SUMMARY AND TRANSCRIPT OF CONFERENCE CALL CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUGUST 16, 2011

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Secretary's Note: The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Tuesday, August 16, 2011, via teleconference. President **Jerold Hamza** called the meeting to order at 9:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mr. Jerold Hamza (President)

Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)

Mrs. Carla Bizzell (Treasurer)

Sharon Roy (NAR Director)

Ginger Meeker, Ph.D. (NWR Director)

Ms. T. Ann Caell (GSR Director)

Mrs. Loretta Baugh (GLR Director)

Mr. Michael Shelton (SWR Director)

Ms. Alene Shafnisky (MWR Director)

Mr. Mark Hannon (SOR 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. Darrell Newkirk (Director-at-Large)

Mrs. Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)

Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel

Not Present:

Ms. Joan Miller (Vice-President)

Mr. David White (Director-at-Large)

Mrs. Kayoko Koizumi (Japan Regional Director)

SUMMARY

(1) <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER.</u>

No action items were presented.

(2) **BOARD CITED HEARINGS.**

Board-Cited Hearing: The Board may consider any protest filed by any member of a member club or in any other manner brought to the attention of the Executive Board. The Board may delegate authority to one or more persons to review, investigate, and determine if probable cause exists for the filing of a formal protest. These cases were heard on direct cite by the CFA Executive Board. Timely notice was given to the parties, and the matters were heard in closed session.

- 011-015 CFA v. Cat Fanciers' Society of Indonesia Cat Club, Syahrun Najah Ariffin (Show Manager of the April 3, 2011 show), Melissa Edison Danials (Show Secretary of the April 3, 2011 show; President of the Cat Fanciers' Society of Indonesia Cat Club; Secretary of the Cat Fanciers' Society of Indonesia Cat Club)
 - Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4(f) Violation of SR 16.10 in connection with the late shipment of the show packet from the April 3, 2011 show in Kulai, Malaysia

GUILTY on all charges. Sentence to Cat Fanciers' Society of Indonesia Cat Club of a letter of reprimand, and 30 days to pay \$864.00 owed to CFA in fees and penalties. Sentence to Syahrun Najah Ariffin of immediate suspension until payment of \$1,000 fine to CFA and \$864 reimbursement to Cat Fanciers' Society of Indonesia Cat Club is received, followed by a 2 year suspension after the first two conditions are completed. Sentence to Melissa Edison Danials of a letter of reprimand.

- 011-016 CFA v. Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore, Zulkifli Daud (Show Manager of Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore show on April 16, 2011), Felix Yeo (President of Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore), Nadia Jaffar (Secretary of Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore; Show Secretary of Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore Show on April 16, 2011)
 - Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4(f) Violation of SR 16.10 in connection with the late shipment of the show packet from the April 16, 2011 show in Singapore

GUILTY on all charges. Sentence to Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore, Zulkifli Daud and Nadia Jaffar of a letter of reprimand. Fine of \$250 to Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore.

Appeal: Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to and heard by the Board, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the party, an appeal and/or appeal fee was timely filed, and the appeal was heard by the Board of Directors. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

10-023 CFA v. Donna Dzienisiewski

Violation of CFA Constitution Article XV, Section 4 (g) (Any act or conduct seriously and patently detrimental to the best interest and welfare of the cat or CFA)

GUILTY. Sentence of restitution of \$3,970, immediate suspension until proof of restitution has been made, one year probation to begin when the suspension noted above ends.

(3) **JUDGING PROGRAM.**

Chair Mrs. Baugh moved to approve the following advancements:

Advance to Apprentice:

March Oddwin (SH 1 Specially)	Karen Godwin (SH - 1 st Specialty)	16 ves
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Advance to Approval Pending Specialty

Melanie Morgan ($LH - 2^{nd}$ Specialty)	16 yes
Doreann Nasin ($LH - 1^{st}$ Specialty)	16 yes

Advance to Approval Pending Allbreed

Teresa Keiger 16 yes

(4) <u>DECISION ON PET FAIR NEXT JUNE</u>.

Upon motion by Mr. Eigenhauser (seconded by Mrs. Meeker), entry to the Pet Fair in July 2012, on the Annual weekend, is limited to 100 pedigreed cats. **Motion Carried.**

(5) <u>DISCUSS REQUIRING CFA-CREATED/AFFILIATED TAX EXEMPT</u> ORGANIZATIONS TO ANNUALLY PROVIDE CFA WITH THEIR FILED IRS FORM 990.

Upon motion by Mr. Eigenhauser (seconded by Mr. Newkirk), the CFA-created affiliate tax-exempt organizations provide us with their 990 or a complete financial statement for the previous fiscal year. **Motion Carried.**

(6) <u>DISCLOSURE OF BOARD MEMBER SALARIES AND STIPENDS.</u>

No action items were presented. This information is available on the internet. Additionally, it will be included in the financial report given to the delegates at the Annual.

(7) ADDING A QUESTION TO ALL BALLOTS FOR BREED COUNCILS THAT HAVE AN AOV CLASS, AS TO WHETHER THEY WISH TO CONTINUE THE CLASS.

Withdrawn (with the right to revisit).

(8) <u>NOVICE ISSUE</u>.

Upon motion by Mr. Eigenhauser (seconded by Mrs. Meeker), the Show Rules Chair will present a novice class proposal at the October 2011 board meeting. **Motion Carried.**

(9) **AOV/HHP ISSUE.**

Mrs. Baugh will invite the judges to be lenient until the delegates can resolve the issue.

(10) REGISTRATION ISSUE/BREED BOOK.

After an executive session discussion, upon motion by Mr. Eigenhauser (seconded by Mrs. Baugh), a plan to deal with a breed-specific issue was devised, which will be published when the details are resolved. **[vote sealed]**

(11) <u>UPDATE ON ALLIANCE</u>.

No action items were presented.

(12) <u>UPDATE ON THE NATIONAL SHOW.</u>

No action items were presented.

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Meeker (seconded by Mrs. Baugh). Motion Carried.

TRANSCRIPT

(1) <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER.</u>

Hamza called the meeting to order at 9:00 p.m., EST. Rachel, would you call the roll please? Anger: Sure. Jerry Hamza. Hamza: Here. Anger: Joan Miller is joining us later if she can. Rachel Anger is here. Carla Bizzell. Bizzell: Here. Anger: Sharon Roy. Roy: Here. Anger: Ginger Meeker. Meeker: Here. Anger: Ann Caell. Caell: Here. Anger: Loretta Baugh. Baugh: Here. Anger: Mike Shelton. Shelton: Here. Anger: Alene Shafnisky. Alene not on. Mark Hannon. Mark not on yet? OK, Roger Brown. Brown: Here. Anger: George Eigenhauser. Eigenhauser: Here. Anger: Dick Kallmeyer. Kallmeyer: Here. Anger: Carol Krzanowski. Krzanowski: Here. Anger: Darrell Newkirk. Darrell? OK, David White. No David. Annette Wilson. Wilson: Here. Anger: Ed Raymond. Raymond: Here. Anger: Is there anyone who's name I have not called? [NOTE: Shafnisky, Hannon and Newkirk joined the conference during the executive session discussion]

[EXECUTIVE SESSION]

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(3) **JUDGING PROGRAM.**

Committee Members and Duties:

<u>Committee Chair</u>: Loretta Baugh – 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; Domestic Training and File Administrator; Education Chair

Pat Jacobberger – Under Judges' Education (Breed Awareness and Orientation School)

Ellyn Honey – Domestic Training and File Administrator

Rick Hoskinson – File Administrator

Jan Stevens – File Administrator; Secretary (keeps all files/records and compiles for Board report)

Donna Isenberg – New Applicants (inquiries, queries, follow ups, counseling); May teach Judging Application Process at Breed Awareness & Orientation School, Application/Advisor Coordinator

Wayne Trevathan – Japan and International Division Trainee and File Administrator; guest judge (CFA judges in approved foreign associations, licensed judges from approved foreign associations in CFA)

Peter Vanwonterghem – European Liaison

Current Happenings of Committee:

We are changing the File Administrators back to their original duties as the individuals responsible for maintaining the file, approving color class assignments, etc. The former Advisors will revert to Mentors.

<u>Action Item</u>: The following individuals are presented to the Board for Advancement.

Advance to Apprentice:

Karen Godwin (SH - 1st Specialty) 16 yes

Advance to Approval Pending Specialty

Melanie Morgan ($LH - 2^{nd}$ Specialty) 16 yes Doreann Nasin ($LH - 1^{st}$ Specialty) 16 yes

Advance to Approval Pending Allbreed

Teresa Keiger 16 yes

Hamza: OK, now we're in open session, correct? **Hannon:** Yes. Do we have the results of the Judging ballots? We want to do that in open session. **Hamza:** Are they in, Rachel. **Anger:** Yes. Loretta has them. Do you want me to announce them, or should Loretta? **Hamza:** I don't care. **Anger:** OK. Everyone was unanimous. We have three who did not vote. That would be Hamza, Miller and White. I put them down as abstain. **Hamza:** OK. Well, I don't vote unless it's a tie, so however you want to – I would just put Miller and White as abstain. Loretta, do you have anything else for the Judging Program?

Baugh: Can you hear me? I don't know if I had mute on or off. **Hamza:** We can hear you. **Baugh:** No, I don't have anything else. Thank you everybody. **Hamza:** OK, congratulations to the people advanced. **Baugh:** I called Karen Godwin because she begged me to, and she said to thank you. **Hamza:** OK, well, we heard some of your calls. We just wanted you to know they weren't anonymous.

(4) DECISION ON PET FAIR NEXT JUNE.

Hamza: Ginger, you're up next with the pet fair next June. Meeker: OK. The situation with the pet fair is, a couple clubs in the Pacific Northwest have been offered by the pet fair to keep that function with CFA. However, the weekend they have chosen and booked is the same weekend as the Annual meeting. In looking ahead, this is also going to be a problem when the, I believe it's the Region 4 Annual is in Toronto, and it's the first weekend in June. Hannon: July. Hamza: July. Meeker: I mean July, right. And there are clubs that have show dates, traditional show dates, on that weekend. So, I would like to propose that this club could hold the pet fair on the weekend of the Annual meeting. Hamza: Which Annual meeting? The one in – Meeker: Next year. 2012. Hamza: Alright. Does anybody have a problem with that? Hannon: Traditionally, pet fair cat shows are small entries. Is that what you're anticipating this time? Meeker: That's what we're anticipating. I have no reason to believe this show will skew the national standings. Hannon: Yeah. OK, because I just don't envision all the campaigners heading to a pet fair, but I wanted to – Hamza: Where is this show? Meeker: In the Seattle area. Kallmeyer: Are they restricting the entries? Shafnisky: I'm not sure I agree with that. Hamza: OK, OK. One at a time. I couldn't even pick up who was talking there. Who wants to say

something? Baugh: Loretta. Hamza: Go ahead, Loretta. Baugh: OK. I just wanted to comment, Ginger, that what the clubs in this region are doing – there's only one that has a show on that weekend – they're moving a week early to the weekend that the Annual normally would have been held. That might be something that your people might want to consider that are having those show dates. There's only a couple shows in the country that weekend anyway. I just wanted to offer it as a suggestion. **Hamza:** Alright. OK, that's 2015, but right now we're dealing with 2012, correct? **Shafnisky:** This is Alene. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Alene. **Shafnisky:** I've seen shows at pet fairs fill rather regularly, and frankly I think if it's the only scored show on a weekend, I just don't think that's a good idea if the show is going to be scored. Hannon: Is there an entry limit? **Meeker:** 225, like a normal show. I mean, this year they got 83 cats. **Shafnisky:** Right, but that's not a year that there's no other show that weekend. Kallmeyer: Whether we restrict the entry to like 100 cats or so. **Hannon:** Yeah. **Meeker:** The other issue is, what this group is looking at doing so that this opportunity doesn't go to [another association], is reactivate a [another association] club to do it. This is how serious they are about keeping the event in the Pacific Northwest. **Hannon:** I think Dick's got a valid suggestion. If we limit it to 100 entries, it's going to discourage campaigning and points skewing anything. Meeker: I can certainly take that proposition to them. I mean, the pet fair would like as many entries as possible. The club is going to make its money from the entries, and that's all it makes its money from is the entries, because the pet fair picks up – **Hamza:** They had 80-something, so 100 would be an increase over the previous year. **Hannon:** If [other associations] put on a show, they're not likely to get more than 100 entries. Meeker: I don't know. Hamza: Ginger, tell them to take the 100 entries. If it becomes an issue, we can rediscuss it for the following year. **Meeker:** OK, so permission with limiting the entries to 100? **Hamza:** For 2012. **Meeker:** OK, got it. Thank you. **Kallmeyer:** Can we open that up so they can have a lot of household pets? **Meeker:** Well, entry is entry. **Eigenhauser:** Yeah, but not for national scoring. **Shelton:** You could limit it to 100 pedigreed cats, but no limit on household pets. **Meeker:** OK, 100 pedigreed. **Hannon:** We need a motion and a vote on this, don't we? Eigenhauser: I'll make that motion. Hamza: OK, do I get a second? **Meeker:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. Motion Carried. Meeker: Thank you, guys.

(5) <u>DISCUSS REQUIRING CFA-CREATED/AFFILIATED TAX EXEMPT</u> ORGANIZATIONS TO ANNUALLY PROVIDE CFA WITH THEIR FILED IRS FORM 990.

For October board meeting, each affiliated CFA tax-exempt orgs provide the CFA board either with current 990 form or a complete financial break-down of the previous year's activity.

Hamza: Next thing on the agenda is George Eigenhauser discussing the requirement that CFA-created or affiliated tax-exempt organizations be compelled to provide CFA with their filed and up to date 990 forms. Eigenhauser: Let me kind of explain how we got to this, because this actually arose out of the next item, which was the board member salaries and stipends. Larger non-profit entities file a 990 informational tax return each year. When the question came up about board members' salaries and stipends, it seemed like a tempest in a teapot to me, because that information is already available online anyway. Our 990 is a public record. It's out there. Anybody who wants can go to places like Guidestar and some of these other places and look it up. It's not a secret. Whoever thought it was a secret was mistaken. But anyway, in the process of doing that, it reminded me of some other things and poking around. Larger non-profits do file 990's, so CFA files a 990, Winn files a 990, the CFA Foundation files a 990, but some of the smaller organizations that we've created don't necessarily have to file a 990 each year, as long as

they are below the threshold of, your income is usually around \$25,000 a year. If your income is traditionally under \$25,000 a year, you don't have to file a 990. You still file an informational return. I forget what it's called – like an E-postcard or some silly thing like that, that doesn't really have any useful information in it. It's just so the IRS knows you still exist and you still fall into that category. So, my motion would actually be, and I would like to make this an annual thing, that for the October board meeting of each year, each of the affiliated CFA tax-exempt organizations provide the CFA board either with a current 990 form or a complete financial breakdown of the previous year's activity. The reason I picked the October board meeting is because CFA has a fiscal year that ends at the end of April, it seems that the non-profit exempt organizations that we've created follow that pattern. Winn also has a fiscal year that ends at the end of April. The CFA Foundation also has a fiscal year that ends at the end of April, so the informational returns would be filed after the close of the fiscal year, which means they are usually filed over the summer, and so October is a good board meeting for us to check in with each of our non-profit brothers and sisters that we have created, to find out that they're up to date, that they're current, to see what their financial status is, and to make sure it's something that CFA wants to continue supporting. So, that's in very general terms how we got to where it was. I didn't start out the day thinking, let's make everybody send us their 990's, it started out talking about board member salaries and stipends, I looked this up online, it kind of clicked for me that maybe we should be checking in on some of these other organizations from time to time, too. My motion would be that our CFA-created affiliate tax-exempt organizations provide us with their 990 or a financial statement – a complete financial statement for the previous fiscal year. That's my motion. Hamza: Do we have a second? Newkirk: I'll second it.

Hamza called the motion. Motion Carried.

(6) DISCLOSURE OF BOARD MEMBER SALARIES AND STIPENDS.

Hamza: OK, the next one is mine, disclosure of board member salaries and stipends. I don't want to dwell on this one too much. I get lots of requests. You know, I know that it's fully accessible. George, in other places. All I want to do is put it on, you know, just put it on the report we give out at the Annual, just a quick list, because a lot of people have a hard time finding that. Some people, for some reason or another, can't figure out how to get around on Guidestar. Eigenhauser: For that matter, our 990 is a public record. If anybody asks for that information, send it to them. It's not a secret. Hamza: I just thought it would just save a lot of trouble. I think it would also be helpful in some ways, because I think that the rumors are that there's a lot more money flying around than there really is. **Hannon:** What do we want to publicly say? Minutes are going to be put out of this discussion. Do we want to say that we're going to put the information out once a year at the Annual, and anybody that wants a 990 can write CFA and get a copy? **Hamza:** Yeah. I don't have a problem. My opinion is that I would at least like to see it show up in the paperwork at the Annual. Eigenhauser: And the one thing I would add is, the 990 doesn't break it down quite the way some people might like. For example, I know Joan Miller gets a stipend as Vice President, in addition to Legislation. The 990 just lumps them together, so if we put out our own statement, we can give people a little more detail than the 990 alone would have. **Hamza:** And I think that would be helpful, don't you? OK, and I don't think we even need to vote on it. **Hannon:** But the information we were sent this past week didn't break Joan out, correct? Bizzell: They can break her out. She gets \$1,000 for a stipend and the balance is legislative. Eigenhauser: She gets like \$83 a month for being Vice President, and the rest is legislative. **Hannon:** OK. And then just for everybody's clarification, the money that was noted for Carol was for her efforts in packing things up and moving and unpacking, right?

Krzanowski: Yes. Actually, that was for Ed [Krzanowski] and me, so it was really a little misleading. Hannon: That was the full amount, Carol? Krzanowski: Pardon me? Hannon: That was the full amount? Krzanowski: Yes. Hannon: OK. I didn't know if there was still more to come because of whenever they did the cut-off. Krzanowski: No, that is it. Hannon: OK, so maybe we should have an asterisk indicating that it wasn't just for Carol, but it was for Carol and her husband. Krzanowski: That might be more clarifying, yeah. Hannon: Because he's not a board member getting a stipend. Bizzell: Well, except on the 990, that's the figure that will appear. Eigenhauser: That's why it's a footnote. Hamza: And you know it's not – I don't think it's a huge issue. I just, I get asked it all the time. I figure if we put it on the report at the Annual, it would just, it would stop the questions from coming in. I believe it would clear up a lot of people's misconceptions about what's really transpiring. Does anybody have a problem with that appearing on the Annual report? Eigenhauser: Since it's all over the internet anyway, it's not like it's – Hamza: Right. It's not a secret. It's just a way of making it more accessible and just a way of dealing with it in an easier manner. Alright, so we can move past that.

(7) ADDING A QUESTION TO ALL BALLOTS FOR BREED COUNCILS THAT HAVE AN AOV CLASS, AS TO WHETHER THEY WISH TO CONTINUE THE CLASS.

Hamza: That's Alene's addition to the board meeting. **Shafnisky:** With a caveat that I would like to return to the issue at some point about the AOV classes in breeds that don't use them for breeding cats, and rather use it for showing, I would like to revisit that but not tonight. I'll withdraw it for tonight. **Hamza:** OK. So noted.

(8) **NOVICE ISSUE.**

Hamza: Next is the novice issue. Has everybody received the reports? <yes> That was brought up by George. **Eigenhauser:** Yeah, but Monte is the brains behind this. **Hamza:** And I believe we discussed this earlier, so I think the right way to do it is to – we basically have three options; leave things the way they are, not have any novice class, or open the novice class to all of CFA. To save time, it was my impression from the last meeting that it seemed to me that the board was even almost excited to explore the novice issue with CFA as a whole. **Eigenhauser:** Alright, so let me go ahead and make the motion, then, that we instruct Monte to come – I mean, he's already got the proposal, but people have comments and there will be refinements, to come back with a proposal in October to have a novice class in all of CFA, and to continue in that direction. **Meeker:** I second that.

Hamza called the motion. Motion Carried.

SHOW RULES COMMITTEE

August 2011

Committee Chair: Monte Phillips

List of Committee Members: Cathy Dunham, Kathy Gumm, Shirley Michaud-Dent

3b - Rules proposed to address Europe Becoming Region 9

As part of this proposal, the Committee is presenting three options to deal with the Novice class. They will be discussed under sections 4a, 4b, and 4c of this report. The first option retains the status quo, namely, cats may be shown in the Novice class not only in the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada, but also in the new Region 9. The second option would restrict the Novice class to only the International Division as reconstituted (Europe excluded) and the Maritime Provinces of Canada. The third option, which is the one recommended by the Rules Committee, would expand the Novice class to all segments of CFA, including the current Regions 1 through 8.

NOVICE ISSUE – Vote for either option 1, 2, or 3 only.

Novices as Status Ouo Version

3.b.1 – Europe to Region 9, Novices as status quo (Maritime Provinces, ID, and Region 9)

Rule 1.17.01

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Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
1.17.01 LISTING is the praction unregistered cats to be competition. Listed cat in licensed shows in the Division and Maritime Canada.	be entered for s are permitted the International	1.17.01 LISTING is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are permitted in licensed shows in Region 9, the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada.
Rule 1.19.a	Novices as Sta	ntus Quo Version
Existing Wording	3	Proposed Wording
		a. 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. 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. 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 as Qualifying Rings 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 held in subsequent weekends until the cat is registered with CFA. Offspring from two CFA registered parents are not eligible for this class and must compete in the Champion class (see rule 1.19b & c). Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points.

International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada.		This class is for licensed shows in Region 9, the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada.
Rule 2.03	Novices as Sta	atus Quo Version
Existing Wordin	g	Proposed Wording
2.03 Only cats registered with CFA are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing in the International Division or the Maritime Provinces of Canada as Novices, as provided for in show rule 1.19a/30.02.) It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.		2.03 Only cats registered with CFA are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing in Region 9, the International Division or the Maritime Provinces of Canada as Novices, as provided for in show rule 1.19a/30.02.) It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.
Rule 4.05.01	Novices as Sta	atus Quo Version
Existing Wordin	g	Proposed Wording
4.05.01 It is the responsibility indicate the correct residence on the entry following designation 6, 7, 8, A or E Constitution, Articles region and divisis specifications). 1=N 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Lakes, 5=Southwest 7=Southern, 8=Japan America-International E=Europe-International	region/area of form using the s: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, c (see CFA's VIII and IX for on boundary orth Atlantic, Shore, 4=Great t, 6=Midwest, A=Asia/Latin Division,	4.05.01 It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or A-or E (see CFA's Constitution, Articles VIII and IX for region and division boundary specifications). 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, AD=Asia/Latin America International Division, E=Europe-International Division.
Rule 8.03.b	Novices as Sta	atus Quo Version

b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice in the International Division, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.

Proposed Wording

b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice—in the International Division, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.

Rule 9.03.b

Novices as Status Quo Version

Existing Wording

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 International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Israel, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), Malta, Asia (except Hong Kong and Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada, and the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong and Ukraine one hundred twenty-five (125) points required for are Grand Championship. In Hong Kong fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership; in Ukraine and Russia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.

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Rule 12.03.c

Novices as Status Quo Version

Existing Wording

c. Any show held on a weekend or in a city different from the previous year must have written permission of either the Regional Director for the region (region 1-8) in which the show is planning to be held or from the International Division Chair for International Division shows. Written permission must accompany the show license application.

Proposed Wording

c. Any show held on a weekend or in a city different from the previous year must have written permission of either the Regional Director for the region (region 1-89) in which the show is planning to be held or from the International Division Chair for International Division shows. Written permission must accompany the show license application.

Rule 13.05.c Novices as Status (itus Qu	o Version	
Existing Wording			Proposed Wording	
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Rule 2	20.07	Novices as Sta	tus Qu	o Version
	Existing Wording	3		Proposed Wording
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Rule 25.02 Novices as Statement Existing Wording		itus Qu	Proposed Wording	
25.02 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		25.02	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 Region 9 or the International Division may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed (eligible for specialties) and	

Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.

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.

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Rule 25.04 Novices as Sta		Novices as Stat	tus Qu	o Version
	Existing Wording	5		Proposed Wording
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An invitation from an International Division club must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 35 days from the date of receipt.

An invitation from an Region 9 or International Division club must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 35 days from the date of receipt.

Rule 26.03

Novices as Status Quo Version

Existing Wording

Proposed Wording

26.03 Clubs are required to provide hotel accommodations for each judge for the night before the beginning of a judge's judging, the night after the completion of a judge's judging, and for each night in between, if any. Should an 'act of God' storm (ice and/or snow) occur which prevents a judge from returning home after the club's responsibility ends, the judge may send an itemized bill of room and meal expenses to the CFA Central Office for reimbursement. Clubs in the International Division must provide hotel accommodations, if required, for each judge for the period between consecutive weekend shows. If the judge does not stay at the show hotel and travels to other locations during the period of the contracted shows, no more than the cost of the show hotel may be charged by the judge as well as reasonable meals which shall be reimbursed by the club.

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Rule 30.01

Novices as Status Quo Version

Existing Wording

EUROPEAN

30.01 Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division.

> Independent clubs and CFA clubs holding shows in Europe are advised to inform the International Committee of their show date, location and judges. This procedure is initiated to avoid conflict with all clubs. It is not CFA's desire to infringe upon another club's date. We realize this is a voluntary

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SCHEDULING

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Article XXXVII

Novices as Status Quo Version

Existing Wording

International Division Awards

International Division Definition: for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is split into two separate areas based solely on the owner's principal residence: Asia/Latin America (A) or Europe (E).

Asia/Latin America & Europe

Best Cat*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate

Best Kitten*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy

2nd-10th Best Cat in Premiership*:

Certificate

*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.

Hawaii Division Awards

Best Cat: Trophy **Best Kitten**: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-8 are:

Best-25th Best Cat*

Best-25th Best Kitten*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*

*The title of "Regional Winner (RW)" is limited to cats receiving the above awards.

Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third

Proposed Wording

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International Division Definition: for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is as defined in the CFA Constitutionsplit into two separate areas based solely on the owner's principal residence: Asia/Latin America (A) or Europe (E).

Asia/Latin America & EuropeInternational

Division

Best Cat*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate

Best Kitten*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate

Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy

2nd-10th Best Cat in Premiership*:

Certificate

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Hawaii Division Awards

Best Cat: Trophy **Best Kitten**: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-89 are:

Best-25th Best Cat*

Best-25th Best Kitten*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*

*The title of "Regional Winner (RW)" is limited to cats receiving the above awards.

Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of

Best of Breed/Division.

Best of Color; Second Best of Color Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

Regional definition: regions are based on the regions listed in CFA's constitution. To the extent not already provided in the consituation, regional assignments for scoring purposes may be made from time to time by the CFA Executive Board. To date, the CFA Board has ruled that exhibitors whose principal residence is in either Puerto Rico or the Bahamas will be scored in the Southern region.

Each CFA region, as well as Hawaii and the International division presents its own set of awards based on the points a cat receives using the rules outlined in the "Scoring" section, with the following exceptions:

- 1. All regional awards given in regions 1–7 are based only on points earned in regions 1–7 by exhibitors residing in regions 1–7. Cats may be shown in more than one of these regions and the points earned in shows outside the owner's region of residence will be included in the scoring process. No cat/kitten may receive awards in more than one of these regions.
- 2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned in region 8 by exhibitors residing in region 8.
- 3. All awards given in Hawaii or the International division are based only on points earned in Hawaii or the International division by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
- 4. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, and/or region 8, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

Breed/Division; Third Best of Breed/Division.

Best of Color; Second Best of Color Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

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- 2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned <u>either</u> in region 8, <u>Taiwan</u>, <u>or Singapore</u> by exhibitors residing in region 8.
- 3. All awards given in Hawaii or the International division Region 9 are based only on points earned in Hawaii or the International division Region 9 by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
- 4. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, and/or region 8, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited. Awards given in the International division

- are based only on points earned in the international division with the exception that cats whose residences are in Taiwan or Singapore may earn points in Region 8 as well.
- 5. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1-7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

RATIONALE: This proposal would have the shows in Europe remain as they are now, without any changes in format. Novices could still compete in Europe, as in the rest of the International Division, Hawaii, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada. There is some opposition to this approach from the delegates at the annual, who felt that they were voting to make Europe exactly like every other region in CFA – no novice class exists in all regions except the Maritime Provinces of Canada portion of Region I and Hawaii in Region 5. Vote for this proposal if you feel that Europe should continue it's ability to have the Novice class and no other region (other than the above exceptions) should have this ability. Europe has made a strong case that they still need this class to allow exhibitors from other associations, which dominate the continent, to be able to show in CFA. The Rules Committee believes that you should go with the last option presented, which is to open up the Novice class to all regions in CFA.

3.b.2 – Europe to Region 9, no Novices allowed in Europe (Maritime Provinces and ID only)

Ru	Rule 1.19.a Novices no los		ıger	in Region 9
	Existing Wording	5		Proposed Wording
b.	The NOVICE CLASS is unaltered "listed" (unregist either sex, altered or unalter months old or over on the other show whose color is CF. The sire and dam of these printed in the show catalog. not meet this requirement a for entry. Winners' ribbons at the Novice class. Upon registration with CFA, the will be posted to the can Qualifying Rings to Champion/Premier title. Cat the Novice class may not go	ered) cats, of red, 8 calendar opening day of A registerable. cats must be Entries that do are not eligible are awarded in the cat's inners' ribbons at's record as owards its s competing in on to compete	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. 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. 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 as Qualifying Rings towards its Champion/Premier title. Cats competing in the Novice class may not go on to
	as Champions/ Premiers on to of a two day show or in sub	•		compete as Champions/ Premiers on the second day of a two day show or in

until the cat is registered with CFA. Offspring from two CFA registered parents are not eligible for this class and must compete in the Champion class (see rule 1.19b & c). 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.

subsequent shows held in subsequent weekends until the cat is registered with CFA. Offspring from two CFA registered parents are not eligible for this class and must compete in the Champion class (see rule 1.19b & c). Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points. This class is for licensed shows in the Division and International Maritime Provinces of Canada.

Rule 4.05.01

Novices no longer in Region 9

Existing Wording

4.05.01 It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, A or E (see CFA's Constitution, Articles VIII and IX for region and division boundary specifications). 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great 6=Midwest. 5=Southwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, A=Asia/Latin America-International Division. E=Europe-International Division.

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Proposed Wording

Rule 8.03.b

Novices no longer in Region 9

Existing Wording

b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice in the International Division, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.

Proposed Wording

b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice in the International Division, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.

Rule 9.03.b

Novices no longer in Region 9

Existing Wording

Proposed Wording

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Rule 12.03.c

Novices no longer in Region 9

Existing Wording

Proposed Wording

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Rule 13.05.c

Novices no longer in Region 9

Existing Wording

Proposed Wording

- c. The position of master clerk must be filled by a currently licensed CFA certified clerk, master clerk or master clerk instructor in the mainland United States, Canada and Japan. Show management for shows in Hawaii and the International Division are strongly urged to fill the position of master clerk by as experienced a clerk as it is possible to obtain. When possible, the position of chief ring clerk should be filled by CFA licensed clerks. Judges may act as master clerks (see paragraph 27.09).
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Rule 25.02

Novices no longer in Region 9

25.02 Invitations from clubs affiliated with foreign cat associations are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging

Proposed Wording

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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.

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Rule 25.04 Novices no long		nger in	Region 9	
Existing Wording			Proposed Wording	
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Article XXXVII

Novices no longer in Region 9

Existing Wording

International Division Awards

International Division Definition: for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is split into two separate areas based solely on the owner's principal residence: Asia/Latin America (A) or Europe (E).

Asia/Latin America & Europe

Best Cat*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate

Best Kitten*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate
Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy

2nd-10th Best Cat in Premiership*:

Certificate

*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.

Hawaii Division Awards

Best Cat: Trophy **Best Kitten**: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-8 are:

Proposed Wording

International Division Awards

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Asia/Latin America & EuropeInternational

Division

Best Cat*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate

Best Kitten*: Trophy

2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy

2nd-10th Best Cat in Premiership*:

Certificate

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Hawaii Division Awards

Best Cat: Trophy **Best Kitten**: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-

Best-25th Best Cat*

Best-25th Best Kitten*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*

*The title of "Regional Winner (RW)" is limited to cats receiving the above awards.

Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third

Best of Breed/Division.

Best of Color; Second Best of Color Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

Regional definition: regions are based on the regions listed in CFA's constitution. To the extent not already provided in the consituation, regional assignments for scoring purposes may be made from time to time by the CFA Executive Board. To date, the CFA Board has ruled that exhibitors whose principal residence is in either Puerto Rico or the Bahamas will be scored in the Southern region.

Each CFA region, as well as Hawaii and the International division presents its own set of awards based on the points a cat receives using the rules outlined in the "Scoring" section, with the following exceptions:

- 1. All regional awards given in regions 1–7 are based only on points earned in regions 1–7 by exhibitors residing in regions 1–7. Cats may be shown in more than one of these regions and the points earned in shows outside the owner's region of residence will be included in the scoring process. No cat/kitten may receive awards in more than one of these regions.
- 2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned in region 8 by exhibitors residing in region 8.
- 3. All awards given in Hawaii or the International division are based only on points earned in Hawaii or the International division by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
- 4. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise

89 are:

Best-25th Best Cat*

Best-25th Best Kitten*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*

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- 2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned <u>either</u> in region 8, <u>Taiwan</u>, or <u>Singapore</u> by exhibitors residing in region 8.
- 3. All awards given in Hawaii or the International division Region 9 are based only on points earned in Hawaii or the International division Region 9 by exhibitors residing in those areas,

eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, and/or region 8, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

- respectively.
- 4. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, and/or region 8, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited. Awards given in the International division are based only on points earned in the international division with the exception that cats whose residences are in Taiwan or Singapore may earn points in Region 8 as well.
- 5. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1-7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

RATIONALE: This version of the proposal was written to address those who felt that when the delegates approved the creation of Europe as a region, that it would be exactly like the current system in the United States where Novice cats no longer existed as a class. They felt that the proposal would make the European region competition EXACTLY like it exists in Regions 2-7 and most of Region 1. If you believe that the new European region should have the same rule restrictions that currently exist in the United States and most of Canada (Maritime Provinces excluded), then this is the version for which you should vote.

3.b.3 – Europe to Region 9, Novices everywhere (all Regions and ID) - Recommendation of Show Committee

Ru	Rule 1.17.01 Novices all R		egions Vo	ersion
	Existing Wording			Proposed Wording
1.17.01 LISTING is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are permitted in licensed shows in the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada.		1.17.01	LISTING is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are permitted at allim licensed shows in the International Division and Maritime Provinces of Canada.	
Rule 1.19.a Novices all Re		Novices all Re	egions V	ersion
Existing Wording			Proposed Wording	
	c. 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		un: eitl	e NOVICE CLASS is for altered or altered "listed" (unregistered) cats, of her sex, altered or unaltered, 8 calendar onths old or over on the opening day of

the show whose color is CFA registerable. 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. Winners' ribbons are awarded in Novice class. Upon the the cat's registration with CFA, the winners' ribbons will be posted to the cat's record as Qualifying Rings towards 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 Champion class (see rule 1.19b & c). Novice class cats are not eligible for National/Regional points. This class is for licensed shows in the International Division Maritime and Provinces of Canada.

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Rule 2.03

Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording

2.03 Only cats registered with CFA are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains registration number. (Except those listed are competing in cats that International Division or the Maritime Provinces of Canada as Novices, as provided for in show rule 1.19a/30.02.) It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be

Proposed Wording

2.03 Only cats registered with CFA are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, (Non-Competitive) Miscellaneous AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing in the International Division or the Maritime Provinces of Canada as Novices, as provided for in show rule 1.19a/30.02.) It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV. Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown

eligible to be shown.		
Rule 4.05.01 Novices all Re		egions Version
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
4.05.01 It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, A or E (see CFA's Constitution, Articles VIII and IX for region and division boundary specifications). 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, A=Asia/Latin America-International Division, E=Europe-International Division.		4.05.01 It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate the correct region/area of residence on the entry form using the following designations: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or A or E (see CFA's Constitution, Articles VIII and IX for region and division boundary specifications). 1=North Atlantic, 2=Northwest, 3=Gulf Shore, 4=Great Lakes, 5=Southwest, 6=Midwest, 7=Southern, 8=Japan, 9=Europe, AD=Asia/Latin America-International Division, E=Europe-International Division.
Rule 8.03.b Novices all Re		egions Version
Existing Wording		Proposed Wordingb. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1,
b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice in the International Division, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.		b. Winners Ribbons won prior to May 1, 2011, or as a Novice-in the International Division, satisfy the requirement for an equal number of Qualifying Rings in the corresponding color classes for Championship or Premiership confirmation. All requests for confirmation must satisfy show rule 8.05c.
Rule 9.03.b		egions Version
Existing Wording	5	Proposed Wording
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. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Israel, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), Malta, Asia (except Hong Kong and Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada, and the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong and		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, Europe, and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Israel, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), Malta, Asia (except Hong Kong and Japan), Mexico, Central America, South America, the Maritime Provinces of Canada, and the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong and

Ukraine one hundred twenty-five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In Hong Kong fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership; in Ukraine and Russia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.

Ukraine one hundred twenty-five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In Hong Kong fifty (50) points are required for Grand Premiership; in Ukraine and Russia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.

Rule 12.03.c

Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording

c. Any show held on a weekend or in a city different from the previous year must have written permission of either the Regional Director for the region (region 1-8) in which the show is planning to be held or from the International Division Chair for International Division shows. Written permission must accompany the show license application.

Proposed Wording

c. Any show held on a weekend or in a city different from the previous year must have written permission of either the Regional Director for the region (region 1-89) in which the show is planning to be held or from the International Division Chair for International Division shows. Written permission must accompany the show license application.

Rule 13.05.c

Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording

c. The position of master clerk must be filled by a currently licensed CFA certified clerk, master clerk or master clerk instructor in the mainland United States, Canada and Japan. Show management for shows in Hawaii and the International Division are strongly urged to fill the position of master clerk by as experienced a clerk as it is possible to obtain. When possible, the position of chief ring clerk should be filled by CFA licensed clerks. Judges may act as master clerks (see paragraph 27.09).

Proposed Wording

c. The position of master clerk must be filled by a currently licensed CFA certified clerk, master clerk or master clerk instructor in the mainland United States, Canada, Region 9, and Japan. Show management for shows in Hawaii and the International Division are strongly urged to fill the position of master clerk by as experienced a clerk as it is possible to obtain. When possible, the position of chief ring clerk should be filled by CFA licensed clerks. Judges may act as master clerks (see paragraph 27.09).

Rule 20.07

Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording

20.07 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 1) Novices shown in the International Division, and 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class. Their registration numbers may be printed or

Proposed Wording

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hand written in the catalog or may not exist at the time of the show. Each entry must have a name.

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Rule 25.02

Pending

Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording

Allbreed

25.02 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 Approved or Specialty judges. Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered only by Approved

approved. Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division.

Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed

(eligible for specialties) and Approved

Specialty judges. A judge may judge

only the specialty in which he/she is

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 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 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.

Proposed Wording

25.02 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 Allbreed Pending Approved or Specialty judges. Invitations from CFA clubs in Region 9 or 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.

> Judges residing in Region 9 or the International Division may judge in Region 9 or 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.

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Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording Proposed Wording 25.04 An invitation from any CFA Region 25.04 An invitation from any CFA Region club to a judge must be answered, club to a judge must be answered, affirmatively or negatively, within 15 affirmatively or negatively, within 15 days from the date of receipt. days from the date of receipt. An invitation from an Region 9 or An invitation from an International Division club must be answered, International Division club must be affirmatively or negatively, within 35 answered, affirmatively or negatively, days from the date of receipt. within 35 days from the date of receipt.

Rule 26.03

Novices all Regions Version

Existing Wording

Proposed Wording

26.03 Clubs are required to provide hotel accommodations for each judge for the night before the beginning of a judge's judging, the night after the completion of a judge's judging, and for each night in between, if any. Should an 'act of God' storm (ice and/or snow) occur which prevents a judge from returning home after the club's responsibility ends, the judge may send an itemized bill of room and meal expenses to the CFA Central Office for reimbursement. Clubs in the International Division must provide hotel accommodations, if required, for each judge for the period between consecutive weekend shows. If the judge does not stay at the show hotel and travels to other locations during the period of the contracted shows, no more than the cost of the show hotel may be charged by the judge as well as reasonable meals which shall be reimbursed by the club.

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Rule 30.01 Novices all Re		gions V	Version Version	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording		
30.01 Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division. EUROPEAN SCHEDULING – Independent clubs and CFA clubs holding shows in Europe are advised to inform the International Committee of		30.01	Judges residing in the International Division may judge in the International Division. EUROPEAN SCHEDULING Independent clubs and CFA clubs holding shows in Europe are advised to inform the International Committee of	
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Article XXXVII	Novices all Re	egions Version	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
International Division Awards		International Division Awards	
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Asia/Latin America & Europe Best Cat*: Trophy 2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate Best Kitten*: Trophy 2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy 2nd-10th Best Cat in Premiership*: Certificate		Asia/Latin America & EuropeInternational Division Best Cat*: Trophy 2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate Best Kitten*: Trophy 2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy 2nd-10th Best Cat in Premiership*: Certificate	
*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards. Hawaii Division Awards		*The title of "International Division Winner (DW)" is given to cats receiving these awards.	

Best Cat: Trophy **Best Kitten**: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-8 are:

Best-25th Best Cat*

Best-25th Best Kitten*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*

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Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third

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Hawaii Division Awards

Best Cat: Trophy
Best Kitten: Trophy

Best Cat in Premiership: Trophy

Regional Awards

The awards presented each year in regions 1-89 are:

Best-25th Best Cat*

Best-25th Best Kitten*

Best-25th Best Cat in Premiership*

*The title of "Regional Winner (RW)" is limited to cats receiving the above awards.

Best of Breed/Division; Second Best of Breed/Division; Third

Best of Breed/Division.

Best of Color; Second Best of Color Note: The breed/division and color awards are awarded to only the Championship classes for the National and Regional awards.

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- 2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned in region 8 by exhibitors residing in region 8.
- 3. All awards given in Hawaii or the International division are based only on points earned in Hawaii or the International division by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
- 4. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, and/or region 8, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

- in more than one of these regions.
- 2. All regional awards given in region 8 are based on points earned <u>either</u> in region 8, <u>Taiwan</u>, or <u>Singapore</u> by exhibitors residing in region 8.
- 3. All awards given in Hawaii or the International division Region 9 are based only on points earned in Hawaii or the International division Region 9 by exhibitors residing in those areas, respectively.
- 4. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1 7, and/or region 8, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited. Awards given in the International division are based only on points earned in the international division with the exception that cats whose residences are in Taiwan or Singapore may earn points in Region 8 as well.
- 5. A cat whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1-7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited.

RATIONALE: Although several delegates expressed concerns that Europe would be treated differently than clubs in the USA, this proposal sets the two areas up by adopting the approach currently used in Europe within the rest of CFA. The idea behind the Novice class is to allow an exhibitor from another association to "try out" CFA. While in Europe, CFA is not the dominant registry, it is in the US. However, there are still several other registries in the US that would be prohibited from attending a CFA show under current rules unless they pre-registered the cat in CFA. This proposal, which is endorsed by the Rules Committee, makes it the same for Novices within both the US, Canada, Japan, Europe, and the International Division. Cats from any registry can come to a CFA show without having a prior CFA registration number to see if they like it. To continue to earn points or convert the winners ribbons to qualifying rings the cat would then need to register with CFA prior to its next show. Those delegates who feel that voting for Europe made them be exactly like the US would then have to admit that this proposal does make Europe exactly like the US (by doing the converse).

(9) <u>AOV/HHP ISSUE</u>.

Hamza: The next issue is the AOV/HHP issue. Again, that was brought up by Alene. **Shafnisky:** This is in response to a discussion that we had regarding the AOV cat that was

shown as a Household Pet and the sort of disconnect there. My recommendation, I guess my motion would be that, right now we ask the Show Rules Committee and maybe also ask the Judging Program Committee to circulate some sort of statement or adoption to the Show Rules that indicates that any cat, including registerable and AOV cats, are eligible for Household Pet as long as they meet all other criteria – that they're not declawed, that they are not descended from wild blood, and that they're spayed and neutered over the age of 8 months. I think we can work that into our Show Rules to make a very all-encompassing and very clear statement about what we accept for Household Pets, and then this issue won't arise again, and lets an owner show in Household Pet whatever they would like. Hannon: OK, you're saying basically any registered cat is eligible, including AOV's? Shafnisky: If the owner so wishes, yeah. Hannon: Right, but it's eligible, OK. **Hamza:** What about cats that are clearly show quality pedigreed cats? **Shafnisky:** If an owner chooses to show his Household Pet, I don't see a reason to tell them that they must show in a championship or premiership class. Obviously, we would encourage them to, but I don't think we can really tell someone who wants to come in and show that a beautiful TICA-registered cat that is registerable in CFA can't be shown as a Household Pet because it's eligible to be shown in premiership. I think anybody who wishes to show their cat in Household Pet, as long as it meets our other rules, should be able to do so, **Eigenhauser:** This is George. May I say something? Hamza: Go ahead, George. Eigenhauser: If this came up at the Annual, I would speak in favor of it and I would urge any club I'm in to vote for it, but this is a fundamental difference from what my understanding of the current rules are. My understanding has always been that AOV's could not be shown in Household Pet. They are, and there's no way to find out and there's no penalty for doing it, but technically it has to have a disqualifying fault or be in some fashion unregistered or unregisterable to be shown in Household Pet. If we're going to make a fundamental change to the definition of what a Household Pet is in CFA, I would rather see something like this come from the delegation and not from the board. What I would prefer to do is have Monte essentially draft conflicting resolutions for the Annual – do we show AOV's in Household Pet; don't we show AOV's in Household Pet – and toss it out to the delegation and let them pick. If that happens, I will support the solution, but I'm uncomfortable with the board making this decision because this really is kind of fundamental to how people define themselves in CFA. I think there should be input from the clubs before we make this decision. Shafnisky: I think that the primary issue was with regard to the AOV cats, and I realize that there should be no asking of background or what have you, no matter what the motivation was, and I thought this would be a nice way to clear that up at least until maybe we do what you say and bring it back up. I'm not sure, maybe the better way is to just send out an email through the JPC saying, "just so you know, right now even if a cat appears to be an AOV cat, let it pass through the Household Pet class if that's where the owner is showing it." Hannon: Don't ask. **Eigenhauser:** Yeah, "don't ask, don't tell." I would be comfortable with just kind of letting the judges know that we're going to try to resolve this next year in June, and until then, don't try to second guess it. Let it slide. Hamza: Yeah. I think having Monte draw up conflicting resolutions to bring forward to the Annual I think is a good idea. I also think that, Loretta, maybe you could, you know, just let it be known that until we get to that – until we cross that bridge, it would be best to take a non-confrontational stance. Baugh: Yeah, I agree with you. I'll take care of it, if that's what everybody wants. Wilson: Similar to not checking to see if they have toenails. Eigenhauser: If we can still look for claws. Wilson: "Just don't look." Eigenhauser: You can look, but you just can't ask. Anything they see on the table is fair game, but registration they don't see on the table. Hannon: Can we decide what we're going to do here? Do we have to vote on this, or can we just move on to the next issue? **Hamza:** That would be up to Alene. Shafnisky: I think we can just move on. Loretta can send the email and that will take care of it. **Baugh:** I'll take care of it, yeah.

(10) REGISTRATION ISSUE/BREED BOOK.

[EXECUTIVE SESSION]

Hamza: Just in a broad sense, we've dealt with registration issues tonight and I just want to make mention for the record. We're going to have to really look at policies. Some people know that we were going to talk about the breed councils, especially the ones that go past 5 generations re-examining their policies, and so we have made some determinations on specific cats but, on the broader issues, we're still working on them. Would that be a fair statement? <yes> Eigenhauser: It's always a work in progress. Hamza: OK.

Hamza: The last thing that I have – oh, there was, Nutmeg. Do we want to just have a quick vote that would allow the membership to re-apply with their same name? **Anger:** This is Rachel. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Rachel. **Anger:** My thought is, we don't really need a vote. Anybody can apply for anything and we can discuss it when the application comes in. They don't need our permission to apply. **Hamza:** I just wanted to send them a message that if it came up, I don't think it would meet a lot of resistance, so we can leave it at that. **Hannon:** Right.

(11) UPDATE ON ALLIANCE.

Hamza: I just want to say a few things about Central Office. The move is complete. Everything we wanted from New Jersey is now in Ohio. We're operating with the HP 3000, which is a less than perfect situation. We were hoping to have the new computer system up and running. We ran into some issues. We have a – when you go to a new system, most times you expect a 10% error rate. We're running somewhere in the 90% error rate, so we're behind a little. It's probably going to be late October until the new system is rolled out. The fire escape is done in Alliance. They're mostly done with the sprinkler system. So David, did you want to say anything about the IT situation? **Hannon:** I don't think he's on the call. **Anger:** He's not on the call. **Hamza:** I thought he was on. OK. **Hannon:** I have a couple questions about – or comments about the registration situation. **Hamza:** OK, go ahead. **Hannon:** You and I had a discussion earlier today and I want to share the benefit of that with the board if they get questions. If you use a yellow slip to register a cat, it says – I found it in three different places – that if you give us your email address, we'll be happy to email you the certificate, rather than mail it to you, and that's not happening, and we need to let people know that. I'll put it in my notes that are going out to my region that there's a problem with the HP 3000. It can no longer do that, and a decision was made not to spend thousands of dollars to repair it, since we're getting a new system anyway, so what we're doing is they're emailing you the registration number, but they're snail mailing you the actual certificate. I think everybody needs to know that, because there are lots of questions coming up about why haven't I gotten my certificate? **Hamza:** And just so everybody knows, this malfunction occurred months before the move. I'm sure some people know, who have tried to do it. **Hannon:** And then I've got a question. When people say, "who can I contact in the Central Office about a registration issue", we need to know who we should be sending them to. I was sending them to Donna Lewis and Jill Mendenhall, who were listed as handling registration issues. Is that still where they should go? Shawn I thought was dealing with the more complicated registrations by pedigree, etc. Hamza: Yeah, Shawn does do the pedigrees, and Jill and Donna are probably the most experienced, but – **Hannon:** So, if they have questions, should they send it to those people or should they send it to registrations@cfa.org or how should they? Hamza: They can, if it's pressing, they can call and talk to either Jill or Donna. If it's not pressing, they can email it. Also, if it's not complicated, the whole staff has been trained on registrations and has knowledge, but right now the deepest knowledge is with Jill and Donna.

Hannon: Alright. I asked the question because that's who I thought was handling it, but when I wrote to Donna, she said, "I'll forward this to the registration department," and I thought she was part of the registration department. **Hamza:** Well, she's been – and she does scoring, as well. You know, the registration department is more a room, not personnel at this point. Once we get the new computer system – we should probably back up. There's probably a fact here that most board members don't know, and it explains a lot of what happened in New Jersey. With the HP 3000, and I don't know if it's a software flaw or if it's just the thing is broke, but it's been that way for as long as Gwen can remember, so we'll call it forever. We can only have one person entering data at a time. **Hannon:** So, if one person is registering a cat and somebody else is trying to register a litter, it cancels each other out. **Hamza:** Well, it does worse than that. It brings the system down. Hannon: I asked some people about that, and they told me that's just old technology and the HP 3000 is old. **Hamza:** Yeah. **Hannon:** They weren't surprised that that was the system, so I don't think it's something that got broken in the process. It probably was programmed that way to begin with. **Hamza:** Yeah. That could very well be, or there may have been updates. It doesn't matter, but it's very limiting. That explains why things were done on a certain day of the week. With the new system, that certainly won't be the case. We'll have multiple stations which means that at some point everybody is going to be doing registrations. So, I guess that's the point of that. And Loretta had some questions earlier. We'll be able to have places, modules. For instance, the clerking people will have their own space on the computer, so if they want to design their own school online and testing, they will have theirs and this board will have ours. So, we talk about the huge applicant files, we can just look at them online and not have to have them available physically. **Kallmeyer:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead, Dick. **Kallmeyer:** You might elucidate a little bit on the 10% error rate, for people that don't know, on the list, etc. Part of the problem is that, just the fields, like address fields are shoved into street address, rather than country and state. That's where some of the errors are in converting the existing files over. It's not that the pedigrees are in error. Hamza: No, no. In most cases, for instance, out of 450,000 files with addresses on them, 250,000 have errors. It's simply that, under next to the person's name it asks for address, and the addresses have different fields – city, state, country and zip code. Well, it somehow got to be a practice of the people in Central Office to put everything under city. So, you can imagine how that can wreak havoc when you're trying to transfer a database. Actually, that was one of the biggest problems we ran into. That particular problem right there is just unbelievable. You know, since we've been keeping track, believe it or not we have 450,000 different people that have been involved in CFA. So, it was, you know, we hit problems that just aren't usual. Wilson: This is Annette. Hamza: Go ahead, Annette. Wilson: Do we have any idea on what the turn-around time on just simple registrations, litter registrations and cat registrations is right now? **Hamza:** She's up to the 28th of July, probably going to be on the 29th tomorrow, so we're about 2 weeks right now. **Wilson:** Thank you. **Hamza:** And you know what? I don't think we've ever been much better than that. **Hannon:** You said at the town hall meeting this past weekend, by September 1st, which is only a couple weeks away, you expect to have one-day turn-around. **Hamza:** Yeah, because we're headed that way. I mean, we are catching up rapidly. We're doing 2 and 3 days worth of registrations in a day. Right now, getting them in the mail has been a bigger challenge, because we're stuffing envelopes like crazy. That part is very good. And once we get to the new system, things will be virtually in real time. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. What is the current status as far as how many days behind are we on registrations right now? **Hamza:** Like I said, we're up to the 28th, so we're really about, right today we're about 11 business days. **Krzanowski:** 11 business days. OK. **Hamza:** Behind, but there is one caveat to that. There's a lag in the mail from New Jersey. **Krzanowski:** Yeah. Somebody was talking to me yesterday, so I was wondering because they said that they had sent their cat's registration to Ohio on the 20th of July because they knew the

New Jersey office would be closing and they didn't want it to get lost in the shuffle. Hamza: And they'll probably have it by – any day, because it probably, the 20th was done sometime last week and it probably got mailed late last week. Krzanowski: It was done last week? OK. **Hamza:** So, they'll probably have it any day. You know, I think we're up to the 28th of July from mail being forwarded to New Jersey, so we're almost done with the breed council stuff, as well. Once we hit that October – I mean, August 1st forwarding from New Jersey, then we'll let everybody know that that is complete. **Krzanowski:** I'm not real familiar with how the forwarding works. I don't know if somebody else knows, but how long does it typically take for first class mail to be forwarded? **Hamza:** Like I said, today we picked up the mail from New Jersey, it was postmarked the 28th. So, it's about 2 weeks' lag. **Krzanowski:** That's quite a lag. **Hamza:** But it's getting smaller and smaller every day, so what that means is that – **Krzanowski:** Yeah, as people start mailing their things to Ohio, it's going to get less and less. Hamza: Right, right. Krzanowski: That's good. Thanks. Hamza: OK. Any other questions about Alliance and the new Central Office? **Shelton:** Yeah, Jerry. This is Mike. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Mike. **Shelton:** Is the delay in the new computer system coming up going to affect when we will start recording Household Pets? Hamza: You know, we may start just recording them manually and then putting them over when we do get there, so probably not. We're probably still looking at September 1st, but we'll make the official announcement. We're working toward that. I guess the real question is, you know, we may have to back off it if we start getting thousands, but I don't see that happening. **Shelton:** I would love to have that problem. **Hamza:** Yeah, so would I. We'll be doing the Household Pets manually for the first – the modules are ready to roll out from Computan. My problem now is, I would like to be caught up with our work before we start running parallel again. We were running parallel and we had to back off. We were running into glitches because of the error rates. The new modules are re-written. They're still working on the client-side dashboard a little bit, but I was told that by the 18th it should all be done. We have an IT meeting every Thursday, so we'll know a little more this Thursday, but I'm anticipating to start running parallel again September 1st and if luck is on our side, looking forward to rolling out a superior module by Halloween. **Hannon:** So, you're going to run parallel for two months? **Hamza:** Yeah, probably. Maybe less. What it really depends on is when you approach an acceptable error rate. Hannon: Because you said we were going to start to parallel September 1st and you said Halloween is when you're going to - Hamza: Right. That's two months. When I ask, that's their guess, but they also give me the caveat that if all of a sudden it's the first week in October and we haven't hit any kind of major glitch for a week or 10 days, there's really no reason not to roll it out. Let's err on the side of caution and say it's probably going to be Halloween. One of the other things we're going to try to do before then, too, is to roll out the consumer-side dashboard so that maybe we can give these people a few weeks to play around with it in a learning situation before they actually have to use it.

(12) UPDATE ON THE NATIONAL SHOW.

Hamza: Does anybody want to say anything about the National Show? Meeker: Are they accepting entries? Hannon: Jerry? Hamza: Hang on. I'm getting there. Meeker: I thought maybe I had been cut off out here in the hinterland. Hamza: Actually, we did hand out the first flyers at Timonium. Anger: And the flyer is up on the CFA website now, if I'm not mistaken. Hannon: I'm going to put a post on the CFA list about that. I got an email during the meeting from Kathy Durdick about it. Meeker: When I tried to use the link to the entry clerk, it didn't work. I didn't see an online entry option. Did I miss it? Baugh: Are we taking entries yet? Hamza: We're not taking entries yet. Hannon: We have to get with Monte and find out about that. Baugh: Everybody keeps asking when. Hamza: I thought it was tentatively like 6 weeks

before the show. **Hannon:** So, maybe October 1st? **Hamza:** Yeah, or the last week of September. We also having – **Hannon:** – a conference tomorrow night. **Hamza:** Tomorrow night. And a radio show Thursday night. **Hannon:** I got the link on the website for the flyer, at least, and so I'll send that out to the CFA list, and I had it in the newsletter that went out yesterday. **Hamza:** Just to let everybody know, Friday night I'm counting my buttons if anybody wants to help. I just want to make sure I've still got them all. **Baugh:** Mark, the newsletter is getting very positive response. **Hannon:** Great. Roeann says she's got 3 corporate sponsors lined up to place ads in it, too, which is great since it doesn't cost us anything. It's all profit. **Hamza:** I've got to tell you, the one that just came out was the best yet. **Hannon:** Thank you.

Hamza: At this point, does anybody else have anything they want to bring up? Newkirk: Jerry, I just wanted to mention that Joan Miller wasn't on the conference tonight because she's still over in Finland. Hamza: Well, I wish Joan a safe trip home. Newkirk: I hope she has better luck than I had. Hamza: Yeah. I ain't flying anywhere with you. I'll never get home. Newkirk: Yes. Hannon: Alright. Are we through? Hamza: Can I get a motion to adjourn? Meeker: Motion to adjourn. Hamza: Do we have a second? Baugh: Second.

Hamza called the motion. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:07 a.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Anger, Secretary