully, the timeliness of publication will entice more breeders to participate in the 2011 Yearbook. This year is the first time we will be sending a PDF of each ad to the advertiser for final review and approval.*

*As mentioned in a previous report to the board, we no longer are censoring claims made in paid Yearbook ads such as “highest scoring smoke Egyptian Mau of all time.” We have no method to easily verify this information and it would require considerable staff time to do the research. People can make a claim such as this on their website so we felt it should be permitted in the Yearbook as well. We no longer insist the breeders and/or owners listed in an ad be complete. Sometimes a co-owner or co-breeder name is purposely not included for any number of reasons unbeknownst to us. A disclaimer is printed in the front of the Yearbook stating, “The editor and CFA cannot accept responsibility for the accuracy of the authors’ statements.” We will expand*

*this to include the word “advertiser.” The official listings of awards winners, grands and DMs will continue to contain complete breeder and owner information.*

*We should have a better handle on the financial situation of the Yearbook by the February 2010 board meeting, with the reduction in salary earlier this year having the most significant impact.*

(7) **JUDGING PROGRAM.**

**Judging Program Chair Rachel Anger** presented the following report and made all standing motions with the right to vote no:

**Committee Chair:** **Rachel Anger** – Letters of Complaint; Board of Directors Meeting Reports; General Communication and Oversight

**List of Committee Members:** **Norman Auspitz** – Representative on the CFA Protest Committee; Judging Program Rules and Updates; Mentor Program Administrator; File Administrator  
**Carla Bizzell** – Domestic File Administrator  
**Kathy Black** – Domestic Trainee/File Administrator  
**Pat Jacobberger** – Judges' Education (Breed Awareness and Orientation School)  
**Becky Orlando** – Japan and International Division Trainee and File Administrator; guest judges (CFA judges in approved foreign associations, licensed judges from approved foreign associations in CFA)  
**Neil Quigley** – New Applicants (inquiries, queries, follow ups, counseling); Teach Judging Application Process at Breed Awareness & Orientation School  
**Annette Wilson** – Domestic File and Trainee Administrator  
**Bob Zenda** – Judges' Education (Workshops, Judges' Test)

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

Thank You Messages: The Judging Program Committee has received notes of appreciation from Doreann Nasin, Kathy Calhoun, Iris Tanner, Hope Gonano, Dennis Ganoë, Russell Webb, Sharon Powell and Gary Powell for their recent advancements.

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

Donna Jean Thompson. The Judging Program wishes a fond farewell to Donna Jean Thompson, who has been an key component to the success of the Committee. When the JPC was restructured back to its original committee format, Donna Jean agreed to join the Committee “just for a year”. Instead, she served for three years until June 2009, when she was called upon to play an instrumental part in the 2011 Southern Region Annual. Always wanting to do the best job possible in anything she undertakes, we are sure that her participation in the 2011 Annual will ensure a memorable event. Donna Jean wishes one and all “continued success, as well as the Trainees I have been honored to guide.” We will miss her advice, rapport and expert guidance of our Trainees, and especially her ever-sunny disposition.

Kathy Black. Coming on the Committee is Kathy Black, who is trying out the role of Trainee Administrator. Kathy came right up to speed and somehow learned the ropes in a very short time frame. She has everything under control and has quickly become a reliable part of the Committee. We are delighted to have Kathy and her expertise!

**Leave of Absence Termination Request:** The Judging Program has received a request from Allbreed judge Lorna Malinen to return early from her six-month leave of absence, commencing June, 2009.

**Action Item:** Grant the request for early termination of leave of absence. **Motion Carried.**

**International/Guest Judging Assignments:** Permission has been granted for the following:

**CFA Judges to Judge International Assignments:**

| <u>Name</u>         | <u>Affiliation</u> | <u>Sponsor</u>   | <u>City/Country</u>  | <u>Date</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Pam DelaBar         | FIFe               | Cool Cats        | Lulea, Sweden        | 8/29/09     |
| Nancy Dodds         | WCA                | Nika Feline      | Moscow, Russia       | 10/3/09     |
| Michael Schleissner | IND                | Neocat           | Nijmegen Netherlands | 9/27/09     |
| Liz Watson          | WCA                | Nika Feline      | Moscow, Russia       | 10/3/09     |
| Bob Zenda           | WCF                | Chatte Noir Club | Moscow, Russia       | 12/5/09     |

**Non-CFA Judges requesting permission to guest judge CFA shows:**

| <u>Judge</u>       | <u>ASSN</u> | <u>CFA Show</u>        | <u>Location</u>      | <u>Date</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Olga Abramova      | RUI         | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 10/17/09    |
| Svetlana Brodskaya | RUI         | Rolandus CC            | Kiev, Ukraine        | 11/14/09    |
| Sylvia Comte       | LOOF        | Jardin des Korats      | Grande Motte, France | 7/4/09      |
| Galina Dubrovskaya | RUI         | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 12/5/09     |
| Loredana Fanelli   | FIFe        | Malta Cat Fanciers     | Malta                | 11/29/09    |
| Elena Gnatkevich   | RUI         | Rolandus CC            | Kiev, Ukraine        | 11/14/09    |
| Olga Grebneva      | RUI         | Cat Friends of Finland | Helsinki, Finland    | 10/17/09    |
| Satu Himalainen    | FIFe        | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 10/17/09    |
| Irina Kharchenko   | RUI         | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 12/5/09     |
| Brenda Neukircher  | SACC        | Southern Dixie         | Richmond, VA         | 10/25/09    |
| Victoria Pohvaline | RUI         | Nika Feline Center     | Moscow, Russia       | 10/3/09     |
| Victoria Pohvalina | RUI         | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 12/5/09     |
| Cheryl Pollock     | FCCV        | Phillipine Cat Lovers  | Manila, Philippines  | 10/3/09     |
| Olga Rakitnyh      | RUI         | Rolandus CC            | Kiev, Ukraine        | 11/14/09    |
| Allan Raymond      | FCCV        | Sarawak CC             | Bangkok, Thailand    | 11/15/09    |
| Allan Raymond      | FCCV        | Philippine Cat Lovers  | Manila, Philippines  | 10/3/09     |
| Irina Tokmakova    | RUI         | Nika Feline Center     | Moscow, Russia       | 10/3/09     |
| Irina Tokmakova    | RUI         | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 10/17/09    |
| Irina Tokmakova    | RUI         | Chatte Noir            | Moscow, Russia       | 12/5/09     |
| Cheryle U'Ren      | CCCA        | FF of Singapore        | Singapore            | 12/5/09     |
| Cheryle U'Ren      | CCCA        | CF of Indonesia        | Indonesia            | 12/13/09    |
| Cheryle U'Ren      | CCCA        | Formosa Top Show CC    | Tainan, Taiwan       | 3/14/10     |

### **Judge Emeritus Guidelines.**

**Committee Chair:** Tracy Petty  
**Committee Members:** Donna Jean Thompson, Ellyn Honey, David Mare, Willa Hawke

*During the June 2009 Judges' Association Meeting, Pam DelaBar requested that the JA develop guidelines for the CFA Board to use in determining future Judge Emeritus candidates. In accordance with that request, and for the record, the above committee of five JA Member Judges was appointed to accomplish the task.*

*Tracy Petty did an outstanding job chairing the committee and the members worked very well together, finding consensus and accomplishing the task. It can be said that we were all quite pleased with the finished product and I hope the board will feel the same. Attached please find our completed recommendations and guidelines.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Willa K. Hawke, President  
CFA Judges Association*

## **Guidelines for Awarding the Title of Judge Emeritus**

*Submitted by the CFA Judges' Association*

### **Eligibility:**

*General: Nominee should have exhibited high moral and ethical standards throughout their judging career. Nominee should be highly regarded by peers and the fancy in general as having promoted CFA and the interests of cats, and never having been placed under suspension by the CFA Board.*

*Length of service: Minimum 25 years of judging experience preferred, but a judge with at least 20 years of judging experience may be considered if achievements or contributions are significant. Achievements and contributions to the fancy while in the judging program should carry greater weight than just length of service in the judging program.*

*Status: Allbreed status is strongly recommended. Single specialty judges may be considered if achievements and contributions included or benefited all breeds, or all felines in general.*

*Activity: Taking into consideration that a judge may have had periods of increased or decreased activity, the nominee should have been actively judging shows during the majority of his/her judging career, as opposed to simply keeping his/her license active.*

### **Achievements and contributions:**

*The nominee should have had achievements or made contributions in several areas, with significant contributions in at least one category, while actively judging. The following examples are suggestions of the type of service and contributions that may be considered, but it would be impossible to anticipate every type of beneficial contribution a judge may*

make to the cat fancy. The body reviewing the nomination should evaluate each applicant's contributions on the individual merits of the activity and decide what weight should be assigned to each activity.

**Publications:** Published articles, papers, books, or research relating to feline issues, or general animal issues which may also apply to cats such as animal husbandry, pedigreed pet advocacy, animal-related legislation, etc.

**Training:** Mentoring new judges, accepting trainee judges at shows, serving on past judge training programs or committees, presenting at breed awareness workshops or judges workshops, development of training materials for judges, participation in clerking or newbie exhibitor programs.

**Leadership:** Service on CFA committees or board of directors, holding an office in the Judges Association, holding a CFA office or committee chairmanship, organizing or participating in local "grass-roots" animal welfare efforts in the community, service to local agencies or governments for the benefit of cats or domestic animals in general.

**Action Item:** Adopt the Guidelines for Awarding the Title of Judge Emeritus submitted by the CFA Judges' Association.

**Anger:** The Judges' Association did a very nice job coming up with these guidelines. As with any guidelines, they are not set in stone, so we could certainly entertain worthy candidates outside of the guidelines, as well. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Pre-Notice of Application:** The following individual is scheduled to be presented to the Board in February 2010 for acceptance:

Jacqui Bennett (Shorthair – 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty)  
Buford, Georgia

**Acceptance/Advancements:** The following individuals are presented to the Board for acceptance/advancement:

**Accept as Trainee:**

Lorraine Rivard (LH – 2<sup>nd</sup> Specialty) 19 Yes

**Advance to Approval Pending Specialty:**

Jim Dinesen (LH – 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty) 19 Yes

Cathy Dinesen (SH – 1<sup>st</sup> Specialty) 19 Yes

**Action Item:** Adopt the following proposed Judging Program Rule changes:

| Rule #            | Current Wording   | Proposed Wording  | Rationale  |
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| Section V.A.10.a. | a) When the trainee has judged satisfactorily a sufficient number of color classes to be deemed by the Judging Program Trainee Administrator ready for more advanced work, he/she will be assigned to judge color classes alone | a) When the trainee has judged satisfactorily a sufficient number of color classes to be deemed by the Judging Program Trainee Administrator ready for more advanced work, he/she will be assigned to judge color classes alone | With the popularity of one-day shows, this may be an opportunity where working with more than one judge (especially for solo |

| Rule # | Current Wording  | Proposed Wording  | Rationale                     |
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|        | with the instructing judge under whose tutelage he/she is working, observing his/her work from a point outside the ring. Solo classes may take place over a two-day period; however, the trainee may work with only one instructing judge. | with the instructing judge under whose tutelage he/she is working, observing his/her work from a point outside the ring. Solo classes may take place over a two-day period; <del>however, the trainee may work with only one instructing judge.</del> | sessions) might be a benefit. |

**Anger:** We don't see the benefit of limiting our trainees to one training judge, should the opportunity arise. I make a standing motion, reserving the right to vote no. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

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| Section VII.A.1.a. | A minimum of two shows must be judged outside the judge's region of residence or not less than 500 miles from their place of residence for each advancement consideration, with the exception of those judges residing in the International Division or Japan. International Division shows judged by domestic approval pending Allbreed judges will count as an out-of-region assignment. | <u>With the exception of single specialty judges,</u> a minimum of two shows must be judged outside the judge's region of residence or not less than 500 miles from their place of residence for each advancement consideration, with the exception of those judges residing in the International Division or Japan. International Division shows judged by domestic approval pending Allbreed judges will count as an out-of-region assignment. | Economic conditions are making it impossible for clubs to afford to hire single specialty out-of-region judges. Removing this clause for single specialty judges only will help them meet the 48-month time requirement for advancement. |
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**Anger:** I'm going to make a blanket statement about several proposed rule changes that are coming up. We have a unique situation, but with the economy not a surprising situation. We have advancing judges that are having two major challenges – club membership and out-of-region assignments. It appears to be an economy-driven situation affecting advancing judges across the panel, as opposed to one judge simply not getting out-of-region or non-club member assignments. Out-of-region can be the luck of the draw. Some of our advancing judges live within 50 miles of a regional border, while other judges are entrenched deep in their region, sometimes judging shows 450 miles away that do not meet the 500 mile minimum threshold. Regarding the club membership requirement, we rely heavily on what the clubs have to say when we look at a judge coming into the Program, but suddenly after they are accepted, we are only going to take two of their evaluations. We have had judges in the past who simply resigned from every club they belong to, so they could count all those shows. It is the member clubs that make up CFA, and they need the people that work for them to survive, yet advancing judges are penalized for the work they do for our member clubs. These proposals will address these issues. We tried to work them in, in the least invasive manner possible, rather than just open it up to no restrictions at all.

**Anger:** The first proposal addresses the out-of-region requirement. We are asking only for the single specialty judges to be exempt from the out-of-region requirement minimum. **Kusy:** I understand that the economy is a problem and I really sympathize with these people, but it is important for them to get around the country and to see cats outside of their own area. That was why we originally put this rule in. It's part of their education and it's nice to know that they can

get out of their area and not see cats they are familiar with, not see people they are familiar with, and still find a good cat. I think we need to keep this in. **Anger** provided statistical information on the status of the current single specialty judges, which substantiated the claims made in the blanket statement above. **DelaBar**: We are going to lose single specialty judges if they can't get advanced. **Anger**: While I agree completely that single specialty judges should get out of region, they are going to find themselves in a situation where their time limit expires. As the economy improve and these statistical numbers improve, we can always change this rule back. **White**: It doesn't seem like any of them are having problems getting at least one show out of region. Reducing it by one might help. **Anger**: I will move for the rules as they stand now, to see how the board feels. **Newkirk**: We should eliminate the requirement on the first specialty. While Debbie's point has some merit, we have to look at the times, and the times aren't good. It's very hard for clubs to invite a single specialty judge. I'm really proud of the clubs that are willing to give these judges an out-of-region assignment, but we can't rely on the clubs to do that because they're hurting. **Johnson**: The shorthair specialty judges are having an especially hard time now, because there are more of them. **Anger**: So moved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried**. Kusy and Altschul voting no.

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| Section VII.A.1.c. | Two shows at least 240 kilometers away from the judge's residence in Japan will be required for all judges in the apprentice and approval pending categories before being eligible for advancement consideration by the Executive Board. The judge must not be a current member of the two clubs sponsoring these shows. | <u>With the exception of single specialty judges,</u> <del>Two shows at least 240 kilometers away from the judge's residence in Japan will be required for all judges in the apprentice and approval pending categories before being eligible for advancement consideration by the Executive Board. The judge must not be a current member of the two clubs sponsoring these shows.</del> | Same rationale as above.<br><br>Same rationale as below. |
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**Anger**: Currently, if a judge judges more than two shows of which they are a member, those shows no longer count, so they are being penalized for the work that they are doing for their clubs, whereas they could simply resign as a club member and those shows would count. We want to keep them in their clubs working, and that's a bona fide assignment we would like to count. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried**. Kusy voting no.

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| Section VII.B. | Apprentice specialty judges must satisfactorily judge a minimum of eight (8) complete championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. Judges in the International Division must have bred a sixth (6 <sup>th</sup> ) CFA Grand Champion/Grand Premier. To satisfy the eight (8) required evaluations, the judge may officiate at shows for clubs in which they maintain membership; however, no more than two evaluations from such clubs will be used to fulfill this requirement. | Apprentice specialty judges must satisfactorily judge a minimum of eight (8) complete championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. Judges in the International Division must have bred a sixth (6 <sup>th</sup> ) CFA Grand Champion/Grand Premier. To satisfy the eight (8) required evaluations, <del>the judges may officiate at shows for clubs in which they maintain membership; however, no more than two evaluations from such clubs will be used to fulfill this requirement.</del> | Advancing judges are being penalized for their service to our member clubs, when they could instead resign and have the show count. Club membership is an important element to the application process and those same clubs upon whom we rely for recommendations can evaluate |
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**Anger:** The rule appears in more than one place. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy voting no.

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| Section VII.C. | Approval pending single specialty judges must satisfactorily judge a minimum of eight (8) complete championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. Judges in the International Division must have bred a seventh (7 <sup>th</sup> ) CFA Grand Champion/Grand Premier. To satisfy the eight (8) required evaluations, the judge may officiate at shows for clubs in which they maintain membership [sic]; however, no more than two evaluations from such clubs will be used to fulfill this requirement. | Approval pending single specialty judges must satisfactorily judge a minimum of eight (8) complete championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. Judges in the International Division must have bred a seventh (7 <sup>th</sup> ) CFA Grand Champion/Grand Premier. To satisfy the eight (8) required evaluations, <del>the judges may officiate at shows for clubs in which they maintain membership; however, no more than two evaluations from such clubs will be used to fulfill this requirement.</del> | Same rationale as above.<br><br>Correct syntax<br><br>Correct typographical error. |
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**Anger:** This is the membership clause again that we are requesting be removed, as well as correcting a type-o. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy voting no.

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| Section VII.D. | Any judge who is approved in one specialty and approval pending in the second specialty must satisfactorily judge a minimum of twelve (12) championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. To satisfy the twelve (12) required evaluations, the judge may officiate at shows for clubs in which they maintain membership [sic]; however, no more than two evaluations from such clubs will be used to fulfill this requirement. | Any judge who is approved in one specialty and approval pending in the second specialty must satisfactorily judge a minimum of twelve (12) championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. To satisfy the twelve (12) required evaluations, <del>the judges may officiate at shows for clubs in which they maintain membership; however, no more than two evaluations from such clubs will be used to fulfill this requirement.</del> | Same rationale as above.<br><br>Correct syntax<br><br>Correct typographical error |
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**Anger:** On the same basis as above, so moved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy voting no.

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| Section VII.E. | Approval pending allbreed judges must satisfactorily judge a minimum of twelve (12) complete championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. Approval pending allbreed judges not advanced to approved status after three considerations shall be removed from the approval pending allbreed status and | Approval pending allbreed judges must satisfactorily judge a minimum of twelve (12) complete championship shows in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph A.1. <del>Approval pending allbreed judges not advanced to approved status after three considerations shall be removed from the approval pending allbreed status and</del> | This obscure provision can be implemented on a case-by-case basis, if necessary. |
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|  | designated approved any specialty judge. The judge may be a current member of only two clubs sponsoring the shows. (All judges currently in the Judging Program before October 5, 1996 are grandfathered under the October 1994 rules, but only if reports are favorable.) | <del>designated approved any specialty judge. The judge may be a current member of only two clubs sponsoring the shows. (All judges currently in the Judging Program before October 5, 1996 are grandfathered under the October 1994 rules, but only if reports are favorable.)</del> | Same rationale as above.<br><br>Date is obsolete. |
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**Anger:** One can only wonder why this was put in the rules. Apparently, it was a specific situation buried somewhere in the sands of time. There's also a provision in here that we're deleting about the two-club prohibition, and third, there's an obsolete date of October of 1996. So moved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

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| Section VIII.H. | Attendance at a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every seven years (commencing 2002) is a requirement for relicensing. | <u>For Approved Allbreed or Specialty judges, attendance at a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every seven years (commencing 2002) is a requirement for relicensing. For trainees, apprentice and approval pending judges, attendance at a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every two years is a requirement for relicensing.</u> | Date is obsolete.<br><br>Workshops are a critical learning tool, particularly in the development of advancing judges as an investment in their craft. |
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**Anger:** The next two proposals address workshop attendance. There has been some discussion about increasing the frequency of attendance. In other associations, attendance is far more frequent, mostly once every year. Some associations require attendance at breed seminars. CFA's workshop attendance is the most lenient of all. The first proposal requires attendance at least once every two years, instead of once every seven years. For approved Allbreed or Specialty judges, it stays in place. **Newkirk:** I prefer your second option of three years versus the two years. **Petersen:** Approved judges should have to go more often than every seven years, because we have new breeds coming along all the time. **Mare:** Training for approved judges is just as critical as newer judges. **Baugh:** Everybody needs to have additional training, certainly more than every 7 years, but some people have difficulty traveling to the annual to the workshop. Three years would be preferable to two. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

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| Section VIII.H. | Attendance at a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every seven years (commencing 2002) is a requirement for relicensing. | <u>For Approved Allbreed or Specialty judges, attendance at a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every seven years (commencing 2002) is a requirement for relicensing. For trainees, apprentice and approval pending judges, attendance at a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every three years is a requirement</u> | If above TWO YEAR requirement fails, consider a THREE YEAR requirement. |
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**Anger:** I move, as it stands, and if the “once every three year” requirement is approved, then I will address the “for Approved Allbreed or Specialty judges” provision. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

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| Section VIII.H. | Attendance at a CFA Judges’ Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every seven years (commencing 2002) is a requirement for relicensing. | Attendance at a CFA Judges’ Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation School at least once every <del>three years seven years</del> (commencing 2002) is a requirement for relicensing. | Board-requested motion made subsequent to the preceding motion and becomes the operative provision. |
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**Anger:** I would like to amend what we just did by striking the first underlined provision, “For Approved Allbreed and Specialty judges”, so everyone is attending once every three years. **Newkirk:** Three years is a little much. **Miller:** Seven years was decided on because it gives someone an opportunity to go to an annual in their own region. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Newkirk and Miller voting no.

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| Show Rule 13.07 | In the event a judge is incapacitated prior to his or her judging assignment, suitable assistance will not be provided the judge. The judge shall cancel his or her contract. Questions of physical incapacity shall be resolved by a written physician’s statement to the show manager or to the Board of Directors, if requested. Judges returning to the ring following surgery or severe illness requiring hospitalization are required to send a letter or form of medical clearance signed by a physician to the Judging Program Chair prior to resuming their duties. | In the event a judge is incapacitated prior to his or her judging assignment, suitable assistance will not be provided the judge. The judge shall cancel his or her contract. Questions of physical incapacity shall be resolved by a written physician’s statement to the show manager or to the Board of Directors, if requested. Judges returning to the ring following <u>a medical leave of absence, an injury,</u> surgery or severe illness requiring hospitalization are required to send a letter or form of medical clearance signed by a physician to the Judging Program Chair prior to resuming their duties. | The spirit of the rule implies that these are included. |
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**Anger:** The spirit of this rule would also include an injury. Also, when a judge has been on a medical leave of absence, just to be sure that they are in shape for judging, we have added that, as well. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Newkirk and Petersen voting no.

**Newkirk:** I voted no because it’s too vague. What constitutes an injury that needs a medical release? **Anger:** An injury requiring cancellation of a show or a group of shows. The original intent of the rule was for the exhibitors and clubs to have a better sense of the fitness of the judges. **DelaBar:** Common sense will be the operative rule.

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| None | Include Roster of Judges in the public portion of the CFA Website, including as a minimum the judge’s status and email address. A guest judge roster will be available upon request.<br><br>Judges will provide the information they wish to include. CFA is the only known organization in |
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|  | <p>the world that does not provide a public Roster of Judges, yet we rely on the rosters of other associations to verify credentials. A summary of the information included in other organizations' websites appears below, beginning with our World Cat Congress associates.</p> <p>Australian Cat Federation Inc. – full address with photos<br/> Co-ordinating Cat Council of Australia – full address<br/> Fédération Internationale Féline – country<br/> Governing Council of the Cat Fancy – list of names and status<br/> New Zealand Cat Fancy – full address with photos<br/> Southern African Cat Council – full address with photos &amp; curriculum vitae<br/> The International Cat Association – state<br/> World Cat Federation – full address<br/> ACFA: Airport code<br/> CCA: (city optional), Province<br/> CFF: Full address<br/> RUI – city, state</p> |
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**Anger:** All other associations have a public listing, and the amount of information that is provided varies. The proposal is to get a list, in some form, on the public portion of our website.

**Meeker:** This would be in addition to what's in the private part of the website? **Anger:** Correct. So moved. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Rachel Anger, Chair*

**(8) TECHNOLOGY/WEB SITE COMMITTEE.**

**Technology Committee Chair Carissa Altschul** gave the following report:

**Committee Chair:** Carissa Altschul  
**List of Committee Members:** Carol Krzanowski, Dick Kallmeyer

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The IT Committee has looked at various proposals for the website restructure and summarily rejected all the past proposals.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The IT committee has been following multiple avenues and is attempting to “bring it all together” in order to present a new face on the internet to the world. In order to do this, first CFA needed some sort of “online individual registration.” Working closely with Allene Tartaglia and Connie Sellitto, the follow proposal is before the BOD for approval:*

***Online Individual Registration***

*To develop a fully functional and integrated online system for individual registrations, similar to what has been done for litter registrations; it would cost approximately \$25,000 and require a good amount of staff time to develop the various pull-down menus by breed for the plethora of registerable colors.*

*For considerably less expense (\$4,800-\$6,000 depending on the number of “printers” which need to be supported – there may be some additional training costs), we can purchase software to implement a process by which the cat/kitten owner keys in the data in an online cat registration application form and pays for the registration with their credit card. Initially, the Central Office could simply receive the information via email and key it into the in-house registration application. Alternatively, and a better option, the information would be passed to Central Office as a formatted text file which would be reviewed in batch mode adding the correct registration prefix and completing the application. Either way, a PDF of the registration certificate will be created and sent via email to the cat/kitten owner.*

*Connie Sellitto, CFA’s in-house IT person, researched the market and selected two companies offering software (Hillary Software and Minisoft) which will take the data from the file created in the Central Office, “burst” it into individual PDF files and send the registration(s) as an email attachment to the owner. Further, the software will allow the office to email a PDF registration to anyone supplying an email address on a paper blue/yellow slip received in the office (vs online), thereby saving postage. Using the percentage of online litters vs paper litters, 38%, we could have seen a potential savings of \$3,400 in postage alone for cats already registered since January 1, 2009 (20,377 cats registered x 0.38%=7,743 x .44 cents= \$3,407). Advertisements can be attached to each PDF registration replacing the inserts currently sent with a paper registration. We could start to*

*print registration certificates not PDF'd to the owner on a laser printer rather than the line printers we currently use, thus saving even more on postage. Using a laser printer vs a line printer will allow more flexibility in printing, e.g. print in upper and lower case vs all upper case, and eventually do away with the need for line printers and pin-fed forms.*

*The software is compatible with a variety of platforms and if we migrate from our current HP3000 platform to something else, the software does not have to be repurchased.*

*We anticipate there will be other uses for the software such as sending out files we normally send in unformatted text files (year-end award lists for instance) as formatted PDF files.*

*Once the infrastructure for online registrations is in place, the re-structure of the website can truly begin. A rough idea has been started for the re-structure, but emphasis was put on the online registrations for the last 3 months.*

*Additionally, the chair has been working with Jan Rogers in pursuing the possibility of IT grants for updating the computer program/equipment. This is an ongoing process and we hope to have more information in February.*

**Altschul:** Anything that has to do with technology is expensive. After speaking with Central Office, I realized that we would not be able to go to fully automated on-line individual registration due to the cost, so I developed an idea of creating a partial on-line registration. It would be very similar to on-line show registrations. We're looking at much shorter turn-around time because you don't have to wait for the postal service. This will require printing the green slips via a PDF file, the same way we currently do the litter registrations. Also, Jan Rogers is looking into an IT grant to update our computer equipment.

**Future for Committee:**

1. *Develop a mission statement for the CFA website.*
2. *Add to the committee Jan Rogers as a coordinator for IT grants.*
3. *Work with the DFA committee in the website re-design to assure the DFA is well-represented*
4. *Work with CATS CenterStage to assure inclusion of that material.*
5. *If approved, advertise the online registration on various lists to get attention. New marketing strategies – possibly featuring a breed each week with registration discounts? Work with Marketing committee on how we can include marketing ideas on the website.*

**Altschul:** Anything that has to do with CFA or that is being funded by CFA registrations should be found on the CFA website. We are getting smaller rather than larger, but we keep diversifying our resources, which to me is dangerous. **Mare:** As a user, I would love the idea of being able to go to one site for anything that is related to CFA. **Eigenhauser:** I want to point out that some of the satellite websites were put together and designed by volunteers. We need to be

sure that we don't lose that volunteer labor and substitute paid labor for what had been done on a volunteer basis. **Johnson:** There was a rationale for why they were made separate, and it was to use our volunteer labor, and it was to segregate things, so something wrong with one wouldn't corrupt our whole website. **Miller:** I can understand Carissa's desire to have everything that has to do with CFA put under the umbrella of the CFA domain. However, I disagree when it comes to the Cats CenterStage because the audience is very different. We want to attract the public by having a website that would interest them. **Newkirk:** Words like "non-pedigree", "household pet", "random bred" can all be meta tagged so that any search engine can go through those websites, and they will bring those words up and list those sites that have those meta tags in them.

### **Action Items:**

1. *Approve an expenditure of up to \$6,000 for the software for Online registration.*

**Altschul:** We are hoping that some of the cost would be offset by the savings on postage. **Tartaglia:** Based on how many litters are registered on line, if we were to register and confirm 38% of our individual cats on line via PDF, the cost in postage alone would be about \$3,400 in 9 months. **Calhoun:** As far as the expenditure, how do we get the \$6,000 to do this? I need more detail, to be precise on the financials. [Secretary's Note: the discussion was deferred to Sunday and resumed after a side conference with the CFA Treasurer, the CFA Executive Director and the Committee Chair.]

**Altschul:** It was determined that the upfront funds are not available at this time. **Calhoun:** At best, it would be a year and a half before we realized a return on our investment. I'm not comfortable writing a \$6,000 check at this moment, in the face of our two major events (Meet the Breeds and the International Show). In the meantime, a good alternative, to get this going faster, would be to find one or two sponsors that could support this. **Newkirk:** This would be a great opportunity for CFA, and something that our sponsors would really pick up on quickly. **Meeker:** We're missing an opportunity here. We could have a fund drive for non-commission-based dollars to be used for the project. People have said that they would donate money to help make the registration process easier. **Fulkerson:** I can get funding by mid-next week with a couple of phone calls. **Meeker:** If she can sell it by mid-next week, that's super. I would also propose that we look at a fundraising effort from our membership and earmark those dollars specifically for the web redesign. There are a lot of people that would like to see themselves recognized as part of CFA progress. I move that on-line individual registration through the CFA website be implemented, provided that sponsorship or donation funding is in place to finance the project. **Motion Carried.**

**Altschul** moved that if the Director of Marketing and Public Relations receives extra funding over and above the \$6,000 sponsorship, the funds will go into the IT budget. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Tartaglia:** I propose that we look for sponsorship dollars that could possibly allow us to do true integrated on-line individual registration, instead of a stop gap measure. Roeann feels that that would be easy. We estimated originally that true on-line individual registration would be about \$25,000. **Altschul:** As long as that doesn't cause a longer delay. **Tartaglia:** I will have a firm number by the end of this week, if not sooner. **Baugh:** The website is the priority issue. In addition to getting a website that is functional and easy to use, we can sell advertising. If it's one

or the other, I would prefer to put the money towards the website, but I would support both of them, if possible.

2. *Review Website Redesign Proposal.*

Following an executive session discussion, **Altschul** moved that the Board be presented with a website redesign proposal to be considered at the February 2010 board meeting. **Motion Carried.** White voting no.

**(9) PROTEST COMMITTEE.**

**Protest Committee Chair Richard Kallmeyer** gave the Protest Committee report containing recommendations for disposition of pending matters. **Motion Carried [vote sealed].**

**Chair:** *Richard Kallmeyer*  
**Committee Members:** *George Eigenhauser, Jr.; Betsy Arnold, Joel Chaney, Norman Auspitz (member and Judging liaison), Japan liaison: Yukiko Hayata; International Division-Europe liaison: George Cherrie; International Division-Asia liaison: Eric Wang; Animal Welfare: Linda Berg; Legal Counsel: Fred Jacobberger)*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Protest Committee met via conference call on September 9, 2009.*

*Three new members have joined the protest committee: George Cherrie, for the International Division-Europe liaison; Eric Wang, for the International Division-Asia liaison; and Yukiko Hayata for the Japan liaison.*

*George Eigenhauser will propose 3 options for the board to handle the nuisance/frivolous protests. In addition, he has revised the protest form and cover letter for a new policy to deal with sick kitten/contract matters.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Dick Kallmeyer, Chair*

**PROTESTS – PROPOSAL FOR HANDLING  
CONTRACT/SICK KITTEN DISPUTES**

**Presented by:** *George Eigenhauser*  
**Protest Committee Members:** *Richard Kallmeyer, chair; George Eigenhauser, Jr., Betsy Arnold, Joel Chaney and Norman Auspitz (also Judging liaison); Animal Welfare: Linda Berg; Legal Counsel: Fred Jacobberger*

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**PROPOSAL:**

*Change CFA protest procedures so that CFA no longer accepts individual breach of contract or "sick kitten" complaints as protests. They may be referred to the Ombudsmen for mediation or to the Animal Welfare committee for possible filing as "conduct detrimental" if there are multiple complaints against the accused. Update the protest procedures letter as follows:*

~~*How "Sick Cat" Complaints are Handled: Your complaint is assigned a docket # and copied to the breeder named, attaching a letter from CFA requesting they submit their comments relative to this complaint and encouraging the breeder to come to some type of settlement or agreement with you. The rebuttal/hearing process does not apply to these matters. This is the most we can do; however,*~~

~~your complaint, along with any response received, is reviewed by the Protest Committee Chairperson and stays on file for CFA private information so that a closer look may be given to a party whose name repeatedly shows up. You will only be notified if your complaint is to receive any action beyond our letter to the breeder.~~

#### ~~How Contractual Complaints are Handled:~~

~~Complaints submitted to Central Office, relating to contractual issues, are assigned docket #'s and sent to the Protest Committee Chairperson simply for concurrence that it is a contractual matter. The party being accused will receive a letter enclosing the complaint and inviting their response for the record. Complaints/responses are kept on file for CFA private information so that a closer look may be given to a party whose name repeatedly shows up as an "accused" in contractual disputes. The rebuttal/hearing process does not apply to these matters. No further notification will be sent to you and no further action will be taken.~~

#### How Contract Disputes (including "sick kitten" complaints) are Handled:

*The protest process is not appropriate for individual contract disputes. Contract dispute includes, among other things: failure to deliver a cat/kitten, failure to pay money or refund a deposit, delivery of the wrong cat/kitten, failure to deliver papers or records, or complaints concerning the quality or health of a cat or kitten delivered. Every contract (including the sale or exchange of a cat) is governed by the law of the state or country having "subject matter jurisdiction." The local courts know the contract laws for their state and they, rather than CFA, would be the ones to enforce them.*

*That being said, CFA has a person called our "Ombudsman" whose job it is to handle problems which don't fit into the system. The Ombudsman is someone who investigates complaints and tries to mediate settlements between aggrieved parties or between a party and CFA. The Ombudsman is only there to open lines of communication and suggest alternatives. They can not impose solutions but can facilitate discussion. Contact information for the Ombudsman may be found at: <http://www.cfa.org/exhibitors/contact.html>*

*If the Ombudsman is unable to help you resolve the matter there is another option. If the other party has a history of contract problems it may be investigated. The CFA Animal Welfare Committee keeps track of unresolved complaints against breeders. If the Ombudsman is unable to get the parties working together you can contact the Animal Welfare Committee. Contact information may be found at: <http://www.cfa.org/exhibitors/contact.html>*

**RATIONALE:** Current CFA procedure for a contract or "sick kitten" dispute sent in as a protest is as follows:

1. A file is opened at Central Office and a case number assigned.
2. Letters are sent to the complaining party and to the accused. The accused is permitted to send in a response and encouraged to resolve the dispute.
3. Copies of the file are sent to the Protest Committee Chair and the Animal Welfare Committee Chair for review. If the protest contains evidence of other violation, or if the person has a pattern of contract disputes, either the Protest chair or the Animal Welfare chair can pull the file for further consideration as a regular protest. If so, it is sent to the

*Protest Committee members and proceeds as a normal protest.*

4. *If neither the Protest Committee Chair or the Animal Welfare Committee Chair find a reason to pull the file the matter is closed without being sent to the Protest Committee. It is then reported in the next Protest Committee report to the Board.*
5. *Central Office staff is then notified that the file is to be closed.*

*In practice few contract matters are pulled by the Protest Chair for review. The Animal Welfare Chair keeps track of complaints against breeders whether or not the aggrieved party has filed a protest with CFA. So creating a file at Central Office is redundant and consumes staff time and other resources.*

*The proposed change would advise people with contract disputes that we can not resolve them through a protest but can offer some limited assistance. The Ombudsman can try to open up communication between the parties and act as a neutral mediator. If the matter can not be resolved the complaint can be sent to the Animal Welfare Chair. She/he can file the matter as a “conduct detrimental” protest if the circumstances warrant.*

*The CFA web site will need to be updated to add the Ombudsmen and their contact information to the contacts page. If a person calls CO they can give the information telephonically. The protest form will be updated to reflect the change and provide a link to the Ombudsman contact information.*

*To preserve the neutrality of the Ombudsman the aggrieved party should complaint to Animal Welfare themselves and not expect the Ombudsman to take sides in a complaint. It is hoped that more Ombudsmen will become available in the future to share work load and to allow local dispute resolution.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*

**Eigenhauser:** Currently, sick kitten or contract disputes go to Central Office, Diane Vetterl opens up a file, she sends a letter to both parties saying she has opened up a file, sends a letter to the protest chair and the animal welfare chair so they may open up a file. The person complained against can submit a response, and then we close the file. We don't do anything with the file unless enough complaints accumulate so that Animal Welfare take them forward as a conduct detrimental matter. I am suggesting we send them to the Ombudsman, who can take it to Animal Welfare, who would go forward with it as a protest if enough complaints accumulate.

**DelaBar:** Why would a regular contract case go to Animal Welfare? **Eigenhauser:** Because we've charged Animal Welfare with the responsibility for keeping track of pattern and practice of misconduct that rises to the level of conduct detrimental. **Meeker:** The Management Committee is trying to figure out how to restructure our protest process. What percentage of Diane's work load is this? **DelaBar:** 75% of her work load is protests. **Newkirk:** If the Ombudsman cannot fix the problem, how is Animal Welfare going to influence the parties any differently than the Ombudsman would? **Meeker:** This has been part of Animal Welfare's function for some time. **Eigenhauser:** Currently, we send the breach of contract cases to Animal

Welfare, because somebody has to keep track of the sick kitten complaints. A sick kitten complaint is a breach of contract; the kitten was not in the condition for which I contracted to purchase it. This proposal skips Diane Vetterl, but does not change the fact that it goes to Animal Welfare. It has been this way ever since we adopted it as a policy several years ago. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

## PROTESTS – PROPOSALS FOR FILING RESTRICTIONS

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| <i><b>Presented by:</b></i>              | <i><b>George Eigenhauser</b></i>  |
| <i><b>Protest Committee Members:</b></i> | <i><b>Richard Kallmeyer, chair; George Eigenhauser, Jr.,<br/>Betsy Arnold, Joel Chaney and Norman Auspitz (also<br/>Judging liaison); Animal Welfare: Linda Berg; Legal<br/>Counsel: Fred Jacobberger</b></i> |

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*Three proposals are presented here to limit "frivolous" protest filings. They are not mutually exclusive but since they do address similar subject matter we probably don't need all three.*

*(1) The first could be called call a "vexatious litigant" type of restriction. If a person has filed a specified number of unmeritorious protests within a period of time they have to post a cash deposit to file more<sup>1</sup>.*

*(2) The second would be to declare pursuing frivolous protests "conduct detrimental" to the fancy and allow punishment on a case by case basis. Punishment could include fines or suspension but could also prohibit new filings without posting a cash deposit<sup>1</sup>.*

*(3) Proposal 3 would prohibit persons on permanent suspension or on temporary suspension who have not complied with all other portions of their sentence (such as fines, restitution or inspections) from filing protests unless accompanied by a cash deposit<sup>1</sup>.*

### **PROPOSAL 1:**

*A "Vexatious Protester" means a person or member who in the immediately preceding seven year<sup>2</sup> period has commenced at least five<sup>2</sup> protests that have been finally determined adversely to the person or member. CFA will not accept a protest filed by a vexatious protester unless accompanied by a surety deposit in the sum of \$250. Such deposit will be returned to the person or member who placed such deposit if, after final resolution of the protest, the CFA Board determines that the new protest had merit and had not been filed for the primary purpose of harassment, intimidation, retaliation, annoyance or other bad faith.*

**Eigenhauser:** There are a number of ways to deal with people that file bogus complaints. One of the ways to do it is to say, if you file X number of bogus complaints, you don't file any more without posting some kind of a bond. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

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<sup>1</sup> If the new protests aren't frivolous they can get their deposit back.

<sup>2</sup> The numbers used are arbitrary and were taken from the California Code of Civil Procedure relating to vexatious litigants. We may want to pick different times, lower numbers of events, surety amounts, etc.

## **PROPOSAL 2:**

*For purposes of disciplinary proceedings "Conduct Detrimental to the Cat Fancy" includes filing or pursuing any frivolous protest or a series of frivolous protests. "Frivolous" means (a) without serious merit **OR** (b) for the primary purpose of harassment, intimidation, retaliation, annoyance or other bad faith.*

*Upon finding a person or member guilty of "Conduct Detrimental to the Cat Fancy" for filing or pursuing a frivolous protest the CFA Board may, in addition to any other punishment imposed, require that prior to filing any future protest such guilty party post security in such amount as the Board shall fix. Such deposit will be returned to the person or member who placed such deposit if, after final resolution of the new protest, the CFA Board determines that the new protest had merit and had not been filed for the primary purpose of harassment, intimidation, retaliation, annoyance or other bad faith.*

**Eigenhauser:** If even one case is filed that the board determines is significantly frivolous (without merit or for the purpose of harassing or intimidation), the board can set a policy deeming that to be conduct detrimental to the fancy. For example, if somebody is filing bogus protests, the board can require an up front fee which is returned if it is determined that the protest is not frivolous. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

## **PROPOSAL 3:**

*Addition to the definition of "Suspension of CFA Services": In addition to any other disabilities a person or member, while under suspension from CFA services, may not file a protest unless:*

- 1. If the person or member has been permanently suspended from all CFA services they may not file a protest<sup>1</sup>.*
- 2. If the person or member has been suspended by CFA, but not permanently, they may file a protest if they have complied with all terms and conditions of their suspension (i.e. payment of fines, restitution, or successful completion of a cattery inspection) other than serving the full time of their suspension.*
- 3. A person under suspension from CFA services includes disciplinary suspensions, temporary suspensions in Animal Welfare matters, suspensions for failure to pay show entry fees and suspensions for failure to successfully complete cattery inspections (if required by CFA).*

**Eigenhauser:** In the past, we had no policy about what "suspended from CFA services" really means with respect to the ability to file a protest. The only kind of protest someone permanently suspended from CFA might want to file that we might consider listening to would be an Animal Welfare matter. They could have Animal Welfare file it, so we don't need a bypass for somebody permanently suspended. For someone temporarily suspended, as long as they have

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<sup>1</sup> The question arose as to how we would handle a situation where someone under permanent suspension becomes aware of animal abuse or neglect and wants to file a protest to protect the animals. While the person permanently suspended would not be able to file a protest themselves, the CFA Animal Welfare committee can and does file protests if there is harm to a cat and no one else willing and able to file the protest.

done everything except the passage of time (i.e., paid any fine in full), then they can file a protest. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

***RATIONALE:***

*Proposals 1 and 2 both seek to address the situation where a person or club files frivolous protests. Proposal 3 creates a new policy regarding the circumstances under which someone suspended by CFA may file a protest.*

*The advantage of Proposal 1 is that it is objective and can be applied without need of additional Board action. Because it is a somewhat objective standard it is easy to apply evenhandedly. The disadvantage of Proposal 1 is that it does not allow for seriousness of the frivolous protests to be considered, only numbers over a period of time. Someone will need to keep track of the cumulative protests being filed per person/club and their outcomes.*

*The advantage of Proposal 2 is that it allows the Board discretion as to whether a protest or series of protests is/are frivolous and how to apply the security requirement. The disadvantage is that it fails to provide a clear standard for the Board to follow and therefore may be difficult to apply.*

*Proposal 3 is somewhat "stand alone" and is intended to deal with the situation where a person or club is suspended and wants to file a protest. The ultimate punishment CFA can impose is permanent suspension. A person under permanent suspension has been punished as much as CFA can do and they have no deterrent to filing frivolous protests.*

*A person under less than permanent suspension may not intend to ever return to CFA. So a temporary suspension may be a permanent suspension in all but the name. The possibility of a fine for filing a frivolous protest may be no deterrent. However, if someone is suspended from CFA temporarily, but pays their fine and otherwise complies with their sentence, that suggests they still value their relationship with CFA and fines or other penalty could still be an effective deterrent. So Proposal 3, paragraph 2, allows someone suspended by CFA to file protests so long as they have complied with all other terms of their sentence (including passing a cattery inspection if applicable). For example, if a person were suspended for 3 months and fined \$500, and they paid the fine, they could still file protests during the 3 month suspension. If they declined to pay the fine they would be prohibited from filing a new protest. Paragraph 3 is intended to make clear that suspensions include not just punishments for completed protests but also the temporary Animal Welfare suspensions, suspensions under Show Rule 11.08(b)(3) and suspensions for failure to successfully complete a CFA cattery inspection.*

*If Proposal 1 is adopted CFA should allow past protests to be counted toward reaching the threshold but only apply the surety requirements to protests filed after the date of the Board meeting. Proposal 2 can be applied to any frivolous protest not already closed but since CFA has never found anyone guilty under that rule the new filing restrictions would be prospective. Proposal 3 could apply to suspensions, past, present or future, but the limitation on filing could be applied to new matters filed after the Board meeting.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*

(10) **SHOW RULES.**

**Show Rules Chair Loretta Baugh** presented the following Show Rule changes with a standing motion and the right to vote no:

**Committee Chair:** *Loretta Baugh*  
**List of Committee Members:** *John Hiemstra, Paul Patton, Monte Phillips*

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Annual meeting: 411 votes: 2/3 = 274, 1/2 = 206

| <b>Rule # 1.19a &amp; 30.02</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> International Division/Show Rules Committee |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| The NOVICE CLASS is for altered or unaltered “listed” (unregistered) cats, of either sex, altered or unaltered, 8 calendar months old or over on the opening day of the show whose color is CFA registerable. Winners’ ribbons are awarded in the Novice class. Upon the cat’s registration with CFA, the winners’ ribbons will be posted to the cat’s record towards its Champion/Premier title. Cats competing in the Novice class may not go on to compete as Champions/ Premiers on the second day of a two day show or in subsequent shows until the cat is registered with CFA. Offspring from two CFA registered parents are not eligible for this class and must compete in the Open class (see rule 1.19b). Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points. This class is for licensed shows in the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada. |   | The NOVICE CLASS is for altered or unaltered “listed” (unregistered) cats, of either sex, altered or unaltered, 8 calendar months old or over on the opening day of the show whose color is CFA registerable. <u>The sire and dam of these cats must be printed in the show catalog. Entries that do not meet this requirement are not eligible for entry.</u> Winners’ ribbons are awarded in the Novice class. Upon the cat’s registration with CFA, the winners’ ribbons will be posted to the cat’s record towards its Champion/Premier title. Cats competing in the Novice class may not go on to compete as Champions/ Premiers on the second day of a two day show or in subsequent shows until the cat is registered with CFA. Offspring from two CFA registered parents are not eligible for this class and must compete in the Open class (see rule 1.19b). Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points. This class is for licensed shows in the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada. |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Novice entries must be eligible for registration. The current rules only specify that the cat must be of a color that is CFA registerable. We do not expect cats, nor do we encourage cats, of unknown parentage to be show.   |   |   |

**Baugh:** This proposal requires that the sire and dam of cats be printed in the show catalog. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 2.09g</b><br>Passed by simple majority at the annual | <b>Presented by</b> Purrs & Paws Cat Fanciers, Monterey Peninsula Cat Fanciers, Delaware River Cats Club, National Norwegian Forest Cat Breed Club, Colonial Annapolis Cat Fanciers, Greater Baltimore Cat Club, Pacific Rim Allbreed Cat Fanciers, Spokane Cat Club, Ft. Vancouver Cat Fanciers, Fraser Valley Allbreed Cat Club, Oregon Cats, Inc., Rose City Cat Fanciers, American Manx Club, Garden State Cat Club, Halfmoon Cat Club, Morris & Essex Cat Club, Make Mine Mink Tonkinese Fanciers, Paumanok Cat Fanciers, Hawkeye State Cat Club, Manx Ltd., Willamette Valley Cat Club, Cymric Club, Country Cousins Cat Club, Westchester Cat Club, Lucky Tom Cat Club, Sphynx Breed Club |                         |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |  | <b>Proposed Wording</b> |

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| Add section.  | (Paragraphs 2.09a through 2.09f are unchanged)<br><br><u>g. Household pets in the household pet class not having these physical properties – eyes, ears, legs, or tail. Household pets may not be shown who have surgically absent claws or whose feet have undergone tendonectomy surgery.</u> |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Household pets are often rescues from feral colonies and/or shelters. They can come into our lives with handicaps, yet still be functional and capable cats. Right now, technically, these handicapped cats cannot be shown in the Household Pet Class. Adding Paragraph g to Show Rule 2.09 clarifies that these special Household Pet cats may be shown legally. Household Pets whose claws or toe tendons have been intentionally surgically altered or removed still may not be shown in CFA. |   |

**Baugh:** This proposal allows household pets that have some physical properties missing, i.e. ears, legs, tail or eyes, but retains the restriction to disallow declawed cats, or cats with a tendonectomy. The wording is unclear. **Miller:** This has come up many times before, but I’m supporting it now. Judges are put in a very awkward position when we cats that have part of an ear missing, etc. I’m concerned that people may start to promote or encourage these cats to the point where it becomes the handicapped pet class instead of the household pet class. That isn’t the intention. **Brown:** We should use the term “disability”. **DelaBar:** We have to deal with these as written. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar and Petersen voting no.

| <b>Rule # 2.14</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee  |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| No cat or kitten shall be benched within four calendar days of any previous benching. If a cat/kitten is scheduled to be judged on only one day of a two day show, it will be considered to be benched only on that day. Cats benched in violation of this rule will receive no credit for the awards/points achieved in the latter show. | No cat or kitten shall <u>compete in more than 1 two-day show or 2 one-day shows (total 12 rings maximum)</u> within four calendar days of any previous benching. |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Allows showing at a two day show OR two one day shows. This wording prohibits an entry from being shown one day at a two day show, leaving and being shown the second day in a one day show and vice versa.   |   |

**Baugh:** This proposal allows a cat be shown in more than one show on a weekend, but would preclude an exhibitor from entering two 2-day shows, leaving Saturday and going to another 2-day show Sunday. We need to be as consumer friendly as possible and let the clubs have as much leeway as possible to try to help them with the shows. **Altschul:** I submitted this to my region and over 75% said no, for two major reasons. First, this favors exhibitors with money. Second, they felt this was not in the best interest of the cat. **Cantley:** My region was split 50/50. **Miller:** This is a very interesting concept. We should at least allow it on an experimental basis. **Eigenhauser:** This could work well in adjoining regions where you’ve got two little shows a short distance apart, so one region has a show on Saturday and the other has a show on Sunday. They draw from the same exhibitor base. We’re worrying too much about a theoretical campaigner taking a one-day 6-ring show on Saturday and another one-day 6-ring show on Sunday. **Anger:** The Executive Committee failed a similar motion. We thought it was a great exception for one or two exhibitors. The concept is self-limiting. How many people are going to want to do this? **Baugh:** The intent in doing this is to help the smaller clubs. **Kusy:** Is there a

reason why we can't put this to the delegation and let them vote on it? This is a major change, and I would like to hear what they have to say. **Baugh:** We thought perhaps the best thing to do would be to discuss it and get the feeling of it. If it doesn't pass, it will come to the delegation. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Anger, Kusy, Petersen, Altschul, Newkirk, Johnson, DelaBar, Krzanowski and White voting no.

| <b>Rule # 4.05</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee and Central Office |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| For each entry, the exhibitor must submit a properly completed, official CFA entry form or facsimile thereof to the entry clerk no later than the close of entries. All information required on the entry form, with the exception of the owner's signature, must be typed or printed. For email entries, the email address may be accepted in lieu of a signature. |   | For each entry, the exhibitor must submit a properly completed, official CFA entry form or facsimile thereof to the entry clerk no later than the close of entries. All information required on the entry form, with the exception of the owner's signature, must be typed or printed. For email entries, the email address may be accepted in lieu of a signature. <u>Payment of an entry fee does not guarantee a space in a show. If a show fills prior to receipt of the entry information for a paid entry, the club is not required to wait for the information for the paid entry and may accept entries that arrive complete with information and payment, rather than hold a spot. Clubs will return pre-paid fees for any entry it is not able to accept.</u> |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> The question arose recently about when is an entry truly entered. This is a further definition of the rule and allows the club the option to accept a different entry as long as it returns monies received for an entry that doesn't arrive.   |   |   |

**Baugh:** This proposal defines at what point a cat is entered. Exhibitors pay in advance for entries. Is the club required to hold that slot open without entry information? **Newkirk:** I agree with this concept, but the wording is confusing. **DelaBar:** I agree that it's not clear. **Tabled.** Re-write submitted below.

| <b>Rule # 4.05</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee and Central Office |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
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| <b>RATIONALE:</b> The question arose recently about when is an entry truly entered. This is a further definition of the rule and allows the club the option to accept a different entry as long as it returns monies received for an entry that   |   |   |

doesn't arrive.

**Baugh:** This is a rewrite. **Eigenhauser:** If they sent in a check, we're looking for a ruling to clarify whether you have to hold open a slot for them or not. If we're silent on this, it creates an ambiguity for people who think the entry clerk should have to wait for their entry. That's all this is intended to address. **Petersen:** This is going to create problems in trying to verify if they did or didn't have the money at the right time. How do I know that they have or haven't gotten my check before they accept another cat? **Newkirk:** We don't know that now. **DelaBar:** We've already got a show rule that says, "for each entry the exhibitor must complete a properly completed official CFA entry form or facsimile thereof." A check is not an entry form. **Kusy:** If the exhibitor wants in the show, they will provide the entry information. It shouldn't be an issue. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy, White, DelaBar, Petersen, Calhoun, Miller, Kallmeyer, Cantley and Anger voting no.

| <b>Rule # 8.03</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> International Division |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |  | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| Six (6) Winners Ribbons won under at least four (4) different judges are required for Championship or premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island), and United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland) four (4) Winners Ribbons won under at least three (3) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Russia, <del>Ukraine</del> , and Asia (except Japan), four (4) Winners Ribbons won under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. |  | Six (6) Winners Ribbons won under at least four (4) different judges are required for Championship or premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island), and United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland) four (4) Winners Ribbons won under at least three (3) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. For cats residing and competing in Russia, <u>Malta</u> , <del>Ukraine</del> , and Asia (except Japan), four (4) Winners Ribbons won under at least two (2) different judges are required for Championship or Premiership confirmation. |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Revises rule in accordance with decision made by Board at the June board meeting. Malta is a rabies restricted country and therefore, I would like to ask the Board to add this to the list of countries that require 4 winners ribbons to claim a champion/premier.   |  |   |

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 9.03</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee; Committee (Hong Kong points portion presented at June 09 board meeting and passed for inclusion in the rules). In addition, this version addresses a concern brought up by European Division members that cats competing in the Ukraine held an unfair advantage under this rule, given the ease of travel to and from the Ukraine. |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| <b>b.</b> Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership, <del>in Mainland U.S., Canada (with the exception of the Maritime Provinces), Japan and the International Division. . In Hawaii, Russia, Ukraine, Asia (except Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada and United</del> |   | <b>b.</b> Two hundred (200) <u>credited</u> points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) <u>credited points</u> for Grand Premiership.<br><br><u>9.03c Grand points are earned per the process described in sections 9.01 and 9.02 above. Earned points are then converted to credited points based on the location of the</u> |

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| <p><del>Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</del></p> <p><del>c. A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one location (Mainland U.S., Canada, Hawaii, Japan, International Division) will be adjusted when the cat competes in a different location.</del></p> <p><del>For example, Grand Championship points earned in the mainland U.S., Japan, Canada or the International Division will be credited at 37.5% in Hawaii. Grand Premier points will be credited at 33.3% in Hawaii. Grand Champion points earned in Hawaii will be credited at 267% in the Mainland U.S., Canada, Japan and the International Division.</del></p>   | <p><u>show. For cats competing in Mainland U.S., Canada (with the exception of the Maritime Provinces), Japan, and the International Division (excepted as noted), a cat will be credited with the same number of points as the points earned towards the title of grand champion or grand premier. For cats competing in Hawaii, Russia, Asia (except Japan and Hong Kong), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada, and the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland), a cat will be credited with 2.67 points for each point earned for the title of grand champion; and 3.0 points for each point earned for the title of grand premier. For cats shown in Hong Kong, a cat will be credited with 1.6 points for each point earned for the title of grand champion and 1.5 points for each point earned for the title of grand premier.</u></p> <p><u>For example, this equates to 200 earned points for a Grand Championship and 75 points for a Grand Premiership in the U.S.; 125 points for a Grand Championship and 50 points for a Grand Premiership in Hong Kong; and 75 points for a Grand Championship and 25 points for a Grand Premiership in Hawaii.</u></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Clean up rule, make it easier to interpret and calculate, incorporate Board decision in June on point requirements for cats shown in Hong Kong. No change in the effective point requirements that currently exist for a grand title (other than Hong Kong) have been made with this proposal EXCEPT for the Ukraine. This eliminates the need to do detailed calculations of conversions of points to compare totals to different point requirements for the title by using one point requirement for the title and then converting points earned to account for the ratios based on the location of the show. However, there is a change, as was requested during the meeting of the Board with the members of the International Division at the Annual, regarding points credited towards the grand title at shows held in the Ukraine. Currently, it is easy for cats in most of Europe to compete in the Ukraine, and this is evidenced by the counts of cats present as champions at those shows compared to other shows on the continent. Therefore, a special exemption to the points required for granding a cat in the Ukraine does not appear to be warranted at this time. The wording of this change raises the granding requirement for cats in the Ukraine to match that of the rest of Europe.</p> |   |

**Baugh:** For 9.03, there are three options. The first one is a bit wordy but it incorporates everything that is intended. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

| <b>Rule # 9.03</b>   | Presented by Show Rules Committee (Hong Kong points portion presented at June 2009 board meeting and passed, for inclusion in the rules)   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  | <b>Proposed Wording</b>  |
| <p><b>b.</b> Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership, <del>in Mainland U.S., Canada (with the exception of the Maritime Provinces), Japan and the International Division. . In Hawaii, Russia, Ukraine, Asia (except Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada and United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</del></p> | <p>b. Two hundred (200) <u>credited</u> points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) <u>credited points</u> for Grand Premiership.</p> <p>9.03c <u>Grand points are earned per the process described in sections 9.01 and 9.02 above. Earned points are then converted to credited points based on the location of the show. For cats competing in Mainland U.S., Canada (with the exception of the Maritime Provinces), Japan, and the International Division (excepted as noted), a cat will be credited with the same number of points as the points earned towards the title of grand champion or</u></p> |

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| <p><del>c. A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one location (Mainland U.S., Canada, Hawaii, Japan, International Division) will be adjusted when the cat competes in a different location. For example, Grand Championship points earned in the mainland U.S., Japan, Canada or the International Division will be credited at 37.5% in Hawaii. Grand Premier points will be credited at 33.3% in Hawaii. Grand Champion points earned in Hawaii will be credited at 267% in the Mainland U.S., Canada, Japan and the International Division.</del></p> | <p><u>grand premier. For cats competing in Hawaii, Russia, Asia (except Japan and Hong Kong), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada, Malta, and the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland), a cat will be credited with 2.67 points for each point earned for the title of grand champion; and 3.0 points for each point earned for the title of grand premier. For cats shown in Hong Kong, a cat will be credited with 1.6 points for each point earned for the title of grand champion and 1.5 points for each point earned for the title of grand premier.</u></p> <p><u>For example, this equates to 200 earned points for a Grand Championship and 75 points for a Grand Premiership in the U.S.; 125 points for a Grand Championship and 50 points for a Grand Premiership in Hong Kong; and 75 points for a Grand Championship and 25 points for a Grand Premiership in Hawaii.</u></p> <p>9.03d. A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one <u>scoring</u> location will be adjusted when the cat <del>competes in a different location</del> changes a permanent residence to another scoring location. For example, Grand Champion points earned in <del>the mainland U.S., Japan, Canada or the International Division</del> a 200 point scoring location moving to a 75 point scoring location will be credited at 37.5% and Grand Premier points will be credited at 33.3%. Grand Champion points earned in a 75 point scoring location moving to a 200 point scoring location will be credited at 267% <u>and Grand Premier points will be credited at 300%.</u></p> <p>(Old 9.03 d becomes 9.03e)</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Same as above proposal, but keeping the exception that allows cats shown in the Ukraine to receive the extra points multiplier, i.e., grand with the reduced points earned that currently exists (75 for GC and 25 for GP).</p>   |   |

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy and Eigenhauser voting no.

| Rule # 9.03  | Presented by Central Office.   |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording   |
| <p><b>b.</b> Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership, in Mainland U.S., Canada (with the exception of the Maritime Provinces), Japan and the International Division. <del>. In Hawaii, Russia, Ukraine, Asia (except Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada and United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), seventy five (75) points are required for Grand Championship; twenty five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</del></p> <p><b>c.</b> A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one location (Mainland U.S., Canada, Hawaii, Japan,</p> | <p><b>b.</b> Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) for Grand Premiership, in mainland U.S., Canada (with the exception of the Maritime Provinces), Japan and the International Division.</p> <p>9.03c. <u>For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Russia, Ukraine, Asia (except Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada and United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), seventy-five (75) points are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</u></p> <p><u>When competing from a 75 point scoring location to a</u></p> |

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| <p>International Division) will be adjusted when the cat competes in a different location.</p> <p>For example, Grand Championship points earned in the mainland U.S., Japan, Canada or the International Division will be credited at 37.5% in Hawaii. Grand Premier points will be credited at 33.3% in Hawaii. Grand Champion points earned in Hawaii will be credited at 267% in the Mainland U.S., Canada, Japan and the International Division</p>   | <p><u>200 point scoring location, grand champion points will be adjusted at 37.5% and grand premier points at 33.3%. Points will not be adjusted competing from a 200 point scoring location to a 75 point scoring location.</u></p> <p>9.03d. A cat's accumulated grand points earned in one <u>scoring</u> location will be adjusted when the cat <del>competes in a different location</del> changes a permanent residence to another scoring location. For example, Grand Champion points earned in the mainland U.S., Japan, Canada or the International Division a 200 point scoring location moving to a 75 point scoring location will be credited at 37.5% and Grand Premier points will be credited at 33.3%. Grand Champion points earned in a 75 point scoring location moving to a 200 point scoring location will be credited at 267% <u>and Grand Premier points will be credited at 300%.</u></p> <p>(Old 9.03 d becomes 9.03e)</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Clean up rule, make it easier to interpret and calculate. Also changes rules to require owner of cat to change residence location (physically move) to get credit for the champion/premier points at the adjusted scoring rate for shows attended in Asia, etc. Also, this proposal does not incorporate the Board's decision at the June 09 board meeting to change the points required for a grand championship in Hong Kong to 125 and for grand premiership to 50.</p> |   |

### Withdrawn.

| <b>Rule # 12.07a</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> Korats Unlimited, Manx Ltd. Longhair Japanese Bobtail Breeders, Rip City Cats<br><b>Passed by</b> 2/3 at the Annual |  |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>  |
| <p>The CFA Central Office will issue a license for the following types of shows:</p> <p><b>a.</b> A one day show which permits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.</li> <li>2. a one-day show format consisting of six rings held on Saturday or Sunday with an entry limit of 225 cats.</li> </ol> <p>This format will permit up to six judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings. A minimum of 12 judging cages per ring is required for a single specialty ring; shows with less than 150 cats – a minimum of 12 judging cages is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring; shows with over 150 entries - 16 judging cages per ring is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring. Veteran Classes may not be held in conjunction with a six ring, one day show.</p> |   | <p>The CFA Central Office will issue a license for the following types of shows:</p> <p><b>a.</b> A one day show which permits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.</li> <li>2. a one-day show format consisting of six rings held on Saturday or Sunday with an entry limit of 225 cats.</li> </ol> <p>This format will permit up to six judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings. A minimum of 12 judging cages per ring is required for a single specialty ring; shows with less than 150 cats – a minimum of 12 judging cages is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring; shows with over 150 entries - 16 judging cages per ring is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring. <del>Veteran Classes may not be held in conjunction with a six ring, one day show.</del></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Since this show rule was developed and approved by the Board, many of the CFA licensed shows have changed from two-day shows to one day, 6 ring shows. This means that there have been fewer shows available for veterans competition and we have fewer opportunities to provide this entertaining competition.</p> <p>The reasons for incorporating veterans competition in CFA cat shows of all kinds are:</p>   |   |  |

1. Having these older cats, in excellent physical condition, featured at our shows, provides good PR for CFA. It shows how much we treasure our older, retired cats.
2. The small number of veterans competing at a show allows the competition to be conducted in a single session – the cats remain in the ring and the finals presentation takes place immediately. This also means that the Veterans judging can be used to fill in waiting times when larger categories are being judged or the judge is waiting for finals to be completed in other rings.
3. Veterans entered are counted as regular entries, so they increase the overall number of cats being judged in a show. If they are judged in all judging rings, their entry fee is (generally) the same as other categories. Five or six veteran cats, entered at \$40 50 per cat can add \$200 300 to a show's income.

There were concerns at the beginning that our older cats could not withstand the rigors of showing in more than a few rings. Since 2004, Veterans competition is allowed in all rings when offered at Region 2 shows. Veterans from 7 to 14 years of age have competed in our shows. Some of them don't like it, and make it very clear that they are done with cat shows. Some of the cats enjoy it enormously, and smooch the judges and gaze out at their admirers in the audience. Judges often comment that some of the cats could compete successfully in the “regular” competition (championship and premiership). In some cases, these mature cats have developed into superior examples of their breed.

Clubs are not required to offer Veterans competition in their shows and Regions may or may not present year end awards to veterans. When more regions offer this competition, awarding official titles to these cats may be considered.

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** This goes back to the letter referred to in the Central Office Report, to make this effective immediately. **Eigenhauser:** From a procedural standpoint, we have already printed the show rules for this year and we can't “unprint” them, so the remedy is, you can petition the board to grant permission. I move that we grant a blanket waiver for any club that wants to have Veterans under these circumstances, without waiting for May 1. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy and DelaBar voting no.

| <b>Rule # 12.07a</b>   | Presented by Show Rules Committee |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |                                   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| A one day show which permits:<br>1. one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.<br>2. a one-day show format consisting of six rings held on Saturday or Sunday with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings. A minimum of 12 judging cages per ring is required for a single specialty ring; shows with less than 150 cats – a minimum of 12 judging cages is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring; shows with over 150 entries – 16 judging cages per ring is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring. |                                   | A one day show which permits:<br>1. one, two, three or four judgments per entry in any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.<br>2. a one-day show format consisting of six rings held on Saturday or Sunday with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.<br>3. <u>Two six ring one day shows in the same location (6X6) consisting of six rings held on Saturday and six rings held on Sunday with an entry limit of 225 cats. This format will permit up to six judgments per entry each day. A maximum of 8 Allbreeds are permitted over the two days.</u><br><u>For all six ring one day shows a minimum of 12 judging cages per ring is required for a single specialty ring; shows with less than 150 cats – a minimum of 12 judging cages is required for an allbreed or double</u> |

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|  | specialty ring; shows with over 150 entries – 16 judging cages per ring is required for an allbreed or double specialty ring |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Makes the 6x6 a standard format. |  |

**Baugh:** This proposal creates a standard format for a 6x6 show. **Altschul:** My region favors this proposal. However, some interesting concerns were brought up. Concern #1, can the same judge, judge both days? Concern #2, can it be the same club both days? **Krzanowski:** This could be easily revised to address those concerns. It's time we move forward with the 6x6 format. It has been experimental for some time. The feedback has been relatively positive. **Eigenhauser:** We just approved 6x6 shows as a permanent format when we approved 2.14, so this is moot. Once we say you're allowed to be in two one-day 6-ring shows on the same weekend, it's not a show format, it is two shows, so we don't need a way to describe how you do a two-show format. There is no show rule that prohibits two clubs from licensing shows in the same location on the same weekend. **DelaBar:** This spells it out more specifically. It doesn't hurt to have this. **Krzanowski:** This specifies a limit of 8 AB rings over the two days, whereas with 2.14 someone could go to a 6-ring allbreed show on Saturday and a 6-ring allbreed show on Sunday. **Miller:** The important element of this particular show rule is maximum of 8 allbreed judgments permitted over the two days. We don't want a phantom champion situation on Sunday of a two-day show. **Meeker:** Since we don't tell other show formats how many rings they have to have, I think it's not appropriate here. **Baugh:** This came from the 6x6 Guidelines. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Johnson, Eigenhauser, Miller, Petersen, Calhoun voting no.

**Meeker** moves that in the newly-accepted 12.07a show rule, that in #3, the sentence, *A maximum of 8 Allbreeds are permitted over the two days* be stricken. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Altschul, Eigenhauser, Petersen, Miller and Cantley voting no.

| <b>Rule # 12.07b</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> Masters Cat Club<br>Passed from floor at the Annual |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| b. A two day show which permits up to <del>eight</del> judgments per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of four judgments (five judgments per day for eight ring shows) per entry per day. it is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. Two day shows offer a variety of formats: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;</li> <li>2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;</li> <li>3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);</li> <li>4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days (entries may be</li> </ol> |   | b. A two day show which permits up to <u>ten</u> judgments per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of four judgments (five judgments per day for <u>eight or more</u> ring shows) per entry per day. it is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. Two day shows offer a variety of formats: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;</li> <li>2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;</li> <li>3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);</li> <li>4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days (entries may be</li> </ol> |

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| <p>judged up to four times each day [five times a day in eight ring shows], eight times over the two days).</p> <p>5. The above #2, <del>#3, and #4</del> described shows may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.</p>  | <p>judged up to four times each day [five times a day in eight <u>or more</u> ring shows], eight <u>or more</u> times over the two days).</p> <p>5. The above #2 described show may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings. <u>The above #3 and #4 described shows may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings if the total number of rings for the show is eight or less; otherwise the format may not have more than six Allbreed rings.</u></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This allows for the licensing of a ten ring show by any club, but limits those shows to no more than six Allbreed rings, as was approved by the delegation at the annual meeting. It allows either a back-to-back format or a ten rings over two days format, and limits the number of judgments in any one day to five rings per cat.</p> |   |

**Baugh:** There are two proposals for 10-ring shows. The first one that passed at the annual meeting and allows for 5 rings each day, with a 6 and 4 format. **Altschul:** The second option allows for phantom points. The 10-ring format is going to be self-limiting, but I am for allowing them if it's limited to 5 judgments a day. **Baugh:** We talked about the possibility of scoring each day, but it's just not feasible. Five rings each day is going to have to be the limit, because I don't want to see phantom points either. **Newkirk:** Why should we limit these 10-ring shows to 6 allbreed rings? If we're going to make this in line with the rest of our show rules, the 10-ring shows should be limited to 8 allbreed rings. This would be more appealing for the clubs. **DelaBar:** We proposed 6 allbreed and 4 specialty rings to make it more attractive to for the local exhibitor who is not campaigning. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Newkirk:** Are we going to address making this effective immediately? We talked about doing that on the board list, and the recommendation was to leave that discussion until now. I move that the amended 12.07b be effective October 3, 2009. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kallmeyer, Altschul, Petersen, Eigenhauser and Kusy voting no.

| <b>Rule # 12.07b</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> Masters Cat Club<br>Passed from floor at the Annual |  |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>  |
| <p>b. A two day show which permits up to <del>eight</del> <b>judgings</b> per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of <del>four</del> <b>judgings</b> (<del>five judgings per day for eight ring shows</del>) per entry per day. it is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. Two day shows offer a variety of formats:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;</li> <li>2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;</li> <li>3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);</li> <li>4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days (entries may be judged up to <del>four</del> times each day [<del>five times a day in eight ring shows</del>], <del>eight</del> times over the two days).</li> <li>5. The above #2, <del>#3, and #4</del> described shows may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings.</li> </ol> |   | <p>b. A two day show which permits up to <u>ten</u> <b>judgings</b> per entry over the two days of the show and a maximum of <u>six</u> <b>judgings</b> per entry per day. it is recommended that a judge shall not be scheduled to judge more than 250 cats on either day. Two day shows offer a variety of formats:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. one day Specialty shows where Longhairs are present one day and Shorthairs are present the other day;</li> <li>2. a show where non-championship and premiership classes are present one day and championship classes are present the other day;</li> <li>3. a format where the entries, 225 limit, are present for two days and the judge is present only for one day and is succeeded in the ring by another judge the second day (back-to-back show);</li> <li>4. a show where the judge is present for two days and the entries are also present for two days (entries may be judged up to <u>five</u> times each day <u>in eight ring shows or six times each day in nine or more ring shows, a total of eight to ten times over the two days</u>).</li> <li>5. The above #2 described show may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings. <u>The above #3 and #4 described shows may have any combination of Allbreed or Specialty rings if the total number of rings for the show is eight or less; otherwise the format may not have more than six Allbreed rings.</u></li> </ol> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This allows for the licensing of a ten ring show by any club, but limits those shows to no more than six Allbreed rings, as was approved by the delegation at the annual meeting. It allows either a back-to-back format or a ten rings over two days format, and also allows for six judgings in one day. This has the potential for creating a significant number of “phantom” champions, i.e., champions in the count on Saturday that were never judged as champions on that day, hence cats earning points based on Saturday wins will earn them off of cats they never competed against.</p>   |   |  |

**Withdrawn.**

| <b>Rule # 13.05c</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> Clerking Program Chair |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |  | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| <del>When possible, the position of chief ring clerk should be filled by CFA licensed clerks</del>   |  | The position of chief ring clerk should be filled by a CFA licensed clerk. In an emergency an individual who has taken and passed the current CFA clerking taken but is not yet licensed can fill the position. If show management chooses to use unlicensed individuals who have not taken the and passed the current clerking test a written explanation by a member of the show committee must be included in the show package for the clerking administrator. |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> This puts the pressure on the show committee to find and contract licensed clerks and not wait until Saturday morning to see who shows up. I really feel we should not allow people to move beyond assisting until they take the test. |  |   |

**Baugh:** This proposal compels show committees to find licensed clerks and not wait until Saturday morning to see who shows up. **Kusy:** I agree with the intent, but this would create a more work. I don't want to have to write an excuse if we can't find judges. Then, what is CFA going to do with the letters? **Newkirk:** There is a problem with oversight of this. This would be a nightmare. **Eigenhauser:** Clubs are having a hard enough time finding clerks as it is. Clubs would rather use good clerks, but they are desperate for clerks. **Krzanowski:** I have been to shows where a clerk or two didn't show up and the show committee got on the microphone asking for somebody who could clerk. They would prefer to use experienced ring clerks, if at all possible. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

| <b>Rule # 16.10</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> Central Office |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   |                                    | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| h. the diskette containing show entry information (see Data File Information at the back of this booklet), unless the file has been sent directly to Central Office by the Show Entry Clerk or Show Secretary. A processing fee of \$100.00 is payable by the club to CFA if a properly prepared diskette or approved format electronic file is not provided to the Central Office in conjunction with the show records used for scoring; |                                    | h. the <u>electronic show information (in an electronic format acceptable by the software at Central Office)</u> containing show entry information (see Data File Information at the back of this booklet), unless the file has been sent directly to Central Office by the Show Entry Clerk or Show Secretary. A processing fee of \$100.00 is payable by the club to CFA if a properly approved format electronic file is not provided to the Central Office in conjunction with the show records used for scoring; |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Diskettes are rarely used any more. A readable format gives some leeway yet requires it be in an acceptable format.   |                                    |   |

**Baugh:** The current show rule requires a diskette, which are rarely used anymore. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 19.01a</b>    | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee |                         |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b> |  | <b>Proposed Wording</b> |

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| Insert new section a.<br>Reletter the balance of the rule (a-m becomes b-n)  | a) The name of the Show Hall, street address (or nearest cross streets if a numbered street address is unavailable), City, State and Postal Code . |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> GPS devices and map programs are in common use. Finding some of these show halls to be able to use these aids can, at times, be extremely difficult. |  |

**Baugh:** Many people are using GPS devices and you have to have an address or cross street. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 20.07</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee |  |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   |  | <b>Proposed Wording</b>  |
| The exact registered name of each entry; its CFA registration number, date of birth, sire & dam (including titles) and breeder (if available); and the name and region of residence of the owner—all must be PRINTED in the catalog. The only exception to the requirement for a registration number would be kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class. Their registration numbers may be printed or hand written in the catalog or may not exist at the time of the show. Each entry must have a name. |  | The exact registered name of each entry; its CFA registration number, date of birth, sire & dam (including titles) and breeder (if available); and the name and region of residence of the owner—all must be PRINTED in the catalog. The only exception to the requirement for a registration number would be <u>1) Novices shown in the International Division and 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class.</u> Their registration numbers may be printed or hand written in the catalog or may not exist at the time of the show. Each entry must have a name. |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Housekeeping . Novices are shown without registration numbers.  |  |  |

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 23.02</b>  | Presented by Korats Unlimited, Manx Ltd. Longhair Japanese Bobtail Breeders, Rip City Cats<br>Passed by 2/3 at the Annual |   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| On all ribbons or rosettes/awards designating prizes to be awarded in the various classes, the following words must appear: First, Second, Third, or Winners and the CFA insignia. In the case of a standard Household Pet show, the words “Household Pet Merit Award” and the CFA insignia must appear.   |   | On all ribbons or rosettes/awards designating prizes to be awarded in the various classes, the following words must appear: First, Second, Third, or Winners and the CFA insignia. In the case of a standard Household Pet show, the words “Household Pet Merit Award” and the CFA insignias must appear. <u>In the case of Veterans competing in the show, the words “Veterans Merit Awards” and the CFA insignia must appear.</u> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Competition for Veterans in CFA has developed to the point where it is reasonable to have ribbons and/or flats of a special color for the judging. There has been confusion about what flats a judge must hang during the judging process. By designating a special color ribbon, this confusion can be eliminated. In discussion with exhibitors of veteran cats, the consensus was that silver would be an appropriate color for the merit award flat ribbon.</p> <p>There will be a cost to clubs offering veterans competition, as they would need to purchase approximately 10 ribbons per ring initially (either satin or permanent flats), and must have a few satin flats available for exhibitors who want the souvenir.</p> |   |   |

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 23.03</b>  | <b>Presented by</b> Presented by Korats Unlimited, Manx Ltd, Longhair Japanese Bobtail Breeders Club, Rip City Cats<br>Passed by 2/3 at the Annual |  |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |  | <b>Proposed Wording</b>  |
| Permanent ribbon designations, ribbons, or rosettes in the color designated MUST be given for the awards listed below. If more than one type of memorial is listed, any one of the choices may be given. |  | Permanent ribbon designations, ribbons, or rosettes in the color designated MUST be given for the awards listed below. If more than one type of memorial is listed, any one of the choices may be given. |
| First Place Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Dark Blue  |  | First Place Perm/ribbon/rosette .....Dark Blue   |
| Second Place Perm/ribbon/rosette .....Red  |  | Second Place Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Red   |
| Third Place Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Yellow   |  | Third Place Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Yellow   |
| Best of Color Class Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Black  |  | Best of Color Class Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Black  |
| 2nd Best of Color Class Perm/ribbon/rosette .....White   |  | 2nd Best of Color Class Perm/ribbon/rosette .....White   |
| Championship Winners Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Red, White & Blue   |  | Championship Winners Perm/ribbon/rosette .....Red, White & Blue  |
| Premiership Winners Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Red, White & Blue  |  | Premiership Winners Perm/ribbon/rosette .....Red, White & Blue   |
| Best of Breed/Division Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Brown   |  | Best of Breed/Division Perm/ribbon/rosette .....Brown  |
| 2nd Best of Breed/Division Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Orange  |  | 2nd Best of Breed/Division Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Orange  |
| Best Champ/Prem of Breed/Div Perm/ribbon/rosette ..... Purple  |  | Best Champ/Prem of Breed/Div Perm/ribbon/rosette..... Purple   |
| Household Pet Merit Award Ribbon/rosette ..... Red & White   |  | Household Pet Merit Award Ribbon/rosette .....Red & White  |
| Best, 2nd, 3rd AB Best Champ Ribbon/rosette/award .....Any Color   |  | <u>Veteran Merit Award Ribbon/Rosette ....Silver or Gray</u>   |
| Best, 2nd, 3rd LH Champ Ribbon/rosette/award .....Any Color  |  | Best, 2nd, 3rd AB Best Champ Ribbon/rosette/award ..... Any Color  |
| Best, 2nd, 3rd SH Champ Ribbon/rosette/award .....Any Color  |  | Best, 2nd, 3rd LH Champ Ribbon/rosette/award Any ..... Color   |
| Best & 2nd Best AB Premier Ribbon/rosette/award .....Any Color   |  | Best, 2nd, 3rd SH Champ Ribbon/rosette/award ..... Any Color   |
| Best & 2B LH Premier Ribbon/rosette/award .....Any Color   |  | Best & 2nd Best AB Premier Ribbon/rosette/award ..... Any Color  |
| Best & 2B SH Premier Ribbon/rosette/award .....Any Color   |  | Best & 2B LH Premier Ribbon/rosette/award ..... Any Color  |
| Best-10th Best Cat Rosette/award .....Any Color  |  | Best & 2B SH Premier Ribbon/rosette/award ..... Any Color  |
| 11th-15th Best Cat (if appl) Rosette/award ..Any Color   |  | Best-10th Best Cat Rosette/award ..... Any Color   |
| Best-10th Best Kitten Rosette/award .....Any Color   |  | 11th-15th Best Cat (if appl) Rosette/award . Any Color   |
| 11th-15th Best Kitten (if appl) Rosette/award Any Color  |  | Best-10th Best Kitten Rosette/award ..... Any Color  |

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| Best-10th Best Premiership Rosette/award ..Any Color<br>11th -15th Best Premiership Rosette/award .Any Color<br>Best-5th Best HHP Rosette/award .....Any Color<br>6th-10th Best HHP (if appl) Rosette/award .Any Color<br>Best-5th Best Veteran Rosette/award .....Any Color<br>6th-10th Best Veterans (if appl) Rosette/<br>award .....Any Color  | 11th-15th Best Kitten (if appl) Rosette/award Any Color<br>Best-10th Best Premiership Rosette/award . Any Color<br>11th -15th Best Premiership Rosette/award Any Color<br>Best-5th Best HHP Rosette/award ..... Any Color<br>6th-10th Best HHP (if appl) Rosette/award . Any Color<br>Best-5th Best Veteran Rosette/award ..... Any Color<br>6th-10th Best Veterans (if appl) Rosette/<br>award ..... Any Color |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Competition for Veterans in CFA has developed to the point where it is reasonable to have ribbons and/or flats of a special color for the judging. There has been confusion about what flats a judge must hang during the judging process. By designating a special color ribbon, this confusion can be eliminated. In discussion with exhibitors of veteran cats, the consensus was that silver would be an appropriate color for the merit award flat ribbon.</p> <p>There will be a cost to clubs offering veterans competition, as they would need to purchase approximately 10 ribbons per ring initially (either satin or permanent flats), and must have a few satin flats available for exhibitors who want the souvenir.</p> |   |

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

| <b>Rule # 25.02</b>   | Passed at June 2009 Board Meeting. Presented for inclusion into the rules.   |
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| <b>Existing Wording</b>   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>  |
| <p>Invitations from clubs affiliated with foreign cat associations are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program/Board and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty judges. Invitations from CFA club in the International Division may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed (eligible for specialties) and Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.</p> <p>Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division. Approval of the Judging Program/CFA Board must also be obtained for non-CFA shows. Household Pet, 4-H, pet fairs and seminars require notification of the Judging Program Chairman. After appropriate permission is received from the Judging Program/CFA Board for a judge to accept a non-CFA foreign guest assignment, he/she must send a CFA Judging Contract in triplicate to the club. When signed and dated by the judge, this constitutes an offer to officiate. This offer will live for a period of 35 days from the date set opposite the judge's signature. Unless the club accepts this offer and communicates its acceptance to the judge within 35 days of said date by returning two copies of this agreement executed by the club to the judge, the offer dies and the judge is not obligated further. Judges must send a signed copy of all approved guest judging contracts to the CFA Central</p> | <p>Invitations from clubs affiliated with foreign cat associations are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program/Board and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty judges. Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed (eligible for specialties) and Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.</p> <p>Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division. Approval of the Judging Program/CFA Board must also be obtained for non-CFA shows. Household Pet, 4-H, pet fairs and seminars require notification of the Judging Program Chairman. After appropriate permission is received from the Judging Program/CFA Board for a judge to accept a non-CFA foreign guest assignment, he/she must send a CFA Judging Contract in triplicate to the club. When signed and dated by the judge, this constitutes an offer to officiate. This offer will live for a period of 35 days from the date set opposite the judge's signature. Unless the club accepts this offer and communicates its acceptance to the judge within 35 days of said date by returning two copies of this agreement executed by the club to the judge, the offer dies and the judge is not obligated further. Judges must send a signed copy of all approved guest judging contracts to the CFA Central Office.</p> |

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| Office  | <u>If a CFA judge who is under contract to officiate at 2, 3 or more consecutive, non-CFA sanctioned shows, as a guest judge, has cause to cancel these foreign assignments in response to a change of circumstances domestically (excluding illness or incapacitation) then the Judge is allowed to accept a CFA show on any of these same weekends</u> |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> Guidance must be spelled out in the rules when a situation arises which causes a judge to cancel a guest judging assignment |  |

**Baugh:** 25.02 was discussed and passed at the June board meeting. It needs to be included in the rules. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

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| <b>Rule # 27.02b</b>   | <b>Presented by</b> Show Rules Committee with consent of the Judging Program Committee at the request of one of our judges. |   |
| <b>Existing Wording</b>  |   | <b>Proposed Wording</b>   |
| A judge may not judge and exhibit on the same weekend at the same location   |   | A judge may not judge and exhibit on the same weekend at the same location. <u>In the case of the two shows being held on the same weekend at the same location, immediate family members may exhibit at the show in which the judge does NOT officiate</u> |
| <b>RATIONALE:</b> This rule is very clear but it has been interpreted to include both the judge and family members in this restriction. When 6x6 shows are being run, they are considered two different shows but they are run at the same location. The need for restricting judges from showing at the same location on the one weekend is understandable, however the restriction should clearly state that it does NOT apply to the judge's household. These shows. That is as restriction we accepted when we applied to the judging program. However, when a 6x6 format was started, this restriction took on new meaning. The restriction should clearly state it does NOT apply to the judge's household |   |   |

**Baugh:** This is a clarification on the restriction of judges not being able to judge and exhibit at the same location. We want to make it very clear that this does not apply to members of the judge's household. **DelaBar:** This says that you can judge on Saturday and a household member could exhibit on Sunday. **Baugh:** We need clarification on this. Can they show on the alternate day or not? **Calhoun:** I don't have a problem with that, or with the judge exhibiting the opposite day, because they are currently allowed to judge in one city Saturday and exhibit in another city Sunday. **Meeker:** Why are we punishing judges' families from exhibiting, if they don't go into that judge's ring? **DelaBar:** It is a negative perception. **Newkirk:** We have enough problems with judges exhibiting, breeding and showing. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Meeker, Calhoun and White voting yes. Baugh abstained.

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| ARTICLE<br>XXXVII –<br>NATIONAL/<br>DIVISION/<br>REGIONAL<br>AWARDS<br>PROGRAM<br><br>REGIONAL/<br>DIVISION | Presented by Cats R Us, Cat Fanciers of Finland<br><br>Passed at the Annual by a majority. |
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| Existing Wording  | Proposed Wording   |
| <p>2. Region/area of residence is assigned based on the region number listed in the last show in which the cat/kitten earned points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January</p> <p>(see #5, 6 &amp; 7).</p>   | <p>2. Region/area of residence is assigned based on the region number listed in the last show in which the cat/kitten earned points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January</p> <p>(see #5, 6 &amp; 7).</p> <p><u>2 a) A “split season” kitten is assigned to the Region (Division) which is listed in the catalog of the LAST show in which it earns points as a kitten.</u></p> <p>10. A <b>kitten</b> is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of either a.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten, or b.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten prior to and including the first full show weekend in January, whichever show (a. or b.) occurs first. <u>10 b) A “split season” kitten is assigned to the Region (Division) which is listed in the catalog of the LAST show in which it earns points as a kitten.</u></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Presently, regional assignment for split season kittens is determined by the region which is listed in the catalog of the FIRST show in which they are shown as a kitten; so, during the first show season. Split season kittens are scored in the second season in which they are shown. The date of the kitten’s birth requires them to be scored for the second show season. Their regional assignment should also be determined in the second show season.</p> <p>This proposal will have the region of residence be determined by the LAST show of the second season.</p> |  |

**Baugh:** We have two options on split season kittens. The first one, which the delegates passed by majority, was for the region of residence to be determined on the date of the last show; however, in online discussions, the board consensus was the first weekend in the second season.

**Eigenhauser:** I prefer the last show of the second season. The reason for the January rule is to keep people from forum shopping at the last minute. When you’re starting a new show season, everybody’s starting off fresh, so you’re not forum shopping to see which one has the lowest points and which would give you the best placement. Remember, a split season kitten is going to be showing against kittens that have all the way up until January, or when they time out as a kitten, whichever comes first, to decide where their residence is, so every kitten they are competing against will have its last kitten show as the day it determines its residence, so why not a split season kitten? There seems to be a consistency that the cats competing against each other will have the same date for determining what their residence is.

**Petersen:** I disagree. I would rather not have any chance they can go shopping.

**Altschul:** I don’t want kittens being allowed to pick a region at their last show, where they don’t live here, never have lived here and never will live.

**Krzanowski:** I agree. Using the last show in which the kitten earns points is going to encourage region shopping for awards. Making it the first show in the new season in which the kitten earns points is more equitable.

**Tartaglia:** Based on what we do for kittens that start the show season on May 1 and their regional assignment is based on the last show in which they are shown and earn points, why not do that for split-season kittens, as well? That seems more logical.

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** DelaBar, Kusy, Petersen, Altschul, Krzanowski, Miller, Cantley and Calhoun voting no.

**Baugh** moved to make this effective for the 2009-2010 show season. **DelaBar:** It wouldn't be in the show rules, but we could make it a policy for scoring split-season kittens for this show season. **Eigenhauser:** I'm uncomfortable changing the method of scoring after people have already been showing their cats, after they are already receiving scores, receiving e-points, and suddenly allow a migration after the season has already started. **Newkirk:** We've only got a couple of cats that this will affect, so to be consistent, we ought to make it retroactive to apply to the first season that this is going to be scored in, and have everybody throughout history be scored in the same way. **Altschul:** I don't think we should have to go back and change things for people who couldn't read the rules in the first place. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Anger, Meeker, Baugh, Johnson, Satoh, Brown, Kallmeyer, Newkirk and White voting yes.

| ARTICLE<br>XXXVII –<br>NATIONAL/<br>DIVISION/<br>REGIONAL<br>AWARDS<br>PROGRAM<br><br>REGIONAL/<br>DIVISION<br>ASSIGNMENT   | Presented by Show Rules Committee |  |
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| Existing Wording  |                                   | Proposed Wording   |
| <p>2. Region/area of residence is assigned based on the region number listed in the last show in which the cat/kitten earned points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January</p> <p>(see #5, 6 &amp; 7).</p> |                                   | <p>2. Region/area of residence is assigned based on the region number listed in the last show in which the cat/kitten earned points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January</p> <p>(see #5, 6 &amp; 7).</p> <p><u>2 a) A “split season” kitten is assigned to the Region (Division) which is listed in the catalog of the FIRST show in the second season in which it earns points as a kitten</u></p> <p>10. A <b>kitten</b> is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of either a.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten, or b.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten prior to and including the first full show weekend in January, whichever show (a. or b.) occurs first.</p> <p><u>10 b)A “split season” kitten is assigned to the Region (Division) which is listed in the catalog of the FIRST show in the second season in which it earns points as a kitten</u></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> Same rationale just using the first show in the second season, to determine regional residency, not the last.</p>  |                                   |  |

**Withdrawn.**

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| ARTICLE<br>XXXVII – | Presented by Show Rules Committee with input from Central Office |
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| <p>NATIONAL/<br/>DIVISION/<br/>REGIONAL<br/>AWARDS<br/>PROGRAM</p> <p>REGIONAL/<br/>DIVISION<br/>ASSIGNMENT</p>  |   |
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| Existing Wording   | Proposed Wording  |
| <p>1. Regional assignment is determined separately for each competitive category, i.e. kitten, championship, premiership</p> <p>5. No change to the regional assignment of a cat/kitten will be permitted after the first full show weekend in January (see #6, 7 &amp; 8).</p> <p>6. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the show at which a new region is listed (see #7).</p> <p>7. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the last show in which the cat earns points prior to the first full show weekend in January (see #6).</p> <p>8. A cat/kitten whose ownership has changed after the first full show weekend in January may continue to compete and earn points, however, any awards achieved will be received by the owner(s) on CFA records as of the first full show weekend in January. Owner(s) who maintain residences in more than one region must identify by the first full show weekend in January the region in which the cat/kitten is to be assigned by listing the desired region of residence in the catalog of the last show in which the cat/kitten earns points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January. A cat/kitten whose owners' residence moves from one region to another after the first full show weekend in January will be assigned to the region where its owner(s) maintained a residence as of the first full show weekend in January.</p> <p>9. A catalog correction may be made at a show to change the region listed in a catalog. The only acceptable proof(s) of a catalog correction are, a.) that the master catalog received in the Central Office has been marked to indicate the change, or b.) the exhibitor has a properly executed copy of a catalog correction request form.</p> <p>10. A <b>kitten</b> is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of either a.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten, or b.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten prior to and including the first full show weekend in January, whichever show (a. or b.) occurs first.</p> <p>11. An <b>adult cat</b> is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points</p> | <p><b>1. Regional assignment is determined separately for each competitive category, i.e. kitten, championship, premiership</b></p> <p>5. No change to the regional assignment of a cat/kitten will be permitted after the first full show weekend in January (see #6, 7 &amp; 8).</p> <p>6. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the show at which a new region is listed (see #7).</p> <p>7. Transfers of ownership which affect regional assignment must be received in the Central Office before the last show in which the cat earns points prior to the first full show weekend in January (see #6).</p> <p>8. A cat/kitten whose ownership has changed after the first full show weekend in January may continue to compete and earn points, however, any awards achieved will be received by the owner(s) on CFA records as of the first full show weekend in January. Owner(s) who maintain residences in more than one region must identify by the first full show weekend in January the region in which the cat/kitten is to be assigned by listing the desired region of residence in the catalog of the last show in which the cat/kitten earns points prior to or on the first full show weekend in January. A cat/kitten whose owners' residence moves from one region to another after the first full show weekend in January will be assigned to the region where its owner(s) maintained a residence as of the first full show weekend in January.</p> <p>9. A catalog correction may be made at a show to change the region listed in a catalog. The only acceptable proof(s) of a catalog correction are, a.) that the master catalog received in the Central Office has been marked to indicate the change, or b.) the exhibitor has a properly executed copy of a catalog correction request form.</p> <p>10. A <b>kitten</b> is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of either a.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten, or b.) the last show in which it earns points as a kitten prior to and including the first full show weekend in January, whichever show (a. or b.) occurs first.</p> <p>11. An <b>adult cat</b> is assigned to the region which is listed in the catalog of the last show in which it earns points</p> |

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| <p>prior to or on the first full show weekend in January.</p> <p>12. Changes in regional assignment are not permitted after the first full show weekend in <del>January for any reason including a transfer of ownership.</del></p> <p>13. The regional assignment for any cat/kitten which first scores points within a competitive category at a show occurring after the first full show weekend in January, will be the region listed in the catalog of the first show at which the cat/kitten earns points.</p> | <p>prior to or on the first full show weekend in January.</p> <p>12. Changes in regional assignment are not permitted after the first full show weekend in January <u>unless there is a true transfer of ownership after the January deadline, where none of the previous owners stay on as the new owners. A change of region is permitted if these criteria are met. The transfer of ownership paperwork must be received in the office prior to the first show at which the cat is shown where the new region is listed.</u></p> <p>13. The regional assignment for any cat/kitten which first scores points within a competitive category at a show occurring after the first full show weekend in January, will be the region listed in the catalog of the first show at which the cat/kitten earns points.</p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> (1) No change in the wording – bold the section. People don’t seem to realize the regional assignment is determined separately for each competitive category.</p> <p>plus</p> <p>(2) A re-wording of the Regional Assignment for Divisional/Regional Awards (Article XXXVII) to allow for a cat/kitten to change region which to enable the new owner(s) the ability to earn awards in their own respective region/division.</p>  |  |

**Baugh:** Each competitive category of regional assignment needs to be determined separately. **Eigenhauser:** This is saying that a championship cat could change regional assignment in February as long as there is a complete change in ownership. That’s the rule we used to have. The delegation repealed it because they thought there was too much forum shopping. If all it takes is a straw man conveyance to transfer to another region, we’re basically saying everyone can determine their region of residence the last day of the show season. **Calhoun:** I agree. For \$14, you can shop your region. **Altschul:** This is already happening before the January deadline. Why do we want to encourage it after the January deadline?

**Baugh** moved to accept the change to bold type. **Motion Carried.**

**Baugh** moved to accept the underlined portion. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

| ARTICLE XXXVIII – Feline Agility 38.10 | <p><b>Presented by</b> Liberty Trail Cat Fanciers, Nova Cat Fanciers, Sign Of The Cat Fanciers, Mount Laurel Cat Fanciers, Midlantic Pers-Himmie Fanciers, Moorestown Cat Fanciers, Metropolitan Cat Fanciers, Monterey Peninsula Cat Fanciers, Rainbow Plumes, Continental Balinese Club, Sanguine Silver Fanciers Society, Almost Heaven Cat Club, Garden State Cat Club, National Alliance Of Birman Breeders, Rose City Cat Club , Paper Tigers Fanciers.</p> <p>Passed at the annual by 2/3.</p> |
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| Existing Wording                       | Proposed Wording  |
| Add new section                        | <p><u>Agility Competitor: (AC) this title is awarded to any cat who completes the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility Course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error.</u></p> <p><u>Agility Winner: (AW) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Competitor</u></p>  |

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|   | <p><u>(AC), and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility Course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in at least 2 separate CFA Feline Agility Competitions, earning a minimum of 500 Points.</u></p> <p><u>Agility Master: (AM) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Winner (AW) and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility Course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in CFA Feline Agility Competitions during their competitive career, earning a minimum of 2000 points.</u></p> <p><u>Agility Grand Master: (AG) this title is awarded to any cat who has previously earned the title of Agility Master (AM) and has successfully completed the standard 10 obstacle CFA Feline Agility Course within the allotted maximum time, 270 seconds, without error, in CFA Feline Agility Competitions during their competitive career, earning a minimum of 4000 points.</u></p> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> With all of the success that CFA Feline Agility has had over the past several years, we feel it is time to give the participants more incentive to continue to compete in agility. Agility is a crowd pleaser and a great publicity tool for CFA clubs. Presently, CFA Feline Agility is scored by Russ Reimer, our Agility Committee Scorer, at no cost to CFA. Those results are forwarded to Central Office at season's end. Awarding these titles will help to give the recognition to the competitors which they so richly deserve. The CFA Feline Agility Committee could easily notify CFA Central Office as agility competitors reached the point levels listed above.</p> |  |

**Baugh:** The next proposal about agility titles passed the annual. **Tartaglia:** There are cats that compete in agility that are not CFA registered. If they're not CFA registered, we can't give them a title, officially. It's not something we are going to be able to keep track of. **Miller:** It's out of order. **Kusy:** It should have been ruled out of order at the annual. **DelaBar:** We can give titles to those that are registered, and this was done by 2/3. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy, Petersen and Miller voting no.

| Rule # 2.14   | Presented by Show Rules Committee for discussion |  |
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| Existing Wording  |  | Proposed Wording   |
| No cat or kitten shall be benched within four calendar days of any previous benching. If a cat/kitten is scheduled to be judged on only one day of a two day show, it will be considered to be benched only on that day. Cats benched in violation of this rule will receive no credit for the awards/points achieved in the latter show.   |  | No cat or kitten shall be benched within four calendar days of any previous benching. If a cat/kitten is scheduled to be judged on only one day of a two day show, it will be considered to be benched only on that day. Cats benched in violation of this rule will receive no credit for the awards/points achieved in the latter show. <u>This restriction does not apply to two one day shows held on the same weekend (whether held at the same location or two different locations).</u> |
| <p><b>RATIONALE:</b> This would have two effects. It would allow the 6X6 to become a standard format and would allow for two one day shows on a weekend in two different locations.</p> <p>We are already allowing cats to be judged in twelve rings on a weekend. What is sacred about having these shows be in one location? Eliminating this restriction allows two clubs to hold one day shows on the same weekend, in close enough proximity to allow exhibitors to attend both. This opens the show schedule to more shows, allows clubs that can't afford and/or find show halls that will house a six ring show to move forward with a smaller show. Allowing</p> |  |  |

two shows on the same weekend will give the exhibitor the opportunity to attend both, without having to choose one over the other. Many clubs have small show halls but are established in their location and get a gate. This allows this to keep happening. In addition to our large shows, CFA needs the smaller shows for a number of reasons. The most important being we need to be in as many venues/ locations as possible in order to interest spectators and new exhibitors to our hobby. They are our future and the place from which we will grow. The new fanciers and/or spectator need accessibility. They haven't reached the state of being true fanciers, willing to drive for miles and hours to a show. We also need to make shows available to the casual exhibitor, a place for them to show their cat and feel they have, at least, a chance of some degree of success. In the current economic environment people are careful how and where they place their expendable income. If we don't give the casual exhibitor a place to exhibit they will either go where they can find a show in what they feel is a reasonable time/distance or they will lose interest in the hobby or disappear altogether.

*Additional comments; This is presented as an 'outside the box idea' but also incorporates adopting the 6X6 format as a regular option. Watching the 6x6 counts there doesn't seem to be any set pattern to which shows do well and those that don't. Perhaps the 'bloom is off the rose' in regards to those shows and wonder if it might be time to take some action. Exhibitors are smart and know these shows attract the serious exhibitor/campaigner. If two clubs, (even if they are in different regions, want to share the weekend with one doing a Saturday show and one doing a Sunday show, why not? What's the difference other than that the 6X6 is on one location?*

*Doing this may allow two clubs to work together, yet independently, to perhaps each hold a 4 (or 5) ring show each day. Expenses would be less since they would only be hiring 4 judges and these would probably be smaller shows.*

*We need to be a presence in as many markets as possible in order to encourage new blood and interest in our hobby. Those folks are our future. The casual spectator and exhibitor aren't going to drive hours to a show and many know they are not competitive in the bigger shows, but feel they have the potential for some success in a smaller venue. Keep discouraging them and they'll either give up or go elsewhere.*

*IMHO the 6 x 6 "experimental" shows will eventually be a "regular" format and probably morph into 12 ring back to back shows. 10 ring 450 shows are on the horizon. Economies of scale and the desire of current exhibitors for more points at lower cost will constantly push us farther and farther in that direction. The NSSC is keeping shows farther apart to protect entry (and we still don't know how the new formats affect shows the weekend before or after in the same market). So CFA shows will become farther and farther apart in time and space.*

*But most new exhibitors or people thinking of showing for the first time are unlikely to travel to a distant show. I think the little, local shows are a starting point for many exhibitors and the loss of those shows will only make our downward spiral in numbers worse.*

**Eigenhauser:** This proposal is two things; it legalizes the 6x6 shows in one location, but also allows people to travel to another location. The number of people who would attempt to fly from one show to another Saturday night is not going to happen often enough to be a problem. **Baugh:** We need to grow and be in as many markets as possible. We need to get our product out and we need to serve our customers by having shows for people to go to. Our big shows are going to stay big, but we need to take away as many obstacles as we can, to allow clubs to put on shows. **Newkirk:** I would rather let this come up at the annual and have some floor discussion from the delegates. **Baugh:** This is being presented here for feed-back. **DelaBar:** Why can't shows go together and put on a show? This proposal would benefit those regions with lesser

landscape and greater populations. It would be a detriment those with greater landscape and lesser populations. **Calhoun:** This would allow other options and would drive more showing, not less. **DelaBar:** It would promote the use of local judges. **Newkirk:** There might be a significant number of people who are willing to pack up Saturday night and drive to another show. To me, it makes more sense for two clubs to go together and have a back-to-back show in one location. **Calhoun:** Clubs have an option of combining, but let them make their choices. **Meeker:** Do we have the judges to man all these shows? **Baugh:** The main purpose is to offer another option. We need to give as much leeway as we can to the clubs. Let's leave it as discussion at this point.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Loretta Baugh, Show Rules Chair*

## **SHOW RULES – PROPOSAL TO CREATE AN EXPERIMENTAL “MINI SHOW” FORMAT**

**Presented by:** George Eigenhauser  
**Ad Hoc Members:** Loretta Baugh, Kathy Calhoun and Peg Johnson

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### **PROPOSAL:**

Create an experimental “mini show” format to encourage small, community shows. Incentives may include reducing license/insurance fees, exempting them from some of the show scheduling restrictions and other benefits as follows:

1. Allow clubs to license an experimental “mini show” format with an entry limit of ~~160~~ 125 cats or less.
2. Mini shows would be allowed no more than 8 rings per weekend.
3. License fees for the mini shows would be \$50.00; show insurance would be \$50.00.
4. NSSC/Regional Director would not be permitted to turn down a mini show for being too close to another show date/location as long as it is at least ~~200~~ 300 miles (show hall door to door by the shortest driving route) from any traditional show's usual location or an already licensed or approved show.
5. CFA Show Rule 2.14 (benching limited to one show per weekend) would be waived if both shows entered were one day mini shows regardless of the location of the two shows.
6. Since this is an experimental format, not a show rule change, it should go into effect immediately upon approval of the Board.
7. Upon approval of the format by the CFA Board clubs should be permitted to license this format without additional Board action.

### **RELATED PROPOSAL:**

Change CFA show license and show insurance fees as follows:

- (a) Show license fee remains \$100/show (\$200 for a 6 x 6, 225 show) for up to 8 rings/show (excluding mini shows).
- (b) Show license fee for shows with more than 8 rings \$150.
- (c) Show insurance \$100/show for shows licensed for up to 225 entries (excluding mini shows).
- (d) Show insurance for shows licensed for over 225 entries \$150.

**NOTE:** The limitation of 8 rings per mini show is in anticipation of Board action on the 10 ring show proposal and not intended to preclude two clubs from creating a 6 x 6 mini show pairing. Since it is anticipated that mini shows would be closer together than traditional format shows it

*should not be necessary that both halves of a 6 x 6 mini show pair be at the same location. If the Board repeals or modifies CFA Show Rule 2.14 this portion may become moot.*

**RATIONALE:**

*Consolidation into bigger shows farther apart may be popular with today's exhibitor looking for more points more quickly but it's not necessarily attractive for tomorrow's exhibitor. Shows are becoming larger (in number of rings per weekend if not in entry) and farther apart to protect entry. Economies of scale for the clubs and the desire of current exhibitors for more points at lower cost will constantly push us farther and farther in that direction.*

*But many new exhibitors or people thinking of showing for the first time are unwilling to travel to a distant show. Local community shows are a starting point for many exhibitors. The loss of little community shows in favor of 6 x 6 or 10 ring shows, spaced farther apart, will only make our downward spiral in numbers worse.*

*If we can't stop the fancy from consolidating into bigger and more distant shows, is there something we can do to support and encourage "local" shows? If we wish to preserve the little community shows that are the entry point for so many CFA exhibitors we need to find a way to help the smaller shows.*

*Among the incentives offered in this proposal are lower license and insurance fees, exemption from the one show per weekend rule, and the ability to hold the mini shows on weekends already occupied by other shows as long as a specified distance is maintained. It is anticipated that the mini shows will draw local entry and have minimal impact on tradition shows held the same weekend.*

*There was a time (not that many years ago) when it was still possible to make money on a 140 cat show if you knew in advance the show would be that small. A club could look at smaller, cheaper, out of the way show halls that they couldn't risk if the show had to plan for 225. If we open up the free market and let mini shows look for inexpensive show halls (even if there is a traditional show a long distance away) clubs may find a little, reasonably priced show hall. Some halls (particularly hotels) hold out for bigger more profitable events. But these may open up for a local cat show last minute if nothing more lucrative comes along. Flexibility in scheduling may allow mini shows to take advantage of transient opportunities that larger shows, set to fixed dates to avoid conflicts with distant shows, could not.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.*

**Eigenhauser:** I have become concerned at the bigger and bigger shows, farther and farther apart. The big shows are very popular with clubs because they want to make money and very popular for exhibitors who want to earn points. However, most people start out by going to little local shows in their own area. The loss of these little local shows is hurting CFA in terms of attracting new exhibitors. We need little, community shows to bring in new exhibitors. We need to think of ways to subsidize the little shows without it actually costing CFA money. Essentially, the only thing we can give to encourage smaller community shows is to open up the market for the local exhibitors who wouldn't go to a distant show. If you keep the format small enough and the number of entries small enough, you're going to attract the community crowd, not the campaigners. Giving clubs a bye on scheduling is the most we can do to encourage little shows,

so that has become the core of the proposal. **Altschul:** For shows in my region, 160 entries is not a small show. **Cantley:** We might consider lowering the entry limit. My concern is, we need to let the regional director and the scheduler work with the clubs in their own region. **Kallmeyer:** I like the concept of mini-shows, but I'm worried about the effect out west, where people will drive if it's the only show in the area. **Miller:** If we could encourage some different thinking, this would be excellent for new exhibitors. I support this idea, but the limit of cats should be lower. **Johnson:** Clubs can still have 4-ring one-day shows. What we just did for 2.14, exhibitors can now go to two shows in a weekend. **Baugh:** The crux of this is, if we don't get our product out to the public, to as many markets as possible, we are not going to grow. Mini-shows will help our growth. **Mare:** Is it financially possible to do this? **Calhoun:** Rarely would the math actually work for this format. Having a conglomeration of those little shows all over is going to dilute our purpose. **Eigenhauser:** If you plan a small show, you can get a smaller, cheaper hall. Also, the idea with mini-shows is to have more flexibility of dates. **DelaBar:** I am in favor of the spirit of this, but I do not see how this can happen. We don't have enough cage vendors or enough clubs who own the cages to set up these mini-shows around the United States. The judges' cost is going to be the same for these clubs, no matter if they have 125 entries or 225. CFA has the same expense, because we still have to send out show supplies and score the show. I do not believe we can afford it. **Kusy:** If a mini-show is held only to support the local exhibitors, how do they pay for publicity? Without publicity, we don't get gate. Without gate, we don't have future exhibitors. We don't need this format to limit entries and have a smaller show. **Cantley:** Taking the scheduling out of the regional directors' hands is a big issue. **Altschul:** Let's see how well people take to 2.14. I agree with the others that you've got to let the regional directors do their jobs. **Eigenhauser:** I will accept the amendment to 125 cats and to 300 miles, but the only thing we can offer these little shows is more open dates, and that's why it should be taken away from the National Show Scheduling Committee and away from this notion that the future of CFA is bigger and fewer shows. If they can't find cages and they can't find judges, they won't have the show. That's why we call it experimental. Give it a fair chance and then evaluate it. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Eigenhauser, Miller, Baugh, Meeker and Anger voting yes.

**(11) AKC-CFA MEET THE BREEDS.**

**Committee Chair:** *David White*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer); Allene Tartaglia (CFA Executive Director); Roeann Fulkerson (CFA Director of Corporate Marketing & Public Relations); Geri Fellerman – Event Coordinator; Claudia Hasay – Breed Booth Coordinator*

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**Committee Activities since February Board Meeting:**

*The MTB committee established weekly conference calls as a forum to communicate and strategize for the MTB event. Additionally there was a yahoo group list established for all Breed Council participants for the event. There were also several conference calls with BC members to ensure a unified approach for MTB.*

***Initiatives:***

*Both the Boy Scout and Girls Scout organizations are participating in MTB's. Each will have a booth. AKC has ordered "Responsible Pet Ownership" Patches for them to earn during the day. They must complete a Responsible Pet Ownership Question Sheet to earn a patch.*

*Each Breed Council was given a stipend of \$1900 to fund their breed booth and participation for the event. 34 of 41 breeds will be represented at MTB. We originally planned for 30, however Havana Brown is attending on behalf of the Havana Brown Breed group and is funding their participation. The Somali Breed is sharing space with the Aby breed booth therefore were not funded.*

*There were several media alert that were sent out featuring various breeds that will be present. I have included a edited short version, which will also give a depiction of what some of the breed councils plans and themes for their breed booth.*

*To create consistency around breeder referral list as well as generate additional income for the event, we created an on-line breeder referral website from CFA.org We wanted to create one referral list by breed to be handed out during this event. Anyone that wanted to be included in the breeder referral website could do so for \$25 for the first breed and \$10 for each additional breed. Each referral would also be listed on [www.meetthebreeds.com](http://www.meetthebreeds.com) . We had 219 breeders sign up for this special promotion.*

***Planned PR Initiatives***

- *Fox & Friends Segment, Thursday October 8, (6:30 AM-9 AM) will run a segment on 3 unique cat breeds and 3 unique dog breeds. Gina DiNardo from AKC will discuss the breeds and the MTB event .*
- *Press Preview is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14th. Good Day NY will be doing live feeds from the Affina Hotel. We plan to have a mock Breed booth, toddler agility and 10 different cats breeds for the press preview. After the Press Preview, AKC will have their street teams dress up as Cats and Dog walking around handing out information to the public around town.*

- *NASDAQ Closing bell ceremony will take place on Thursday, October 15th.*
- *The "Today Show will be running a segment on Sunday Morning of October 18th.*
- *Regis" has requested and booked the top three cats from Cat Idol (as decided by New Yorkers) to be on their show on an exclusive basis for the morning of Monday, October 19.*
- *Daily News will be doing interviews with 3 cat fanciers in the NYC metropolitan area that will be attending/participating at MTB in the . They are looking to conduct a photo shoot at the home location, and a interview that will ultimately run in one of the largest newspaper in the NYC metropolitan area.*

### ***Special Events Planned:***

- *Face Painters- Back by popular demand.*
- *Cat Agility, always popular, will take place throughout the weekend this year on the main - floor. The change in location greatly enhanced participation by the exhibitors.*

*We will have a stage area where several activities will run, which include*

### ***Saturday- October 17th***

*11:00 a.m. - Mock Judging (Pam will need to let us know what breed(s) she wants so we can have the cats lined up - suggest we use cats where there will be a lot present*

*11:30 a.m. - Grooming your HHP*

*12:00 noon - Show grooming a show Persian*

*1:00 p.m. - CPR/First Aid for Cats (leaving extra time for this as I would expect a lot of Q&A)*

*2:00 p.m. - Mock Judging (allowed for set-up time)*

*2:30 p.m. - Ad agency presentation*

*3:00 p.m. - Grooming your HHP*

*3:30 p.m. - Show grooming a Persian*

*4:00 p.m. - CPR/First Aid for Cats*

### ***Sunday – October 18th***

*10:30 a.m. - Mock Judging*

*11:00 a.m. - Grooming your HHP*

*11:30 a.m. - Grooming a show Persian*

*12 noon - CPR/First Aid for Cats*

*1:00 p.m. - Mock Judging*

*2 p.m. – CICI (CFA-IAMS Cat Idol) begins! Ten cats will be put into the cages set up for the mock judging - a panel of three judges (Pam, Willa and Pat?) will discuss each cat. We will have the 3 judges narrow the field down to 3-5 Cats and then have either applause or a show of hands determine CICI. IAMS will be providing 300lbs of food for the top 3 winners, as well as possibly a IAMS iPod Nano for the top CICI.*

*Breed Showcase Times:*

*Saturday - 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m. - with ongoing Q&A and random discussions in between*

***SIAMESE TO CELEBRATE LADY AND THE TRAMP WHILE CALIFORNIA HAVANA  
BROWNS MAKE FINAL FLIGHT PLANS***

*CFA Breed Councils Finalize Displays As Part of Feline Fine in 2009 Celebration and the First Ever CFA Iams Cat Idol!*

*New York - September 15, 2009. Lady and The Tramp will take center stage once again as Siamese are celebrated at the upcoming Meet the Breeds, the first event to be co-produced by the Cat Fanciers Association (CFA) and the American Kennel Club® (AKC). Meet the Breeds, featuring the first ever CFA Iams Cat Idol, will recreate some of the great movie moments while showcasing 41 CFA registered cat breeds and 160 AKC registered dog breeds in booths individually decorated to depict each breeds country of origin, historical purpose/function, and attributes as a family pet*

*Aunt Sarahs mischievous Siamese cats, trying to eat the bird as well as the gold fish, knock over the vase of flowers and shred the curtains, will come to life. All will come together, complete with four Siamese cats representing each color of the breed, in the backdrop of a turn of the century Victorian room complete with Siamese-shredded decorations, props and flat panel displays that will also provide a bit of education about the breed.*

*Joining the Siamese will be booths representing breeds:*

- Ocicats will rumble in the Amazon jungle, under the tag line of "We're not wild ... we just look that way." The Ocicat booth will include a 13 foot by 9 feet jungle dreams back drop mural.*
- Havana Browns will feature California, Kansas and Virginia cats flying in just for Meet the Breeds for the theme: What Can a Havana Brown Do for You?? Young visitors to the show will also be able to pickup limited edition Havana Brown trading cards.*
- Colorpoint Shorthairs will celebrate NYC - Designers! Since Colorpoint Shorthairs are considered the designer patterns and colors in a Siamese style, the booth will feature three faux-magazine covers of "cat fashion" type magazines, one with each color (lynx point, tortie point and red point) on them. Designer-type cages will be decorated as though they were on a runway at a fashion show and will include a "runway" for displaying pictures and other items highlighting the designer patterns and colors of the Colorpoint Shorthair.*

- *The Birman booth designers, while thinking about a Burma temple attended by head-shaved personnel wearing orange robes, decided on Meet the Birman instead. A six-foot banner will announce the Birman of the Hour, informational breed brochures, and Birmans ROCK T-shirts.*
- *Devon Rex, seen by some as adorable mutants, will feature a Ripplys Believe it or Not!? Odditorium, promising to be a real circus. Circus tents will house a different exhibit showcasing some of the fun aspects of Devon lore alien connection, pixies of the cat fancy and movie inspirations.*

*So many booths, inspired by love and passion for their favorite felines, will come alive in amazing displays that will catch the heart and educate the mind, said Pam DelaBar, President of the CFA. And while you are on the CFA side of Meet the Breeds, make sure to vote for your own favorite in the first ever CFA Iams Cat Idol contest.*

*Expense cuts: To cut back on hotel expense, several committee members are staying with me – Deb Metz, Linda Rogge, Kathy Calhoun and Joan Miller.*

*Other committee members are driving back and forth: Geri Fellerman, Claudia Hasay.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
//s// David White, Meet The Breeds Chairperson*

**White:** The committee is very excited about the upcoming event. I would like to acknowledge the committee members for all the time and effort put into pulling off this event. Between the Meet the Breeds event and Joan Miller's breed showcase, we're going to have representation from all 41 breeds, which is phenomenal. **Tartaglia:** The Adopt-a-Cat event will be one level below us. **Anger:** Claudia Hasay has been great addition to our volunteer pool. Also, the CFA Foundation is also going to be having a presence there with our Foundation booth. **DelaBar:** This is just going to be phenomenal. This is a very exciting venue for us to try.

## **(12) CFA INTERNATIONAL SHOW.**

**Committee Chairs:** *Mark Hannon/Debbie Kusy*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Teresa Keiger, Rob Miller, Kathy Calhoun,  
Allene Tartaglia*

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### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The CFA International Cat Show this year, scheduled for November 21-22 in Atlanta, is on track. Judges are contracted, clerks are lined up, arrangements with the hotel have been made, and we expect smooth sailing.*

*The Board expressed concern over the vendor income last year which came in under budget. Ande DeGeer handled vendors last year and is again coordinating the effort this year. She made a number of recommendations to us in hopes of increasing the income this year. We implemented most of Ande's suggestions but so far things are not looking positive. One of Ande's suggestions was to lower the cost for booth space in hopes more vendors would be interested in participating. So far this year we have 41 vendor spaces contracted. Last year we had 55 spaces contracted. We will likely have more vendors contract with us this year, but it is not likely that we are going to turn around the bottom line for vendor income as we had hoped.*

*As mentioned in our last report, Peter Collins is handling our PR this year. Peter has handled PR for the CFA/Iams Championship Cat Show in the past and brings together both his knowledge of PR and his knowledge of CFA. We are supplementing Peter's efforts through social media such as Facebook and Twitter. This is very inexpensive and we believe it has made even more people aware of the show. We are excited about the number of hits our show is receiving.*

*One of the ongoing complaints about the show is the time it takes for the Grand Finale on Sunday. In an attempt to move things along at a quicker pace this year, we are splitting the Breed Win presentations into three rings to be run simultaneously. The longhair breed wins will be presented in one ring and the shorthair breed wins will be split between two other rings (since there are far more shorthair breeds). We have seen spectators as well as exhibitors get bored with the breed presentation in the past and wander off. We realize that most people in the audience are not interested in the results of every breed. This year they can go to the ring with the breeds that interest them. After the breed presentations are finished, the presentation of the Top Five Longhairs/Shorthairs will be presented in a fourth ring and the Best-in-Show judging will follow in that same ring.*

*Another complaint about last year's show is our failure to accept credit cards and the ATM machines in the building running out of cash. While we did eventually resolve the credit card problem last year, it was late coming. This year we are prepared and will accept credit cards. While we have no control over a bank's ATM, we are working with the appropriate people in an attempt to insure there is cash available to our spectators and exhibitors.*

*For many years the CFA Judging Program has run a Breed Awareness school the day before the show. Last year they asked us to set up a special ring for their use which was done. This year we made the offer, but we were told they would prefer to return to 'show hall tours'.*

*We have been working with Joan Miller to insure the Breed Presentation ring is what she needs. Charlene Munro coordinated this effort with Joan last year and Joan was delighted with Charlene's efforts so Charlene is back this year. The ring is being set up in accordance with Joan's direction and Charlene is lining up the cats for Joan to use. This is always a popular part of the show and we want to make sure everything is right.*

*We anticipate permitting exhibitors to set up their cages on Friday afternoon if they wish. While we are not providing bus transportation between hotel and hall on Friday, we believe many will be able to take advantage of the early setup which will make things smoother for Saturday morning check-in.*

*We are working hard to make this show both an enjoyable one for all involved as well as one that results in a positive bottom line financially. We understand that CFA can not continue to underwrite losses on this show.*

**Action Items:**

*None*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*We anticipate having a tentative financial report at the next meeting and will ask the Board whether or not to proceed with a show in 2010. We are working on a proposed location for your consideration should you opt to continue with this show.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Mark Hannon/Debbie Kusy, Co-Chairs*

**Kusy:** We want to keep the enthusiasm going. We want to make this show a success so we can have it again.

(13) **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Business Development Team Liaison Pam DelaBar** presented the following report:

**Committee Chair:** *Kitty Angell*  
**Board Liaison:** *Pam DelaBar*  
**Committee Members:** *Roeann Fulkerson, CFA Director of Marketing and Public Relations; Bob Johnston; Donna Jean Thompson*

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*Even as a press release from the University of Michigan survey states that consumer confidence is at a four year low, and the economy is basically flat, CFA is blessed to have an outstanding branding Company that consistently brings in solid revenue to us.*

*Our major Corporate Sponsors are definitely feeling the heat of the lagging economy, and this is reflected in their sponsorship dollars.*

*Another factor that affects our ability to strengthen our financial position is that our website needs updating, upgrading, revising in order to establish proven innovative marketing on the web. We have watched helplessly as a promised \$47,000 in advertising evaporated, because CFA did not provide the needed web overhaul. We have been waiting two (2) years for the IT Committee to finalize this decision.*

**Ongoing Committee Activities**

- **4-Sight Licensing Solutions**
  - *Jakks Pacific, Inc. continues to be the largest producer/manufacture of CFA branded line of products. As reported in the June report, several new venues will be receiving product shipments for the upcoming holiday season. The Kitten series with PetCo continues to be a huge success.*
  - *Aspen Pet Products has delivered the CFA cat collars and leashes to PetCo, Target, PetSmart and several other retailers. We are already receiving feed back on the success of sales. PetCo featured the CFA cat collars in their recent flyer promotion.*



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- **Motel 6 and Studio 6 “Accor”** Received a nice correspondence from Accor expressing their thanks to CFA for the support they continue to receive from the cat fancy. **“Motel 6 is pleased to partner with the Cat Fancier’s Association and offer a Nationwide discount! You can count on Motel 6 to provide clean, comfortable rooms at a great price. To obtain our discount just click the Motel 6 or Studio 6 Logo or call 800-466-8356 and reference the CFA account number:**
  - Motel 6: CP542766 Studio 6: CP542767
  - M6 - [http://www.motel6.com/reservations/promo.aspx?id=csn12da0&WT.mc\\_id=CP542766](http://www.motel6.com/reservations/promo.aspx?id=csn12da0&WT.mc_id=CP542766)
  - S6 - [http://www.staystudio6.com/reservations/promo.asp?id=csn96d0&WT.mc\\_id=CP542767](http://www.staystudio6.com/reservations/promo.asp?id=csn96d0&WT.mc_id=CP542767)
- **Paramount Chemical Supplies** renewed their licensing with CFA for an additional term.
- **Sherpa Pet Group** has launched the CFA branded carrier, partnered with American Airlines, for the Guaranteed On Board program. The product and program launch begins the week of September 23, 2009. Drawings, gifts, free airline flights all are associated with the new airline/carrier program.





- **Red82:** New manufacture for CFA brands. This company is developing a new iPhone application that will allow the public to access the CFA breeds at a glance. The application will also tie into our web site for feline information.
- **Hybrid T's** New manufacture for CFA brands. This is a company that targets the "Tweens" and produces designer T's. Each shirt will have an upscale design for each breed and have the CFA logo included on the front of the shirt design. Hybrid T's is a highly popular manufacture of clothing for the 11 year to 19 year age group.
  - Delia's is one of their distributors and they have requested to donate 15% of their net sales to "CatsCenterStage.com" the CFA's program targeted to reach the 95% non-pedigreed cats. They will include a special tag to the T's they distribute which will have the CFA logo/web site and the CatsCenterStage.com site as well.
- **Art.com** has signed a license agreement with CFA that will give provide a percentage back on sales when purchase through the specific link. All sales made for six months after an initial purchase from someone using the link and making other purchases on the site, CFA will still receive the percentage revenue.
- **Eagle Eye Marketing Group** is manufacturing **Warming Pet Pads** that are co-branded with the CFA. These currently come in two sizes and work fantastic! They are warmer than the normal pet pads, stay on longer, and are covered in microfleece, washable covers that will have the CFA logo.
- **Additional Branding Opportunities** are being developed daily for CFA.
- **Major Corporate Sponsors**
- **P&G Pet Brand- Iams**
  - Eukanuba has come onboard to participate at Meet The Breeds. This is a very promising first step to future partnering in 2010.
- **Dr. Elsey's Precious Cat**-is looking forward to their sponsorship as the "Official Litter for CFA at MTB's". Gina has initiated talks to start for what might be available in funds to CFA for 2010.
  - Dr. Elsey and CFA will most likely be launching a breeder program partnership with PetSmart in 2010. It is the hope of the Business Development Committee that this sponsor will see significant end roads to completion of the DVD project before talks of 2010 funds for CFA begins in earnest.
- **Royal Canin**
  - Royal Canin announced their new "Ambassador Program" for the 2009-2010 show season. The details of this new program can be found on the CFA web site under the Royal Canin link where sponsors are listed.

- **Sturdi Products** picked up a significant sponsorship for the CFA part of Meet The Breeds participation. This sponsorship increases Sturdi's participation with CFA 100% over what they have put into practice in previous years. They have continued sponsorship of the International show as a Bronze sponsor as they have done previously.
- **World's Best Litter** picked up a significant partnering with CFA for the Meet The Breeds sponsorship of the Breed Showcase. They will continue to be a Bronze sponsor of the International show. Their previous three years sponsorship funding has been limited only to the International so their \$10,000 (not to be published) support of Meet The Breeds is significant for CFA.
- **Public Relations and Media**
  - **WebVet's** client base continues to grow on their web site. This is a new and struggling company in spite of the deep pockets they had at launch. CFA supports this web site with Breed Profile content and linked back to our cfa.org site.
  - **NBC Universal PetSide** just renewed their contract with CFA to continue using the CFA Breed Profiles. The breed profiles used on petside.com are modified and summarized. All breed photos on their site link back to cfa.org breeds page.
- **New Marketing and Public Relations Activities:**
- **New Iams/Eukanuba Commitment to CFA's BAP/BRP Program**
  - Roeann received confirmation from Iams/Eukanuba that CFA's BAP/BRP programs have been added to their list to receive food products as they become available. Because of BAP/BRP's 501c3 status and CFA's relationship with Iams, we have been moved to the top of their list to receive these food products.
- **USA TODAY Interviews-** are taking place during the month of September to publicize Meet The Breeds
- **Ladies' Home Journal-**will be doing a photo essay of "The Life of a Show Cat." They will be attending Meet the Breeds and some additional shows in the NY/NJ areas. They have asked for an attractive female between 25 and 55 to follow and produce a nice story.
- **TASS-**the Official news agency of Russia. Provides national and world news and will be covering the Russian Blue breed prior to and at the MTB's event. The CFA press release issued about "Meet The Breeds" and the Russian Blue peaked the interests of TASS again this year.
- **The Canadian Broadcasting Company (CBC)** has requested permission to do a 30-minute TV documentary on the CFA portion of MTB's event. Great contacts again this year with outside the U.S. coverage of CFA.
- **Martha Stewart's pet website-** <http://www.marthastewart.com/pets> asked for special breed vignettes pertaining to all recognized CFA cat breeds. Kitty reworked and compiled the web content for this website.
- **PawsNation** became the official Blog site for Meet the Breeds. PawsNation is the AOL community web site. PawsNation continues to also do spot stories from time to time and uses CFA as their source for all information feline. This said; please understand we have no control over what is in the final product or how it is presented on their site.

**Action Items:** None.

**Projection for the Future**

*We are in fear of losing the goodwill of one of our strongest sponsors, Dr. Elsey's Precious Cat litter, since it has been almost three (3) years and the \$35,000 they gave CFA to produce a DVD has been sitting stagnant. The recent progress made to transition this project from a DVD into three short segments (webisode), with scripting to begin shortly has temporarily and slightly appeased the sponsor. We have relayed to Dr. Elsey, the reasons for the delay, and they have been updated that the project is now moving forward.*

*Also, our hands are tied regarding web advertising because of an outmoded website.*

*Please give us the necessary tools so we can produce revenue for CFA and we will work diligently to do so.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Kitty Angell, Chair*

*Roeann Fulkerson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations*

**DelaBar:** I hope that, with Meet the Breeds, we'll even have more new sponsors come on board and see the potential for partnering with us. **Newkirk:** It is important for us to track the website advertising funds. **Tartaglia:** We'll have to pull up the records from 2008. That will be done during the next break. **Fulkerson:** Several companies want to advertise on our website once it is professionally presented and once they have the ability capture statistics on click thru's. **DelaBar:** We just need a plan to deliver it. **Calhoun:** Between now and February, we want to identify funding and see the cost of the redesign. That's going to be part of the complete presentation. **Fulkerson:** It's important to remember that when we're talking website redesign, we're talking functionality behind the visual. Sponsors are looking to purchase functionality with regard to capturing information and data. **Calhoun:** How do we ensure that when we talk to the web designers, we are fulfilling the sponsors' direction? **Fulkerson:** There are industry standards that any major company would have with regard to their expectations when they purchase advertising on a website. **White:** Sponsors want to see reporting that substantiates their return on investment. They want to make sure we're getting the necessary hits and we're driving folks on our website to their website. **Meeker:** You can't design a system if you don't know what's expected. That's where we have fallen short in the past. **DelaBar:** We will get the information to the committee chair first and then it would be shared with the entire board.

**(14) CFA OUTREACH/EDUCATION.**

**CFA Outreach/Education Chair Joan Miller** gave the following report:

**Committee Chair:** *Joan Miller*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Pam DelaBar, Roeann Fulkerson, Donna Isenberg, Karen Lawrence, Allene Tartaglia, Fred Jacobberger, Liz Watson*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

***Dr. Elsey's Precious Cat Litter – Video project “How to Choose a Pet Cat”***

***Progress:***

- *Footage taped by Painless Productions in January 2008, under the direction of Roeann Fulkerson, is being converted from Beta-SP format into DVDs (17 tapes) – this process is almost complete.*
- *Rough editing of 7 to 8 hours of video interviews is underway by Joan Miller. Some of this footage will be useable for the current video project; other footage may be useful for future CatsCenterstage.com projects.*
- *Joan Miller has had several conference calls with Joan McCord, Production Manager for PineRidge Film Company in Florida. A revised contract was sent to Allene Tartaglia on September 8, 2009. This was forwarded to Roeann for review. I am waiting to for this contract to be reviewed, approved and signed by CFA so we can proceed with the scripting portion of this project.*

**Miller:** We were originally thinking of a 15-20 minute DVD that could be sold. I sent a list of topics that Dr. Elsey was interested in and they decided on “how to choose your pet cat”. We needed a production company and CFA had experience with Painless Productions. The next step was to start doing footage. In the meantime, we decided that a 15 minute DVD was not sellable, and that a much better idea would be to have short segments on the website. Painless Productions invoiced us for two days of footage, which was in an old-fashioned format that requires conversion, which I am doing. The next step was editing, but we don't have a budget for an editor so I have been doing rough editing. Next, we needed a new production company that would be capable of doing scripting. PineRidge does work for AKC and Animal Planet, and had done a number of projects with animals. I'm very impressed with them. Dr. Elsey liked the concept of “webisodes”. After the contract is finalized, we will be ready to start the scripting.

***Committee conference call on August 26, 2009 – review of the CatsCenterstage concept and website status. David Mare and members of his Feline Activities Committee were included on the call so they are aware of the goals of the Outreach and Education Committee.***

*CatsCenterstage concept would incorporate a pet owner membership plan. People would enroll their cats (pedigreed or random-bred) and receive a special Certificate with color/pattern/eye color/body type description and place for a photo; discounts and coupons from corporate partners, CFA clubs, etc. Activities would be promoted for cat owners including how to show, agility, contests, experts providing information on grooming, veterinary care and other matters of interest. This may require an amendment to the CFA constitution.*

### **Current Happenings of Committee:**

**CatsCenterstage.com website** –the new mock-up has been prepared by Karen Lawrence.  
[www.cfa.org/catscenterstage/test](http://www.cfa.org/catscenterstage/test)

**Miller:** The concept is to reach the general public and focus on a different audience than what might come to the CFA website. There is a lot of similar competition out there, but ours will be focused entirely on cats. **Newkirk:** What is the start-up and maintenance cost for this website? **Miller:** I wanted an editor to work with us, but we have no budget for it. We're almost ready to launch, thanks to the hard work of Karen Lawrence, but who is going to spend their time to maintain it? I am uncomfortable depending on volunteers. It takes a lot to do this.

**Altschul:** Instead of consolidating our image, we are diluting our image at a time when CFA desperately needs to bring people in. This concept needs to be combined with the current redesign and it needs to have a uniform look. **Miller:** I'm thinking of Cats Centerstage as expanding CFA without diluting our main objective, which is to preserve and promote the pedigreed cat, but it's a different approach than what we would want for the CFA website.

**Eigenhauser:** I like the idea of having different websites to reach different markets. A lot of corporations do that. "One size fits all" rarely does. **Johnson:** Here is an area where volunteers have put together something that is appealing to a different audience. We need more of this.

**Kusy:** Have you asked for volunteers in the fancy? We have a lot of talented people with web experience. **Miller:** Karen and I have been working heavily on this since June. **Kusy:** Other

volunteers? **Miller:** Once it is launched, we will need volunteer writers, but we will need a coordinator and an editor. **DelaBar:** Once people see that there is something to contribute to, we will have an easier time getting articles. **Kusy:** You won't know until you try. **Miller:** I don't feel comfortable without having a paid coordinator and editor. **Calhoun:** Your budget request for that was \$14,400. **Miller:** As a minimum. **DelaBar:** We need to revisit a committee on volunteerism. **Altschul:** I've never seen a call for volunteers put out anywhere. Fanciers would be happy to volunteer for as little as a link back to their website.

### **Education programs:**

- *West Coast Pet Expo November 14-15, 2009, Pomona, CA Fairplex (Rose Wheeler, Dee Dee Cantley)*
- *Nevada Humane Society, Reno; October 29, 2009 – Joan to do two presentations with shelter cats for staff, volunteers and general public. "Cultivating Cool Cats" (handling of cats in the shelter environment to enhance their behavior.)*
- *Meet the Breeds Oct 17-18, 2009 – Breed Showcase (Joan)*
- *CFA International Show, Atlanta, November 2009 – Breed Showcase (Joan)*

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Video production completion*

*Launching the website for [www.CatsCenterstage.com](http://www.CatsCenterstage.com)*

*Find funds for an individual to concentrate attention to this website, working with Karen Lawrence and the committee, so the content is original, interesting and constantly new.*

*Refine the cat owner membership program with corporate support.*

***Overall goals – CFA Outreach and Education Program***

- *Establish CFA as a primary information resource on cats*
- *Provide feline educational programs and events*
- *CatsCenterstage Project – A website to promote respect for all cats. This includes a CFA pet owner membership project that would provide revenue for CFA.*
- *Increase involvement in CFA activities*

***CFA CatsCenterstage.com - Mission Statement***

***“To promote respect for all cats – random bred, pedigreed and feral – through participation, education, communication and advocacy”***

***Action Items:***

*None*

***What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:***

*Updates*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Joan Miller, Chair*

(15) **DOMESTIC FELINE PROGRAM.**

**Domestic Feline Program Chair David Mare** gave the following report:

*Committee Chair:*      **David Mare**

*List of Committee Members:*      **Dee Dee Cantley, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski**

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Since this is a new committee, no past activities can be reported. The program that we propose, however, will be the most far-reaching and aggressive program CFA has considered in my 40 plus years association with CFA. A real world income potential for CFA in the multi millions of dollars in a very short period is entirely realistic as well as significant income for our member clubs who choose to participate in the program. Should the board see fit to approve of this program I would invite all board members (beyond the committee themselves) to give us the benefit of their ideas on how this can be shaped to CFA's best advantage.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Recognizing that Pedigree Cats and Domestic Felines (DF) are shown for entirely different reasons than pedigreed cats it is hoped to build standalone DF shows which embrace these differences while continuing the current concept of the "beauty contest" for Domestic Felines as an adjunct to other activities.*

*Because of its newness the Committee is formulating ideas on specific measurable activities which can be organized for inclusion in standalone shows for HHP (hereinafter referred to as Domestic Felines [DF]).*

*Exploration of organizational structure (Independent CFA Program vs. Wholly Owned CFA Subsidiary – CFA/DFA) and establish reporting structure.*

*How to record or register DF's and methods of scoring.*

**Newkirk:** Has your committee prepared a business plan? **Mare:** Only to the extent of the financials. **Newkirk:** Why can't we present this to the delegates and incorporate this into CFA without having a subsidiary? **Mare:** A subsidiary organization reports to the parent board of directors, and that's the structure I see. **Eigenhauser:** The reason for keeping it as a subsidiary and not trying to change the CFA constitution is, it takes 2/3 to amend the CFA constitution. That is an enormously high front-end hurdle to deal with. **Newkirk:** Times have changed, business models have changed. Everyone is restructuring their business model to survive in this market, and I believe the delegates of this organization understand that. **Eigenhauser:** I don't disagree that we ought to pursue a constitutional change. Let the committee put together a plan to amend the constitution and present it to the delegates, but let's not stop working on this in the meantime. We can pursue two tracks at the same time. **Mare:** I believe in my heart of hearts that this is an extraordinarily important program for CFA to undertake. **Kusy:** This is a good plan and if we present it right, the delegates will support it. **Newkirk:** Each one of us has to be a salesman, and sell this correctly.

### **Future Projections for Committee:**

*Establish Key Players for organization management depending on how CFA Board wishes to see the organization established. (Independent vs. Wholly Owned CFA Subsidiary)*

### **Action Items:**

**Newkirk:** The financial times have changed. If the committee chair presents this to the delegation with the advantages of CFA changing their business model and doing this, the delegation has the potential to go along with it. Our delegates want this organization to survive. If this is presented right and they see the income potential, they will go along with it. That will be easier to implement than to form a subsidiary. **DelaBar:** If we're going to have a constitutional amendment presented by the board to the delegation, then it has to be voted on at our February board meeting. I'm asking the committee to draw it up, as well as the paperwork to get the subsidiary going. **Miller:** I feel strongly that CFA should not have a subsidiary that our clubs are not fully supportive of. I would like to see a specific plan, including data.

- ~~• *Develop Program for acceptance of dedicated DF Judges—consider Chair of JP—criteria for acceptance; training; licensing—all aspects*~~
- *Obtain Board authority to pursue development of all aspects of a Domestic Feline Program as a subsidiary organization of CFA.*

**Mare** amended his action item, as reflected above. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Baugh, Miller, Newkirk, Brown, Altschul, Petersen, Calhoun, Johnson and White voting no.

- *That the Committee be instructed to draw up a constitutional amendment for the Board's review at the February 2010 board meeting, to be presented to the delegates in June 2010.*

**DelaBar:** Would you also consider also having a constitutional amendment written up? **Mare** moved that the committee be instructed to draw up a constitutional amendment to be presented to the delegates at the June 2010 annual meeting for consideration, to be presented to the board in February. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Mare abstained.

- *Show Scoring for DF*
- *Inclusion of pet quality Pedigree Cats in program.*
- *Involvement of financial benefactors (Purina, Iams, etc.)*

**Newkirk:** This is a risky venture for us to get into and we need to know what the objective is and a way to measure as we go along. When the committee presents this in February, I want to see a business plan. **Newkirk** moved that the Committee be instructed to develop a detailed business plan for the Board's review at the February 2010 board meeting. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser, Cantley, Mare and Krzanowski voting no.

**Time Frame:**

*Have basic framework structure in place for February 2010 Board Meeting*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*DF – Judging Program*

*Formal reaction by financial benefactors – commitments if any*

*CFA Club interest and core starting locations*

*Appointment of Core Region Managers\**

*\*Not aligned with CFA Regional boundaries*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
David Mare, Chair*

**(16) CLERKING PROGRAM.**

**Clerking Program Liaison Debbie Kusy** presented the following report:

**Committee Chair:** *John Hiemstra*  
**Board Liaison:** *Debbie Kusy*  
**List of Committee Members:** *Rhonda Avery, Ronna Colilla, Megan Hiemstra, Jeri Zottoli*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*I would like to thank the board for approving my appointment to chair the Clerking Committee. For 30 years I have considered it a privilege to be a CFA clerk. To chair this Committee is an honor. My goals for this committee are:*

- *Strengthen the training of ring and master clerks*
- *Utilize the clerking test as a learning/teaching tool*
- *Encourage new exhibitors to join the clerking program and former clerks to return to the clerking program*
- *Make it possible for show committees to contract licensed clerks per show rule 13.05*

*The action items below will speak to these goals.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*A clerking school was held in conjunction with the Garden State Cat Club cat show in Somerset, New Jersey, instructed by Debbie Kusy, on July 17, 2009. Another clerking school was held in Northville, Michigan on August 8, 2009, instructed by Megan Hiemstra. A clerking school is scheduled in conjunction with National Capital Cat Fancier's annual cat show in Chantilly, Virginia on September 11, 2009.*

*The table below shows the numbers of clerks currently licensed according to the CFA Online Almanac:*

| <i>Region</i>        | <i>Certified Clerks</i> | <i>Master Clerks</i> | <i>MCI</i> |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| <i>1</i>             | <i>17</i>               | <i>9</i>             | <i>3</i>   |
| <i>2</i>             | <i>13</i>               | <i>8</i>             | <i>0</i>   |
| <i>3</i>             | <i>19</i>               | <i>6</i>             | <i>2</i>   |
| <i>4</i>             | <i>18</i>               | <i>13</i>            | <i>1</i>   |
| <i>5</i>             | <i>17</i>               | <i>9</i>             | <i>1</i>   |
| <i>6</i>             | <i>15</i>               | <i>6</i>             | <i>2</i>   |
| <i>7</i>             | <i>29</i>               | <i>21</i>            | <i>3</i>   |
| <i>Japan</i>         | <i>32</i>               | <i>27</i>            | <i>11</i>  |
| <i>International</i> | <i>30</i>               | <i>7</i>             | <i>1</i>   |
| <i>(totals:)</i>     | <i>190</i>              | <i>106</i>           | <i>24</i>  |

*Current total number of licensed clerks is 320, as compared to June of 2008 when we had a total of 355 licensed clerks.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The committee members were chosen for their experience as ring clerks, master clerks and clerking school instructors. We will work together to develop the 2010 clerking text.*

*We will also review and update the Clerking Manual and Clerking Guidelines and Procedures.*

**Action Items:**

*I am asking the board to approve changes to three sections of the Clerking Guidelines and Procedures:*

*1) Section VIII: Clerking Schools (page 11), section B. Authorization*

*Include required information item:*

*“12. A detailed lesson plan must be submitted with the application.”*

*Rationale: As an experienced teacher and supervisor of student teachers, I believe the chair of the program should have knowledge of the curriculum content of the schools. The chair should be able to suggest activities or content that need to be included.*

**Kusy:** I prepare an outline when I submit my lesson plan. **DelaBar:** We need the definition of “detailed”. Perhaps we should review the current lesson plans on file before we take such an action. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Cantley and Calhoun voting yes.

*2) Section VI. Examinations and Relicensing (page 9), section D. Renewal of Lapsed Licenses*

*Remove requirement for payment of delinquent Clerking Program Service fees.*

*Rationale: An absence from the clerking program may be necessary for personal reasons. There are good former clerks who are unlicensed, but do clerk in emergency situations. This change would encourage them to become re-licensed, instead of discouraging them with a perceived penalty.*

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Kusy, Meeker, Calhoun, Petersen and White voting no.

*3) Section II. Categories of Clerks, and Section III. Licensing and Advancement:*

*See attached proposed changes.*

*Rationale: The biggest change I am requesting is in the categories and advancement of clerks. I believe individuals performing as ring clerks should, at a minimum, have taken and passed the clerking test and paid their clerking fee, before performing as a Chief Ring Clerk. I propose adding an apprentice category for all clerking levels. I think this will strengthen the preparation*

*of clerks while giving them an opportunity to gain experience. The proposed rewording for sections II and III are attached.*

**Kusy:** We used to have a position called “assistant clerk” which we removed because when you go to a clerking school, you can begin clerking. **Altschul:** When a show is short a clerk, they’re out of luck? **DelaBar:** That was the show rule we voted down. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

**Time Frame:**

*I recommend these changes take effect May 1, 2010, with the change in the show season, as they will require a re-printing of the Clerking Guidelines and Procedures.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Update on the progress of the 2010 Clerking Test.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
John Hiemstra, Chair*

## **II. CATEGORIES OF CLERKS**

When the prescribed qualifications have been fulfilled, clerks are licensed in CFA at the following ~~three~~ levels of increasing experience and capability:

1. Trainee Clerk (TC)

Unlicensed individual assisting a licensed Certified Clerk (or higher)

2. Apprentice Clerk (AC)

3. ~~1-~~Certified Clerk (CC)

4. Apprentice Master Clerk (AMC)

5. ~~2-~~ Master Clerk (MC)

6. ~~3-~~ Master Clerk Instructor (MCI)

In general, the above ~~three~~ levels of license indicate the individual is trained and qualified to be a Chief Ring Clerk, a Master Clerk-in-Charge at shows, or to conduct clerking schools, respectively. When possible, and as required by the Show Rules, the positions of Chief Ring Clerk and Master Clerk-in-Charge for CFA shows should be staffed with individuals who are currently licensed as Certified Clerks and Master Clerks, respectively. However, in order to obtain the prescribed experience for initial licensing and advancement, ~~non-licensed trainees~~ licensed apprentice clerks may serve as Chief Ring Clerks at CFA shows, ~~Certified Clerks~~ Apprentice Master Clerks may serve as Master Clerk-in-Charge at CFA shows, and Master Clerks may conduct clerking schools. When necessary, ~~non-licensed~~ Apprentice clerks may serve as Master Clerk-in-Charge for CFA shows in Hawaii and in the International Division but the assignment will not count for credit toward advancement within the Clerking Program. To receive credit for any Master Clerking assignment, the clerk **must** be licensed at the time of the assignment.

Licenses will be issued automatically by the Central Office Clerking Department when the requirements for initial licensing or advancement have been fulfilled and all of the confirming records have been received by the Central Office.

### III. LICENSING AND ADVANCEMENT

~~The requirements for becoming licensed as a Certified Clerk are listed in the preferred sequence. However, completion of the clerking school and Payment of the Clerking Program Service Fee and taking the clerking examination must be completed prior to performing as a Chief Ring Clerk. Attendance at a CFA Clerking School may be completed at any time with respect to performing the ring clerking assignments.~~

The specified ~~assistant~~ Trainee Ring Clerk performances (~~Paragraph A.3.~~) must be completed prior to the Chief Ring Clerk performances (~~Paragraph A.4.~~). Any Chief Ring Clerk assignments performed prior to completing the specified number of ~~assistant~~ Trainee Ring Clerk performances, regardless of the reason, will receive credit only as ~~assistant~~ Trainee Ring Clerk performances. ***Thus, a Trainee Clerk will have completed at total of ~~12~~ 4 assignments prior to being eligible for licensing as an Apprentice Clerk, and an Apprentice Clerk will complete 8 additional assignments prior to being eligible for licensing as a Certified Clerk.***

Requirements for becoming a licensed CFA Apprentice Clerk, a Certified Clerk, an Apprentice Master Clerk, a Master Clerk or a Master Clerk Instructor and the experience acquired while completing these requirements are as follows:

#### **A. Apprentice Clerk**

~~3.~~ 1. Complete the number of ~~assistant~~ trainee clerking assignments indicated below, assisting the Chief Ring Clerk (must be a licensed Certified Clerk or higher) at actual CFA shows which shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations assigned by the Chief Ring Clerk and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

- In Canada, the Mainland United States, and Japan: Four (4) assignments under at least three (3) different CFA Chief Ring Clerks.
- In Hawaii and the International Division: Two (2) assignments under two (2) different-~~experienced~~ CFA Chief Ring Clerks.

While doing his ~~assists~~ training, a Trainee is expected to:

- Assist the Chief Ring Clerk as needed
- Understand show procedure and demonstrate knowledge of show mechanics
- Mark a complete catalog
- Provide an evaluation form to the Chief Ring Clerk. The completed evaluation will be forwarded to the Clerking Program Administrator.

~~5.~~ 2. Send payment of the Clerking Program Service Fee (see Section V) to the Central Office Clerking Department and request the current clerking examination. The Service fee may also be paid online with credit card through the CFA website online catalog.

~~6.~~ 3. Take and receive a satisfactory grade on the current clerking examination.

*Satisfactory Evaluations.* A rating of “Good” or better is required. Evaluations of “Fair” or “Unacceptable” will not receive credit for the performance.

***Note:*** *Extra assignments may be required before a license is issued if evaluations indicate that there are problem areas.*

4. After passing the current clerking examination with a satisfactory score, the trainee will be advanced to Apprentice Clerk.

#### **A. B. Certified Clerk**

1. Must be at least ~~fifteen (15)~~ sixteen (16) years old prior to performing as a Chief Ring Clerk at CFA shows and being licensed.

2. An Apprentice Clerk must complete the number of solo ring clerking assignments indicated below as the Chief Ring Clerk at actual shows which shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the individuals indicated and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

- *In Canada, the Mainland United States, and Japan:* Eight (8) assignments under six (6) different judges. Evaluations shall be submitted by the judges for all eight performances. Separate Additional evaluations shall also be submitted by different Master Clerk-in-Charge for the **last two performances** certifying there were no errors or oversights in the judging records received from the Chief Ring Clerk's ring.
- *In Hawaii and the International Division:* Four (4) assignments under three (3) different judges. Evaluations shall be submitted by the judges for all four performances. ~~Separate~~ Additional evaluations shall also be submitted by different Master Clerk-in-Charge for the **last two performances** certifying there were no errors or oversights in the judging records received from the Chief Ring Clerk's ring.

While doing his solo assignments, ~~a Trainee~~ an Apprentice is expected to

- Demonstrate complete familiarity with the show rules and show mechanics
- Supervise completely and competently the stewards
- Run the ring efficiently

~~2.~~ 3. Attend a sanctioned CFA clerking school confirmed by a Certificate of Attendance received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

At this school the prospective clerk shall ~~learn~~:

- Learn ~~How~~ to mark a catalog correctly
- Become ~~completely~~ familiar with show mechanics
- Learn ~~How~~ to make transfers
- Complete finals sheets and check judge's sheets

The instructor shall send a completed attendance form for each student attending the school to the Clerking Program Department for inclusion in the trainee's file.

*Assignments for Credit.* Apprentice and Ring Clerk performances may be for CFA shows of any authorized format, but must include judging of all of the kittens and cats entered in the show in order to receive credit. An assignment as an Apprentice or Ring Clerk for a single specialty judge in which only the longhair or shorthair kittens and cats are judged will not count as a performance, but may be coupled with the opposite specialty ring on the second day of the show to receive credit for one performance. On the other hand, credit may be received for two performances during one "back-to-back" show in which all of the kittens and cats entered in the show are judged in each ring both days.

~~*Satisfactory Evaluations.* A rating of "Good" or better is required. Evaluations of "Fair" or "Unacceptable" will not receive credit for the performance.~~

### **C. Apprentice Master Clerk**

1. Must be at least eighteen (18) years old.

2. Must be currently licensed as a CFA Certified Clerk. This presumes the individual has paid the Clerking Program Service Fee for the current licensing period and has met the biennial activity requirements for retention (see Section VI).

3. In Canada, Japan, and the Mainland United States: After being licensed as a Certified Clerk and prior to performing as an Assistant Apprentice Master Clerk for credit, the ~~Master C~~ clerk ~~trainee~~ shall complete six (6) additional assignments as a Chief Ring Clerk under at least four (4) different judges for CFA shows, which assignments shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the judges and received by the Central Office Clerking Department. (The required 6 additional assignments do not apply in Hawaii and the International Division.)

4. Complete ~~two (2)~~ three (3) assignments assisting different licensed Master Clerks or Master Clerk Instructors who are the Master Clerks-in-Charge for two complete shows, which assignments shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the Master Clerks-in-Charge and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

During his training as a Master Clerk, the ~~trainee~~ clerk shall:

- Serve Help the Master Clerk in charge in the completion of his responsibilities while learning and learn the procedures to be followed in while performing this function
- Learn to complete transfers and corrections in the Master Clerk's catalog
- Learn to check judges' sheets for errors
- Learn to consolidate all records into the show package that is sent to Central Office

5. Complete six (6) solo assignments, without any assistance, as the Master Clerk-in-Charge for complete CFA shows, which assignments shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the show secretary and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

5. Complete three (3) Co-Master Clerk assignments with three (3) different licensed Master Clerks or Master Clerk Instructors which shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the Show Secretary and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

#### **B-D. Master Clerk**

1. Complete three (3) solo assignments, without any assistance, as the Master Clerk-in-Charge for complete CFA shows, which assignments shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the Show Secretary and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

During his solo assignments as a Master Clerk, the ~~trainee~~ Apprentice Master Clerk shall:

- Consolidate all judging records into a master catalog
- Check for completeness and mechanical correctness of all show records
- Resolve discrepancies with the appropriate Chief Ring Clerk
- Be responsible for posting awards that have been fully checked
- Produce the official master catalog, which must be completely marked and error free, and provide it to the Show Secretary for transmittal to CFA's Central Office
- Provide an evaluation for to the Show Manager/Secretary for completion and forwarding to the Clerking Program Administrator

For all of the assignments, the marked official catalog and other show records submitted to the Central office will be evaluated by the Central Office Clerking Department Administrator for legibility, completeness, and correctness. Any solo assignment in which a serious error or

oversight in the marked official catalog (see Section VII,) and any deficiency or problem is discerned by the Central Office in the show records which were completed and assembled by the Master Clerk-in-Charge, will not be credited for advancement regardless of the evaluation received from the Show Secretary.

- ***Note:** Extra assignments will be required before a license is issued if any evaluations indicate that there are problem areas.*

#### **E. Master Clerk Instructor**

1. Must be currently licensed as a CFA Master Clerk. This presumes the individual has paid the Clerking Program Service Fee for the current licensing period (see Section V), has met the biennial activity requirements for retention (see Section VI), and has taken and received a satisfactory grade on the current clerking examination (see Section VI).

2. In Canada, Japan and the Mainland United States, after being licensed as a Master Clerk and prior to performing as an assistant instructor, shall complete four (4) additional assignments as a Chief Ring Clerk under four (4) different judges and two (2) additional assignments as the Master Clerk-in-Charge for complete CFA shows, which assignments shall be confirmed by satisfactory evaluations signed by the judges and Show Secretaries respectively, and received by the Central Office Clerking Department. Both of the additional Master Clerk-in-Charge assignments must also have been determined to be error and deficiency-free by the Central Office. *(The required additional assignments do not apply in Hawaii and the International Division.)*

3. Complete two (2) assignments assisting different licensed Master Clerk Instructors or judges in the conducting of an authorized CFA clerking school which shall be confirmed by satisfactory Clerking School Instructor Evaluations signed by the Instructor-in-Charge and received by the Central Office Clerking Department.

During the first phase of training, with a Master Clerk Instructor, the ~~trainee~~ clerk shall:

- Assist the Master Clerk Instructor in conducting the school
  - Demonstrate that he is both familiar with all facets of show and ring mechanics AND able to share that information with students unfamiliar with the material
4. Conduct ~~six (6)~~ three (3) authorized CFA clerking schools as a ~~sole~~ co-instructor, each having a minimum of three (3) students, ~~as the Instructor-in-Charge,~~ with generally satisfactory evaluations signed by the students and received by the Clerking Program Chairperson (see Section IV).

During the second phase of training, as a Co-Master Clerk Instructor, the ~~trainee~~ clerk shall:

- Provide a minimum of six (6) hours of instruction to a minimum of three (3) students in each class
  - Teach students show mechanics and the relevant show rules
  - Demonstrate to the students how to mark a catalog and make transfers
  - Explain to students how the Clerking Program works and how one advances through it
  - Provide instruction in the art of ring management and ring conduct
5. Conduct three (3) authorized CFA clerking schools as a solo instructor, each having a minimum of three (3) students, as the Instructor-in-Charge, with generally satisfactory

evaluations signed by the students and received by the Clerking Program Chairperson (see Section IV).

During the third phase of training, as a Master Clerk Instructor, the clerk shall perform, without assistance, all of the requirements listed in the second phase.

**D. ~~Exemptions~~ Exceptions to this these Guidelines**

~~When deemed necessary due to geographic restrictions, or acceptable due to outstanding performance, the Clerking Program Chair may make exceptions to these guidelines. Reducing the number or exempting a candidate from a requirement(s) should be accompanied by documentation written by the clerks, master clerks, and/or judges with which the candidate has worked.~~

The Clerking Program Chair may make exceptions to these guidelines when deemed necessary due to geographic restrictions or other extenuating circumstances. Appropriate supporting documentation will be provided by the Clerking Program Chair.

**(17) MENTOR PROGRAM REPORT.**

**Mentor Program Liaison Dee Dee Cantley** presented the following report:

**Mentor Program Chair:** Mary J. Sietsema  
**Liaison to Board:** Dee Dee Cantley  
**Core Committee Members:** Willa Hawke, Karen Lane, Jodell Raymond, Teresa Keiger and Art Graafmans

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*At the 2009 CFA Annual the combined efforts of the Mentor Program, Ambassador Program and the New Bee Program offered a wonderful hospitality reception with food and drinks, graciously sponsored by Art Graafmans. The reception was well attended and a good time was had by all.*

*Mary Sietsema, Chair, and Carol Allen, Mentor Coordinator, attended the CFA Breeders Assist Program 2009 Annual Meeting to meet and talk with the BAP coordinators, discuss current projects and offer mentoring assistance.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Carol Allen, Mentor Coordinator, had a major computer malfunction the beginning of September and unfortunately it cannot be repaired. Due to the lack of computer/online access Carol has stepped down from her position as CFA Mentor Coordinator. Mary Sietsema has taken over all coordinator duties and is working to update/replace data files. Email notices were sent out to the CFA Mentors and CFA Mentoring Email groups, alerting them to our Coordinator change, computer problems and possible delays during the transition time.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The Mentor Program plans to work closely with Breed Council members to encourage more participation as mentors in the program. Currently the program has over 300 mentors but less than 100 are actively participating. As our numbers of protégés continues to climb we are seeing a slight drop in active mentors.*

*Once the mentor/protégé database is completely restored and updated we will begin accepting applications for a new Mentor Coordinator. We hope to have the process completed and the new coordinator trained by December 2009.*

*The Core Committee will be having their annual planning meeting in January 2010 with a full report available for the February Board Meeting.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary J. Sietsema, Chair*

(18) **ANIMAL WELFARE UMBRELLA – BREED RESCUE; BREEDERS’ ASSISTANCE; FOOD PANTRY.**

**Animal Welfare Liaison Ginger Meeker** gave the following report:

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| <b>Animal Welfare Chair:</b>      | <b>Linda Berg</b>    |
| <b>Breeders Assistance Chair:</b> | <b>Sue Gleason</b>   |
| <b>Breed Rescue Chair:</b>        | <b>Dru Milligan</b>  |
| <b>Food Pantry Chair:</b>         | <b>John Bierrie</b>  |
| <b>Liaison to Board:</b>          | <b>Ginger Meeker</b> |

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Our job has gotten tougher as the economy has taken its downturn. We are being asked for help in taking care of family pets. We are sharing cat and dog food from our pantry in order for the families to keep their pets. We’ve had a large number of foreclosures and we have been able to take all the cats and place them plus in some cases we were able to place their dogs into homes also. It is a trying time emotionally for all involved.*

*As you saw from Roeann’s post Iams is now working with us in the food pantry and this will enable us to help more individuals and hopefully some shelters that are hurting in this economy. Thank you Iams!!*

*The Food Pantry has sent out approximately 2000 pounds of food to breeders and 10,000 to a local shelter in the area in the past five weeks. We had 8,000 pounds of Royal Canin Dog food so we donated the majority of it to the local shelter as it was getting close to its end date. They were the shelter that had the contest with writing letters etc. We have sent the letters to Roeann and she is working with them. They are still going to have the contest with the drawing so we are getting a banner from Royal Canin and Iams so their names will be visible during the next donation and during picture opportunities. Paul Patton is developing a banner for CFA Breeders Assistance and Breed Rescue so CFA’s name will be visible also.*

*We have two new Coordinators, Gigi Gentile as the Midwest and Judy Lindemann in the Gulf Shore. The only job left to fill is the Chair for Breeders Assistance. As it stands I do the job and as the individual Regions don’t share names just situations, it remains stable until I can find someone who would like to get involved that deeply.*

*Our finances are good a report from Leslie Falteisek is at the end of this report. We continue to handle situations within the regions and our bills are small because we are not transporting them across the country. The only bills we usually have now are when animals are taken by AC and we try to get them back and to do so we need to alter all before they are released. That is our “in” with AC that we will pay to have them all altered in return they release them to us. We also reimburse AC when there is a special needs kitty in a group of seized animals that is costing them a lot and of course they are appreciative and they do spread the word to other groups.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*We are getting visibility at shows and clubs are doing fundraisers for us. I want to be in the CFA booth again at the International with the wallet cards and our brochures.*

*We have had a good result in Virginia which if you don't know has a reputation of not being nice to breeders/registries. The first dealings we had they told us straight out they didn't like breeders and would do nothing to help us get the cats out of their shelters. We did convince them slowly that we really do care about how our animals are cared for their environment etc. This one was forwarded from Norm Auspitz we have worked on it for several months with Joann Derway as our contact in the area. Joann has received a letter telling her they will work with CFA Breed Rescue and Joann will be allowed to take the 16 +/- cats/kittens. This has been a very hard area for us to get into and help when animals are seized so I'm pleased at this progress.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*We will be reviewing our policies and procedures, we have been up and running several years to see what things we need to change now that we have operated under the current ones and know what works and what needs fixing.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Our continued growth and progress.*

**Action Item:** *This is for Animal Welfare. As you all know I keep a data base of all sick kittens and contractual issues protests received at CFA. Several of the RD's have asked when I have several complaints against an individual if I could send the individual a letter and let them know that with number 3 they will be requested to do a cattery inspection. They felt it might make people take a long look at the kittens they sell to make sure they are not selling problems. If the board agrees this idea I will write the letter and present it with my February report.*

**Action Item:** *To prepare a heads up letter to be sent out before a third complaint is received in an attempt to stop the number of sick kittens being sold.*

**Meeker:** This is in alignment with the policy passed by the board yesterday.

**Eigenhauser:** If Animal Welfare is willing to do it, I am more than pleased to let them. If for a 44 cent letter we can head off a complaint, I'm all for it. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Berg*

**(19) MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Management Committee Chair Ginger Meeker** presented the following report:

**Committee Chair:** *Ginger Meeker*  
**Committee Members:** *Ellyn Honey, Rich Mastin, Charles Gradowski, Dick Kallmeyer, James Watson and Jerry Hamza*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The committee appears to have been quiet for the last 6 months and was recently reactivated after the June Annual meeting in 2009.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Board of Director Guidelines have been updated and presented at this meeting for review and acceptance.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*The committee members are working on varied projects.*

*Ellyn Honey is working with Allene Tartaglia at CO on employee evaluations and will make a trip to CO at her own expense to review what is currently happening and make recommendations for what she feels might be needed.*

*Charles Gradowski has agreed to chair the project of trying to streamline the Protest process at the request of Allene and Dick. It seems this CO function is taking one employee almost full time to accomplish. Chuck will be working closely with Dick Kallmeyer and George Eigenhauser on this project and will also be looking at how/if the ombudsman process can be integrated.*

*James Watson has agreed to continue working on the specific project of job descriptions and will be doing the next job description task on his prior list – Breed Council Secretaries. This will include obtaining input from as many BCS as possible. The current BCS will be asked to review the BCS Guidelines that were on the CFA website and give further input re how they see the job. A job description will then be formulated and presented to the Board for approval.*

**Action Items:**

*Review and approve the revised Board of Directors Guideline handbook. Once approved the document will be forwarded to all BOD members so their personal information can be updated.*

**Time Frame:**

*Projects will be completed in an efficient and effective time frame with some, obviously, taking longer than others.*

**DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Any completed projects done in the next time period.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Ginger Meeker, Chair*

(20) **ANNUAL MEETING – 2010.**

*Committee Co-Chairs: Patty Jacobberger and Gary Powell*

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**Midwest Regional Director Nancy Petersen** presented an update on the 2010 Annual. One of the complaints that we've had in recent years has been from vendors about how the vendor space is handled. We can accommodate vendors really well for this particular annual, and get traffic through the vendor area. We're trying to be conscious of our delegates' budgets, so we're watching our pennies. **Tartaglia:** It's about 20 minutes from the airport. There are shuttle services available. **Calhoun:** There is also light rail. **Petersen:** I hope you all come.

**(21) WINN FOUNDATION.**

**Winn Foundation Liaison George Eigenhauser** presented the following report:



**President:** *Betty White*  
**Liaison to CFA Board:** *George Eigenhauser*  
**Executive Director:** *Janet Wolf*  
**Board Members:** *Steve Dale, George Eigenhauser, Betsy Gaither, Fred Jacobberger, Melissa Kennedy, Dr. Susan Little, Dr. Vicki Thayer, Betty White*

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*This summer was a busy time for Winn. We began transitioning our administrative functions to Professional Management Associates (PMA) of Hillsborough, New Jersey in late spring. Our Executive Director, Janet Wolf, and Treasurer, Betsy Gaither, traveled to New Jersey in early summer to move Winn documents to PMA's offices. Since that time, Betsy has been intimately involved with the conversion process for donations into the new AVECTRA system at PMA; both Betsy and Susan Little have worked with PMA in setting up the new Winn e-commerce site.*

*Dr. Vicki Thayer presented the Winn Excellence in Feline Research Award 2009 (the "Winnie") to Dr. Michael Lappin on July 12 at the annual American Veterinary Medical Association/American Veterinary Medical Foundation (AVMA/AVMF) function held in conjunction with the AVMA convention in Seattle. A picture of the presentation was printed in the fall 2009 American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP) newsletter. Vicki also authored an article on diabetes in purebred cats for the current Purina newsletter.*

*The AVMF pairs the "Winnie" with a scholarship award to a veterinary student who has a decided interest in feline medicine. This year's winner is Julia Mulvaney, a student at the Oregon State College of Veterinary Medicine.*

*Winn is once again a co-sponsor of the Tufts Canine and Feline Breeding and Genetics Conference. Dr. Susan Little is one of the speakers at this year's event which is to be held September 10-12.*

*Winn is planning a significant presence at "Meet the Breeds" at Javits Center in New York in October. Both Dr. Little and Janet Wolf will man the Winn booth. By having gift drawings every two hours, we hope to capture names and addresses of cat-loving folk who will become Winn supporters. We have gathered a variety of cat items and treats to be given away. In addition, there will be Winn literature for distribution.*

*Many of the Winn and CFA Health Committee brochures are being updated. Dr. Vicki Thayer and I reviewed all the brochures, and selected those that need to be revised. Happily, ongoing*

*veterinary research leads to a new understanding of many feline diseases, with a concomitant improvement in diagnosis and treatment. Winn will always be among the first to convey this new knowledge to breeders and owners of cats everywhere.*

*The spring/summer Winn newsletter to all known donors has been distributed, as well as a prospect mailing to residents of Florida who own cats. Janet has prepared and sent out the call for grant proposals which are due in December. There seems to be no avoiding the economic malaise that has roiled the world, and Winn has felt the pain as well. We were notified in mid-summer by the San Francisco Foundation that administers the Miller Trust that there will be no funds made available for research grants this year. This makes our own fundraising efforts that much more important.*

*Thanks to the perseverance and dedication of Steve Dale, Winn is participating again this year in the "Home Again" microchipping campaign with Schering-Plough. Winn will receive \$1 for every cat microchipped through the summer. Last year's campaign realized over \$51K to Winn. Steve actively promotes the program (and Winn) on his website, radio shows, and newspaper columns.*

*Dr. Susan Little continues to promote Winn at conferences/seminars around the world. Her recent travels were to the IDEXX seminars for veterinarians and technicians, Merial seminars for those same professionals in Ottawa, the Rhode Island Veterinary Technician Conference, the NBA Cat Club seminar in England, Southeast Veterinary Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC, and the Norwegian Forest Cat Fanciers seminar in Kansas City, MO.*

*As the Winn webmaster, Susan maintains the main website, Virtual Memorials website, Facebook page, and Good News For Pets & VIN websites. Our other two veterinary professionals, Drs. Thayer and Kennedy, work with Dr. Little in writing Winn blog posts. Both Dr. Little and Dr. Thayer answer questions sent in to the website. I have been monitoring Winn's Google ads, working to fine tune copy that will attract a growing number of visits to the Winn website.*

*The next Winn Board of Directors meeting will be October 20 by teleconference.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Betty White*

*Winn Feline Foundation, President*

*<http://www.winnfelinehealth.org>*

*<http://www.winnfelinehealth.blogspot.com>*

*<http://www.facebook.com/WinnFelineFoundation>*

(22) **CFA LEGISLATION COMMITTEE.**

**Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser** gave the following report:

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| <b>Committee Chair:</b>           | <b>George Eigenhauser</b>  |
| <b>List of Committee Members:</b> | <b>Joan Miller, Fred Jacobberger,<br/>Phil Lindsley, Jill Abel</b> |
| <b>CFA Legislative Group:</b>     | <b>Joan Miller, Sharon Coleman, George Eigenhauser</b>             |

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

**The recent HOT SPOTS -**

**California**

*Much of the legislative activity since the CFA Annual Meeting in June has been devoted to opposing several California bills. AB 250 is a mandatory spay/neuter (MSN) bill (despite denials by its supporters.) The bill would make it illegal to own, keep or harbor a dog with intact sexual organs, except as specified. It would also make it illegal to have any intact cat remain outdoors. AB 250 mandates sterilization of any cat or dog impounded for any reason; for violation of this law or if cited for violation of other animal law.*

*Multiple alerts were sent to all CFA clubs in California and an intense letter writing campaign conducted. Many people walked the halls at the Capitol visiting staff members, delivering CFA "CatFacts" folders, coping letters and delivering last minute opposition to the ever changing language. As bad as the provisions were regarding cats, the impact on the dog fancy would have been catastrophic. Opposition by the dog fancy was fierce and unrelenting. Many were calling every day and faxing every night.*

*After passage in the Senate the bill **failed** on the Assembly Floor 28-42 (with 41 votes needed for passage). It was noticed for reconsideration (which also requires 41 votes to pass) but supporters could not line up the necessary votes. At the author's request it was converted to a "two year bill." **It will be brought back** in January 2010 as supporters attempt to line up the additional Senate votes needed for passage.*

*CFA is grateful for all the hard work of many organizations and individual cat and dog fanciers to stop the bill for this year. Thanks to everyone in California who participated. We also appreciate help from others in the country.*

*Other California bills include AB 241, which would make it a misdemeanor for any person to have more than a combined total of 50 intact dogs and cats. Once a quota is established we can expect attempts each year to reduce the limit. The bill was **passed** by both houses and is awaiting action by the Governor. CFA is **urging** a veto.*

*California AB 1122 was originally intended to limit sales of animals at outdoor events, such as swap meets. However the language was broad enough to include cat shows and other events. AB 1122 was amended several times, eventually creating an exemption to allow sales at cat shows only if ALL of 5 conditions were met. The 5 conditions were such that the bill would effective*

*prohibit all sales of kittens at cat shows. The bill was **passed** by both houses and is awaiting action by the Governor. CFA is **urging** a veto.*

### **Illinois**

*Illinois is quickly becoming another never-ending legislative hot spot. After the **defeat** this year of several anti-breeder bills at the state level, and a major mandatory spay/neuter battle in Chicago over the past two years, the Illinois legislature created a Joint Task Force on Breeders and Pet Stores to investigate and make recommendations about "the breeding industry." The task force is to report its findings by January 2010. The task force was originally be inclusive, with representatives of animal welfare organizations, small and large-scale breeders, pet stores, and veterinarians. However, actual representation has been skewed in favor of supporters of the previous MSN proposal. Initial promises that cat breeders would not be targeted by the Task Force have proven to be illusory. Early drafts of the report include regulation of cat breeders. The final report is expected to call for increased regulation, licensing and fees, mandatory disclosures for all pet sales and other burdens on all hobby breeders of cats and dogs.*

### **Arizona**

*Arizona HB2458 requires shelters to spay/neuter impounded pets prior to release. There are no exemptions for show/breeding cats escaping inadvertently. This bill **passed** and has been signed into law.*

### **Massachusetts**

*MA HB 1975 is another MSN bill which prohibits owning or possessing any cat over the age of 6 months which has not been spayed or neutered unless the owner holds a license to keep an unaltered cat and has a permit for breeding cats issued by the board of health of the city or town in which they are located.*

### **Local Issues**

*While most state legislatures have ended their session for this year local laws (particularly MSN, breeder bans and limit laws) continue to be an issue. In Texas a number of statewide anti-breeder ordinances have been **defeated** this year. However, while the state legislative session is over for this year they continue to face local restrictions. In Fort Worth, TX a mandatory spay/neuter ordinance for all dogs and cats was **passed**. In California, San Francisco is considering a ban cat declawing. Madera County is considering limit laws. Riverside has yet to produce a breeder exemption for its MSN law. Los Angeles continues to be a sore spot both for legislation as well as care for the animals in their shelters. A new limit law is being proposed in Holbrook, Arizona.*

*Florida, New York and New Jersey were hot spots for statewide legislation this year but are also facing anti-breeder local ordinances. Recent newspaper accounts document confirmed cases of rabies in feral cats in New Jersey. New Jersey papers have been running articles critical of trap, neuter, return programs and pressure has been rising to find a different solution (trap and kill). Stray cats are being rounded up and destroyed in Point Beach NJ to combat rabies. King County, Washington was, for a time, subjected to Animal Control canvassing of breeders whose names were taken from online sources.*

## ***The upcoming HOT SPOTS?***

*There has been a recent spate of newspaper articles citing the American Bird Conservancy and their supporters concerning the environmental impact of stray cats. Many of the articles continue to rely on the discredited Wisconsin "study" on the impact of feral cat predation. (The study has been shown to be a guess by a researcher proposing a real study.) The articles continue to downplay the role of habitat destruction and other human influences on bird populations. These articles may be a prelude to introduction of anti-cat ordinances to solve the "problem."*

*The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) continues its battle with the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). As stated by Wayne Pacelle, (President and CEO of HSUS): "All too often, the AVMA sides with animal-use industries, and not with animals." Last year HSUS and the Association of Veterinarians for Animal Rights joined forces to create the "Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association. (HSVMA)" The goal of the HSVMA is not only to influence the public and legislators but to "advancing humane alternatives in veterinary education."*

*The release of the Pew Commission Report on Industrial Farm Animal Production (and criticism of the report by AVMA) has escalated the war of words between HSUS/HSVMA and AVMA. In Pacelle's August 19, 2009 blog "AVMA Off Course From Veterinarian's Oath" he states: "...it's been our experience that AVMA policies are out of step with a large share of veterinarians and the organization typically takes unfriendly positions on many of the major animal welfare questions of the day..." And his August 31, 2009 blog Pacelle states: "...AVMA often defends obviously inhumane practices..." Should HSUS succeed in influencing veterinary practice and education it could have serious consequences.*

## **Current Happenings of Committee/Legislative Group:**

*In addition to daily contact with legislative teams around the country.....several other matters.*

## ***CFA Fanc-e-Mews - Legislative page***

*Articles on public affairs matters and animal sheltering issues are in every issue to help build awareness of the general pet owning public. Published since the June 2009 Board meeting:*

- *July/August 2009 – “**Voluntary Spay/Neuter – a success story for owned cats.**” by Joan Miller. This article includes recent statistics on the high spay/neuter rate for owned cats as well as a discussion of why voluntary spay/neuter programs work.*
- *September/October 2009 – “**Why Do We Need Breeders?**” by Ann Segrest. The article is reprinted from a previous issue of the Ezine, updated with the addition of the most recent version of the CFA Breeder Code of Ethics.*

## ***Non-economic damages***

*The CFA Board has allowed CFA to join with the Animal Health Institute (AHI) coalition on amicus briefs opposing non-economic damages for injuries to animals. Because of the short time frame with litigation matters the Legislative Group and Legislative Committee (this includes*

*Fred Jacobberger, George Eigenhauser, Phil Lindsley, Jill Abel and Joan Miller) have been permitted to make decisions on joining these briefs with the CFA Executive Committee kept informed.*

*Last year in McMahon v. Craig we joined an amicus brief in support of respondents and opposing non-economic damages for the death of a dog while under treatment by a veterinarian. At the end of July 2009 the California 4th District Court of Appeals issued its published opinion in McMahon in which it holds that non-economic damages are not recoverable for death or injury to a pet under California Law. The court noted that it is well settled law in California that pets are property and the damages recoverable by the owner for death or injury to a pet are those for harm to property. (The court also noted that to accept appellant's legal theory would allow greater rights of recovery for injury to a pet than for injury to a person.)*

*Legislative Group and Legislative Committee have reviewed a new case now pending in another state and the Executive Committee has been advised. (Since the brief has not been filed it is not yet public record and the details are omitted here.) One new twist is that plaintiff's counsel has been approached by PETA to submit amicus briefs on the plaintiff's behalf. It appears that PETA may be changing tactics and that if they can't achieve "personhood" for pets through legislation they may become active in litigation. We will keep you informed.*

*Note: There is a bill pending before the US congress, H 3501, which would allow a limited tax deduction for pet care expenses. While everyone welcomes tax relief the legislation raises the possibility of "personhood" for pets. Cats are not "furry children" and treating them as such could lead to increased animal rights. CFA has taken no position on the legislation.*

#### **Future Projections for Committee and Legislative Group:**

##### ***Upcoming conferences related to legislation –committed or pending:***

***PetSmart Charities Feline Forum;*** Chicago, IL, September 24-26, 2009 - *This conference will focus on the ever-growing needs of homeless cats with experts on feral cat issues, rebranding cats, veterinary and shelter practices. This conference will also allow us to network with other cat groups, such as rescues or feral cat advocates. While not advocates for pedigreed cats, these groups have provided valuable assistance in opposing legislation which may be detrimental to cats in general.*

##### ***Animal Health Institute (AHI) coalition***

***Pet Night on Capitol Hill,*** Washington, DC - *CFA has been an affiliate sponsor of this event for 13 years and will be a sponsor again in 2009. CFA's sponsorship was paid through a matching grant from the Sy Howard Legislative Fund thanks to the generous sponsorship of National Capitol. [Thanks to National Capitol for their support and contribution.] Pet Night is a rare opportunity to maintain contact with members of congress, their aides, top representatives of the pharmaceutical industry (Pfizer, Bayer, Merck, etc.), veterinary organizations (AVMA, AAHA) and other sponsors such as PIJAC and APPA. The day following Pet Night there is a meeting with the coalition to discuss strategy on legislative matters such as the "guardian" campaign and non-economic damages.*

***Cat Writers Annual Conference,*** White Plains, NY, November 19-21, 2009. *CFA has been active in CWA since its creation. This conference, which includes their annual awards banquet,*

*provides us with the opportunity to have a positive influence on writers, editors and other media contacts regarding cat issues. While the Cat Writers Association meeting is no longer being held in conjunction with the CFA International Show it remains important to reach out to the media.*

***Ongoing goals -***

- *Networking with the sheltering community, aligned organizations, veterinarians and lawmakers so we better understand the problems and trends that cause homeless animals to be in shelters and develop ways to address the issues that motivate legislation detrimental to our interests.*
- *Continuing to find new methods for presenting perspective on the cat fancy views to those in animal related fields and government.*
- *Working with national and local cat fancy teams to defeat legislation/regulation detrimental to pedigreed cats, feral/unowned cats, CFA's mission and cat ownership.*
- *Enlisting professional help with strategic public relations and communication to build greater public awareness and gain more support for our opposition to mandated sterilization laws across the country.*
- *Increasing efforts to raise funds for the Sy Howard Legislative Fund and to help clubs present projects suitable for funding. Jill Abel has assisted in this area. She and Donna Isenberg write personal thank-you's to our donors.*

**Action Items:**

*None at this time.*

**Time Frame:**

*Ongoing.*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Updates and pending legislative matters.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.", is written over a solid blue rectangular background.

*George J. Eigenhauser, Jr., Chair*

**Newkirk** moved that the CFA Secretary be instructed to write a letter to **Chair Mr. Eigenhauser** to express the Board's gratitude for his excellent representation of CFA at Pet Night on Capitol Hill. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser abstained.

**(23) CFA AMBASSADOR PROGRAM.**

**Ambassador Program Liaison Carissa Altschul** presented the following report:

**Committee Chair:** Willa Hawke  
**Liaison to Board:** Carissa Altschul  
**Committee Members:** Willa Hawke, Jodell Raymond, Karen Helmold Lane, Art Graafmans

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**Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The Ambassador Program has been very active since the June CFA Board meeting. During the opening introduction to the delegates on Friday 6/26/09, I publicly thanked the IAMs Corporation for their recent funding and Mr. Art Graafmans for his financial and personal contributions to the program for the past several years. I was so pleased when Art received a moving and exciting standing ovation from the delegation!!! In addition to the well deserved credit and appreciation shown Art, I considered this a further indication of how well this program is received throughout CFA. Jodell Raymond, and Takako Kojimi, Japan RC, gave a delightful and professional PowerPoint presentation regarding what the Ambassador program has meant to Japan.*

*Following the annual, I followed up with a personal letter to Mr. Bud Most of IAMs, thanking the company for their financial support for the program. Letters of appreciation to Corporate Sponsors do not go unnoticed and it is never too late to say Thank You.*

*On Friday evening following the official delegates meeting, we hosted a very well attended reception and meeting in Art and Kristi Graafmans' suite. Special thanks to both Art and Kristi for their help with this function.*

*Bob Farber has been appointed as a new RC for the Midwest Region. He is working very hard at the shows and has already been responsible for recruiting several new Ambassadors.*

*The current number of Ambassadors enrolled is 305*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*We are very busy organizing for the Meet The Breeds (MTB) event in NYC and the International Show in Atlanta. Due to the new IAMs sponsorship, we are reprinting and updating much of our Ambassador written materials to include their logo. The printed items include What's Happening at the Cat Show, The Kitty Search Game, and the Ambassador Handbook, (The handbook was recently translated by Masanari Kojima into Japanese for Region 8 use). An event-specific handout for MTB is being developed and will be ready for handout next month in NY.*

*Four individuals, Jodell Raymond, Karen Lane, Pat Jacobberger, and Willa Hawke are scheduled to travel to NY for the MTB event to act as the lead Ambassadors to meet and greet and to man the Ambassador Booths.*

*To successfully employ the Kitty Search game we will need prizes to use at both MTB and the International and I have asked Roeann Fulkerson to secure these items. In the past, Hartz supplied us with cat toys and last year Art Graafmans got toys from another source. Hopefully, Roeann will be successful in acquiring what we need for use at both events.*

*We are developing a coupon program in conjunction with IAMs and we hope to have that program up and running in time for the International Show in November. Karen Lane is working with Iams via Roeann Fulkerson to accomplish this project. It would be helpful if we had a direct line to IAMs; specifically a POC within the organization for actions such as this coupon project. Too many layers always impedes progress with any effort.*

*The Ask Me buttons and banners continue to be a big hit with everyone. We recently purchased some upgraded banners and now also have Ask Me stickers which contain the IAMs logo. These items are kept at Central Office under the care of Gwen Foster. Requests for the banners need to come from Regional Coordinators to Jodell or me for approval and we can subsequently notify Gwen who will ship them when approved.*

### **Future Projections for Committee**

- 1. Completion of What's Going on at the Cat Show handout by the end of 2009 and additional marketing collateral materials by June 2010.*
- 2. Recruit new Ambassador RC in Washington, DC metro area by end of 2009. (See below)*
- 3. Assist the European RC with Ambassador Outreach efforts in an effort to grow a successful Ambassador program in Europe.*
- 4. Develop a strategic plan for 2010-2011.*

### **Action Items**

- 1. We **desperately need** an RC in the Washington DC area.*

**Johnson:** I'll send out a request and see what we can come up with. **Kusy:** Even though DC is in the Southern Region, it's actually closer to me. I might have some good suggestions.

**Johnson:** If you have recommendations, that's fine with me. Thanks for stepping in. **Anger** moved to strike from the published minutes everything after the word "area". **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

- 2. We need a direct POC within the IAMs Corporation to help guide and advise us during future program projects.*

**DelaBar:** Iams has requested that we have as points of contact the Executive Director and the Director of Marketing. We will honor their request. **Withdrawn.**

### **Time Frame**

- 1. ASAP*
- 2. ASAP*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting**

1. *The **MTB and International Show** events: We will report Ambassador successes and problems as to what worked and what did not work.*
2. *Follow up on Action Item requests.*
3. *Update on the progress of Ambassador program in Europe.*
4. *A strategic plan outline for board review.*

***Remember - The Ambassadors are the Face of CFA!***

*Respectfully submitted,  
Willa K. Hawke, Chair &  
Jodell Raymond, Team Leader  
CFA Ambassador Program*

(24) **ANALYSIS & STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE.**

*Committee Chair: Nancy Petersen*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*A cost estimate was submitted to the Board for conducting a survey of people who are no longer active in CFA. The Board did not fund the survey.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*No current activity.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Petersen, Chair*

(25) **AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.**

*Committee Co-Chairs: Karen Godwin and Karen Boyce*  
*Liaison to Board: Kathy Calhoun*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Committee is new as of the meeting of the CFA Board of Directors held in June 2009.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*The Committee is currently in the process of obtaining direction as to the responsibilities expected of it.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

- 1. Obtain job responsibilities*
- 2. Implement a plan of action necessary for fulfillment of the stated job responsibilities*
- 3. Conduct audit(s) pursuant to the Committee's stated responsibilities*

**Action Items:**

*Obtain job responsibilities of the Committee*

**Time Frame:**

*Immediately*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Unknown at this time without further direction as to the responsibilities of this Committee*

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*Karen Godwin and Karen Boyce, Co-Chairs*

**(26) AWARDS REVIEW COMMITTEE.**

**Committee Chair:** *Carissa Altschul*  
**Committee Members:** *Dee Dee Cantley, Loretta Baugh*

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**Altschul:** This committee's function is to review our current awards structure and make recommendations, if necessary.

**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*None*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*There are three ideas the committee has worked with:*

1. *Refining the winner's ribbon (championship/premiership) system. An idea was presented to the judge's list (requiring cats to meet 80% of their 100 point standard to be awarded winners, dealing with the dual problems of both cats getting winner's "automatically" and two or more high quality cats not getting winners due to the current system) was summarily rejected by the judges. Due to the extreme variety of different ideas the proposal brought about, the idea of attempting any changes for winners has been, at this time, tabled.*

**Altschul:** My conclusion is to leave the winner's ribbon system alone.

2. *L. Baugh presented a unique idea of awarding cats that reach a certain threshold over multiple (3) seasons. The idea has been furthered to a "rough" plan that will be presented in full form at the February meeting (where, with approval, will beget an amendment to be submitted to the Annual Delegation in 2010).*

**Altschul:** People in my region are very interested in the idea. I am going to continue to work with Loretta and Allene on this and hope to bring forth some sort of proposal to the board in February.

3. *C. Altschul is working with an idea of acknowledging catteries that reach certain thresholds of bred Grand Champions/Grand Premiers. This idea will be further "fleshed out" and presented in full form at the February meeting (where, with approval, will beget an amendment to be submitted to the Annual Delegation in 2010).*

**Altschul:** We should do more to acknowledge catteries with a significant number of grand champions and grand premiers. We don't do enough to acknowledge longevity in CFA and appreciation for achieving cattery milestones in CFA. We acknowledge clerking and judging service, but we don't we acknowledge the exhibitors who are the bread and butter of CFA.

**Miller:** I would like to encourage Carissa to carry through with this longevity idea.

**Future Work for Committee:**

1. *Complete ideas #2 and #3 before the February board meeting*

2. *Working with the “DFA” committee regarding HHP scoring on a national scale and HHP titles.*

**Action Items:**

*None at this time.*

(27) **OMBUDSMAN REPORT.**

*Committee Chair: Pam Huggins*  
*Liaison to Board: Pam DelaBar*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*Since the CFA Annual in June, 2009, as the CFA Ombudsman, I have worked 20 new Ombudsman cases, 8 of which remain open and under mediation efforts. Eight of the 20 new cases were closed either via mediation efforts, refusal of one who chose not to participate, and others who made accusations but could not provide any documentation to substantiate the issue. One of the 8 cases was resolved via a civil court case.*

*Most of the cases involved breeders in conflict over rightful ownership; breeding without permission of the seller or co-owner; purchase of cats or kittens which were paid for in full by the buyer but never received and refusal of the seller to refund the money. Two of the buyers are international breeders who purchased cats from breeders in the U.S. Purchase prices ranged from \$1800 to \$3000 plus shipping and vet associated fees. Both sellers indicate their willingness to reimburse the buyers, but not for several months. One case involved a breeder from the U.S. who sold a young proven female to a new breeder in Canada who in turn sold the cat to another breeder in the U.S. which was in violation of the agreement with the original seller and now places the original seller in a contractual conflict with another breeder she has worked with for quite some time. Mediation efforts are still ongoing but resolution does not appear forthcoming.*

*In addition to the new cases, I continued to work on open and ongoing cases which were in the mediation process. During this time frame, including the new cases, I handled a total of 32 cases, 12 of which are still open and under mediation efforts with resolution probable.*

*On one particular case, I am working with Linda Berg to determine if we may have a health and welfare issue. Currently waiting vet documentation which was offered several times but not received as of this writing.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

*Also during this time frame, as a result of the discussion held at the annual meeting regarding the Ombudsman role, I received the names of two volunteers who are interested in serving as an assistant Ombudsman. After discussions with both, one agreed to assist to determine if she wanted to participate (approved by Board liaison) and one was unfortunately not accepted due to his current position with CFA (would place the individual in a conflict of interest situation). I am currently pursuing discussions with another individual who just volunteered and if he remains interested, I will seek approval from the Board Liaison.*

*Currently, two assistants should be quite adequate initially. Based on my experience serving as the CFA Ombudsman as well as other Ombudsman and or liaison roles, I recommend we limit the number for now until we are able to work together and determine if more or less may be needed.*

*Based on particular aspects of some of the Ombudsman cases, I have almost completed modifications to the current Ombudsman process to incorporate the use of additional Ombudsman representatives based on discussions from the CFA annual as well as other information based on “lessons learned” during cases worked previously. Modifications will also include a time limit placed on cases so they do not become stalled and remain open for months with no progress or resolution forthcoming. I will present a final draft to the Board Liaison for review and approval and if approved and completed, I will amend this report with the revised process before the October meeting.*

**Future Projections for Committee:**

*Train and mentor new Ombudsman as applicable.*

**Action Items:**

*Finalize the process document and present it to the Board Liaison for approval.  
Time Frame: NLT 25 Sept 2009*

*Continue discussions regarding an additional volunteer.  
Time Frame: Ongoing*

*Continue mediation and resolution efforts on open Ombudsman cases.  
Time Frame: Ongoing*

**What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:**

*Information regarding Ombudsman issues worked since the last report.*

**Note:** *As a reminder, names and details are not included in these reports for confidentiality of those involved.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*//s// Pam Huggins  
CFA Ombudsman, Chair*

**(28) SHOW SCHEDULING.**

**Committee Chair:** *Gina Lehman*  
**Liaison to Board:** *Debbie Kusy*  
**List of Committee Members:** *All Regional Directors and their schedulers*

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**Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:**

*The committee has been working through show issues as they come up via the YahooGroups email list. Since the February 2009 board meeting, the NSC has also been working through requests for 6x6 shows.*

**Current Happenings of Committee:**

***The committee has approved the following changes of date/location and provided the information to Gwen:***

*Approved – one-time only location change to Victorville, CA for Los Colores CC -- 2009 only*

*Approved – one-time only date change to the 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of May for Siamese Alliance – 2010 only*

*Approved – move from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of December for Feline Friends International in the San Francisco Bay area. They intend to stay on this weekend and make it their Traditional Date.*

*Approved – A move to the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of September (starting in 2010) for Salt City in the Syracuse, NY area. They seek to make this their Traditional Date.*

*Approved – a one-time, one-day show on Labor Day weekend in Columbus OH for the Sternwheel CF in Sept 5th or 6th 2009.*

*Approved - a one-time only move for Cat Club of the Palm Beaches from the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> weekend in May 2010. This is for a standard show format in their current location. (Note – there is a related 6x6 request that was sent forward to the board at a later time)*

*Approved – a one-time only change of venue for Emerald Cat Club to Longview, WA for the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend November 2009.*

*Approved – a one-time only move from the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of April to the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of April for 2010 only.*

*Approved – the Midwest Regional Awards show to be held in the Marion, Illinois area on the last weekend (5<sup>th</sup> weekend) of May 2010.*

*Approved – the Southwest Regional Awards show to be held in Ventura, CA on 12 Jun 2010.*

*Approved – a one-time only show to be held 1<sup>st</sup> weekend January 2010 in Las Vegas, NV for Crown City CC.*

*Approved - a one-time change in location to Long Branch, NJ for National Norwegian Forest Cat Club (NNFC) in 2010 only*

*Approved - NNFC moves to 3rd weekend in January, Long Branch, NJ, in 2011 and seeks to make that its traditional date.*

*Approved – one-time only move for Steinbeck Country CC to the 5<sup>th</sup> weekend in October for 2010 only.*

*Approved – a one-time move to the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in May for the National Birman Fanciers to hold a show in Texas*

***6x6 requests discussed and passed to the board with recommendations as follows:***

*Favorable recommendation for 2 clubs in Malaysia requesting to do a 6X6 in Kuala Lumpur on Nov 8-9, 2009.*

*Favorable recommendation for:*

- American Wirehair International, Ocala Cat Club, Hollywood Cat Club, National Alliance of Birman Breeders and Cat Club of the Palm Beaches in Orlando FL on the 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of May 2010. **Motion Carried.***

**Kusy** moved to approve the Orlando show on the 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of May 2010. They have held the show for the last two years. This is nothing new. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*Unfavorable recommendation for a 6x6 in Humble (Houston Area), TX on 13-14 Sep 2010. Clubs – Stars & Stripes, Tabby & Tortie, Tonkinese Breed Association, Japanese Bobtail Breeders Association.*

***Future Projections for Committee:***

*Continue to share information and work together to resolve show date/location issues as they arise.*

*Continue to refine the basic requirements for 6x6 shows and work with the Regional Directors and clubs to ensure that these shows do not infringe on established clubs while attempting to allow this format to have a chance in each of the regions.*

***Action Items:***

*None*

***Time Frame:***

*N/A*

***What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:***

*Nothing planned at this time.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Gina Lehman, Chair*

**Newkirk:** Is it a policy of the Show Scheduling Committee that one “no” vote has veto power? **Kusy:** It was never a policy. **Petersen:** We have had requests to move a show date, etc. that were voted down with a single negative vote. **Meeker:** I have found it to be a process of the regional directors working well together in a cooperative way to make things happen to the best

of our ability. **Baugh:** I have seen instances where one negative vote results in not having a show. **Newkirk** moved that the Scheduling Committee immediately cease any one-vote veto power that may exist, and that a majority vote of the Regional Directors or their schedulers will be used. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Altschul voted no.

**(29) JAPAN REGION.**

**Director: Yayoi Satoh**

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**1. *Current Budget Status.***

*All board members in region 8 have been dedicating themselves to the region by saving all kinds of expenses since the embezzlement scandal by our accountant in 2007, which ended our budget only JPY 41 for the year. Since appropriate venue is very expensive in Japan, we cannot afford to rent the venue the day before the show, but only the days that show actually takes place. So, we all have to go to the site early enough for set up the show before the show starts. All board members are desperate to pump up our region. I am very proud of our board members, and deeply appreciate all the effort they put into the region. Thanks to all dedicated members, region 8 budget went back to JPY 4,000,000. Yet, it is very unfortunate that police authority in Japan has not arrested the suspect, Ms. Kazuko Kurokawa, regardless repeated requests. It is true that it takes forever for Japanese police authority to arrest the suspect unless otherwise it is heinous crime. We all hope that this matter is resolved soon.*

**2. *Region 8 Cat Show Status***

*Due to world economy slump, the numbers of cat entries have been declining the past year. We are having shows that has more or less of 100 cat entries per show, which make us anxious that if we will be able to continue the show. Club owners are also bearing heavy burden due to high price of commodities in Japan.*

*We have following issues for cat show in Japan region:*

- a. There are few organization that is willing to be a sponsor for the show.*
- b. We have practically no visitors. The advertisement and promotion activities are way too expensive.*
- c. We cannot have “for sale” booth in show hall since there is no visitor.*
- d. There are few hotels that accommodate with cat.*
- e. By economical reason, we cannot afford to rent big enough venue for visitors even if we promote.*
- f. Currently we are charging about \$190 per cat, which is standard. Although we acknowledge that current fee is too expensive for exhibitors, we will end up with loss if we do not charge that amount. Under the struggling circumstance, we are planning to reduce the entry fee to the half price for 2010 regional show to attract more exhibitors.*

**3. *Japan Award***

*We will hold “Japan Award” on July 26, 2009. Every year, we have about 200 people join the party. We will charge membership fee for JPY 12,000, which will be turning into payment for the*

hotel. Other expenses such as rosettes fee, postage, and flowers cost at the venue will be made up by donation from Hills Colgate Company.

#### **4. Yahoo Bulletin Board Issue / Other issues**

*The person who was assigned as second ambassador coordinator established Yahoo group and solicited the participants at the show. At the beginning, participants were discussing about the show report and awareness campaign. However, recent activity on this Yahoo group is only complaints and defamations. The bulletin Board is practically run by only a few people who post their criticism about region board members and operation of the region and no healthy comment about region has been seen for a long time. All board members were elected with overwhelming majority by Region 8 members and I concern that it is against democratic foundation to argue with region operation. It is extremely shame that all breed judges and second ambassador coordinators involve with this region operation bashing. Ambassador, who is supposed to be helping the cat shows, should not obstruct region operation. I was told that establishing Yahoo bulletin board was requested by CFA. Yet, I have not informed who made that particular request.*

*Here are some reported cases on Yahoo Bulletin Board that supposedly some judges and directors did.*

- a. Threatening exhibitors to enter the show.*
- b. Accepting money and goods from exhibitors.*
- c. Accepting airline ticket and/or Green Shinkansen ticket.*
- d. Embezzling exhibitors and regions money.*
- e. Breaking the false information to the exhibitors.*
- f. Telling new exhibitors who are not familiar with the rules actions which violate the rule and forcing them to do so.*
- g. Abusing exhibitors' cats.*
- h. Not answering questions from exhibitors.*

*We will request proof directly in person at the Club meeting in July from the person who made these accusations. However, we do not expect to receive any firm proof.*

*Additionally, we're having difficulty to come to agreement at the region club meeting. Even though someone brings new and bright idea for the region, interruptions such as bringing back the events that happened years ago block us to reach to the agreement. For example, there are some people who still believe that club member fee, which is officially approved by board, is violating the rule. Mr. Masanari Kojima still claims that club member fee is against the rule. He made comment to board members, in front of 50 club owners, that he was inquiring about the fee to Ms. DelaBar and Mr. Jacobberger as if this member fee is not approved. After that event, Mr. Hiroshi Shinmoto, secretary of Region 8, inquired about Mr. Kojima's claim, and we found out that was a false statement. Like this example, Region 8 is very confused with many of false information and comments from insensitive members.*

*We, all Region 8 board members, are dedicating and striving for welfare of our region. Unfortunately, we are getting pushed around by those a few insensitive people, who prevent us to maintain healthy region.*

[Secretary's Note: This is the same report as was submitted in June 2009]

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*Dear Board Members and Allene,*

*I have read the Japan Region 8 report and have had time to digest their special rules, which I will call a constitution, as it has listed 11 Articles and a provision of a 2/3 vote to change their "rules."*

*Article 1-4 are fine.*

*Article 5 states that the outgoing RD has responsibility for the Japan Regional awards and the regional club meeting in July. I agree with the outgoing RD having responsibility for the Regional awards banquet, but I disagree that they should chair the July meeting. The new RD should be in charge of that meeting. The outgoing RD has every right to attend and have input, but not chair that meeting.*

*Article 6. Why should a club be required to get to judging contracts or a signed contract with a show hall before they have permission to host a CFA show. Traditional show dates are excluded, but they don't need permission to host their show on a traditional date. This makes no sense at all.*

*Article 7. First off, CFA Constitution Article V. Section 2 – reports. C. Each Regional Director may maintain a treasury to defray the cost of regional activities. Contributions to any such regional fund shall be on a voluntary basis. ...(remainder of item c. has no bearing).*

*I was on the Board when we approved the Japan Region to require the clubs to charge this fee. It was done to offset the cost of show rule translations and to defray the costs of the interpreter for the Japan Regional director, if required. This is completely in violation of the CFA constitution.*

*Items 1-6 under the Article 7 should be for all clubs. If the clubs elect to pay for the Show rules and Standards, and the Regional show materials, then the region has no need to charge the clubs the yearly 10,000 yen in their "rules."*

*Article 8 and 9 are fine.*

*Article 10. All clubs should have the right to attend and participate in the Japan Region July meeting. This article should be deleted.*

*Article 11 should be deleted, as these are regional rules and not a constitution. Therefore, there should be no requirement of 2/3 of the clubs to change the rules of the region.*

*Having stated the above concerns in regard to the Japan Region Rules. I will be making the following motions during the section of our meeting this weekend. I am stating them here and now so that you can have time to review them in advance of the meeting.*

**Jacobberger** confirms that the board can control any region's rules. **Newkirk:** The rules for Japan Region include 10 articles. The last article states that a 2/3 vote is required to change any of the articles. That is typical of a constitution. I have a series of 5 motions regarding this.

***Motion 1.***

- *Amend Article 5 as follows: While the new regional Director is elected in ~~July~~ June of even number years, the former regional director has responsibility to ~~Japan regional award and the regional club meeting in July.~~ the Japan Regional Awards. The newly elected regional director will chair the regional club meeting in July.*

**Newkirk:** This currently states that the outgoing regional director will control the Japan Regional meeting in July. That's not fair to the new regional director, elected in June. The Japan Region would like the outgoing regional director to follow through on their regional awards banquet, but I have a problem with the outgoing regional director chairing the meeting in July when they are no longer the elected representative of the clubs. This board allowed Japan to have special rules and we have the right to determine if they are not in alignment. **Eigenhauser:** I would like to hear what the regional director has to say about the rule changes. Also, unless it is in conflict with the CFA constitution or the way we do things, discretionary items should be left to the discretion of the Japanese regional director and the people of Japan. This board shouldn't care who chairs the Japanese regional meeting. **Calhoun:** What is driving these changes?

**Newkirk:** These are not the Japan Rules that the CFA board approved. **Meeker:** Some of these practices are not in alignment with our constitution. All regions should be in alignment. **Satoh:** In Japan region, it is the same as other regions. The new director is going to be achieved in July meeting. **Newkirk:** This motion clarifies that the new regional director will be in charge of the July meeting. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

***Motion 2.***

- *Amend Article 6 as follows: A club, who plans to have their cat show in Japan, should inform their show schedule to the person in charge of regional show schedules. ~~The club should show at least two contracts from planned judges or a contract for show hall rental. Those contracts are not required with the club plans their show on their traditional date.~~ When the club plans on other club's traditional date, written permission of the club having that traditional date should be submitted. In the Japan Region, two or more shows are not allowed on the same weekends.*

**Newkirk:** Article 6 states that a club that has never had a show must present judges' contracts or a contract with the show hall. That's not feasible and is an unfair stipulation to put on any club in Japan. The Japan regional clubs have to be treated fairly and have to be treated the same way as all of our American clubs are treated. **Satoh:** This article is only for posting on the official regional show schedule. It has nothing to do with applying for the CFA show license. We had a problem where several clubs apply for the license and then were not able to hold the show. The reason is probably that they were not able to get the venue or the contracts from the judges. The other clubs who wanted to hold a show on the same date lost the chance to do so because the date was taken. So, in Japan we would like to make sure that the club is really going to hold the show and to prove that their intentions are required to have the contract with the venue and judge contracts. **Newkirk:** I understand their dilemma, but the article also states that they have 3 months to cancel that show date. I object to them requiring judges' contracts and especially against having a signed show hall contract that may require a deposit. **Satoh:** This is only for

posting on the official Region 8 website. The requirement is either judges' contracts or show hall contract. Either one is going to be proof that they are having a show. We don't want to have the same problem as in the past, to ruin the chance for other clubs to hold a show on the date.

**Newkirk:** I am happy with that answer and will withdraw that motion. **Withdrawn.**

### ***Motion 3.***

- ~~*Amend Article 7 as follows: CFA Japan Region receives regional annual club fee of ¥10,000. Deadline of the payment is September 30<sup>th</sup>. The club permitted at October or February board meeting can pay the fee until November 30<sup>th</sup> or March 31<sup>st</sup> respectively. Those clubs paid regional annual club fee may receive additional service from CFA Japan Region.*~~

*Clubs may receive additional service from CFA Japan Region.*

- 1) Free copies of Japanese version of CFA Show Rules and CFA Show Standards (published in May, regular price ¥3,000)*
- 2) Free rental of regional show materials (regular rental fee ¥5,000)*
- 3) Club link from CFA Japan Region Web Site*
- 4) Detailed show schedules at Region Web Site*
- 5) Discounted fee for club advertisement on the regional award catalog (¥3,000 discount)*
- 6) Japanese version of Board meeting summary.*

**Newkirk:** The Japan Rules allow the region to charge clubs 10,000 yen (US \$100). However, that is prohibited in the CFA Constitution, Article V, Section 2, item c, which reads: *Each regional director may maintain a treasury to defray the costs of regional activities. Contributions to any such regional fund shall be on a voluntary basis.* Allowing them to charge the clubs violates the CFA constitution. This motion eliminates the requirement of Japan clubs to have to pay 10,000 yen each year. **Eigenhauser:** It's voluntary. If a club doesn't pay for the additional services, it doesn't get them. It's voluntary. **Newkirk:** I disagree and so do the clubs in Japan. They feel that they have to pay this in order to participate in the region. **Eigenhauser:** The region can deny optional services. **Jacobberger:** That's the trouble we're having. We don't know what's optional and what isn't. **Satoh:** There is no annual fee now, but there is a region service fee for translated documents. They are charged on an individual basis if the club doesn't need all of them. **Newkirk:** That is in line with what I have proposed in this motion. **Satoh:** We have already changed it to the way you wrote it in the motion. There is no annual fee now. There is only a region club fee and then depending on the club, they can pay a one-time fee, like an annual fee, and they can use all services. Depending on the club, if the club only needs a few services, they can pay as per their necessary basis. **Newkirk:** So, you have no objection to the motion, as presented? **Satoh:** No, I don't have a problem. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*Amend the new heading to read. Clubs may receive additional service from CFA Japan Region.*

- 1) Copies of Japanese version of CFA show Rules and CFA show standards. (published in May) (3,000 yen)*

- 2) Rental of regional show material. 5,000 yen
- 3) Club link from CFA Japan Region Web Site.
- 4) Detailed Show schedules at region web site.
- 5) Fee for club advertisement on the regional awards catalog 3,000 yen
- 6) Japanese version of Board meeting summary.

**Motion 4.**

- Amend Article 10 to read: Regional club meetings are held as regular club meeting (July meeting) or emergency meeting. ~~Those clubs who paid regional annual club fee by September 30<sup>th</sup> as described on Article 7 have a right to discuss and vote at the regional club meeting.~~ All clubs are invited to attend and participate. Those meetings need the presence of more than 50% of the club representatives, and need the major vote for the decision.

**Newkirk:** This eliminates the section where you have to be a paid member and adds, *All clubs are invited to attend and participate.* This should not be an issue, since we eliminated the fee. **Satoh:** I agree that there is no annual club fee anymore. All clubs should be invited to participate in meeting. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

**Motion 5.** Delete article 11. These are rules and should require a majority vote as noted in article 10.

*The special rules in Japan were a result of prior Board action and therefore this Board should have the right to review and modify past approved actions as they relate to the Japan Region.*

**Newkirk:** I will withdraw #5 for the sake of time.

*I am sending this to you so that you have a heads up when we discuss this during the Board meeting. I have to personal interest in any of these motions. They are made to make sure that the clubs in Japan are treated equally and fairly with the same yardstick that the International Division clubs and the domestic clubs of CFA are treated.*

*Thanks for your consideration,  
Darrell Newkirk*

**Eigenhauser** moved to adjourn. **DelaBar** called the motion. **Motion Carried.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

**(30) DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS.**

*None*

Respectfully submitted,  
Rachel Anger, CFA Secretary