

**CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
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Hamza: Hello everybody. <hello> It’s 10:32, so I’m going to call the meeting to order. Rachel, would you call the roll, please? **Anger:** I sure will. Jerry Hamza. **Hamza:** I am here. **Anger:** Mark Hannon. **Hannon:** Here. **Anger:** Rachel Anger is here. Carla Bizzell. **Bizzell:** Here. **Anger:** Sharon Roy. **Roy:** Here. **Anger:** Ginger Meeker. **Meeker:** Here. **Anger:** Carissa

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White: Does everyone see the agenda? **Hannon:** It's very pretty. **Anger:** Thank you. **Meeker:** David? **White:** Is that Ginger? **Meeker:** Yes, it is. I entered the meeting ID and the entry code, and they are telling me I'm not authorized to view the meeting. **White:** You've got to click the *Join Now*. **Meeker:** *Join Meeting*? **White:** Yep, *Join Meeting*. That's all you need to do. You do not have to put in any codes, other than your name. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol. I have a Mac and I checked my system last week. Everything seemed fine, and when I went on today, it said I had to install a new Java update. I'm checking my software now, but I don't understand why I would have to do that. **White:** There was a new release of Java. This application runs in conjunction with Java, so it looks for the most recent version, so you'll have to install Java. **Hamza:** It will take you about 2 minutes. **Krzanowski:** I thought I had everything up to date. I'm running the Apple software update thing now. It says it's up to date, so I don't know what to do. **Hamza:** When you log on and it says you need the Java update, a window should open offering you a connection to it. **Krzanowski:** It does, but because I have a Mac, it's not letting me get it. **Hannon:** Buy a PC. **White:** Roeann, don't you have a Mac? **Fulkerson:** I do. What I did, Carol, is I opened it in Safari. Safari called up the new version right as I opened it and it said, *Click here to download the new Java*. **Krzanowski:** I'm in Safari and I'm not getting anything to download new Java, so I don't know what to do. **Fulkerson:** Hmm, that's weird. Do you have yours set for automatic updates? **Krzanowski:** Yeah. Yeah, I do. **Fulkerson:** Hmm. **White:** Carol, try to reboot. **Fulkerson:** I did get the screen for the flash player update for Java. **White:** Carol, try to restart your machine. **Krzanowski:** OK, I'll try that. **Meeker:** David? **White:** Yeah, Ginger. **Meeker:** I'm getting a message that says, *Please refer to your meeting guidelines*. **White:** Which link are you clicking on? **Meeker:** Is that what you've got up there? **White:** No. Which link did you click on, Ginger? The one that I sent out Thursday night? **Meeker:** Yeah. Let me go back and start over. **Newkirk:** Ginger, I had to just log out and do it over. I had the same thing. **Meeker:** OK. I'll try again, but I can hear you even if I can't see you. **White:** So, I see Carissa out there, I see Carla Bizzell, Darrell Newkirk, Dick Kallmeyer, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Loretta, Mike Shelton, Rachel Anger, Roeann, Sharon Roy and Tracy Petty, so I would like to take a second to commend our newest board members and welcome them to their very first web teleconference and give you kudos for getting in with very little effort.

Anger: I need to finish the roll call. **Hamza:** Rachel is going to recognize the non-board members on the call. **Anger:** Also present, Ed Raymond. **Raymond:** Present. **Anger:** Donna Jean Thompson. **Thompson:** Here. **Anger:** Jodell is somewhere here in the building. Is Shino Wiley on the call? **Wiley:** Yes, I'm here. **Anger:** Hello Shino. **Wiley:** Hi Rachel. **Anger:** OK, thank you. And Roeann Fulkerson. **Fulkerson:** Present.

The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Saturday, October 6, 2012, via teleconference. President **Jerold Hamza** called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. EDT with the following members present after a roll call:

- Mr. Jerold Hamza (President)**
- Mr. Mark Hannon (Vice-President)**
- Carla Bizzell, C.P.A. (Treasurer)**
- Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)**
- Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)**
- Ginger Meeker, Ph.D. (NWR Director)**
- Ms. Carissa Altschul (GSR Director)**
- Mrs. Loretta Baugh (GLR Director)**
- Mr. Michael Shelton (SWR Director)**
- Ms. Kathy Calhoun (MWR Director)**
- Mrs. Tracy Petty (SOR Director)**
- Mrs. Kayoko Koizumi (Japan Regional Director)**
- Mr. Pauli Huhtaniemi (Europe 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. Darrell Newkirk (Director-at-Large)**
- Mr. David White (Director-at-Large)**
- Mrs. Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)**

Also present were: Donna Jean Thompson, Director of Operations; Roemann Fulkerson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations; Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel; Shino Wiley, Japanese Translator; and Jodell Raymond, Assistant to the President.

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

Hamza: You know, I just want to say before we get started, I think if we just keep our questions on point and our work on point, we can probably get out of here by 2:30 tomorrow. So, that's going to be our goal. Having said that, Rachel, would you move on to ratifying the online motions?

(1) ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES.

RATIFICATION OF ON-LINE MOTIONS

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
1.	Anger Bizzell	Due to a judge cancellation, allow previously contracted judge Pat Jacobberger to serve as a replacement judge at the Santa Monica Cat Club show on August 25-26, 2012, since she has	Executive Committee Motion Carried.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
		received a medical clearance.	

RATIFICATION OF TELECONFERENCE MOTIONS

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
• From July 17, 2012 Teleconference •			
1.	Meeker Anger	That the revised <i>Board of Directors Guidebook</i> be approved.	Tabled.
2.	Wilson Anger	Accept the following action items: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the requested off-schedule ballot of the Burmese Outcross and Registration Policies to Tonkinese and SE Asian Cats as outlined. 2. Collect feedback from BOD members for any revisions or suggestions to the proposal (as these will be part of the ballot). 3. The Tonkinese BC will be balloted on the out-cross policy. 	Motion Carried.
3.	Kallmeyer Meeker	Adopt a revision to Show Rule 9.03 to address point requirements for all countries currently with point requirements different from the standard 200/75.	Motion Carried.
4.	Anger Eigenhauser	Allow an experimental format presented by Ohio State Persian for a 6 ring show with 3 judges, in which each judge does a longhair specialty and a shorthair specialty, and a final in each. Then, from those two finals, compiles and presents an Allbreed final.	Motion Failed.
5.	Eigenhauser Anger	With respect to Hawaii only, waive the surcharge under Show Rule 12.04 for show licenses that are postmarked not less than 30 days before the show, and waive the \$100 fee.	Motion Carried.
6.	Hannon Eigenhauser	Approve the transfer of a co-owned cat, one owner of which is on suspension, into a third party's name, with certain signature requirements and no financial remuneration of any kind.	Motion Carried.
7.	Baugh Anger	Advance Li Ling (Chloe) Chung to Second Specialty Longhair Trainee status.	Motion Carried.
8.	Baugh Anger	Advance Neil Quigley to First Special Shorthair Approval Pending status.	Motion Carried.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
• From August 14, 2012 Teleconference •			
16.	Meeker Eigenhauser	Accept the Board of Directors Guidebook, with the caveat that certain changes be made.	Motion Carried.
17.	Newkirk Meeker	Grant exception to Show Rule 12.04 to approve change of Domesti-Katz show license to add a co-sponsor. Date of Show: October 20, 2012 Location of Show: Palm Bay, Florida (Region 7) Change Requested: Add That's My Point Cat Fanciers as a co-sponsor	Motion Carried.
18.	Meeker Eigenhauser	Accept the resignation of Brazil Persian & Exotic Fanciers (International Division/Latin America).	Motion Carried.
19.	Newkirk Meeker	Accept the resignation of Feline Club of Brazil (International Division/Latin America).	Motion Carried.
20.	Meeker Anger	To withdraw the motion to have CFA judges guest judge a TICA show in Malta.	Motion Carried (to withdraw).
21.	Meeker Anger	To withdraw the motion to waive or defer regional scoring fee from club in Malta.	Motion Carried (to withdraw).
22.	Anger Newkirk	Approve a volunteer to document the process of online voting.	Motion Carried.
23.	Newkirk Shelton	Approve the (re)acceptance of Frontier Feline Fanciers (Region 6).	Motion Carried.
24.	Baugh Anger	Approve the acceptance of International Cat World e.V.-ICW e.V. (Region 9).	Motion Failed.
26.	Krzanowski Baugh	Approve the acceptance of Siam Cat Fanciers Club (International Division-Asia, Thailand).	Motion Carried. Kallmeyer abstained.
27.	Kallmeyer Meeker	Approve the acceptance of Beijing International Cat Club (International Division-Asia).	Motion Carried.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
28.	Newkirk* Eigenhauser with the caveat that item 2 is per transaction	2. Clarify the use of the Expedite Fee and Place on Price List. We currently charge \$25 expedite fee for up to two transactions sent from the same customer at the same time. In addition, we should charge a lesser amount for additional transactions received in the same package. Suggested amount is \$10 for up to an additional two transactions and then \$5/transaction for any over four. 3. Same Day Expedite after 2:00 PM charged at \$50. 4. There has also been a request that there be a \$15 fee retained if a registration by pedigree cannot be completed due to ineligibility of the cat for registration. (Similar to the \$15 temporary registration fee that is retained even if the cat is not (or cannot be) eventually registered.)	Motion Carried.
29.	Baugh	Accept Ricky Burthay as Approved Double Specialty (Trainee).	Motion Failed. Roy, Meeker, Baugh, Huhtaniemi, Eigenhauser and Newkirk voting yes. Anger and Bizzell abstained.
30.	Eigenhauser Meeker	Amend the Protest Procedures to adopt a policy that when an individual has been on temporary suspension for 2 years because of a pending criminal matter and they have not resolved it, after that period of time it will be published.	Motion Carried.
• From September 11, 2012 Teleconference •			
33.	Anger Eigenhauser	Accept the content of the Board of Directors Guidebook.	Motion Carried.
34.	Anger Eigenhauser	That the new combined Clerking Manual be sold for \$10.	Motion Carried.
35.	Calhoun Baugh	Approve the implementation of a second World Show with the exact format of the first show, and to handle the overflow from the first show in the manner discussed in executive session (to be announced), pending availability of space.	Motion Carried. Newkirk abstained.
36.	Baugh Meeker	Accept Mrs. Imai's request for a one year leave of absence.	Motion Carried.

Anger: I have presented the report of the one online motion that we had and our teleconference motions, and I would ask for ratification of those, please. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Anger: And I also have received no corrections to the June 2012 minutes, so I am asking for the same motion to accept, as published. **Eigenhauser:** George will move. **Meeker:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

(2) TREASURER'S REPORT.

Treasurer Carla Bizzell gave the following report using a standing motion with the right to vote no:

Overall Performance

I am pleased to report that CFA continues on sound financial footing. Although the beginning of each fiscal year typically results in a financial loss , our first quarter loss of (\$17,959) is essentially on budget and substantially favorable to the (\$93,072) loss sustained in Q1 of the prior year. In addition, our Ordinary Income of \$337,293 is \$20,341 favorable to budget and is also better than the same time period of the prior year.

Hamza: Moving on to item 2, Treasurer's Report. That would be Carla. Carla, go ahead. **Bizzell:** OK. **White:** I'm sorry, could – **Bizzell:** Overall performance for CFA continues to be on sound financial footing, which of course is what we expected after taking the radical move to going from New Jersey to Ohio. **White:** You know what, Carla? I'm sorry. Can I butt in for a second? **Hamza:** Carla, hang on for a second. **White:** I just want to make sure everybody can see the Treasurer's report. **Bizzell:** OK. <yes> **White:** OK, I just wanted to make sure. **Bizzell:** OK. Typically our first quarter is a loss quarter, primarily due to the Annual costs, or the costs of our Annual. We did have a financial loss of almost \$18,000, but that's essentially on budget and substantially favorable to the \$93,000 loss we had the prior year, first quarter. I wanted to go back to a couple of previous years, as the most current prior year did have some duplicate costs of running two Central Office locations, so I went back to July 31, 2010, where we had a loss of \$69,000 and the year before that, 2009 for the same time period a \$41,000 loss. So, as you can tell, we are faring much better in our current location.

Key Financial Indicators

Ordinary Income—Registrations and Related Services

In general, Registration Revenue is up compared to the same period last year and is favorable to budget. This is an encouraging trend that I hope to see continue.

Bizzell: Our ordinary income is actually up to budget, which is an encouraging trend which I hope to see continue.

Other Income/Expense

Total other income/expense includes interest expense on the Alliance loan, interest income and lease income. This area is essentially on target to budget and considerably favorable to prior year's first quarter due primarily to lease income.

Bizzell: Our other income and expenses is the Alliance loan expense, interest income and lease income, and it's essentially on target to budget.

Events

The World Show is starting to create some financial activity and all of that activity is being deferred to November.

Bizzell: In the events location, the World Show is starting to create some financial activity, but all that activity is being deferred until we close out the World Show.

Yearbook

Yearbook net income is at break-even at this point in time, versus a budgeted year-to-date loss. Although our price reduction on advertising did not result in additional advertising dollars for the Yearbook, we have reduced expenses in this area and should achieve budget for the year.

Bizzell: Yearbook income is at break-even at this point in time, versus a budgeted year-to-date loss. Although our price reduction that we tried to gain additional advertising income did not produce additional advertising income, we have more accurately allocated costs to the Yearbook primarily in the salaries area, and so we still expect to make budget in the Yearbook. We did an analysis of what people actually spent their time doing – Shelly particularly, and found that she does a lot more than just Yearbook. We had been allocating historically half of – in the old Central Office, half of Kelly, half of Shelly to Yearbook and half to Almanac, and we have more accurately distributed their cost.

Calhoun: This is Kathy. Can I ask one more – **Newkirk:** Put your light on. I had my light on. **Calhoun:** I can't figure out how to do that. **Newkirk:** Go up to the right hand side where it says *Feedback* and make it go purple. **Calhoun:** *Feedback* and make it go purple. OK, let me try that. **Hamza:** For now, while you're trying to figure it out, why don't you tell us your question and then after that you can be purple. **Calhoun:** OK. I was just wanting to ask a question on the Yearbook, if production costs are in already or if that's not there, because we haven't started. **Bizzell:** That I would have to go see. Do you happen to know, Mark? **Hannon:** No. **Bizzell:** OK. **Calhoun:** Sometimes in the past, and I don't have the past financials in front of me, but the Yearbook production costs, because, you know, the Yearbook is front end loaded because you have all these production costs and you don't see any revenue until later in the year, that used to always turn us upside down in the overall financials, as well as the annual. That was just another – **Hamza:** Carla, don't we treat the Yearbook as a loss leader in the budget, anyway? **Bizzell:** Well, we try to break even, but we don't look at it as a money-making situation, we look at it as an archival document. **Hamza:** And that's been the philosophy, that it's something that needs to be put out and we try to minimize the loss or even negate it. **Hannon:** We don't send the Yearbook to the printer, though, until December so I wouldn't anticipate we would be getting printing costs or mailing costs until that point. **Bizzell:** Correct. **Hannon:** We obviously have an employee working and we're paying an employee. We're taking in income from Yearbook ads and sales of Yearbooks.

Cat Talk/Online Almanac

This business area is showing a net loss of (\$4,002) for the quarter versus a budget of \$8,122. However, this shortfall can be explained by our inability to recognize subscription revenue due to technical difficulties with the deferred subscription revenue reports. We are expecting to book a “catch up” entry for the August close.

Bizzell: Cat Talk and Online Almanac, we had some difficulty with passwords and other things, trying to get the report, when necessary, to recognize subscription income for the quarter end, and we have now, for August, have cured that, but for quarter one close we had some deficiency on the Online Almanac and Cat Talk area because we could not recognize revenue because we didn't have the required report, but we did have a catch-up entry for the August close. I'll mention some information on August here in a second.

Marketing Area

The Marketing Area is not currently on budget, which is largely explained by the timing of Sponsorship checks and unbudgeted payments made to DNT for additional projects.

Bizzell: The Marketing area is a little off budget at the end of the quarter, primarily due to some expenses from our DNT folks – their travel expenses and such – for the Annual.

Central Office

Total Central Office expenses of \$223,200 were slightly unfavorable to the budgeted \$220,022 but very favorable to the prior year's Q1 expense of \$299,591.

Bizzell: Total Central Office expenses of \$223,000 slightly unfavorable to the budget of \$220,000, but very favorable to the prior year's Q1 expense of almost \$300,000, and if we were to look at 2010, we had an expense of \$251,000 and in 2009 for the same time period, \$266,000. So, we're running favorable to prior years, as well. **White:** So, I'm sorry, Carla. What's included in that Central Office expense line? **Bizzell:** A whole lot of different – you have to go to the detailed financials. It's the salaries, the depreciation. I mean, there's probably 100 line items in that cost. **White:** So, mail, items that we mail out. Anything specific to Central Office, in terms of expenses is included in that item. **Bizzell:** If it's not allocable to another area, like CFA Programs, which would be our different committees, or Yearbook or Almanac or World Show – you know, the general operating cost of our Central Office for our core business, in general. **Hamza:** It's basically the cost of carrying the infrastructure of CFA. **White:** So, was it reduced because we're not carrying double salaries for folks from the old Central Office? **Bizzell:** Well, it's reduced from prior quarter. That's one of the primary reasons, but obviously we have stripped out a lot of our cost by moving from New Jersey to Ohio. **Hamza:** We've realized a much diminished tax cost and we have some – just the infrastructure has gotten much more efficient. **Hannon:** Why are we unfavorable to the budget, though? Is that because the budget wasn't accurate? I'm concerned, because we haven't been fully staffed. If we were fully staffed, we would be further behind. **Hamza:** That's – you know what? Over a quarter, and dealing with a quarter of a million dollars, roughly a quarter of a million dollars in expenses, to be off budget by

\$3,100 is really insignificant. I mean, that's like 1% - almost, between 1% and 2%. You know, any budget that comes that close to anything is great. If you can get within less than 10% on a budget threshold between budget and actual, in business, that's highly desirable. **White:** So, Carla, for everyone's edification – this is David – if you were to compare what our Central Office expenses were when we were in Manasquan, what does that look like compared to where we're at today? Like a year ago or two years ago, in Manasquan. **Hamza:** You had – Carla, the Central Office expenses in 2009, what were they? \$260,000-something? **Bizzell:** \$266,000. **Hamza:** And we're looking at \$223,000, so that's a \$43,000 difference in a quarter. **Bizzell:** That's for a quarter. **Hamza:** And if you were to multiply that by four quarters, you're talking about yearly somewhere between \$160,000 and \$175,000 range. **Bizzell:** Which is about what we expected to garner from this move.

Calhoun: Question. This is Kathy. I have a question. **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead. **Calhoun:** Just one about process. Are we supposed to be raising our hands on this, or don't we do that, to ask a question? **White:** Yeah, you do. **Hamza:** You do. **White:** I see a couple hands. **Eigenhauser:** Darrell has had his hand up for a while. **Hamza:** And it's our fault because we didn't have the box on the screen. **Calhoun:** Was the budget based on full staff? **Bizzell:** Yes. **Calhoun:** So, to the fact that we're not full staffed, if we were full staffed it would be a bigger delta. **Hamza:** You know, when you say – **Bizzell:** It's based on the full staff that we expected to be in place at the time the budget was put in. Things have changed since then. We have some additional contract labor to cover not being fully staffed, we have some people on staff that were not included in the budget. So, you know, it's kind of a fluid thing. In fact, I'm very pleased that we're very close to budget, but given all the changes that continue to happen, I guess I'm very pleased that we're so close to budget, I guess is the bottom line. **Hamza:** The other thing is, is that being in the black by August is remarkable. I don't know, I've looked back many years and I haven't found that we ended up in the black that early in the year. Our expenses load in really heavy in the beginning, so usually, last year we didn't get into the black until February, and then black hadn't been seen in many of the prior years.

CFA Programs

The CFA Programs area is favorable to budget for the quarter.

Corporate Expense

Total Corporate Expense is slightly over budget for the quarter primarily due to expenses related to the Annual.

Legislative Expense

Legislative expense is slightly favorable to budget for the quarter.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Carla Bizzell, Treasurer*

Hamza: Darrell, you have your hand up. **Newkirk:** I do. Can you hear me? **Hamza:** Yes, we can. **Bizzell:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Thanks. I've got a couple of questions. One thing is, when I'm looking over this budget stuff, we're talking about different things of income. Is the budgeted items per quarter and the column May through July is what we've taken in? Carla? **Bizzell:** I'm sorry, I'm not understanding the question. We allocate the budget to the extent practical to time periods. Sometimes there's a timing difference between when I think something is going to come in to revenue, versus when it actually does come into revenue. In some cases, we take the total for the year and divide by 12 to allocate the month. In other cases, I try to determine when things might come in, like breed council memberships is reasonably seasonal. So, we do our best to try to match the time periods, but again it's an estimate as to when it's going to come in. **Newkirk:** OK, well, some of the things that I'm questioning is like club dues, and I know that's a seasonal thing. Why would there be \$15,000 in May through July allocated for club renewals, and we only took in \$2,500, which is like almost \$13,000 to the negative? Now, the couple other things that I have some concerns about, and that's our championship confirmations are down \$2,500 and then our show entry surcharge, which is down almost \$7,000. And so, just those two items alone throws up red flags to me, and I think most of the people that are on the judging panel realize that our entries at our shows are really, really falling off. This is something that, when I was on the board for the first 6 years, we saw registrations almost in a linear fashion going down almost straight line, and now we're seeing championship confirmations plus the entry surcharge really going down significantly. Now, is that an aberration or is that really telling us what's going on? **Hamza:** I think those numbers are highly tied in with the economic climate that we're presently in. **Newkirk:** We've been in an economic downturn of the country for 4 years. **Hamza:** And if you look at, you know, investments and you look at the P&L's and performance reports, let's just go with the Fortune 500 companies. Most of them are feeling the same things we're feeling on different scales. **Newkirk:** I just wanted to bring it up, because I think it's a big concern. **Hamza:** Rachel. **Bizzell:** The reduction in revenue is and has been an ongoing concern, which is why we made the drastic move to Ohio, to strip out some of our expenses. **Hamza:** It's also why we're embracing a really aggressive campaign to bring in new people to the fancy, to expand our business. I had said at the beginning of this year that we have to try to grow this business as best as we can, and if our efforts don't work, we have to take a different approach to how we are going to insure our future. So, if we can't grow, then we have to, in these years where we're realizing profits, we have to stack money up as well as we can and try to divert that into passive streams of income to supplement the shortfalls in registrations. This year and next year are probably important years to see if this marketing initiative that we're trying, if it works. If it works and we bring more people in and registrations go up, then we know that we can effect this trend. If it doesn't work, we're going to have to take a much different tact in our future. Rachel. **Anger:** One other thing I wanted to address about the number of entries, last year we licensed more shows than we ever have, so it could be that there is that linear decline, but it's being split up between more events.

Hamza: Darrell, is your hand still up? **Newkirk:** Yes, it is. **Hamza:** OK, go ahead. **Newkirk:** I would like to know, since we have started this campaign to increase our outreach and the number of breeders and exhibitors we have in CFA, how long that's been in effect – I assume since June – and then what criteria are we using for feedback and will be reported back to the board on how that's progressing? **Hamza:** As we get through this call, you'll hear from Kathy

and Carol on where we're going with – we've already started testing the 800 number and we have – has everybody received the video that we sent out today? **Bizzell:** Yes. **Hamza:** And then you will also see a 30 second TV – **Calhoun:** No. **Newkirk:** I haven't gotten it, either. **Hamza:** It came from Ed Raymond. **Bizzell:** It came right before the meeting. **Hamza:** Yeah. Anyway, in those two instances, there is some of the work that we have done with the marketing. And Darrell, we have started working on it since June, but the time from June until now has been getting these systems in place. **Newkirk:** I understand that, but I just want to know, I would like to know what criteria you are going to measure to see if you were being effective. **Hamza:** One of the things we can immediately do is, see how many calls, once we launch the campaign, come in to the 800 number and how many people that the new Paws Up Committee is going to be handling, which is a hybridization of the Mentor Committee and the NewBee Committee. **Hannon:** A thousand entries at the World Show. **Hamza:** But, you know, we've got a thousand entries at the World Show. You know, and that also tells me what we were talking about before, is that we have people who are interested in economics as a factor. You know, we put on a special event and people came out of the woodwork to participate. **Hannon:** And supporting it. **Hamza:** That's true. **Newkirk:** I understand that, but I mean, you know, putting a program into place involves trying to get objective data to see if your efforts are paying off. I mean, just having people come to the World Show or having people call an 800 number, I don't see how that's going to increase the number of breeders and exhibitors we get in CFA. What we need is people getting into the cat show so they can talk to the breeders. Now, I agree that the World Show will meet that objective, but I mean, is somebody monitoring who these new cattery registrations we are getting? You know, how did they find out about us? Where did they come from? Why are they now deciding to register a cattery with CFA and are they planning on breeding? Are they planning on exhibiting with us? Those are all, to me, objective data that would help us determine whether a program we've got in place is being effective. **Hamza:** That's what the 800 number will tell us, because people who are currently in CFA are not going to call the 800 number to find out how to get involved in CFA. You know, that number will be tied to our efforts in trying to get new people, so when new people see our advertising and our videos and such and call that 800 number, those operators will be collecting data, like names and telephone numbers and email addresses, and the nature of their questions. Carol, you have your hand up. I think you probably can address some of this. **Krzanowski:** The only reason I have my hand up, Jerry, is because I have not received that video. If somebody could please send it to me. I just checked my emails again and it's not there. **Hamza:** Would you send the videos to Carol? Has anybody else not received them? **Anger:** Carol has that new address. **White:** Roemann said she didn't receive it, either. **Raymond:** I just sent it to Roemann. I sent it to the board list. **Hamza:** Carol has a new email address. **Raymond:** I thought the board list was updated, but I will forward it directly to her. **Krzanowski:** Both addresses are still working. **Hamza:** We'll send it to your new address, as well. Carissa. **Altschul:** Did I get it off mute? **White:** Yep. **Altschul:** The only thing I was going to comment on, and I'm going to try to tie it into the Exhibitor Code of Conduct which I'm still working on, is to get more breeders in to CFA, there has to be a push from the top down to get people to share their lines. I don't know what it's going to take, because how much do we really want to micromanage our breeders? I am hearing, and I'm compiling stories which the committee is going to work on, of how these new breeders are being treated, especially by people within their region, being told what they can and cannot show, being told that they won't sell them a cat because they live in a particular location, because they don't want to compete. I think

this is a huge problem, because people are coming to me and saying, “well, I wanted to show in CFA but I was treated so badly and told what I couldn’t show, I went to [name omitted] because there I wasn’t told what I could and could not show.” This is only within two breeds. I don’t know how much it is going on outside of those breeds, but I think this is a real serious problem. It’s become worse. Anyone who knows me, knows that I really have been annoyed by this for years and it is becoming such a problem that we’re starting to see the effects in the show halls.

Hamza: You know, I mean, we’ve got cultural problems in CFA, and unfortunately those change slower. But, I do know that the NewBee and Mentor folks have got lots of people who are willing to help the new people come in, and I can’t help but think part of that is to help these people get cats that are reasonable in starting a breeding program that makes sense. Kathy. **Calhoun:** I finally figured out how to raise my hand. **Hamza:** I see that. **Calhoun:** So, you know, some of the discussion about how impactful the National Marketing Committee and what we’re trying to do might be, we’re just getting this really off the ground, so there’s a lot of data that we need to figure out ways of making sure that we collect and were able to report back to the board, but the overarching intent of this, as people call in on this toll-free number, that their connectivity point will be captured so that that information can be fed back to the ground – you know, to the people in specific parts of the country that may be able to contact these people and pull them in. For instance, if somebody calls about a specific breed, they will get a phone call back with someone who is considered a subject matter expert on that breed to have that discussion, and also have that discussion about CFA. This is kind of like, you know, ground roots effort that we’re going to be trying to, one on one, pull people in. If they ask about a show, “Is there a show in my area?”, they will get a phone call back talking about shows, but the other part of that is that, as the people who are managing the toll-free number capture that data, those contact people, those people who called in on the 800 number, their emails and phone numbers can be given to people that are putting on shows in those specific areas and they can use that to market their shows – send the folks emails, let them know when the next show is going to be, keep them engaged. So, this is a ground roots effort that we’re trying to put forth. There’s a lot of things that we can do and we’ve got a long way to go, but that’s where we’re starting. **Hamza:** You know, Darrell, just to come full circle on this, we’re just about done putting the pieces together to start the push. At future meetings, we can say, “well, we had 247 calls into the call center.” We don’t know exactly what that’s going to mean, but we do know that that will be how many people we’ve captured with the marketing that we’ve directly talked to and opened some doors for them. Obviously, different people are going to take a different pass through those doors. Some people may become casual exhibitors. Some people may just be interested in purchasing a pedigreed cat, but anybody who walks through those doors is a bonus to CFA. **Newkirk:** I agree, and I just watched the two video clips that Ed sent out. When I got the email, I looked at it and I didn’t know what the heck it was until you guys mentioned exactly what it was. They are beautifully presented, OK, and I think that will bring in people to the World Show, especially that long video because it’s exceptionally well done. I just think that when we set up a program, most companies who institute a program will have some method to evaluate the success of the program, and that’s always feed-back and how do you capture numbers to support what you’re doing. That was my only point that I was trying to bring out. **Hamza:** And just so everybody knows, I just want to make something clear. The 30 second video is the video for the World Show. The 2 minute, 14 second video is a promotional video that we’re using and will be using through the year to try to drive people to CFA.

On Top of the World - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pmEUEnen5Zw>

30s Commercial - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kN5jK_7trBc

15s Commercial - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xrjpi2odfTU>

We're going to put it up on our website, we're going to try to get links to it on the Garfield site, we're going to try to get it to go viral. We're going to use that video everywhere we can. I also, with that video, have got it with DNT Media that we're going to have a QR code that will fire that video up. What I'm trying to do is to get that QR code put on the packaging of our litter that is being sold through Dollar General, so that when people buy a thing of litter, there's going to be a history of CFA on the side of the litter bag and there's going to be that QR code that they can use on their phone and hit it and watch the video. So, we're spreading out our social network net and we're going to be quantitatively following these things. We're going to watch how many people come into the 800 number and, even more importantly, Carol and Teresa Keiger, who have this Paws Up Committee, along with Kathy Calhoun, we will know how many people are coming off the 800 number that are getting transferred over to CFA people to help them get into CFA showing. So, we'll have the ability to see what the effects are. You know, the nice thing about where we're at now is, we don't need thousands of people to be effective. If we can pick up 200 to 300 new people a year, that really changes our fortunes in about 2 to 3 years. We have modest goals and I think they are obtainable. Go ahead, Carla.

Bizzell: That's about all I had for the Treasurer's report. **White:** Let me just pause you for a quick second. **Newkirk:** Jerry, can I add one more thing? **Hamza:** David and then Darrell. Go ahead, David. **White:** I just wanted to make sure Tracy knows how to raise her hand, since this is her very first web conference. Tracy, if you want to raise your hand and ask a question, up at the top there is a feedback in your tool bar. **Hamza:** Yeah, she's got it. **White:** You've got it. Very good. **Hamza:** Alright Tracy. Take a gold star out of petty cash. Go ahead, Darrell.

Newkirk: I wanted to re-enforce the thing that Carissa said, and that is about the way people are treated when they're in the show halls be your quote-unquote "seasoned exhibitors and breeders". We have proof of that by a letter we have in one of our files about someone coming over and showing from [name omitted]. The perception is over there that they're the friendly association. [name omitted] also has that reputation, and CFA doesn't. I don't know how we change the attitude of the people in our show halls. I think the majority of the people are friendly and welcoming, but you get a few people in certain breeds and they don't want anybody exhibiting, especially a good cat that might take a point away from them. So, it's a whole mindset that has to be changed. I don't know how to go about doing that, but I think that is going to be a cancer for us. Until we find a remedy for that, I'm not sure that we're going to be a whole body. **Hamza:** Unfortunately, that behavior is a deficit in our culture and, just like morality, you can't legislate morality, but what we can do is, we can encourage the good behavior and when we see these people, we really need to start giving them crap when we find out about it, saying, "what the hell is wrong with you?" Embarrassment is a powerful tool, and the behavior that we're talking about is truly shameful. What we need to do is identify these people and let the rest of CFA know just what they did. **Meeker:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Cultural changes are so hard. **Meeker:**

Jerry? **White:** We don't see your hand, Ginger. **Meeker:** I can't get my button to click purple, David. I sent you an email. **Hamza:** Alright. Ginger, go ahead. **Meeker:** I would just like to put in a word to support what Carissa is saying. I had a conversation with 4 or 5 people with another region after the Denver show. They had had problems and one of their fears was, in going into a new region, they didn't know with whom to bench. I said, "put down your regional director", and I think this is one way of getting to break through those glass ceilings, provide new people from other regions into a welcoming environment and then see how people behave. Also, I think peer pressure is important. I've noticed in the last year walking through my show halls, I don't see any negative signage anymore. I don't see any signs that say, "I don't bite but my owner does" or "Don't touch me – your germs will make me sick". I think these are some things that regional directors can do to promote a more positive attitude in the show hall – look for the signage, look for new people coming in, and the other thing I do is, I send out a welcome letter to every new exhibitor. When someone new enters the show and I get my exhibitor's reports from my entry clerks, they put a star by the new exhibitors, and I send them a letter, a personalized letter welcoming them to CFA, telling them that I realize they have an option as to where to spend their show dollars, and thank them for supporting us. Those are three pretty simple things that I think might start to turn the culture. **Hamza:** To be fair, you know, and just to put it into the minutes, we have seen in the last couple years a drastic change in the feel inside our show halls. The way we treat our gate, I'm so please with it. You brought it up, Ginger. You don't see those awful signs anymore. Every show I go to now, people are encouraging the gate to come and touch their cats. It's a different feel. I think we've changed a lot of the attitudes. I think what we're down to is some bad actors that just don't get it and I think we just really need to identify these people and really put a lot of pressure on them to fall in line. **Newkirk:** Jerry, it's Darrell. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Darrell. **Newkirk:** I had a relatively new person contact me on FaceBook. I've got about 2,000 friends on FaceBook and this is a person has gotten a couple of new cats from Region 5 – the lady is from Region 5 – and so she contacted me on FaceBook and was telling me about an issue she was having, so I gave her some pointers. I basically said, you know, "don't let somebody that means nothing to you get in your way of having a good time at a cat show", and so I recommended her a person that I know that would be good, and I said, "you go to this person, introduce yourself to them, I will send them an email and tell them that you're going to be at this show", and so they hooked up and it was a positive experience. So, what we need to do is, if we can get the lines of communication open so these people can contact somebody and them put them in contact with somebody at a show they're going to so that they can get some positive reinforcement from attending a show, then I think we'll get people to stick with us and they'll just ignore these people that are bad actors. **Hamza:** That would be great. Tracy. **Petty:** Yeah. This is actually going on nationally and there has been a lot of media attention lately to anti-bullying, and that's exactly what we're talking about. I know it's kind of a big negative connotation, but maybe we just need to start calling it that, and let these people know that's what we consider it to be and we want them to knock it off. **Hamza:** Maybe we could have a CFA Bully of the Month picture on the website. **Hannon:** Have you got a nomination for the first one? **Hamza:** I have several in mind, but it probably wouldn't be P.C.

(3) **AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.**

Committee Chair: *Carla Bizzell*
List of Committee Members: *Karen Boyce, Karen Godwin, Bob Johnston, Ed Raymond*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Application for 501(c)4 Group Exemption which was submitted to the Internal Revenue Service for processing in July 2011 is still pending assignment to a specialist. Updates will continue to be provided.

Hamza: Let's move on to the Audit Committee, and that's Carla again. **Bizzell:** OK. We are still working on getting our 501(c)4 Group Exemption through the IRS. They have only had it since July of 2011, so it's not a real expeditious treatment on their part. I talk to them at least once a month to determine where it is in the process. So far, it's really nowhere. It apparently requires a very special person to act on it, so we are still waiting for that to be done.

Currently working on IRS Forms 990 and 990T. We have Submitted information to Audit Firm for their use in completing the returns. Expect completion of the returns by the end of October.

Bizzell: We are working on the Form 990 and 990T with our audit firm. They are completing it, but they had some additional questions on how to allocate certain things for the returns, and I'm working on that with them. We expect to have that done by the end of October and it has been extended, so we are in compliance there.

Year-end Audit was completed and released to the CFA Board and Stark Development Board.

Bizzell: The year-end audit was completed and you will find that on File Vista if you haven't already. We released it to the CFA Board and the Stark Development Board, and for you folks who are newly on the board, as long as we have an outstanding loan to Stark Development Board, which is essentially the City of Alliance, we must report to them quarterly numbers. So, we release to them our completed audit.

Worked on integration of new Computan-created software with our financial software.

Bizzell: We are working on the integration of the Computan-created software with QuickBooks and I have engaged a local person who is our audit firm partner to help us with that endeavor. We really needed boots on the ground there locally to work with Central Office and also with Computan to get that going.

Worked with Central Office on financial matters.

Bizzell: Of course, we continually work with Central Office on financial matters.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Continue working with Central Office on various financial matters.

Continue working with Audit firm and Software Developers to design data transfer into QuickBooks.

Future Projections for Committee:

Participate in testing of new integrated computer software and verify accuracy of financial information.

Review completed IRS forms 990 and 990T.

Bizzell: The future projections, we'll be testing the new integrated computer software and the transfer of information into QuickBooks to verify the accuracy when that comes about, and we'll be reviewing the completed IRS forms whenever they are finished by our accounting firm. We will review them prior to filing.

Time Frame:

IRS forms 990 and 990T filed by October month end.

Bizzell: The time frame, we expect to have those returns filed by October month end.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Update on IRS Group Exemption application and yearly filings.

Bizzell: The next meeting we will update on that filing.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Carla Bizzell, Chair*

Bizzell: Any questions on the Audit Report? **Hamza:** Darrell, is your hand up for this one? **Newkirk:** Darrell. **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead Darrell. **Newkirk:** I've got a question. Are the – on the – this goes back to the Budget and stuff. The money that we have in the bank, is that for distribution? **Hamza:** I'm not following your question. **Newkirk:** The amount of money we have in the checking account. **White:** You mean, distribution for minute notes? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Hamza:** Carla, haven't we sent out reports to all the clubs on the first quarter? **Bizzell:** Yeah. We send out the P&L. The audit and our quote-unquote "tax returns" obviously would be available to anyone who asks, particularly our tax returns. So, that is fairly common knowledge. **Newkirk:** OK. **Hamza:** Darrell, you want to make public the dollar amounts in each specific account? Is that what you're talking about? **Newkirk:** I'm not wanting to make it. I'm wanting to know if that is confidential information. **Hamza:** You know, I would say that the total amount on deposit is not a confidential piece of information. I would be a little hesitant to telling people how much money was in what banks. **Newkirk:** OK, that's good enough. My question is, I looked on the

internet last night about the FDIC insurance. OK, that covers \$250,000 and the example they gave on there is that if you have \$250,000 in Bank A and \$250,000 in Bank B, then each of those \$250,000 are insured under FDIC. However, if you have like two accounts, unless it's two separate custodial accounts, and let's say you have \$400,000, OK? Only \$250,000 is insured. Now, I just want to make sure because we exceed that amount in our total accounts, and I just want to make sure that somebody is on top of the amount of FDIC insurance that we have on those bank accounts. **Bizzell:** Correct. In fact, those limits apply only to interest-bearing accounts, so if you had \$250,000 in a savings account and \$200,000 in a checking account that was non-interest bearing, there is no limit to the non-interest bearing account coverage. So, we are split between two banks currently and in the sweep account at the New Jersey facility who has changed its name – it's now Carney Savings & Loan or something – it is backed by government securities, so we are slightly over the \$250,000 range there but it is separately backed by government securities. **Hamza:** And, you know, FDIC is only one way banks insure their funds. It just happens to be the most well-known way. Banks usually have more than one way of insuring their funds, so the limits are usually much higher, because banks like to have multiple million dollars on deposit if they can, so, you know – Carla, to really answer Darrell's question, you have no doubt that this money is secure. **Bizzell:** Correct. **Newkirk:** I just wasn't sure, because I mean we've had a lot of banks fail. **Bizzell:** I understand. That is a valid concern. It's a valid concern, which is why we don't have all of our money in our local account in an interest-bearing account, because we needed ready cash for operations and then we have some money in our savings accounts, as well, which is fully covered. So, we're totally covered there. **Newkirk:** Do you have documentation that you can send to us? I would just like to see something in writing about it, because I didn't see anything about interest bearing and non-interest bearing accounts being separated when I did some research on it. **Bizzell:** OK. Yeah, I can send that out after I get offline here. **Newkirk:** I'm not worried about it today, I'm just saying at some point in time when you have some extra time. **Bizzell:** Yeah. Certainly, I would be happy to do that. **Newkirk:** Thank you.

(4) **BUDGET COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: **Carla Bizzell**

List of Committee Members: **Chuck Gradowski, Bob Johnston, Rich Mastin**

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Reviewed and compared financial results to budget and prior year. Disseminated quarterly financial statements to Club Secretaries and Stark Development Board.

Bizzell: Let's see, where was I? The Budget Committee yet? **Hamza:** We can be. **Bizzell:** OK, let me look. OK, I'm to Budget Committee now. Brief summation of past committee activities, we every month review and compare financial results to budget and prior year. I'm just back from Thailand about 36 hours ago. I have seen some preliminary information for August, but I don't have the detail reports yet, so just to give you an update, as Jerry mentioned earlier, we are at about a \$10,000 net profit year-to-date August, which compares favorably to the (\$186,000) year-to-date last year. So, we are in fine shape, particularly compared to last year, and now we are missing budget by \$1,400, so that's pretty darn close.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Continue monitoring spending compared to Budget.

Review official Price List for accuracy and completeness and submit update for CFA Website.

Bizzell: What we're going to be doing coming up is reviewing the official Price List for accuracy and completeness. As you will see later in the meeting, we are going to be stripping out a lot of the pricing information from our Show Rules and then all that pricing information will need to be included in our price list. I have marked all those on my copy of the proposed Show Rule proposed changes to make sure I capture all those into the Price List.

Future Projections for Committee:

Continue comparison of monthly/quarterly financial achievement to Budget. Transmit quarterly financial statements to Club Secretaries.

Bizzell: We will continue to compare monthly and quarterly financial achievement to budget, and on a quarterly basis transmit that information to the club secretaries.

Action Items:

Propose increase to Returned Check fee from \$20 to \$40 as there appears to be no Ohio law prohibiting this action.

Bizzell: Now, we do have an action item. We had an action item left over from a prior teleconference where we needed to research whether it would be legal for us to change our return

check fee from \$20 to \$40, to adequately cover our costs. Ed has done the research and has found no legal reason for us not to make that change. So, I would like to propose as an action item that we increase our return check fee to \$40. **Hamza:** Hang on. David's got a comment. **White:** I was just wondering, Carla, what's our cost? \$40 seems like a lot. **Bizzell:** \$36. **White:** \$36? So, we get charged \$36 from the bank when we have a returned check? **Bizzell:** Yes. **Hamza:** They've gone up everywhere. All the banks have raised their – some banks are even higher than \$36. **Hannon:** Plus we've got staff time involved. **Hamza:** Yeah, and I guarantee the \$4 isn't going to cover it. **White:** I've never bounced a check so I wouldn't know. **Hamza:** Even if somebody bounces one to you, you're going to get charged for that, and that's what we're talking about here. Alright, we have a motion from Carla. Darrell.

Newkirk: Why not just go ahead and increase it to \$50? **Bizzell:** I would certainly entertain that. I know for the World Show that's what we put on the flyer. **Newkirk:** Can I make a motion to amend it to \$50? **Hamza:** Let's hang on for a second. Is there any threshold, Ed? **Raymond:** There is no threshold. In doing the research, I found a number of government agencies in Ohio that have return check fees up to \$45, but there's no threshold anywhere else. **Hamza:** OK, alright then, I don't have a problem entertaining it. **White:** So, Carla, what do we see on average, on a monthly basis, in terms of bounced checks? **Bizzell:** We don't have all that many. I don't have specific statistics in front of me, but we don't get that many bounced checks. **White:** One is too many. **Bizzell:** We have a lot of payments by credit card. **Hamza:** The principle being that we shouldn't incur additional loss, based on a bad check. So, we have an amended motion of \$50 for return check fee. Can I get a second on that motion? **Anger:** Second. This is Rachel.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Newkirk: Hold on. All we did was pass the amendment. Now, the motion is \$50. You have to vote on the motion if you want to do it by Robert's Rules. **Hamza:** Right. Alright. Can I get a second? **White:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** We have a \$50 return check fee as of today.

Time Frame:

Review and update of official price list by end of October.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Comparison of year-to-date financial results to budget.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Carla Bizzell, Chair*

(5) **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: Rich Mastin

Liaison to Board: Carla Bizzell

*List of Committee Members: Carla Bizzell, Chuck Gradowski, Bob Johnston,
Ed Raymond & Rich Mastin*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

- *Communications with Central Office Director of Operations as needed*
- *Review monthly Financial Reports and Commentaries*
- *Review and advise as needed on contractual agreements/arrangements*
 - o *Continued communications with Pat Zollman (Helms Briscoe) on CFA Annual hotel contracts, concerns, updates and addendums:*
 - *Addendum to 2013 Vancouver Washington Contract*
 - *Finalized 2017 Chicago Illinois Contract*
 - o *DNT Media -*
 - o *Employment Contract*

Hamza: OK, the Finance Committee. The committee chair is Rich Mastin but the liaison is Carla again. **Bizzell:** OK. You're going to hear a lot of redundancy among these three committees because we have some redundancy in the actual personnel in these committees, so what the Finance Committee is responsible for is communicating with Central Office and helping out with financial matters; again, reviewing monthly financial reports and commentaries; and this is one of the big things the Finance Committee does is review and approve and/or modify different contracts. Apparently, they are in the works. An addendum to the 2013 Vancouver, Washington contract for the Annual and has finalized the 2017 Chicago, Illinois contract for the Annual. Working with DNT Media, frequent phone conferences to work with them on our marketing initiative, and working on updating employment contract.

Current Happenings of Committee:

- *Work closely with World Show Committee*
- *Weekly review of all bank account balances*
- *Review payroll reports as provided*
- *Continued communications with Central Office Director of Operations and Budget Committee Chair as needed*

- *Conference calls with DNT Media as required/needed*
- *Review monthly Financial Reports and Commentaries*

Bizzell: Current happenings of the committee, obviously working closely with the World Show Committee, very invested in that right now. Weekly review – if you didn't know this, we get weekly bank balances by account and we also get bi-weekly payroll reports, and so we are able to review those, you know, to correct anything that needs to be corrected very quickly. Let's see, reviewing monthly financial reports and commentaries.

Future Projections for Committee:

- *Assist in meeting 2012-2013 Budgets/Projections*

Bizzell: Future projections, assist in meeting the current budgets and projections.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

- *Committee's progress*

Bizzell: There are no action items, and what will be presented at the next meeting is committee's progress.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rich Mastin, Chair*

Hamza: I just want the board to know that I get these bank balances weekly and we go over them, and we get the payroll every pay cycle and go over them, so that there's constant vigilant watch over our money and where it's going. There are days we get together and have conference calls, just to make sure there's a clear understanding of it. Are there any questions? OK.

(6) **CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.**

Committee Chair: Donna Jean Thompson
List of Committee Members: Kristi Wollam – Administrative Assistant

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Traditional Show Date listing is now complete and up on the Web site. Thank you to the Regional Directors and/or their Regional Schedulers who checked and re-checked to create as accurate a listing as possible. Also thank you to Donna Lewis, Kelly Conger and Kathy Durdick who organized, created, and placed this information on our CFA web site.

As Board members you have received the results of the off cycle, online Burmese and Tonkinese ballots. This was our trial run for online voting and appears to have been very successful. The committee of Rachel Anger, Mary Kolencik, Annette Wilson and Kristi Wollam are to be commended on their outstanding efforts to organize and complete this task with great success.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Our core registration activities continue to function nicely in spite of health issues, vacations and family losses incurred by staff members. Anyone with a spare moment stepped up to the plate to fill in where needed and we were able to continue with small delays.

Future Projections for Committee:

The World Show draws nearer and C. O. Activities escalate as we begin packing and accept the challenge of another 500 cats!

Action Items:

- A. *A request has been received from the K-Cats Club in Kuwait City, Kuwait to change their currently licensed Feb. 4, 2013 one day 4 ring show to expand to an 8 ring two day (2/1-2/2013 with 4 rings each day.*

Hamza: We can move on to Central Office Operations. **Thompson:** OK, basically the generalized report is there for your review. Basically, I have two, now three, quick action – hopefully they will be quick action items. The first one was the K-Cats Club in Kuwait City would like to change their one day, four ring show and expand it to an eight ring, two day show with four rings each day. **Newkirk:** I'll make the motion if you need a motion. **Hamza:** Do I get a second? **White:** I second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** The K-Cats can have their two-day, eight ring show.

- B. *We have had a Cattery Name Request for a cattery name that was registered in the mid – 60's and has not been used since at least 1992 when it was added to the computer. There*

are no cats registered under the Cattery Name and I am requesting the name be permitted to be re-registered under a new owner.

ADDITIONAL INPUT AS REQUESTED:

The new name requested to be registered is “FancyFelines” Two Cattery names are either very similar or nearly identical and they are as follows:

- 1. Fanci Feline(168274) registered 12/27/95 by [name omitted]. The name was last used in September 1997.*
- 2. Fancy Felines (6425) registered prior to January 1992 (when it was added to the computer) by the last name [name omitted] and has had no activity since that time.*

Thompson: The next thing was the request that was tabled for a cattery name request that was too similar to ones that were already in use, and I sent information regarding how it is. The one was registered December 27, 1995, and has had no activity since 1997, and the other one was one that was so early it was moved into the computer January of 1992. The last name of the owner was [name omitted] and is the only information we have. There is absolutely no activity since 1992. **Hamza:** The one question I have here is, does this set a bad precedent that we may not be able to come back from? Rachel. **Anger:** I wanted to expound on the reason I asked for it to be tabled at our teleconference. I had recalled a discussion in the early 2000’s in which Tom Dent was talking about cattery names and how we were going to deal with them. There were some proposals that came before the delegation I wanted to check out. That has all been sorted out now. What Tom wanted to do was put it to the breed councils, and have the breed councils go through and pick out the cattery names that were important to their breed. For whatever reason, that project never got off the ground or got going, so that was what I was remembering. The item that came up at the 2004 Annual was something to do with permanent cattery registrations that is not applicable to whether or not we drop old cattery names or reissue similar names. **Hamza:** Carissa. **Altschul:** I think yes, this is opening too big of a box. Let’s not deal with it. They can pick another name. I am sure there’s other names out there. **Hamza:** OK. George. **Eigenhauser:** Yeah, I’m on the same page. If this were a temporary cattery name, one of our five-year names, and nothing had ever been done with it, it would be a different situation, but apparently the Fancy Felines – you know, they contracted with that cattery name under the – **White:** George, we can’t hear you. I don’t know if you’re far away from the phone or if you’re using a headset, but we can’t hear you. **Eigenhauser:** Can anybody hear me? **Newkirk:** Barely. **Baugh:** Yes, I can hear you. **Eigenhauser:** OK. Then I’ll just say ditto and I’ll quiet down. **Hamza:** OK. Mike. **Shelton:** I just want to say, I’ve gotten a lot of feedback over this particular issue, that not only do we need to decide on this particular one, but a lot of people want to see a policy. If we’re even going to open this door, people want to know what they would need to do, what the restrictions would be. I’ve had more than one person ask me about, “can I designate a person in my will or living trust to take over a cattery name?”, if there would be particular rules for passing them on to children, things like that. People want to see a policy in place. I understand the concept of leaving it up to the breed councils, but what the current breed council considers important and what line chasers consider important could be a very different thing, so I would be very hesitant to put anything in

place without a really well-defined policy. **Hamza:** Mark. **Hannon:** I thought, at the last meeting, we decided we were going to ask them to change the spelling, change the Y to an I or something along those lines, so that we weren't duplicating exactly a cattery name. **Hamza:** Loretta. **Baugh:** I tend to agree with Carissa and George. I think there are plenty of other names out there. We don't need to go down this road at this point. **Hamza:** Carissa, do you have another question or another statement? **OK.** You know, I haven't voted yet and I'm not probably going to vote on this one, either, but if I had a vote I would vote no. This just goes down a path, and Michael touched on something very important. It goes on a path that we don't want to go down, and we especially don't want to go down it unless we have a policy on how to deal with the questions that this would lead to. **White:** Did we ask them to pick another name? **Hamza:** We asked them to come up with at least a spelling that was different enough that there wouldn't be confusion, but the way it stands now, I could never support this. I just think it would lead – it just isn't really where we want to go. **Hannon:** Did they respond? **Hamza:** I don't know. Have they responded? **Thompson:** Yes, she did respond. She wanted me to try for the FancyFelines. **Hamza:** Great, great. So, wasting board time. Tracy, go ahead. **Petty:** Regardless of how we decide on this one, the policy needs to be, can you just change a letter? Can you put a space in the middle of the name? Is that sufficient, or do we just not accept anything that [inaudible] exactly. **Hamza:** It has always been CFA's policy to not have a name that could be confused with another name. The difference has to be significant enough to take that confusion out of the equation. That's always been the litmus test. I kind of like it. **Petty:** [inaudible] **Hamza:** What's that? **Petty:** Would the confusion be when you say the name or when you read the name? **Hamza:** My interpretation would be the loosest possible one, and I would say both, because, you know, when you're talking about, "this cat is from so-and-so cattery" and those of us who have been around long enough, you know, we may just draw the wrong conclusion. I think this policy was put in place so as not to mislead breeders from – and I think that's where Tom Dent was going when he was going to want to talk to the breed council people so that – for instance, as a Persian breeder, you know, I would hate to see something like South Paw come up again, just because they misspelled Paw different – you know, P-A-U. So, I think the intent here is to protect the reputation of some of our really established bloodlines, our foundation cats, because it would be easy for a new breeder to really cash in on an old reputation. **White:** I think we have a general consensus here. **Hamza:** OK. We've got a couple – Rachel has got a question. **Anger:** I would like to see an ad hoc committee put together to come up with a policy and bring it back, that we can put on the website. **Hannon:** We'll give that to Breeds and Standards. **Anger:** No. **Hamza:** I'm sure they can use that. George.

Eigenhauser: Can you hear me now? **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead. **Eigenhauser:** There are basically two issues here that we are discussing. We're kind of blurring them together like they're not different, but they really are. One is, taking a name that's confusingly similar to an existing cattery name. The second issue is, recycling a non-used or never used cattery name, because they are actually not talking about being confusingly similar; they're talking about taking exactly the same name as another cattery name, and so I think we need to address this in terms of two issues. The first issue is, how similar can it be to an existing cattery name, and then the second issue is, if somebody takes out a cattery name and never uses it, what is the criteria for recycling it? I think it needs to be addressed from both those perspectives. Having said that, I

move we accept this, reserving the right to vote no. **Hamza:** OK, can I get a second on this?
Calhoun: I second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

Hamza: And I have a question, as long as we're here. One of the issues of needing to recycle was that we had a limited space for a cattery name, and so obviously the fewer letters you have, the fewer possible combinations you have. It's just a math thing. Dick, are we going to be able to expand the amount of letters we can use for a cattery name? Then, it really negates even thinking about having to recycle names. **Kallmeyer:** From a computer perspective, yes, we could. I guess we would have to look at – this is Donna Jean – how much space you have on the printed form. That would be the determining factor. **Hamza:** You know what we should do? Donna Jean, here's what I want you to do. Just on a form, on a registration form – actually in all the fields, because we need to know this on all the fields on the form. Just have them either put X's or 0's until you are to the point where you're at the margins. **Thompson:** It's 35 on the name of a cat. **Hannon:** You don't physically have room for more than 35 on the piece of paper? **Hamza:** No, that's not true. I know it's not true. **Thompson:** Oh, across the front. Yeah, that's true. **Hamza:** The 35 character limitation is – **Hannon:** – something we imposed. **Hamza:** – because of the COBOL programming, but we're out of that now when we get to the Microsoft environment, so I need to know how many letters will fit and not touch, for instance, on a registration certificate, not touch the border. **Hannon:** That's going to vary, depending upon the font she uses. She could use a smaller font. **Hamza:** Well, with the current font that we're using. **Hannon:** No, but we could go to a smaller font and put in more letters. **Hamza:** I just want an idea anyway, and then, Dick, we'll have to – because I would like to maximize out without looking ridiculous how many letters and how many spaces we can go out. It will free a lot of people up in cats' names and cattery names. **Kallmeyer:** The alternative is also to redesign the form. **White:** We're going to have to redesign the form. **Kallmeyer:** Like I said, we can do it fairly easy, but we better do it quick. **Hamza:** Yeah, and I have a registration form in my hand. We've got a whole 1/3 of the page that's unused. **White:** To the left. **Hamza:** To the right. See, we can always expand this, this way. The only thing they've got here is *See Reverse Registration for Instructions* because they're just trying to fill up that blank space. **White:** You mean, just make the form longer. **Hamza:** Longer. We could come out half way and what does that get you? An extra 18, 20 characters, which is significant if you square it and that's a lot of extra. Darrell. **Newkirk:** There are several pedigree programs out on the market that people use, and while I know we don't need to make our decisions based on the character input on those pedigree programs, we really do need to take into consideration, whoever researches this and comes up with what the final number is, those programs may be limited in the number they take, and so that's going to take a lot of programming changes for them. **Hamza:** Does anybody know how many spaces AKC allows? **Anger:** Hang on. **Hamza:** That will be an interesting question to answer. Loretta. **Baugh:** I just want to say that I think we need to be a little bit careful on how far we go. We don't need a cat's name taking up three or four lines in a catalog. **Hamza:** No, obviously. **Baugh:** Let's be sane about what we're doing. **Hamza:** But if we can add an extra 15 spaces, it exponentially opens up a lot. Do you know how many? You were raising your hand. **Thompson:** No, I was waving at our guest. [Gene Darrah] **Kallmeyer:** Don't forget that also we have to change the entry clerk programs, too. **Hannon:** We wouldn't have to. **Kallmeyer:** They

are tied to 35 now, I think. **Hamza:** Yeah, we wouldn't have to, but I don't think that's a big change, do you? **White:** Steve [Theiler] can do anything. **Hamza:** Yes. **Hannon:** And Clinton. Clinton does one. He's got one. **Hamza:** I mean, this is an issue anyway in other places. It's an issue with prefixes and everything else. We need to expand – you know what? I'm certain at this point we've registered our 2 millionth cat. I'm going to look into that, but you figure 2 million cats have taken a lot of possibilities out of the pool, so the extra spaces are needed. Anyway, I don't want to take up a lot of time here, but that's probably the direction we're going to go in. Darrell, is your hand still up? **Newkirk:** I'm sorry. My apologies.

Newkirk: Hey Jerry, it's Darrell. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Darrell. **Newkirk:** The kennel name in the AKC is 15 characters and can be a maximum of two words. **Hamza:** Really? **Newkirk:** That's what's on their page. **Hamza:** That's the kennel name. **Hannon:** Which is like a cattery name. **Newkirk:** *American Kennel Club. The following rules –* **Hamza:** Yeah, but see, our cattery names – **Newkirk:** I can make a PDF and send it to everybody if they want to see it. **Hamza:** We do it different, though. We have a maximum of 35 characters, including the cat's name. Our 35 characters have to cover our cattery name, the cat's name, and if it's a cat that we bought from someone else – **Hannon:** A suffix. **Hamza:** It could have to deal with a suffix and a prefix. That's interesting. Maybe it works out better their way. Maybe it adds up being more characters, so we would have to know what they allow for the dog's individual name and how many spaces they allow for the suffix.

Hamza: Rachel has pulled up the AKC policy and the dog's name can contain up to 50 characters. Interestingly enough, there's an additional \$10 fee that is incurred when more than 36 characters are chosen. That's kind of an interesting approach. So, that would mean we would need Dick to expand 14 more characters, but it also opens up the chance for us to pick up an extra \$10 per registration. If people want to have a fancier, longer name, they've got to pay for it. **Newkirk:** Doesn't the AKC also charge per pup, in addition to the registration of the litter? **Anger:** Absolutely. \$2.00 a puppy plus the \$25.00 litter registration fee, at the time the litter is registered. **Hamza:** Rachel says, at the time the litter is registered.

C. *Last minute CFA Show Question as follows: October 13-14, 2012. This is a 6 X 6 with Cleveland Persian Society on Saturday and Great Lakes Great Maines on Sunday as the Licensing clubs. Both clubs have "drive" judges for their show. One of the Saturday "drive Judges" has been informed of a mandatory work meeting to be held on Saturday. The Clubs are asking if they may switch a drive judge – Saturday for Sunday and vice versa.*

Thompson: The next one was the one that came in literally yesterday. Next weekend, October 13 and 14, there is a 6x6 show with Cleveland Persian Society on Saturday and Great Lakes Great Maines on Sunday as the licensing clubs. Both clubs have drive judges. What has happened is, one of the Saturday judges has had an urgent, mandatory attendance work meeting and he has to attend that work meeting. He could come on Sunday if they were able to switch judges, and the two clubs have talked and they are both amenable to asking a judge to switch if they would be able to do so. **Hamza:** So, basically this motion is allowing the swapping of a judge from the Sunday show to the Saturday show, and from the Saturday show to the Sunday

show. **Thompson:** Correct. **Newkirk:** This is the Parma show? **Thompson:** Yes. **Eigenhauser:** I'll move we allow it. **Kallmeyer:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Anger, Newkirk, Calhoun and Baugh abstained. **Hamza:** Gee, I wonder who is judging this show? **Calhoun:** Jerry, this is Kathy. I'm abstaining as well. **Hamza:** Yeah, we got you. **Calhoun:** OK. **Hamza:** So, we have four abstentions, Darrell, Rachel, Loretta and Kathy. Is there any other abstentions? I know a quarter of the line-up now.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

We will continue to submit requests, questions, and problems that may arise requiring Board action and/or input.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Jean Thompson*

Hamza: Alright, Donna Jean. Go ahead. **Thompson:** That was the last one. **Hamza:** That's it for Central Office.

(7) **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: *Kitty Angell*
Committee Members: *Roeann Fulkerson, CFA Director of Marketing and Public Relations; Bob Johnston, Clubs Liaison; Karen Lawrence*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

In the past, we had a healthy branding business going for CFA. We had huge quarterly profits coming in on a constant basis. Once we are free of the constraints of a contract that is no longer amenable to either party, we should be able to restore the flow of income that we enjoyed before legal constraints brought us to a standstill.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Interest from smaller business in digital advertising opportunities with CFA continues to increase. This interest is for both website and specifically the CFA eNewsletter that continues to grow op-in subscribers. The current size of the World show has afforded the opportunity to reach out to over a dozen large and small companies and open dialog about what CFA can do for them.

4Kids Ent. Licensing Update:

CFA moved forward requesting 4Kids to release their contract and this matter was to be heard via a court date on September 28, 2012. By the October Board meeting, this matter may be resolved. Companies interested in manufacturing branded products directly for CFA are waiting for contact after the court outcome. CFA plans to work directly with manufacturing companies and not reinvest a Branding Company to promote our Brand. CFA has learned a great deal over this past eight years regarding the best branding practices and has developed contacts with direct manufacturing companies.

Roeann met with European Home Design, a direct manufacturing company located in New York City. AKC contracts this company for toys, beds, collars, leashes, matched human and pet bedding. Jerry wanted a specific dollar amount for a guarantee; however, European Home Design was not willing to match the requested amount.

CFA, by Jerry's approval, authorized Pet Brands to present a new packaging to Dollar General in early September. The new litter packaging includes pedigreed cat images and really adds "pop" to the container. The product is the highest grossing litter at Dollar General so new placement is expected. To date, the first two quarters in 2012 Pet Brands has paid royalties of \$44,087.18 (CFA receives 65%) and a cumulative total through June 2011 of \$102,715.35 (CFA received 65%)

CFA, by approval renewed the licensing agreement with Accor – Motel 6 with accumulative total paid through June 2012 of \$10,553.46 Accor has recently changed their company name.

P&G Pet Brands conducted a survey to determine where cat owners most often went to receive food recommendations. The market research outcome, directly from Bud Most quotes:

The market research we (P&G Pet Care) are getting continues to show a downward trend:

-Fewer Breeders in the Fancy.

-Breeders in the Fancy's mean age is getting higher (meaning far less young people are getting in the sport).

-Less than 4% of cats are now acquired by breeders and it's declining.

-Iams/Eukanuba usage among cat breeders has declined significantly year after year for the past 7 years.

-Iams/Eukanuba recommendations from cat breeders have declined year after year for the past 9 years.

-Cat shows are getting smaller (in general) and their influence is low.

*-Cat breeders report that of **67 reasons for recommending a food, sponsorships of shows or registries was number 65.***

P&G Pet Care had a complete restructuring of their upper management in May and June 2012. This restructuring caused the new Vice President, General Manager, and Brand Managers to rely heavily on the above mentioned survey.

Iams funded \$50,000 to CFA for 2013 budget. CFA was told the allocations could be made to whatever areas best assisted CFA. In talking with Jerry, it was determined to allocate \$35,000 to club/show production sponsorships and \$15,000 to CFA publications. Both these areas reflect the most exposure for Iams and supports two of CFA programs, clubs and Publications.

***CFA Club Sponsorship program** continues to grow. Thanks to Bob Johnston and Ann Caell, for administering the Club Sponsorship program. To quote Bob, "it has been a record year with 72 clubs (so far) getting 88 awards totaling \$57,450.00." Ann will have a separate report with further details regarding this program.*

***Royal Canin US** when asked agreed to co/sponsor the World show and came forward with \$20,000. The show committee has incorporated the Royal Canin Red colors into the Education ring and other areas of the show. Roeann has had several teleconferences with RC marketing and they are excited and pleased to be a larger part of this event.*

CFA has been asked by Royal Canin to partner with a PetSmart promotion where End Caps will highlight both Royal Canin and Dr. Elsey Precious Cat products in retail stores. This promotion will be launched after the first of 2013 and will advance CFA awareness and partnering with both Dr. Elsey and Royal Canin.

Roeann mentioned in the June report to the board about the invitation by Royal Canin to present at their National Sales meeting in Washington, DC on July 16-18, 2012. This included over 350+ sales people and managers from across the U.S. We had CFA breeders present in groups in different rooms talking about and sharing their breeds. Our very own Vice President, Mark Hannon attended for the day with two Persians. Roeann was asked to speak to four groups

throughout the day, with approximately 100 people in each group about what it's like in the "life of a breeder," and about CFA as an organization, and showing cats. It was wonderful to have the CFA breeders with their cats attend the Royal Canin National Sales meeting in Washington, DC.

Dr. Elsey Precious Cat is preparing to meet with PetSmart as they do each year at this time. As one of the many CFA show sponsored by Precious Cat, the Santa Monica Cat Club was selected this year. Gina Zaro wanted to attend this sponsored show and requested Roeann attend so the 2013 budget with Dr. Elsey's could be discussed. It was a positive weekend where many areas of partnering with CFA were reviewed. Finalization of the 2013 budget will be completed after Dr. Elsey and Gina meet with PetSmart. The CFA partnership amounts should be finalized sometime in October.

Dr. Elsey has notified CFA he is again running a special \$3.00 off coupon for his products, with the proceeds going to Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation. (MMRF). As you know, Kathy Elsey, Dr. Elsey's wife has multiple myeloma and every time their product is purchased, a donation is made for cancer research. This is one direct way the Cat Fancy can show its appreciation to Dr. Elsey, who gives CFA so much support. You can print the coupon at their website www.preciouscat.com This special will be available in November and December.

Dr. Elsey generously contributed the **full amount necessary** for CFA to secure the contract with DNT Media to assist in promoting CFA. We appreciate Dr. Elsey's very strong interest in the CFA Pet Passport Program. CFA thanks Dr. Elsey once again for always being available to partner with CFA at a grassroots level and help our mutual programs grow.

DNT Media attended the Hidden Peak show where they were able to capture numerous photos of cats and exhibitors. Video footage was also taken. These photos will be available for CFA use in many areas as needed. Previously CFA has been limited in photos because the photographers own the copyrights and compensation is necessary to the photographer when used. These photos are now owned by CFA and well as the video footage so this allows a great selection when the need arises. Hidden Peak did a wonderful job of decorations and even had Garfield present for the delight of the visiting public and exhibitors.

A YouTube show series had a contest that asked viewers to give a description of their "perfect day." One winner from Baltimore outlined attending the Hidden Peak cat show. The producer contacted Roeann who then, with Jerry's assistance, arranged for this lady's welcome at the Hidden Peak show. The whole day was all captured on video by "Riding Shotgun" and shown on YouTube.

CFA new logo colors continue to be used by more and more clubs, websites and marketing. The new colors are receiving great positive feedback.

Garfield and CFA: Jerry and Jodell have taken the lead on working directly with DNT Media and the promotional aspect of implementing Garfield into CFA. Many clubs have incorporated the CFA/Garfield logo into their catalog covers, show flyers and promotions.

CFA World Championship Cat Show grew to over 1,000 cats entered and two full 10 ring shows. Roeann has been working to secure costs associated with the “inside” expenses, working with Rick Hoskinson and Bobbie Weirauch on vendor applications coming in, and with Candilee Jackson and Rick who are inviting local shelters and rescues to attend. The vendor floor plan was just about complete when the announcement was made about the show doubling in size. Plan B went into effect so we can best accommodate the vendors and sponsors with the additional five hundred cats and ten rings into the additional square footage secured for the second show.

FURminator was a sponsor of the National show in 2011. The company has been sold “twice” this year; Roeann continues to maintain a working relationship with the newest Marketing personnel. The consumer marketing director emailed Roeann September 11, that FURminator’s fiscal year ends September 28, so we should have the “okay” by that date. Cathy said, “I have the monies earmarked so it’s just a matter of formality.” The proposal to FURminator for CFA’s 2013 partnership listed three levels of participation for the World show: \$15,000 for Gold, \$10,000 for Silver and \$8,000 for Bronze. Each was detailed as to what was included at each level. Until Roeann hears from FURminator, the exact amount is not known. FURminator, as all the participating sponsors, paid \$8,000 in 2011 for sponsorship.

CFA Pet Healthcare plans have been generating a significant growth. Linda Crandall has shared they do not yet have the ability to track exactly where the leads are coming from but she feels their sponsorship participation at the 2012 Annual, the CFA eNewsletter banner ad, feature articles within the eNewsletter, and exposure of their full page ad in Cat Talk is responsible for the fairly sudden growth in quotes and policies.

CFA Pet Passport Program has been moving right along with development on the design for the information package that will be distributed to those who sign up. Hopefully, prior to the board meeting, Roger and Roeann will receive a draft copy for sharing with the board.

Budget Car Rental program has changed and now pays CFA \$3.00 per rental while still offering the 20-40% discounts to those booking under our CFA corporate number.

Cynful Inc. has been creating CFA branded items for the CFA cat fancy for several years now. They have just launched their new website at www.cynfulinc.com They have some photos of their quality products and I’m sure many of you visited their vendor booth at the 2011 Annual and at some east coast shows. Visit their website, the quality and work is really nice.

Future Projections for Committee:

We feel that we are still being guided by our mission statement: This Committee was originally formed to provide forums and activities that create a networking environment to benefit the financial status of CFA and market its name through an advanced and diverse business community. This mission continues to be accomplished by instituting 5-year plans that are achieved through educational programs, branding of CFA as a known name for products in the marketplace, working with major corporate partners to benefit CFA clubs and shows, business

to business development to benefit our organization and the continual expansion of market participation and awareness.

Board Action Items:

There are no action items.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

It is with great hope that the challenges with the product branding company will be resolved and CFA will be able to again be focused on branded products available in big box retail locations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roeann Fulkerson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations.

Kitty Angell, Chair

Hamza: OK, we have the Business Development Committee. Has everybody read this? You know, the problem with this report is that it mentions a lot of companies specifically, and I don't want those particular comments to be in the minutes. Unless there's any specific questions here on Business Development – **Hannon:** Is that Roeann? She is on the call. Does she have any comments? **Hamza:** Roeann, do you have any comments? [transcript goes back to Central Office Report]

Hamza: Roeann, do you have any comments you want to make on Business Development? **Fulkerson:** No. I would, though, like to call out that Dr. Elsey's Precious Cat is doing the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation drive again in November and December with \$3.00 off coupons. The link is in the report, where that is every dollar of those coupons that are used, plus a portion of the sale, goes directly from Dr. Elsey to that. Of course, that is in support of Dr. Elsey's wife Kathy, who is currently being treated for that, so I think that that's probably something we should really hope the cat fancy would support. **Hamza:** You know what I'll do is, I will pay for a Garfield poster to be raffled off at the World Show to benefit the cause.

Raymond: I think one is being raffled off in Region 4. **Hamza:** But we can raffle another one off. Our people would support both.

Baugh: Jerry, I'm trying to raise my hand. This is Loretta, but for some reason it doesn't want to work. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Baugh:** I've got my computer doing weird things. I just had a quick question maybe for Roeann. I'm getting complaints from people with Red Roof. We're not getting the amount of rooms available at their reduced rate. Is there an issue going on with them, or what's happening? **Fulkerson:** You know what? Yes, and they are correcting those individually. They have purchased an additional – I don't remember if it's La Quinta, I think it's La Quinta, so they are merging their computer programs so it's causing some problems. What they're doing with that is, if we make Jennifer [Effendi] aware, they are sending those individuals who came across a problem complimentary stays for use. So, if you just let me know or I can let each of you know Jennifer's contact and we can send those over to Jennifer, and then she'll send a nice letter and a complimentary certificate out to them. **Baugh:** OK good, because I'm getting a lot of complaints about it. **Fulkerson:** It might be in specific areas they are having

more difficulties than others, but it is because they did purchase a new hotel chain and they're merging. **Baugh:** OK great. I can pass that on. Thank you.

(8) **CLUB APPLICATIONS.**

The following Club Applications report prepared by **Club Membership Chair Liz Watson** was presented.

Committee Chair: Liz Watson

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Presented new clubs applying to the CFA to be approved by the Board

Current Happenings of Committee:

One new club has applied for membership into CFA. It is:

Chocolate Heart International Division, China

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are twenty members, no members participate in other CFA clubs. This is an allbreed club which wishes to put on shows twice a year. The dues have been set and if disbanded, monies will be donated to an organization along the guidelines of CFA No negative letters have been received regarding this club. I have contacted this club secretary three times asking for addresses of the officers, board members and members. I have received no reply. The International Chair is aware of the lack of addresses and we leave it to the Board's discretion as to what to do.

Hamza: The next report is the ID, and Dick, that's you. **Hannon:** No, Club Applications. **Hamza:** Oh, I skipped Club Applications. **Kallmeyer:** Club Applications, yeah. **Hamza:** I'm sorry. David keeps messing around with the screen. **White:** No, actually the site went down, so I had to go to the thumb drive. **Hamza:** Anyway, the committee chair is Liz Watson and she has one club. It is the Chocolate Heart club. I'm sure we're losing something in the translation. Does anybody have any comments on the Chocolate Heart club? Dick, this is in your area. What do you know about this? **Kallmeyer:** I think we ought to table this, because we can't figure out the addresses of where the club officers are from, so we need more information. We just haven't been able to get it. **Hamza:** Does anybody mind us tabling this to the next meeting, so that we can try to fill in the gaps? **Newkirk:** If Dick is making the motion, I'll second it. **Kallmeyer:** I'll make the motion.

Hamza called the motion (to table). **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** The consideration of the Chocolate Heart club has been tabled to the November meeting.

Future Projections for Committee:

Process and submit new club applications for consideration by the Board.

Time Frame:

October 2012 to Board teleconference in November, 2012.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

All new clubs that have applied for membership.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Watson, Chair

(9) **INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.**

International Division Committee Chair **Richard Kallmeyer** gave the following report:

Committee Chair: Richard Kallmeyer
Committee Members: Kenny Currle – Middle East/Africa/Latin America Liaison; Liz Watson – Latin America; Wayne Trevathan – Judging Liaison; Phebe Low – Elected ID Representative; Russell Law – Appointed ID Representative

Recent Happenings in the International Division:

The ID award proposal has been delayed to allow additional comments from the ID clubs. The new timeline is:

Here's the new timeline:

The final proposals from the ID representatives and the ID award committee will be due no later than October 15.

Three proposals will be sent to all ID clubs:

1. *No change*
2. *ID representative proposal*
3. *ID award committee proposal*

Clubs will have until November 15th to provide comments and to designate their preferences.

The results and proposals will be presented to the Board of Directors December telephone board meeting. Phebe Low and Russell Law will be invited to participate.

Newkirk: Did we pass over the ID Committee? **Hamza:** No. We're right there now. **Hannon:** We're at brunch. **Newkirk:** Oh, OK. Sorry. **Hannon:** Aren't we at brunch? **Hamza:** Well, it's – Mark is asking about brunch, but we're not going anywhere until 12:30. I want to push as much as we can. **Dick:** **Kallmeyer:** OK. First of all, I would like to, in the Show Rules, we had a consideration for the new awards for the ID. I would like to put that off until December, to allow more comments. One of the things that popped up is that we had set up awards by number of shows, so the first question was, well, instead of an 8 ring show over 2 days, can we do two 4x4 ring shows? So, I think we ought to re-establish a base number of shows. **Hamza:** You mean, number of rings, don't you Dick? **Kallmeyer:** Number of rings. I'm sorry, number of rings. The second part would be, what happens if we have a country that's not listed there, like the Philippines? Where do they fit in the awards? So, there's other issues. In addition, the ID reps

want to also provide a proposal, so my recommendation is that we provide the proposals to the clubs for comments and then bring this up possibly at the December board meeting.

Action Item:

The current show rule 12.01 allows clubs to license shows for Saturday and Sunday. In several countries of the International Division, the 'weekend' is Friday and Saturday. The ID is asking the board for a blanket approval of shows to be licensed on Friday as well as Saturday and Sunday for the current show season.

The ID committee will also ask the Show Rules Committee before the February, 2013 board meeting for a new show rule to this effect to be included in the 2013-2014 Show Rules.

Kallmeyer: There is an action item, and it happens in some countries in the International Division, Friday and Saturday are the weekend. Now, our current Show Rules say you can license a show on Saturday or Sunday. We've had the issue with pet fairs, as well. What I would like to do, until we can have Monte free up some time for the new Show Rules is, pass a motion on the board such that until the new Show Rules are out, that shows can be licensed on Friday as the normal course in these countries. In fact, we probably ought to make it worldwide. [transcript goes to last paragraph] **Kallmeyer:** I would like to make the motion that Friday is part of the weekend for show licensing, until we can get it into the Show Rules. **Newkirk:** I'll second it. **Hamza:** So, your motion is to expand the understanding of "weekend" to include Friday, Saturday and Sunday. **Kallmeyer:** Right, for show licensing. **Hamza:** And Darrell seconded it. All in favor. **Petty:** Wait. Wait, wait. I've got a comment. **Hamza:** OK, go ahead Tracy. **Petty:** I just would like us to specify that the weekend can be any two of those days, not all three, unless that's what we want to do, but I would think just two days. **Hamza:** Let me ask you this. Isn't that already covered in the Show Rules anyway? Doesn't it state that the show can only be two days? **Meeker:** Jerry? **Kallmeyer:** Yes, I think it already covers, and we make exceptions for pet fairs. **Hamza:** That's how I recall it. **Petty:** OK. I would like us to actually state what we're doing here, then, because I didn't quite understand if Dick said this was only in certain countries or all around the world, and if we're over-ruling that show rule even temporarily, we need to state exactly what it is. **Hamza:** You know, Dick, when we get to the Show Rules, maybe we should just use the word "weekend" and then it lines up culturally. I don't know. **Kallmeyer:** I don't know. That's why we need the other rule, but let's say, how about this? Rewording it that until that Show Rule is changed, that clubs wishing to put on a Friday show or a Friday/Saturday show would be allowed, could be licensed. **Hannon:** Are we talking about a lot of exceptions here? A lot of Friday shows? **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, it could be. The whole Middle East or predominantly Muslim countries would definitely be interested in this. I would say you're probably talking maybe at most five. **Hannon:** Can't we just follow the show rules and say, exceptions can be made by the executive committee? **Kallmeyer:** Well, we could do that. **Hamza:** But then we've got to vote every time there's a – **Hannon:** But there's only five, he said. **Hamza:** But it's growing. **Hannon:** We can rewrite the show rules for another meeting, rather than sitting here trying to do it. **Kallmeyer:** OK. If we do that, then I propose that the Kuwait club be allowed to license a show Friday/Saturday. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. Motion Carried.

Thompson: Will this be – do you know, Dick, if they are going to – if they’re asking for this for their February show? **Kallmeyer:** Yeah. That’s the show that they’re really concerned about. **Thompson:** OK. **Hamza:** Michael, you had a – **Shelton:** I would just like to see this, if we are going to ask Monte to put together a show rule to cover this, that it not just be limited to the ID. There are cases where Friday/Saturday shows might be appropriate. I’ve even had clubs ask me about doing Sunday/Monday shows on three-day weekends. **Hamza:** You know, and those are valid. I think you’re right, we need to talk to Monte. I would just like the – you know, and there might be instances where a club might want to have a show in the middle of the week, I don’t know. **Hannon:** The show rule doesn’t define “weekend”. **Shelton:** We could just look at it as any – shows can be licensed on two consecutive days, not limited to weekends. I think it would be a big risk to put on a show in the middle of the week, but that’s up to the club. **Hamza:** We’ve been looking around here. The only limitations we’re finding is that the most consecutive days you can have a show is two. **Kallmeyer:** 2.14 or 2.17 says that you cannot go to a show within 4 days apart, or something like that. **Hamza:** Of what? **Kallmeyer:** Of two shows. You’re not allowed to exhibit on a Sunday and a Thursday show. There has to be at least 4 days between shows that you attend. Its either – I don’t have the rule – 2.14 or 2.17. **Hannon:** So what? That doesn’t impact what you’re trying to do. **Kallmeyer:** No, no. I’m saying that if you have a show at any time, you would also have to change that. **Shelton:** 12.07 does specifically say, “Saturday and Sunday”. **Kallmeyer:** Right. **Hamza:** Alright. Well, you know what? We’ll have to get with Monte and make this so that there’s a lot more flexibility in it, to embrace different cultures, and actually help us out with domestic situations. I love the idea of a Sunday/Monday show on a holiday weekend. It really gives people a whole different option. Carissa, your hand is up. **Altschul:** Yes. My only concern would be, we always have people who look for ways to bend the rules without breaking them. Technically, three days of a one-day show each day, we need to make sure we write that – that you can’t have three one-day shows in a row – Friday, Saturday, Sunday. **Hamza:** Right. We’ll have to, when I get in contact with Monte over this – Monte is pretty good at trying to figure out the devious bends to things. He’s been fairly successful at heading them off, and I will raise some of the board’s concerns at that time and we’ll see what he comes up with. Darrell. **Newkirk:** Is there a reason that we can’t just let a club request this through Central Office and be brought to the board’s attention, and we can vote on it? We have a meeting every month. **Hamza:** Yeah. I mean, that’s something, and that’s certainly what we’re doing to see if we can’t remedy this an easier way. I mean, you know, because don’t you think we’re going to explode in non-Christian countries? **Newkirk:** Absolutely. **Hamza:** We’re already starting to have that, so we’ve got to – I would like to see a policy that doesn’t – you know, they just do it and it doesn’t add an extra step for Central Office. Maybe it doesn’t work out, but let’s give Monte a change to see if he can come up with something that works.

Hamza: Darrell, you had a question here? **Newkirk:** Well, it’s not in relation to this. I emailed Dick last night about the points required for [inaudible]. **Kallmeyer:** Oh, OK. **Newkirk:** He wanted Pauli to bring it up, but since Pauli’s not on the call, I want to bring it up. It’s another thing, and I’ll go back to when I was Chair, when we increased Russia to 200 points, we increased Ukraine I think to 125 and the plan was that the following year, Ukraine would go just like Russia and the rest of the now Region 9. Somehow or another, that got overlooked last year when we did the show rules. **Kallmeyer:** Jerry, we might bring that up – **Newkirk:** Go ahead, Dick. **Kallmeyer:** We might bring that up when we do the show rules, because we have the other

points changing. I think that would probably be the best place. **Hamza:** Alright. We'll move that over to the Show Rules and Dick, if I forget, please remind me of that when we get to Show Rules. **Kallmeyer:** Sure.

*This report is respectfully submitted by,
Dick Kallmeyer, Chair
CFA International Division Committee*

Hamza: Dick, do you have anything else for the ID? **Kallmeyer:** That's it.

(10) **SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

Chair Dr. Roger Brown presented the following report:

Committee Chair: Roger Brown, DVM
Committee Members: Roemann Fulkerson

Brief Summation of Immediate past Committee Activities:

1. *Monitoring CFA's DNA Program*
2. *Communication by phone and e-mail with clients*
3. *Communication with Texas A&M regarding test licenses and royalties*
4. *Finalizing the Pet Passport Program*

Current Happenings of Committee:

1. *Troubleshooting and answering client questions on test results and their sample status at the labs. Problems are few and far between*
2. *Web-site changes involving CFA's DNA program*
3. *Work in multiple areas to coordinate launch of the CFA Pet Passport program*
4. *Preparations to launch CFA's Pet Passport program at the World Show in November. A booth will be available to answer questions about the program.*
5. *The program is divided into two parts. One will be implemented through Animal Shelters/Rescues, and the other will be used for Breeders and Owners of pedigreed cats. Both programs will include the option of using CFA's Microchip. We also hope to integrate DNA profiles in future programs. There are no up-front costs with Pet Key for the products in these programs. They will produce new revenue for CFA, increase CFA registrations, and save money by streamlining CFA services.*

Future Projections for Committee:

1. *Integrating CFA's DNA program with our microchips through our Pet Passport program.*
2. *CFA's DNA program hopes to soon add 3 new tests to our SNP array profile. We will be reaching out to a number of Animal Shelter and Rescue groups asking them to include our Pet Passport program in their adoption process. Large groups such as the Mayor's Alliance in the New York City area will targeted early in our marketing. Pet Key already has a presence in approximately 250 Shelter/Rescue Groups. Several presentations will be given on the Pet Passport program at the World Show.*

What will be presented at the Next Meeting?

1. *Update on the DNA program*
2. *Update on Pet Passport program*
3. *Update on Multi-tiered registration*

*Respectfully submitted,
Roger Brown, DVM*

Hamza: OK, Scientific Advisory Committee. That's Roger Brown. **Brown:** OK. Basically, everything is – there is very little to add to my report, but I do want to indicate that we will be launching the Pet Passport program at the World Show. There's going to be a wonderful booth there. The people from Pet Passport will be giving two short presentations on the Pet Passport program at the show and we feel that everything is in place, and we're all ready for the launch. The other thing that the Scientific Advisory Committee is doing is investigating hybrid cats – the wild gene – and I will give a full report on that when it's ready. We're finding that there is a lot of conflicting information out there and I'm going to try to put everything in perspective when the report is issued. George has consented to work with me on this committee. George and I will try to put everything together so that if there is something that comes up at the Annual meeting, we'll be able to answer all the questions. **Hamza:** You know, Roger, I spent over an hour on the phone yesterday with Leslie Lyons, and so what I would like to do is, when we go to – just at the end of the day when we go into closed session, I would just like to bring up some points that may be able to help your committee, and really to help the board decide, you know, how we think we should proceed with this. So, anyway, at the very least, it's going to dump a lot of information on your lap.

[EXECUTIVE SESSION]

Hamza: Alright. We're going to break an hour for lunch. We'll be back here at quarter to 2.

[BREAK]

(11) **CLERKING PROGRAM.**

Committee Chair: Cheryl Coleman
Liaison to Board: Michael Shelton

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Clerking Test: the majority of the clerks who paid their biennial dues have completed the test. I am waiting on the statistics from Central Office as to the results of online vs. hard-copy, retests, and the number of people who took each test. As that data becomes available, I will present in the next report.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Clerking test results: Since I was responsible for the online tests, I can provide the statistics from that portion. The Clerks had the opportunity to retake the test so that they could pass (questions were random with the on-line test):

Online results:

6% received between 80-84% (grade requirement for Licensed Clerk)
12% received between 85-89% (grade requirement and higher, for Master Clerk/MCI)
31% received between 90-94%
52% received between 95-100%

Shirley gave me the names of approximately 10 individuals who did not pass the hard copy test. I have notified them via email, and recommended they take the retest online for quicker results (and that they can take it over immediately). Two people have taken advantage of that and have passed the test.

Online training for Clerking Schools: I have asked all Master Clerk Instructors to send me their materials they utilize for teaching Clerking schools. I received several excellent examples of teaching materials that we will be utilizing for the schools. The plan is to proceed further within the next month or so, with 3 individuals I've asked to assist with the development: Dick Kallmeyer, Megan Hiemstra and Sande Willen.

Club Incentives for Hiring Clerks: a rough draft of what would be an incentive for clubs to hire Licensed clerks was sent to a random group of Show Managers, Clerks, Judge's and several Board Members. Based off the discussions I have had, I would like to include some of their suggestions, and present this document at the next Board meeting.

World Show Clerks: Presently finalizing the list of Clerk's for the second "World Show" (Purple). All 10 clerks for the first show (Red) have been finalized since August. Waiting on response from 2 of the other Judge's as to their selections. I am also obtaining four (4) floater clerks for the World shows, two (2) for each show.

Future Projections for Committee:

Rewarding Clubs/Clerks for being licensed: (see explanation above)

Online training for Clerking Schools: (see explanation above)

Archival of Clerking Evaluations (same data from June report): remove all deceased Clerks and inactive Clerk's evaluation forms from file cabinets at Central Office. These forms could be scanned into a PDF, giving it the name of the clerk, and filed away/backed up for storage. The paper copy can be destroyed after that point.

Current Clerking Evaluations/online access (same data from June report):The IT committee and Clerking committee should meet to discuss how we could format the Clerking Evaluation process so that clerks can see the number of satisfactory evaluations they have received, and how many they still need, to proceed in the Clerking program.

Clerk of the Year Awards for all Regions (same data from June report):To discuss with the regions that do not award a Clerk of the Year, and see how they could institute this award. We are aware that there are some regions with a limited number of Clerks – there could be a few ways they could try to encourage new clerks, or present the award every 2 years.

Action Items:

None at this time

Time Frame:

Timeframe for above future projections: 1- year

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Coleman, Chair

Hamza: Michael, are you ready to proceed with the Clerking Program Committee?

Shelton: You bet. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Shelton:** It's actually not going to take me very long. There's nothing really new here in the Clerking Report. There are no action items. This is pretty much just the status of things that have been ongoing and a couple of projects, but there's nothing really new here, so unless anybody has any questions, I'm ready to move on. **Hamza:** Are there any questions? OK. Well, thank you Michael.

Huhtaniemi: This is Pauli. **Hamza:** Pauli, go ahead. **Huhtaniemi:** I have a question about the Clerking Program. I have heard a lot of complaints that the new clerks haven't received any information if they are certified or not. Do we have some answers from the Clerking Program for that? **Thompson:** What are they missing? **Shelton:** If I understand the question correctly, that's one of the things that's going to be worked on that we've recognized as a problem, is that there is no way for clerks to get feedback from their evaluation forms. The forms go into Central

Office and are basically never seen by the clerks again, so they don't know if any problems in their clerking have been pointed out. We're working on a mechanism so that they can find out if they've had any suggestions made or criticisms about their performance that have been entered on the clerking form. We are working on a way to get that information back out to the clerks.

Huhtaniemi: OK, thank you.

(12) **CFA LEGISLATION COMMITTEE.**

Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser gave the following report:

Committee Chair: George Eigenhauser
List of Committee Members: Joan Miller, Fred Jacobberger,
Phil Lindsley, Jill Abel
CFA Legislative Group: George Eigenhauser, Sharon Coleman, Joan Miller

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Federal legislators returned briefly to Washington from their summer recess and are now on break campaigning in their home districts. Many state legislatures have resumed following summer recess. The CFA Legislative Group is tracking "active" state bills along with dozens more bills that are "inactive" but still require our attention. We continue to update the online bill tracking list as well as providing guidance on the "hot" legislative issues of the day. Local (city and county) government continues to be a problem. Ordinances are being introduced on a variety of subjects, often with very short notice. Bans on pet sales continues to be a hot topic at the local level. Many local jurisdictions have adopted or are considering a ban on the sales of pets. Some of these ordinances are specifically targeted to pet stores, some are dogs only, but others are broad enough to include cats and other species and ban sales by home, hobby breeders.

The recent HOT SPOTS -

Federal - HOT!

*The dominant legislative issue since the last legislative report has been the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) proposed rule which would, for the first time, **require federal regulation, licensing and inspection of people (including many hobby breeders) who sell pets directly to pet buyers.** The USDA/APHIS proposal, APHIS Docket No. APHIS-2011-0003, would change the interpretation of the existing law and therefore does not require any legislative approval or presidential signature. Introduced on May 10, 2012 the deadline for comment letters was July 16, 2012, which the USDA extended to August 15, 2012.*

*HSUS and the ASPCA used the extension for a massive "Astroturf campaign" to sway federal regulators. The AKC began a petition drive as well. However, these are not elected officials and are not swayed by mere numbers on either side of an issue. (The USDA's own interpretation of the comments was that multiple signatures on one petition/comment is still **one** comment.)*

CFA placed a "countdown clock" on both the CFA home page and our legislative page and encouraged cat fanciers to submit comments in opposition. Guidance material was updated frequently, sometimes several times a week. E-mail pleas for help were sent to the lists and to every CFA club in the United States. Flyers were created for the general public, cat show spectators and others to educate the public and encourage them to submit opposition. While

trying to encourage as many comments in opposition as possible, CFA kept as our focus specific and well-reasoned objections to the proposal. The response from the cat fancy was overwhelming. The CFA Board responded to the calls for action with each of the members residing in the United States providing their own comments in opposition (several Board members made multiple comments.) The official CFA Comment Letter in opposition is available on the CFA legislative alerts page.

On August 16, 2012, the morning after the deadline for comments to USDA/APHIS, our legislative focus shifted to federal elected representatives. While congress does not directly supervise the USDA/APHIS (they fall within the Executive Branch) congress does control their budget and has a great deal of influence. A new alert was posted encouraging fanciers to contact their federal representatives to express opposition.

We do not know how long it will take the USDA/APHIS to read and consider all 15,359 separate comments. At the conclusion of the review they may adopt the original proposal, withdraw it or make revisions. The process of reviewing all of the comments received may take weeks or even months. While we give thanks to all of the fanciers who took time to post comments in opposition to the rule, now is not the time for us to rest on our laurels. The fight is far from over. We continue to encourage fanciers to meet with their Senators, congress members (or staff) to put pressure on the USDA to drop the proposed rule. We encourage fanciers to visit the CFA legislative page and review the "Next Step Guide" and keep up the fight.

<http://www.cfa.org/documents/legislative/CFANextStepGuide-APHIS.pdf>

UPDATE: *USDA/APHIS contends that the reason for the proposed rule is citizen complaints about unregulated Internet sales. The Sportsmen's and Animal Owners' Voting Alliance (SAOVA) filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for copies of the alleged complaints. The result: no such documents could be found. Congress is now in recess so the members can campaign for reelection in their home districts. Now is the time to tell your representative about the FOIA request and urge them to encourage the USDA/APHIS drop their proposal. For more information see the September 2012 CFA Newsletter article: "**Breaking News - APHIS responds to a FOIA!**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison.*

Hamza: Next up is the Legislative Committee, and that would be George. **Eigenhauser:** Can everybody hear me? **Hannon:** Yes. **Eigenhauser:** OK. Normally I'm good and I don't repeat things that are in the written report, but I'm going to make an exception today, because there are two national issues that I really want to emphasize in the minutes. One is the USDA/APHIS proposal. That's the proposal we were dealing with in the Spring and early Summer where the USDA is proposing to amend their regulations to allow or to require licensing and inspection of hobby breeders. Even though the comment period on that subject has ended, so they are no longer accepting public comments, the issue is not over. They are reviewing the comments and will be making a decision at some point in the future. It could be weeks, it could be months, we don't know. We have no direct way to influence the USDA. We're not their constituents, we're not voters in their districts, but they are answerable to Congress. What we are encouraging people to do is to get in touch with their elected representatives – their congressman and their two senators – to lean on the USDA to drop this thing. There is a guide on the CFA

Legislative page that we call the *What's Next Guide* to explain to people what to do. Now is an excellent time to be contacting your congressman, because all of Congress is up for election right now, so they are pretty much all in their home districts campaigning, up until the first week in November. So, they are in their home districts, they are amenable to talking to their constituents. Now is a good time to tell them that we oppose the USDA regulations. If you need something to say, there are some comments on the website, or you can just print out a copy of CFA's own comment letter in opposition and bring that with.

Even while we battle the regulatory change, the war continues on other fronts. The federal "Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act" (PUPS) continues to gain cosponsors in both the Senate as well as the House of Representatives. Federal law currently exempts hobby breeders who sell directly to the public at retail. PUPS would require federal licensing and inspection of dog breeders who place as few as 50 puppies per year. The assumption is that in future years cats will be added and the number lowered. The bill has been assigned to committee in each house but no hearing dates have been set. When you contact your senators and congressional representative to oppose the USDA/APHIS proposal, please remember to ask them to oppose PUPS or withdraw their support if they are a cosponsor. [NOTE: some people are suggesting that PUPS may be attached to the Farm Bill which congress is expected to consider during the "lame duck" session.] Please watch the CFA alerts page for updates.

Eigenhauser: While we are in the neighborhood, the Federal PUPS bill is not dead, either. I know some of you may have seen cross-posts on the list that suggest if it gets four more sponsors, it's automatically going to start moving forward. I personally don't believe that. I believe that there is such a logjam in Congress that when they come back after the election, there are too many emergency matters they have to deal with and there are too many procedural steps for the PUPS bill to move forward on its own. However, one of the bills that is almost certain to pass in the lame duck session is the Farm Bill, and there's a lot of talk that PUPS may be one of the innumerable amendments that are going to be slapped on the Farm Bill like a Christmas tree. So, while you're in your congressman's office or your senator's office telling them that you oppose the USDA/APHIS proposal, that would be a good time to tell them that you oppose PUPS, too, and do what you can to either get them to oppose it or at least get them to drop to neutral. In order to be able to get it through with the amount of time left in Congress, there will be a lot of procedural hurdles that we will have to overcome that may, in some instances, require a super majority vote, so we don't necessarily need 50% to block this. We may be able to do it with considerably less, but at the moment neither one of those two things is dead. They are both alive, and the any way people can have any impact is by contacting your congressman or your senators and try to get them to either put pressure on the USDA to drop that proposal or, if PUPS should come up before them either freestanding or as an attachment to some other bill, to oppose it. So, those are the things I want to be sure get out in the minutes.

Local Issues

*The City of Chula Vista, CA previously considered a mandatory spay neuter proposal. Thanks to opposition from local breeders this was not adopted. However, an ordinance passed which defines a "pet seller" as "anyone who sells more than two dogs and/or cats in Chula Vista in a 12-month period." On Tuesday, September 25th the **Chula Vista** Council will consider*

modifications to the ordinance which will make it even more confusing and unreasonable. As written it could even require licensing of a person who rescues a pregnant cat if the person places 3 or more of the kittens!

*In June, **Huntington Beach, CA** adopted a ban on dog and cat sales over a two-year period. It exempts animals obtained from a shelter, humane society or rescue.*

*The City of **Los Angeles, CA** is considering a proposal to ban the sale of "commercially-bred" dogs, cats, chickens and rabbits within city limits. Also calls for the establishment. The proposal would also create a program in which the Los Angeles Department of Animal Services would work with licensed pet stores to make shelter animals available for adoption at pet stores.*

***Brick Township, NJ** adopted a ban on the sale of dogs and cats in pet stores within township limits. The ban contains language exempting existing pet stores selling dogs and cats prior to effective date of ordinance.*

*The town of **Scarborough, ME** turned down (tabled indefinitely) a proposed ban on the retail sale of dogs and cats.*

***Manasquan, NJ** is considering an ordinance to ban pet shops and kennels from selling and/or breeding dogs and cats. Pet Shops includes places where pets are sold for personal appreciation and companionship rather than for business or research purpose Exempt would be any shelter, pound or other establishment keeping, displaying, selling a dog, or cat that has been seized, rescued or donated. The proposal failed on August 20, 2012 but a new version has been set for hearing.*

And in Other News

The American Bird Conservancy (ABC), the Audubon Society and other bird groups continue their public relations campaign to convince the public to round up and kill feral cats. For example, the ABC continues to claim that an 8 year old girl in Northern California contracted rabies from a feral cat, although neither the Center for Disease Control nor California health authorities agree.

A new study by the University of Georgia and the National Geographic Society's Crittercam program, attached "kittycams" to 60 house cats allowed to roam outdoors for five to six hours a day in Athens, GA. Fifty-five cats were included in the final study with over 2,000 hours of video. The study found that only about 30 percent of the cats were successful in capturing prey and that reptiles, mammals and invertebrates constitute the majority of suburban prey. ONLY 5 birds were taken by cats during the entire study. Lead researcher, Kerrie Anne Loyd said: "The birds were a minority of the prey items." The ABC is now making the rounds of talk shows claiming: "Based on these results, American Bird Conservancy and The Wildlife Society estimate that house cats kill far more than the previous estimate of a billion birds and other animals each year."

On a more positive note, the American Bar Association (ABA), Animal Law Committee is making a recommendation to the ABA to adopt a statement in opposition to laws or regulations that

negatively reclassify cats as feral, non-native, nuisance, etc., to reduce legal protection for cats. Concerns are that governmental entities are attempting to reduce the legal protections for some cats. There may be more development on this issue within the next several months.

Litigation

At the end of July the Supreme Court of New Jersey joined other courts in this country rejecting emotional damages for loss of a pet. In Joyce McDougall v. Charlot Lamm the court ruled that there is no basis in law or in public policy for recovering emotion-based damages in pet litigation. The court wrote, "Although we recognize that many people form close bonds with their pets, we conclude that those bonds do not rise to the level of a close familial relationship or intimate, marital-like bond." The court noted that to allow emotional distress damages harm to a dog would be broader than the recovery allowed for a human.

In Texas, the fallout from HB 1451 continues. Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation (TDLR) was instructed to appoint a Breeders License Committee and develop the rules for implementation. These rules have been controversial, with HSUS and others complaining about laxness and breeders concerned about being regulated out of existence. The RPOA Outreach is raising funds for a lawsuit to challenge the new rules and block enforcement of HB 1451.

Current Happenings of Committee/Legislative Group:

Publications

The CFA Newsletter has provided space for a "What's Hot" legislative column to provide information on new and urgent matters of interest to the cat fancy. By contrast, Cat Talk Almanac articles are written for less time sensitive matters with a focus on guidance on lobbying in general. Articles planned or updated since the June 2012 Board meeting:

- *CFA Newsletter, July 2012, "**USDA/APHIS proposal UPDATE - Comment Period extended to August 15th!**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. The article provided updated information regarding the USDA/APHIS proposal to require federal licensing and inspection of many hobby breeders. The article also provided links to CFA online resources to combat this intrusive regulatory proposal.*
- *CFA Newsletter, August 2012, "**The APHIS deadline has arrived!!!**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. This was the final push for exhibitors and breeders to submit opposition to the USDA/APHIS proposal before the deadline. Again, this article provided both guidance as well as links to online CFA legislative information and alerts.*
- *CFA Newsletter, September 2012, "**Breaking News - APHIS responds to a FOIA!**" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. The justification for the USDA/APHIS proposal for federal licensing and inspection of hobby breeders is that they claim to have received numerous complaints about unhealthy dogs being sold directly to the public over the Internet. The article documents the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request by the Sportsmen's & Animal Owners' Voting Alliance (SAOVA). The USDA response to the SAOVA request is that they are unable to find any records of such complaints.*

- *CFA Newsletter, September 2012, "Texas Breeder Licensing is Now the LAW" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. This article is an update on Texas HB 1451, which went into effect September 1. The Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation (TDLR) appointed a committee which developed the rules for implementation. No one is satisfied with the resulting rules. Breeders are angry about the rigorous requirements while the Animal Rights advocates feel the standards of care are inadequate.*
- *Cat Talk Almanac, August 2012, "Cat Licensing is a Cat Owner Tax - Why CFA Opposes" by Joan Miller, CFA Legislative Information Liaison. This article combines and updates CFA's position on cat licensing as a disguised cat tax. It contains points and information necessary for opposition to cat license laws. This issue has become urgent due to some dog fanciers who push for the "Calgary system" which contains cat licensing. After publication in Cat Talk magazine it will be available our web page.*

In addition to the regular articles by the Legislative Committee in the Newsletter and Cat Talk Almanac we continue to update the online listing of the hundreds of state and federal bills CFA is tracking this legislative session, as well as the bills which were introduced this year and placed on a two year track to move forward next year. The complete state and federal bill tracking list can be found at: <http://www.cfa.org/documents/legislative/bill-tracking.pdf>

Conferences:

***No-Kill Conference**, Washington, DC, George Washington Law School, August 11-12, 2012. George Eigenhauser attended to promote CFA's interests in the no kill movement. The no kill movement tries to be breeder friendly and focused on building coalitions to solve problems. CFA was a sponsor of the first No Kill Conference. This year the "puppy mill" presentations were gone and the conference again focused on cooperative, community solutions over coercive legislation. Of note, a new "documentary" on the No Kill movement will be released shortly. An extended trailer for the movie was aired at the conference. It appears the No Kill movement will be trying to broaden the base of support and reach out to the general public.*

***Animal Health Institute (AHI) Pet Night on Capitol Hill** was held on September 20, 2012 in Washington, D.C. Pet Night is a rare opportunity to maintain contact with members of congress, their aides, federal regulators, top representatives of the pharmaceutical industry, veterinary organizations and other sponsors. CFA co-sponsored this event as we have done for 13 years. Special thanks to Freestate Feline Fanciers, Capital Cat Fanciers, Cat Fanciers of Washington, Hidden Peak Cat Club, Coastal Paws Cat Club and other clubs and individuals for their donations to the Sy Howard fund to offset the cost of the event this year. George Eigenhauser represented CFA at Pet Night along with Tracy Petty, Cynthia Bens, Thomas Kerch and Debbie Metz. The day following Pet Night there is a coalition meeting including AHI members and Pet Night sponsors to discuss joint legislative strategy on matters ranging from non-economic damages, pet shop bans, and other issues. Coalition participants provide us with legislative information, access to inside opinions of their lobbyists, and other help throughout the year. George Eigenhauser and Cynthia Bens attended on behalf of CFA.*

Future Projections for Committee and Legislative Group:

Upcoming conferences related to legislation –committed or pending:

Cat Writers Annual Conference, on November 3-4, 2012 in Los Angeles, CA. CFA was instrumental in founding the Cat Writers Association but we've been unable to attend their meeting in recent years. This meeting allows us to reach out to the media, editors and writers on cat issues and educate them to our "spin" on issues. All the dog and cat writers are there especially for the dinners/awards plus many of the pharmaceutical company people and others. These media/book/blog writers get our message out there. This year the Los Angeles location and early date makes it possible to have a presence at minimal cost. It is hoped that Joan Miller, George Eigenhauser or both will be able to attend.

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.

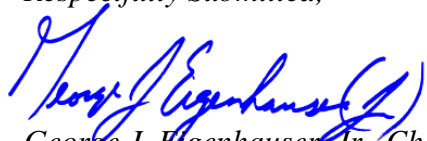
Time Frame:

Ongoing.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updates and pending legislative matters.

Respectfully Submitted,


George J. Eigenhauser, Jr., Chair

Eigenhauser: With that, I'm done unless somebody has questions. **Hamza:** OK. George, I appreciate the work you are doing in this. Have you heard anything about this APHIS proposal? **Eigenhauser:** No. Their deliberations are entirely internal. They will announce essentially when it's a done deal, one way or the other. We won't know until they announce it formally. When they do announce it formally, it may be that they adopt it just the way it was and ignore the comments, it may be that they come up with an entirely new proposal and put it out for comments, it may be that they drop it – there's a whole range of options they have. These regulatory proposals sometimes take years to get ironed out, as they put proposals out, take comments, put an amended proposal out. I would really need a crystal ball to know what this one's going to do next. **Hamza:** Alright. Well, take one out of petty cash. **Eigenhauser:** That's what I need, a magic 8 ball. **Hamza:** I've got one at home.

(13) **WINN FOUNDATION.**

Winn Foundation Liaison George Eigenhauser presented the following report:



<i>President:</i>	<i>Dr. Vicki Thayer</i>
<i>Chief Executive Officer:</i>	<i>Maureen Walsh</i>
<i>President Elect:</i>	
<i>Liaison to CFA Board:</i>	<i>George Eigenhauser</i>
<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Janet Wolf</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Bill Coombes, C.P.A.</i>
<i>Board Members:</i>	<i>Steve Dale, George Eigenhauser, Fred Jacobberger, Betty White, Dr. Melissa Kennedy, Dr. Susan Little</i>

Winn Feline Foundation has been busy since the last report and presentation to the CFA board in June. Here is an outline of major accomplishments and ongoing projects from the past 4 months:

Grant Program

- The Winn veterinary consultants/reviewers and board are scheduled to review 13 grant proposals for funding on behalf of the San Francisco Foundation's Miller/Redman Trust. We have approximately \$100,000 available to fund approved grant proposals. We have a new veterinary consultant, Dr. Joe Hauptman, from the University of Missouri replacing Dr. Patricia Gallo on the review team. Dr. Hauptman's specialty is in statistical analysis.*
- The grant announcement has gone out to the researcher's list for the 2013 Winn grants.*
- Details for all grant awards appear on our website and in the news releases included at the end of this report.*
- Managed the grant process, including updates to database and dissemination of progress reports and summary articles.*

Partnerships

- Renewed Merck Animal Health partnership and financial support.*

- *Winn Feline Foundation continues to promote their associate membership in the Partnership for Preventive Pet Healthcare. The Partnership is operated by the American Veterinary Medical Foundation (AVMA) and American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) and its mission is to ensure that pets receive the preventive healthcare they deserve through regular visits to a veterinarian. Recent information was in Winn's September eNewsletter.*
- **Winn/AVMF Research Award:** *Dr. Niels Pedersen of the University of California-Davis School of Veterinary Medicine is the 2012 recipient and the award was presented at the annual AVMA convention in San Diego on August 7. A recent press release has been sent out to media outlets.*
- **Winn/AVMF Scholarship Award:** *The recipient is Alison McKay of Oregon State Univ.*
- **Cat Health Network:** *A meeting with collaborative partners was held August 6 at the AVMA meeting in San Diego. A follow up meeting is scheduled for Schaumburg, IL for Sept. 30-Oct. 1. A desire to continue some form of collaborative effort was agreed upon.*

Infrastructure and Systems

- *Transition to a new fundraising platform, **Donor Pro** is complete and is being used with increased familiarity and comfort by our Administrative team. Alisa Salvaggio is the assistant to Maureen Walsh, our CEO. A bookkeeping service has been contracted to assist Treasurer, Bill Coombes, with the day-to-day financial work.*
- *Betsy Gaither submitted her resignation from the Winn board. We will miss her.*
- *Transition to a new administrative management service and location is complete.*

New address for Winn Feline Foundation:

*Winn Feline Foundation
355 Cornell Street
Wyckoff, NJ 07481
Toll-free: 1-888-963-6946, Ext. 700
(1-888-9MEOWIN)*

Promotion and Brand Building

- *Developed a new Winn mascot, Winnie, whose debut in July 2012 eNewsletter. Artist, Jamie Perry, developed Winnie for Winn. Winnie has started a new P-interest page.*
- *Betty White and Maureen Walsh have maintained a monthly Winn eNewsletter and content for the CFA eNewsletter. Winn's eNewsletter is a new format through Constant Contact.*
- *Promoting Winn's educational efforts through media sources*

- *Audio podcasted the Winn Symposium and the audio sources and notes will be available soon online for interested parties.*
- *Ongoing Winn social media presence and web presence (Dr. Susan Little)*

Events

- *2012 Winn Symposium included 2 hours of RACE approval. Speakers were Dr. Leslie Lyons—“The Next Generation of Feline Genetics” and Dr. John Rush—“Feline Cardiomyopathy-More than Genes. The Symposium was very successful with over 100 attendees. Thank you to all CFA supporters of our Symposium and Winn. The program is being developed for June 2013.*

*Respectfully submitted,
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<http://www.winnfelinehealth.blogspot.com>*

Hamza: You're still up, because the next issue is the Winn Feline Foundation.
Eigenhauser: Right. We had our grant review meeting for the Miller Trust on Wednesday. Unfortunately, our internal rules require that we contact the people seeking money before we announce to the public who got what. I can say that we distributed about \$100,000 or proposed to distribute about \$100,000 worth of money, but I can't really talk about any of the specific grant proposals until that becomes formal. In the meantime, we do have a regular Winn meeting set for next Wednesday. The previous Wednesday (this last Wednesday) was just to go over these grants. This coming Wednesday is going to be our regular meeting. Other than that, I don't have anything to add to the written report. **Hamza:** So, basically, the meat of the information from Winn will be coming up at the next board meeting, maybe? **Eigenhauser:** Correct. **Hamza:** OK. Very good. Any questions for George on Winn? OK.

(14) **HOUSEHOLD PET ISSUE.**

Hamza: Next, we're into – **Anger:** The Household Pet issue. **Hamza:** It's related to the Judging Program, so we'll call it Part A. Loretta, you put this on? **Baugh:** Is Part A in open session? I just want to verify? **Hamza:** I'm not sure what you're going to say, so what I'm going to ask you is, what's your opinion? **Baugh:** I was hoping you would make that call. Basically, you can decide. I think you understand that the clubs, the show managers and the judges need direction on what's the appropriate action. Whether you want to discuss that in open session or closed is your call. **Hamza:** I would like to, for the sake of transparency, discuss it in open session. Having said that, we need to not refer to people specifically. **Baugh:** Correct. Right, correct. **Hamza:** We need to talk in terms of generalities, and so as long as everybody understands that condition going forward, we're fine.

Baugh: OK. The issue that happened at a show last weekend was the presence of some [alleged wild blood cats] show as Household Pets. There's been discussion whether or not the owner knew ahead of time, but that's beside the point. The question that we have from both the club, the entry clerk, the judges, is how to handle the situation. We have a policy with our judges where we're not supposed to ask if a cat is a certain breed. The question arises, if we don't ask and we find out that they are a breed that isn't allowed in our show halls, what are we to do? What is the responsibility of an entry clerk and/or the show management as far as the legality and their responsibilities to follow show rules with this type of situation? **Hamza:** You know, as I look at this, there's no way we can ascertain with any kind of proof that even though we suspect there may be wild blood in the cat, we can't make that call. What we can do is to remind the people in these positions that it is CFA's rules and policies that prohibit these cats from being shown in the show hall and that, to the best of their ability, they need to uphold this. What that means, probably, in a practical sense, is that we're really not going to be able to do anything unless the person entering the cat says, "these are Bengals or Savannahs" or whatever, "and I'm entering them", it would be the responsibility of the entry clerk saying, "I'm sorry, those cats can't be entered", but to try to make determinations from when somebody says, "I got this cat from the shelter and I have no idea what's in this cat". I don't see any way of making that a cohesive policy that wouldn't lead to even more problems. Carissa. **Altschul:** I agree that we can't really expect the judges to tell whether or not a cat is a wild blood. However, if the exhibitor tells show management, is handing out cards and even tells the judges the cats are Bengals, I think it's pretty cut and dried. The moment somebody found out – assume the entry clerk wasn't told – the moment somebody found out at the show that they were Bengals through the person's own confession, they should have been removed and I think that's the direction we need to tell the clubs. **Hamza:** Well, you know, we're talking about human nature. The issue then is, you know, how many of these show management people are going to have the courage or just the ability to want to deal with a portentous situation. I mean, one of the options would be to give the person their money back and tell them they are very sorry. It's a very hard thing. George.

Eigenhauser: One of the problems we have here is, somehow the rumor got started that the proposed change in the Household Pets that was voted on at the Annual somehow changed CFA's policy on wild cat hybrids. There has been a lot of discussion of this on the CFA list. Apparently, there was some confusion at that show, so I think what we need to do is, put out a clear and unequivocal statement that that rule has not changed. It is as it was. However you

would have dealt with this last year is how you deal with it this year. Having said that, I agree with Jerry that judges are not required to be the FBI. They're not supposed to go out and investigate every entry to see if it's legally entered or not. That's not their job. Their job is to judge what they see on the table and not do anything more. So, unless the person actually comes up and confesses, or unless there's a DNA test, the judge shouldn't get involved. I want to disagree a little bit with some of the people, and Carissa brought it up as well, that are concerned about passing out business cards. I've got news for you. My business card says *Maine Coons* but we happen to have a longhaired mutt, too, and if I'm entered in a cat show, just because my business card says *Maine Coons* doesn't mean that mutt is a Maine Coon. So, when you're passing out business cards, there's no rule that says that Bengal breeders or people that like Bengals can't enter in CFA shows if they have a cat that's not a Bengal. So, the business card is irrelevant. The question is, is this cat a Bengal? You can't tell by looking. Show entry isn't going to know by looking at the entry form. If it comes out that it was, that's the responsibility of the exhibitor for having entered their cat incorrectly, because every time you enter a CFA show, it says right on the show entry for, *I have read the show rules*. It's the responsibility of the exhibitor. It's not the responsibility of anybody else. If there's a problem, somebody can file a protest against that exhibitor, but I don't think we need to engage in witch hunts, with judges running around trying to figure out what cats might or might not have wild blood. **Hamza:** I don't know how you feel about this, but I think that a process has to go on, even if the person says, "these are Bengals". If they were entered, I think we need to do something after the show. For instance, let's take the case we're talking about here. **Eigenhauser:** Let's not talk about the case. **Hamza:** Well, in very general terms. Or, let's just hypothetically say, somebody enters a cat in Household Pet and then later says to somebody, "yeah, these are Bengals", I think that has to come through some sort of process, and maybe at the board level we say, "this person acted in bad faith and we need to do something", and consider our options. Maybe Option A is that, you know, this person is not allowed to show in CFA anymore. **Eigenhauser:** And that's why I said it needs to go through the protest process. There are a number of different circumstances. The person may have entered a Bengal just not knowing. **Hamza:** Right. **Eigenhauser:** Or it may have been a Bengal breeder who did that intentionally because they want [inaudible] other cats in CFA. Or it may have been a circumstance where somebody mistakenly told them they could enter in CFA. So, there's all kinds of shades of grey in here that we really don't have to deal with at the board level today. That's something that, when it comes up, we can deal with them on a case-by-case basis. If it was innocent, the board can just say, "oops". If it was something that involved some malice, then the board can affix a punishment, but in terms of Loretta's question, "how should show committees and judges deal with the situation?", I think the number one thing the board can do is reiterate, CFA shows do not allow wild cats or wild cat hybrids. That rule has not changed. If we ratify the rule that was passed by the delegation in June, it still doesn't change the rule, and so we need to squash the rumors to the contrary that have been going on out there. **Hamza:** Right. Mark. **Hannon:** I don't think we need to wait until after the show to take any action. As Annette just said to me, what happens if somebody's got a kitten in the show hall that's under 4 months of age? We don't wait until after the show to decide to do something about it. The show manager goes up and approaches the people with the underage kitten and, if it's determined it is underage, they are told to leave. If somebody comes up to a judge and says, "oh, this cat you just finalized is a Bengal", I think the judge has a responsibility to bring that to show management's attention right then and there, and the person should be asked to leave.

Eigenhauser: I think that's what everybody is saying. It has to be close to a confession. It can't just be, "this cat looks spotted to me" or "this cat is a Bengal breeder's" or "this cat passed around business cards that say Bengal". It's got to be something, either a DNA test or something close to a confession, but if that happens, then you have to do what you have to do. **Hamza:** Or you put us in a legally liable position.

[EXECUTIVE SESSION]

Baugh: Before we go any further, I have a question. **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead, Loretta. **Baugh:** OK. One of the things that I frequently do when I judge Household Pets is, when I do my final, I tend to ask the exhibitor, because so many times there are cats that are being up for adoption. I've already ranked them, so it's not going to affect anything. I tend to ask the exhibitor how the cat came to live with them, and in the course of discussions, I have had them tell me, "oh, it's a Snowshoe", or it's this or it's that. So, the potential for that to come up exists. The other point that I need to make is, I have two clubs, both in the area where there are a lot of TICA people and they want to know where they stand, if this individual that did this, or other TICA breeders in the area enter a brown spotted Household Pet, are they responsible for contacting this person before accepting the entry to determine whether or not it's a Bengal? **Hamza:** No. **Baugh:** They don't want to break the show rules, but they don't want to end up in trouble the other way, either. **Hamza:** That's the "don't ask" part. You know, we can put it in somewhere. Our official policy, we don't. Here's where the problem is going to lie and here's why we've got to go with the "don't ask" part. You know, most people don't know what it is. Most people will say, I mean, how many times have we been to a show hall – hell, I've even had somebody come up to me and look at one of my Persians and say, "I have an Aby at home that looks just like it." **White:** I've seen a few. They do. **Hamza:** Thank you very much. But, I mean, the reality is, we're dealing with – and that tends to carry over to the Household Pet division, because a lot of those people are unsophisticated with pedigreed cats. **Baugh:** But if we have a sophisticated Bengal breeder entering cats, is the club responsible for determining whether or not they are Bengals? They need to know. **Hamza:** No, no. **Baugh:** It's a Bengal breeder entering the cat. **Hamza:** No. We've got to be clear on our position so that people understand that if the intention of the breeder is to try to get a Bengal on the CFA bench and it's a political agenda, we're not going to look favorably upon that, but if it's an innocent mistake, I mean, the benchmark should be, what's the level of malice? If there's no malice, you really don't want to go punishing people. If there is malice, you know, that's a whole different thing. Ed. **Raymond:** In the situation where you've got a Bengal breeder, I don't think there is anything wrong with the entry clerk restating the show rule that cats with wild blood are not eligible for entry in a show. Period. No question, just put the standard out and leave it to the exhibitor to decide whether they comply. **Hamza:** And, you know, would there be a problem if we added that to – if we told the entry clerks that, you know, that little line should be added to their confirmation? **Hannon:** No. **Raymond:** There's no problem with doing it. **Hannon:** It's unnecessary. **Raymond:** But is it overkill? **Hannon:** Yes. **Hamza:** I don't know. **Raymond:** With unique situations. **Hamza:** Carissa. **Altschul:** This kind of situation happened before in Houston with almost the exact same circumstances, and that person was removed from the show hall because the show management is in charge of enforcing show rules, just like if a sick cat was in there or an improper entry or whatever. Show management is responsible for this, and I say if somebody is a show manager

and doesn't feel comfortable asking someone to leave, then they need to find someone else to be a show manager. **Hamza:** OK, we'll put you in charge of assigning show managers nationally. How long ago was that? **Altschul:** I'm just saying, if you – three years. **Hamza:** We also have to keep this in some sort of perspective. We're talking about two instances, three years apart. **Altschul:** But this last one didn't receive the attention that this one has. **Hamza:** You know, we're going off the list. We're going off the same 15 people who get pissed off about everything. This isn't a panacea. This isn't a huge cry of CFA. To be honest with you, other than the list I have heard very little about this. Mark. **Hannon:** On the list, [name omitted] posted that it's her interpretation that a Bengal is a domestic cat, and I want this board to go on record as saying, we interpret that show rule to include Bengals. **Hamza:** I don't think there is any other way we can. I think it's clear that what we did last year doesn't address the standing rule that prohibits Bengals from being shown in CFA. I think, you know, that's going to be reiterated when we put up on the CFA News to make that point clear.

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Hamza: And the other thing we have a problem with domestic rescue cats, it's sort of like when you have – they're mutts, just like a mutt dog. "What kind of dog is that?" People make guesses. "Well, it's a Labra-doodle Chihuahua." They don't really know. They are drawing conclusions based on phenotypical appearances, and so we've got to be careful, too, that somebody who just doesn't have the education, has a spotted cat and says, "I think it's a Bengal." It might very well be a Mau. So, we've got to be – we've got to make sure we're not just punishing people for being uninformed. Loretta.

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Eigenhauser: I really wish people would take their focus away from this specific instance and say, "how do we prevent this in the future." I agree if we want to say, "our show rule says, 'no wild cat hybrids'", if somebody out there doesn't understand what that means, then we announce it on the CFA list, we can put in the word "Bengal" and "Savannah" and whatever other breeds we know of that are wild cat hybrids, just to make it absolutely clear that this is what we mean, this is how we mean it. I wouldn't want to put Bengal in a show rule, because I don't want to list every breed we don't take, but for purposes of making the announcement, I have no problem saying, "yes, this means Belgals, too; yes, this means half Bengals; yes, this means Savannahs; yes, this means something with a Savannah 3 generations back." You know, so for those purposes, I don't have a problem with mentioning specific breeds, but in terms of our discussion today, let's not talk about whether the person did or did not do this innocently, whether they did or did not – that's all part that needs to be worked up for the protest. What we need to decide right now, today, is, how do we deal with this in the future? So, that has to do with making an announcement on the general list, so that people understand the show rule is still in effect, it hasn't changed, it doesn't change if we adopt that resolution from the Annual, either, and yes, that includes Bengals, yes, that includes Savannahs, yes, it includes half Savannahs, yes, it includes half – whatever we have to say, to hammer people over the head, so they understand what the rule means. And to answer Loretta's question about how do we want show committees and judges to deal with these situations, I think we are all – the consensus I have heard is, don't ask, don't tell.

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Hamza: Loretta's question is, basically, what are the instructions the judges are to have. I don't think it's the judges – the judges shouldn't be any part of this. **Hannon:** Yes, they should. **Hamza:** No. No, they shouldn't. It should be a gateway issue with the entry clerk. If they are in the hall – you don't want judges asking people, “does this cat have wild blood in it?” **Hannon:** If they go up to a judge in their final and say, “the cat you just finalized is a Bengal”, the judge has the responsibility to do something about that, just as if somebody came up and said, “yes, these are 3-1/2 month old kittens that I'm trying to sell”. **Hamza:** So, you want the judges to launch an investigation? **Hannon:** No. **Wilson:** They call the show manager. **Hannon:** They call the show manager over and say, “this person told me that the cat that I just finalized is a Bengal, and Bengals are not permitted in the show hall”. So, the show manager then has the responsibility of taking the action. But the judge should not just ignore that information. If they are told point blank by the exhibitor, “yes, this is a Bengal”, then the judge has a responsibility to do something with that information. I don't want the judge asking, “is this a Bengal?”, but if the judge is informed, without even asking, “my cat is a Bengal”, and we know that recently happened – **Wilson:** But not by other exhibitors that might think it's a Bengal. It's got to be the owner. **Hannon:** No, but if the owner tells the judge, “yes, this cat is a Bengal”, we can't ignore that. We have a show rule against that, and we need to enforce the show rule. The judge has a responsibility, if they come up with that information – just like if the judge finds a cat with fleas on it, they are supposed to do something with that information. **Hamza:** But fleas, if he sees a flea, he has immediate – **Wilson:** He calls the show manager. **Hamza:** And I have no problem with them telling the show manager, but we've just got to make sure we're not – **Baugh:** What I'm asking for now is some sort of a written statement that I can – I know what it should say but I'm not going to do it – whoever is going to write it, and I have no problem helping with it, I want everybody to be on board with what we say. **Hamza:** And basically you are advocating, “don't ask/don't tell”. **Baugh:** Well, I agree with Mark that if somebody tells me, just like if I see a sick kitten in the show, it's my responsibility to tell the show manager. If somebody tells me the cat's a Bengal, I have to inform the show manager. I certainly agree with that part of it. I think it's our responsibility enforcing the show rules, but I also – I think that needs to be spelled out and I think that I also would like some sort of written guidelines to give to the clubs. **Hannon:** Who is this? **Anger:** Loretta. **Baugh:** The entry clerks can say, if this is a Bengal breeder, you should definitely tell them, be aware, this is the show rule. However we want to do that, I would like to see something written down. **Hamza:** You know – **Huhtaniemi:** Who is speaking? **Hamza:** We need to write up something then – a list of questions that the show manager needs to ask. “You say this is a Bengal? Did you breed it yourself maybe? How do you know?” “Well, it looks like a Bengal but I don't know, I got it from the shelter.” Then what? **Anger:** They should move on. **Baugh:** I would just like to – this is Loretta – I would like to see something written down. How does an entry clerk deal with an entry from a known Bengal breeder, and how does a judge or show management deal with it? Just a couple guidelines is all we need. **Hamza:** You know what? Ed and I will work on it and then we'll bring it to the board. I think if an entry clerk is getting an entry from a known Bengal breeder, he should ask, “are these cats free of wild blood?”, and if they say no, he can stop it right there and say, “well, they can't be entered.” **Baugh:** My concern is, Jerry, that I'm getting strong opinions from either side and I want to see something written down that's a consensus that we all [inaudible]. **Hamza:** Well, the issue is

this; they are not allowed in a show hall. We know that. We just want to make sure that we're enforcing the rules – **Baugh:** Everybody [inaudible] the same way. That's what I want. Everybody needs to handle it the same way. **Hannon:** Ed and Jerry are going to write something up for us. **Hamza:** OK. We'll get something that – I mean, maybe there's a list of 3 or 4 questions that we can have written up that the show managers can ask. If it's yes to all 3 or 4 questions, then they can ask them to leave. **Baugh:** I'm fine with that. **Hannon:** Let's move on to the rest of the Judging Program. **Hamza:** OK. You know what? Ed and I will try to have some sort of – it's going to be a very brief policy, very simple, because the more complex, the easier it will be to get lost. We'll have that for the next board meeting.

(15) **JUDGING PROGRAM.**

Judging Program Chair Loretta Baugh presented the following report and made all standing motions with the right to vote no:

Committee Chair: *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; Mentor Program Administrator; Domestic Training and File Administrator*
Pat Jacobberger – Education Chair
Ellyn Honey – Domestic Training and File Administrator
Rick Hoskinson – Domestic Training and File Administrator
Jan Stevens – Domestic Training and File Administrator; Secretary (keeps all files/records and compiles 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 Vanwonderghem – European Liaison; Application Advisor - Europe

Current Happenings of Committee:

A BAOS was held in Germany September 23, 2012. Pat Jacobberger will report on it in November.

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

Accept as Trainee:

<i>Laura Barber Sevierville, Tennessee</i>	<i>LH – 1st Specialty</i>	<i>16 yes; 3 no</i>	<i>(Hannon, Wilson, Koizumi)</i>
<i>Suki Lee Hong Kong</i>	<i>LH – 1st Specialty</i>	<i>18 yes; 1 no</i>	<i>(Hannon)</i>

Advance to Apprentice Specialty:

Li Ling Chung (Chloe) LH – 2nd Specialty 17 yes; 2 no (Hannon, Altschul)
Hong Kong

Advance to Approval Pending Specialty:

Karen Godwin SH – 1st Specialty 19 yes
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Advance to Approved Specialty:

Jim Dinesen SH – 2nd Specialty 19 yes
Leewood, Kansas

Advance to Approval Pending Allbreed:

Jim Dinesen 19 yes
Leewood, Kansas

Baugh: Do we have the votes so I can tell the people? **Anger:** Yeah. I emailed it like an hour ago. **Baugh:** Oh, I haven't been in my email. Oh, OK, OK. Thank you. **Hamza:** Laura Barber has 16 yes, 3 no. Suki Lee, 18 yes, 1 no. I'll give you a guess on the no. Chloe Chung, 17 yes and 2 no. Karen Godwin, unanimous. Jim Dinesen, unanimous on both. That's today's business. **Baugh:** Thank you.

Leave of Absence: Allbreed Judge Bob Bryan has requested an additional one-year medical leave of absence from the Judging Program, commencing immediately and ending with the October 2013 CFA Board Meeting.

Action Item: Grant an additional one-year medical leave of absence from the CFA Judging Program to Bob Bryan.

Newkirk: I'll second it.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** Please tell Bob the Board wishes him a speedy recovery. **Baugh:** I will. He said he really misses it, so he's anxious to get his back fixed and get back to it. I will, thank you. **Hamza:** He's a good guy.

International/Guest Judging Assignments:

Permission has been granted for the following:

CFA Judges to Judge International Assignments:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>City/Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Auspitz, Norm</i>	<i>CCA</i>		<i>London, Ontario</i>	<i>10/14/12</i>
<i>DelaBar, Pam</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>SZCH</i>	<i>Zilina, Slovakia</i>	<i>9/8-9/12</i>
	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Felis Hungarica</i>	<i>Budapest Hungary</i>	<i>10/6-7/12</i>
	<i>WCF</i>	<i>with Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Samara</i>	<i>10/28/12</i>
	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>POH-KIS</i>	<i>Seinajoki, Finland</i>	<i>11/25/12</i>
	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Turok</i>	<i>Turku, Finland</i>	<i>11/25/12</i>
	<i>WCF</i>	<i>ODS</i>	<i>Odessa Ukraine</i>	<i>3/9-10/13</i>
	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Turok</i>	<i>Turku Finland</i>	<i>11/23-24/13</i>
	<i>IND</i>	<i>KFG</i>	<i>Berlin Germany</i>	<i>10/4-5/13</i>
<i>Doernberg, Diana</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Katteklubben</i>	<i>Snebjerg Denmark</i>	<i>3/23-24/13</i>
<i>Hutzler, Walter</i>	<i>CCA</i>		<i>Halifax, Nova Scotia</i>	<i>10/27-28/12</i>
	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>QFA</i>	<i>Brisbane Australia</i>	<i>3/23-24/13</i>
<i>Keiger, Teresa</i>	<i>NZCF</i>	<i>Palmerston North CC</i>	<i>Palmerston North NZ</i>	<i>5/3-4/13</i>
	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Birman CF of Qld</i>	<i>Brisbane Australia</i>	<i>5/11/13</i>
	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Birman CC Canberra</i>	<i>Canberra Australia</i>	<i>5/18/13</i>
	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Abyssinian Specialty</i>	<i>Canberra Australia</i>	<i>5/19/13</i>
<i>Myers, Douglas</i>	<i>ACF</i>	<i>National Show</i>	<i>Adelaide Australia</i>	<i>6/9/13</i>
<i>Schleissner, M.</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>IFC Felis</i>	<i>Moscow Russia</i>	<i>10/12-13/13</i>
<i>Trevathan, Wayne</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Burmese Cat Society</i>	<i>Forestville Australia</i>	<i>3/17/13</i>
	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>QFA</i>	<i>Brisbane Australia</i>	<i>3/23-24/13</i>
<i>Zenda, Bob</i>	<i>WCF</i>		<i>Kemerovo, Russia</i>	<i>11/11/12</i>
<i>Zinck, Iris</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>Club Feline Montreal</i>	<i>Montreal Quebec</i>	<i>12/2/12</i>

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

<i>Judge</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>CFA Show</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Chernova, Elena</i>	<i>WCA</i>	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Varna Russia</i>	<i>8/25-26/12</i>
<i>Davies, Allan</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Siam Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Chiangmai Thailand</i>	<i>9/29-30/12</i>
<i>Gnatkevich, Lena</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Rolandus Cat Club</i>	<i>Kiev Ukraine</i>	<i>10/13-14/12</i>
<i>Gubenko, Dmitry</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Rolandus Cat Club</i>	<i>Kiev Ukraine</i>	<i>10/13-14/12</i>
		<i>Cleopella C.F.</i>	<i>Tallin Estonia</i>	<i>11/3-4/12</i>
<i>Hamalainen, Satu</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Moscow Russia</i>	<i>9/1-2/12</i>
		<i>E-Cats</i>	<i>Naser City, Egypt</i>	<i>1/11-12/13</i>
<i>Imboden, Theresa</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Hong Kong SH</i>	<i>Hong Kong China</i>	<i>9/15/12</i>
		<i>Siam Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Chiangmai Thailand</i>	<i>9/29-30/12</i>
		<i>China Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Beijing China</i>	<i>10/27-28/12</i>
		<i>China Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Beijing China</i>	<i>12/8-9/12</i>
<i>Karotonoshkina Olga</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Rolandus Cat Club</i>	<i>Kiev Ukraine</i>	<i>10/13-14/12</i>
<i>Kharchenko, Irina</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Varna Russia</i>	<i>8/25-26/12</i>
		<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Moscow Russia</i>	<i>9/1-2/12</i>

		<i>Siam Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Chiangmai Thailand</i>	9/29-30/12
		<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Kemerova Russia</i>	11/10-11/12
<i>Menweg, Nicole</i>	CCA	<i>Alouette Cat Club</i>	<i>Lacolle Quebec</i>	10/13-14/12
<i>Merritt, Chris</i>	CCCA	<i>China Phoenix</i>	<i>Guang Zhou China</i>	9/1-2/12
<i>Nazarova, Anna</i>	WCF	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Moscow Russia</i>	9/1-2/12
		<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Kemerova Russia</i>	11/10-11/12
<i>Neukircher, Brenda</i>	WCF	<i>Show & Tell C.C.</i>	<i>Clebourne Texas</i>	12/15/12
<i>Pantigny, Guy</i>	WCF	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Varna Russia</i>	8/25-26/12
<i>Pollock, Cheryl</i>	CCCA	<i>China Phoenix</i>	<i>Guang Zhou China</i>	9/1-2/12
<i>Reis, Miranda</i>	WCF	<i>Cat Fanciers Brazil</i>	<i>Sao Paulo Brazil</i>	8/18-19/12
<i>Roumyantseva, Nadejda</i>	WCA	<i>Siam Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Chiangmai Thailand</i>	9/29-30/12
<i>Tokmakova, Irina</i>	RUI	<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Varna Russia</i>	8/25-26/12
		<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Moscow Russia</i>	9/1-2/12
		<i>Siam Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Chiangmai Thailand</i>	9/29-30/12
		<i>Chatte Noir</i>	<i>Kemerovo Russia</i>	11/10-11/12
<i>U'Ren, Cheryle</i>	CCCA	<i>China Phoenix</i>	<i>Guang Zhou China</i>	9/1-2/12
		<i>China Phoenix</i>	<i>KL Malaysia</i>	9/8-9/12
		<i>China Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Beijing China</i>	12/8-9/12
<i>U'Ren, Rod</i>	CCCA	<i>China Phoenix</i>	<i>Guang Zhou, China</i>	9/1-2/12

*Respectfully Submitted,
Loretta Baugh, Committee Chair*

[from Sunday] **Baugh:** Jerry, I have one thing I would like to bring up, if I might.
Hamza: Go ahead. **Baugh:** OK. I'm asking permission for the judges – for the new applicants to the Judging Program, in addition to being listed in the CFA News and on the website, to also ask the regional directors to post those names, as well. The more input we can get, the better.
Hamza: Are there any objections from regional directors? **Meeker:** No. **Petty:** I have a questions. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Petty:** You mean, just the judges in our region, or all the judges? All the applicants? **Baugh:** No, I think everybody. Because people are traveling all over, I think everybody has the option to have input. We simply want them to realize people are applying so that there's an option for input if they want to, be it positive or negative. Then the other question I have – let's take care of this first and I have just one question about the letters. Do we need a motion on that, or is that just a consensus? **Hamza:** I think it should be compulsory. **Baugh:** OK.
Meeker: Loretta? **Baugh:** My other question – go ahead. **Meeker:** So Loretta, the regional directors will get a notice from the Judging Committee, and we can make a notice? **Baugh:** Yes, ma'am. **Hannon:** Well, Loretta. **Hamza:** Hang on. **Hannon:** Loretta, wait. **Baugh:** OK. I'm sorry. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Mark. **Hannon:** If I'm sending out a CFA News announcement listing these judges, why can't I just send a link to that, to each regional director and they can send a copy of that newsletter to whoever is on their regional list, or to their regional club secretaries or whoever they wish. Rather than recreate another announcement, just forward the CFA News announcement. **Baugh:** I am all for that. **Meeker:** That's great. Thanks, Mark. **Hamza:** Actually, it gives us a chance to expand the newsletter. **Baugh:** The more exposure we can get, the better. **Hamza:** Yep. Go ahead, Loretta.

Baugh: My other question is – my mind was fuzzy yesterday because I was on all those medications for the cough. What did we decide about the letters with the signatures? Because we have a number of applicants coming up in February. **Hamza:** We didn't decide anything. If somebody wants to review that, they have to put it on the agenda for a future meeting. It has to be pre-noticed. **Baugh:** OK. I didn't know if it had been decided, so OK. **Hamza:** So, what is the policy now is what the policy was the day before yesterday. **Baugh:** OK. So, nothing has changed. **Hamza:** Nothing has changed. **Baugh:** I just wanted to verify it, because I didn't want to be doing it wrong. Thank you.

Action Item:

Adopt the following proposed Judging Program Rule revisions:

SECTION II – REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>SECTION II REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM REGIONS 1-9 *Europe becomes a CFA region as of May 1, 2012</p>	<p>SECTION II REQUIREMENTS FOR <u>UNLICENSED INDIVIDUALS</u> APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM REGIONS 1-9 *Europe becomes a CFA region as of May 1, 2012</p>
<p>RATIONALE: Falls in line with change from Domestic/International. Applies to everyone who is not currently judging for any association (i.e. unlicensed)</p>	

Action Item: Approve wording change.

Baugh: Are we ready to go into the application requirement changes? **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Baugh:** OK. In June, George expressed concern about an “us versus them” mentality when we were dealing with domestic versus international in our requirements. We tried hard to come up with something that didn't sound totally ridiculous. We couldn't come up with anything other than having requirements for unlicensed individuals – judges that have guest assignments and those that don't. So, that's some of our wording changes here. The first one is changing the initial applicant requirements from – what's in here is requirements for applying to the Judging Program to say “requirements for unlicensed individuals applying to the Judging Program”. If somebody has better terminology, please let me know. If nobody has any questions about that, I have a standing motion. **Hamza:** Well, Mark's got his hand up. Mark, go ahead. **Hannon:** What if somebody is a licensed judge, for example, Mrs. Vanwongerghem, and before we vote on her she's not a current licensed judge. She is unlicensed, yet she should follow the policy of someone who has done guest judging for us. **Baugh:** We have that situation with two individuals, actually. There are two individuals that do numerous guest judging for us, the two Irina's from Russia or the Ukraine – I never know which one they are from – they were given special dispensation by the board to continue to judge when their licenses were dropped, so they do guest judge for us and I think that we can handle that in a separate situation, unless you just want to take the

“unlicensed” out. I don’t care, but we are trying to come up with making it pretty clear. **Hannon:** This, I assume, applies to judges from other associations here in the United States as well, right? **Baugh:** No. **Hannon:** No? **Baugh:** No. We have a separate section for judges from other associations. We have three ways: we have a judge, somebody who hasn’t judged at all; someone who is licensed but has never guest judged, which would be somebody coming from a domestic association, because the only domestic association we have – North American association we have reciprocity with is CCA, but if we had somebody coming over from ACFA, they don’t guest judge for us. **Hannon:** But if somebody comes – **Baugh:** Then, we have the third option of somebody we get guest judging evaluations for. **Hannon:** Somebody that was an ACFA judge that resigned from the ACFA judging program and then applies to us, they are an unlicensed individual and I would read this to say they fall under this, and I don’t think that’s your intention. **Baugh:** No, it isn’t. **Hannon:** So, I think that “unlicensed individuals” is awkward because we may have judges from other associations who have resigned their status as a judge – **Baugh:** OK, that’s a valid point. **Hannon:** – with the other association. **Baugh:** That’s a very valid point. I would, at this point then, move to remove the “unlicensed individuals” portion of it, because we still need to take out Regions 1 to 9. Is that acceptable? Can I do that? **Hannon:** I don’t mind leaving the phrase “unlicensed individuals” in there for right now, just so we can get through this, but I think the Program needs to come up with a better nomenclature for the people that you really want to put in this group. **Baugh:** OK. **Hamza:** Mike. **Baugh:** Whatever everybody thinks is the best way to do it. **Hamza:** Mike Shelton has his hand up. Mike. **Shelton:** How about, “Requirements for Never Licensed Individuals”? **Baugh:** Whatever. Is everybody comfortable with that? **Hannon:** Well no, because it could be somebody that hasn’t been licensed in 20 years. **Shelton:** But then we get back to, we set up individual requirements and evaluate each application individually. **Hannon:** But they have a right to know in advance what we’re basing our decisions on. **Shelton:** Again, we’re getting back to, we’ll never cover – especially in the short, little title – we’ll never cover every eventuality. **Hamza:** Tracy. **Petty:** Yeah, I understand the problem with the terminology and trying to think of a term. All we need to do is define it. We can call it “unlicensed individual” and define that as somebody who has not been licensed in X years or whatever. Just define what it is. **Hamza:** So, basically, we can keep it the way it is, Loretta, and you need to come up with a definition of “unlicensed”. **Baugh:** OK. Can we pass this and I will bring back a definition for “unlicensed” for tomorrow? **Hamza:** I think that would be fine. **Hannon:** It doesn’t even have to be tomorrow. It can be next month. **Hamza:** Yeah, we’ll do it next month. **Baugh:** Alright. OK. Fine. **Hamza:** Ed. **Baugh:** Yeah, we need to – whatever – before these are printed. OK, I’m fine with that. **Hamza:** Does anybody else have anything glaring on this, or can we bring it to a vote? Tracy, is your hand still up? **Petty:** Well, yeah. Are we voting on the whole thing now or just that one section? **Hamza:** We’re going to vote on it as is, with the understand – **Hannon:** But just this section. **Baugh:** One at a time. **Hamza:** Alright. You want to do it one at a time? **Hannon:** Right, yeah. **Hamza:** Alright, we’ll just vote on this section then, with the understanding that “unlicensed” we’ll be seeing a definition at the next board meeting. **Baugh:** OK. Standing motion. **Meeker:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION II – REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph A.1.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
A.1. Applicant must be a least 21 years of age.	A.1. Applicant must be at least 21 <u>eighteen (18)</u> years of age.
RATIONALE: Change age to 18 to conform with all other associations.	

Action item: Approve change of minimum age.

Baugh: The next one is a request to lower the application license to 18. It's 18 everywhere else in the world. We felt we should conform with other associations. **Hamza:** Mark. **Baugh:** As well as the fact that you can do lots of things at 18 now. **Hamza:** You can get killed for your country. Go ahead, Mark. **Hannon:** I think one of the major criteria for me is, will the exhibitors respect the decision of these judges? I really don't think an 18 year old, in most circumstances, is going to have the respect of the exhibitors. Just because everybody else does, it doesn't tell me we should do it. I would rather leave it at 21. **Hamza:** I don't know. I think it's an individual thing. I've seen 40 year olds that have no maturity and I've seen 18 year olds that are going out and leading men into battle. So, you know, I like the youth. Go ahead, George. **Eigenhauser:** My thought is, if somebody is ready to come into our Judging Program at 18, I desperately want that person in our Judging Program. We want the best and the brightest. I don't see any reason to hold them back. **Hamza:** Tracy, is your hand up? **Petty:** Yes. **Hamza:** Go ahead. **Petty:** My thought was, combining this with the Judging Program requirements, which requires 7 years of breeding experience, so are we saying that breeding decisions made by 11 and 12 year olds are relevant? **Hamza:** I don't know. My daughter, when she was 12, made some better breeding decisions than a lot of people who have been in the fancy for 50 years. **Petty:** That would be my concern. Backing this up and looking at the whole picture, saying you can start your judging training when you're about 11. **Hamza:** You know what? We have children that are born in the fancy. Several people are coming to mind. Loretta, I don't mean to embarrass you, but I think Seth is a pretty good example of a young person who was born into our culture that I think understood early on a lot of what we do. **Anger:** Is he 18 yet? **Hamza:** I don't know. He doesn't look 18, the son of a gun. **Baugh:** Oh yes, he's older than 18. **Hamza:** I know, I know. I mean, we have to couch this with – it doesn't matter, because whomever comes in, we look at the package anyway. It's not a big deal either. Tracy, your point is that this is going to be a very rare occurrence, if it happens, so I don't think we need to waste a lot of time on here. **Newkirk:** How about calling the question? **Baugh:** Standing motion. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Hannon, White, Wilson and Calhoun voting no. **Hamza:** And just to help Rachel out here, the no votes are Hannon, Calhoun, White and Wilson. Are we missing anybody?

[Secretary's Note: An error in Judging Program Rule Section II, Paragraph A.7.a. was discovered and discussed during executive session. Section II, Paragraph A.7.a. below is italicized to indicate that it is being restated from the October 2011 minutes for clarity. The change will be incorporated into the next published Judging Program Rules.]

<i>SECTION II – INITIAL APPLICATION TO JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph A.7.a.</i>	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<i>a. Seven (7) consecutive years of breeding experience. A detailed resume of breeding experience must be provided.</i>	<i>a. Seven (7) consecutive <u>current</u> years of breeding experience. A detailed resume of breeding experience must be provided.</i>
RATIONALE: <i>Applicant could have stopped breeding for a period of time. Experience should be timely.</i>	

Hamza: OK, go ahead Loretta. **Baugh:** OK, at this point where we get into requirements – no wait, I’m going to do that later. Yeah, I need to do it now, sorry. At this point, can I insert to correct the Judging Program requirements to read so that consecutive/current years of breeding? Because this is where it would come in. **Hamza:** You don’t have to. It was voted on. **Baugh:** OK, so I don’t have to bring it up again? **Hamza:** What you have to do is correct the verbiage wherever it was written, to reflect the vote that has already – **Baugh:** Alright. I thought I had to bring it up again. OK. Not a problem then.

<i>SECTION II – REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph C.</i>	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
C. Additional Experience 3. It is required that an Applicant must choose a Mentor prior to application and must work with the Mentor to prepare the application and any other requirements that may be set forth.	C. Additional Experience 3. It is required that an Applicant <u>All initial applicants</u> must choose a Mentor prior to application and must work with the Mentor to prepare the application and any other requirements that may be set forth.
RATIONALE: Slight verbiage change.	

Action item: Approve change in verbiage.

Baugh: OK. The other thing – I mailed out the correction. We left out one little thing here. I thought it had gone through and it hadn’t. That was the change in the verbiage – I just sent it at lunch time. Let me find it here. On Section III, we have to change – **Eigenhauser:** Are we taking these in order? **Baugh:** This will be in order in where it belongs. **Eigenhauser:** There’s a few things we haven’t voted on. **Baugh:** Oh, there’s a Section II we haven’t voted on. **Hamza:** Yeah. – *REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph C.* **Baugh:** I went too far, I’m sorry. Yeah, I went too far. I’m going down too far. OK, Section II. Section II. OK, it was just a verbiage change on initial applicants and their mentor. **Eigenhauser:** Second. **Hamza:** Anybody got any comments on this? **Baugh:** The motion has been seconded. Are we ready? **Hamza:** Alright, if there’s no discussion.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION II – REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph C.4.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>4. All applicants must have marked a judge’s book, to include color class sheets, breed summary sheets and final sheets from a show wherein they sat discreetly in the ring of an Approved Allbreed Judge. This Judge must have been mutually agreed upon with their Mentor. A Statement from the Approved Allbreed Judge or Mentor that all paperwork was found error free must be submitted with the application. Permission must be given in advance from the club sponsoring the show. It is the responsibility of the applicant, to request from the sponsoring club, the extra judges’ book and all forms necessary to meet this requirement.</p>	<p>4. All <u>initial</u> applicants must have marked a judge’s book, to include color class sheets, breed summary sheets and final sheets from a show wherein they sat discreetly in the ring of an Approved Allbreed Judge. This Judge must have been mutually agreed upon with their Mentor. A Statement from the Approved Allbreed Judge or Mentor that all paperwork was found error free must be submitted with the application. Permission must be given in advance from the club sponsoring the show. It is the responsibility of the applicant, to request from the sponsoring club, the extra judges’ book and all forms necessary to meet this requirement.</p>
<p>RATIONALE: Only applies to Initial applicants. Judges coming from other associations know how to do this.</p>	

Action item: Approve the change as written.

Hamza: Go ahead, Loretta. **Baugh:** OK, the next Section II item is changing the requirement for judges – for applicants – people coming over – to mark a judge’s book. We changed that to initial applicants. The people that are coming over from other associations know how to mark a judge’s book. **Eigenhauser:** Second. **Hamza:** Any questions?

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION III – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER DOMESTIC ASSOCIATIONS REGIONS 1-9, APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>SECTION III – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER DOMESTIC ASSOCIATIONS REGIONS 1-9, APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM</p>	<p>SECTION III – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER DOMESTIC ASSOCIATIONS REGIONS 1-9, WITHOUT GUEST JUDGING EVALUATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM</p>
<p>Rationale: Change verbiage from Domestic, as discussed in June.</p>	

Hamza: I’m going to say that we are missing the ballots on the voting from Loretta, Michael, Kathy and Dick. **Anger:** And Koizumi. **Hamza:** And Koizumi. **Calhoun:** Where do you want them sent? **Anger:** To the ranger address. **Calhoun:** OK. **Hamza:** Alright Loretta. **Baugh:** The next one is the one I sent out at lunch time, which is changing the verbiage on Section III from *Requirements for Judges from Other Domestic Associations* to *Requirements for Judges without Guest Judging Evaluations*. **Hamza:** OK, do – **Baugh:** If there’s not discussion, I have a standing motion. **Hamza:** Does anyone want to say anything about that? **Meeker:** Second. **Huhtaniemi:** This is Pauli. **Anger:** There’s Pauli. **Huhtaniemi:** It says “Domestic Associations

Regions 1-9.” In Region 9, we have a lot of domestic associations. **Hannon:** She is changing that. **Hamza:** Yeah. Did you get her email, Pauli? **Huhtaniemi:** No. **Baugh:** I sent it at lunch time, Pauli. I realized it was missing. We’re changing it from saying – OK. **White:** Send it to him again. **Hamza:** Send it to him again and just briefly explain what the change is, so we can vote. **Baugh:** OK. What’s your email, Pauli? Hold on, I think I have it here. OK, I’ve got it. Hold on. I’m going to send you the attachment right now. OK, I just sent it to you. Basically, all this does is, change the wording from “domestic”. This one was “domestic” and this changes it to people that have no guest judging evaluations. **Hannon:** You’re still talking about the headings? **Baugh:** Yeah. It’s the heading only that we’re changing here. This is the one that I forgot. I thought it was in there and it wasn’t. This just changes the heading. **Hamza:** Just to take the shorter way around the barn, it addresses Pauli’s concerns, right? **Baugh:** Yeah. **Hamza:** Pauli, are you – **Huhtaniemi:** Yes, this is fine. **Hamza:** OK. Alright, good. Let’s vote. **Baugh:** OK. Standing motion. **Eigenhauser:** I’ll be Ginger. I second it. **Hamza:** I’m sorry. I don’t know why that hit me as very funny all of a sudden, but it did. **Anger:** Paul [Meeker] won’t think it’s so funny.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION III – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER DOMESTIC ASSOCIATIONS REGIONS 1-9, Paragraph 7.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
7. Acceptance will be at the Double Specialty level or at the highest level achieved in their current association, if not Approved Allbreed.	7. Acceptance will be at the Double Specialty level or at the highest level achieved in their current association, if not Approved Allbreed. <u>Approved Double Specialty level.</u>
RATIONALE: Change passed in June 2012.	

Action Item: Approve verbiage.

Hamza: In the next section, we’ll have that heading [from previous proposal] when we do the rules. The next section is something that we passed in June, saying that we would bring people with no guest evaluations in as approved double specialty. Housekeeping. **Hannon:** I have a question. **Hamza:** Mark has a question here. **Hannon:** Does that mean that we’re only going to consider those judges that are already double specialty in another association? If somebody is a single specialty judge in another association, we will not consider their application? **Baugh:** We talked about that. **Newkirk:** Loretta, don’t they have to be allbreed for 5 years? **Baugh:** Yeah. The other requirements spell out that they wouldn’t be coming in. **Hannon:** OK. **Baugh:** So that’s why we only addressed this one part of it. **Hamza:** Are you satisfied with that, Mr. Hannon? **Hannon:** Yeah, because all I’ve got is a piece here and you’re looking at the whole picture, so the whole picture answers my question. **Baugh:** Yes. **Hamza:** Alright, let’s vote. **White:** So moved. **Eigenhauser:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION III – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER DOMESTIC ASSOCIATIONS REGIONS 1-9, Paragraph 9.

Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>9. Successfully complete a minimum of three (3) training classes per specialty. The first shall be a supervised training. If successfully completed, the next two shall be solo assignments.</p>	<p>9. Successfully <u>Upon acceptance, the judge will be required to</u> complete a minimum of three (3) training classes per-in each specialty (The first shall be a supervised training class), <u>the next two classes shall be solo assignments in each specialty, the judge must be approved by 2/3 majority vote of the CFA Board to be officially licensed as an Approved Double Specialty Judge. If successfully completed, the next two shall be solo assignments.</u></p>
<p>RATIONALE: Explains process. Training before licensure.</p>	

Action Item: Approve verbiage.

Hamza: I love when this bunch gets punchy. **Baugh:** The next one also has the same heading that we passed earlier, and this basically spells out the process that when they are accepted, they have to go through their training assignments in each specialty, what they will be, and they will then go to the board for official approval as double specialty. They are not officially licensed until they get through this process. **Hamza:** I believe Tracy has a question here. **Petty:** Well, actually it was on the last one but it might apply to this one, too. Why are we calling them “approved double specialty” if they still have to go through training and evaluations? Why aren’t we just calling them “approval pending double specialty”? **Baugh:** That’s because this is what we passed in June. **Newkirk:** It has to do with the number of assignments they have to do. **Baugh:** In June, we passed that anybody coming over from another association other than international where we get guest evaluations would come in as approved double specialty, and I agree that you would think it would be approval pending, but since they are not going to be judging until they get through this process, we left it the way it is. **Hamza:** Any other questions here? Tracy, does that answer your question? **Petty:** Well – **Hamza:** It doesn’t satisfy your question. I can hear that in your voice. It doesn’t answer your question. **Petty:** Exactly. I don’t really agree with it. I think we can come up with a better term. It is approval pending if you’re going to go through evaluations. **Hamza:** Annette. **Wilson:** If you think of it as “approved each specialty” or “both specialties”, as opposed to “approved double specialty”, it makes more sense. **Hannon:** Her concern is still the same. **Baugh:** Part of the problem, Tracy, is we don’t have any category for approval pending double specialty and this seemed like the most logical way to do it, for the simple fact that that’s where they are going to be, once they come up for a vote the second time. **Hamza:** It’s really an off-the-rack fit. **Baugh:** I know. I understand what you’re saying. **Petty:** These judges coming over from other associations would be the only people to hit this particular status. I think that’s a stronger argument to use it. **Hamza:** Rachel. **Newkirk:** This is Darrell. **Anger:** But then they would have to do the required number of judging assignments in each one of their specialties to advance to approved, so we’re setting them 8 more shows behind in each specialty than what the intent was, of what we passed in June. **Baugh:** Right, yeah. **Petty:** No. There is no one else that will be approval pending double specialty. You can say that

approval pending double specialty judges do 3 assignments or 5 or whatever it is. They're not approval pending single specialty. **Hamza:** Darrell. **Newkirk:** It doesn't matter what you call it. They have to do 8 assignments, and we have yet to accept anybody. **Petty:** So we have time to straighten it out. **Hamza:** You know, Tracy, I understand what you're saying. It doesn't completely describe what's going on, but I think without unraveling a lot of other things, I think it's the best we're going to do. **Petty:** OK, let me ask this. Can I ask one more thing. **Hamza:** No. **Petty:** Other judges, when they become approved double specialty, are automatically approval pending allbreed, correct? **Baugh:** Correct. **Petty:** But these guys aren't going to be. **Newkirk:** Because they have to come through the Program, like people who never were a judge. It's two different types of judging training. **Petty:** OK, I understand. **Hamza:** Alright. Well, at this point, and I think I know how Tracy is going to vote, I'm going to call the vote, so somebody please make – **Baugh:** Standing motion. **Eigenhauser:** Second. **Hannon:** Ginger/George. **Hamza:** Ginger/George.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Petty voting no.

SECTION III – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER DOMESTIC ASSOCIATIONS REGIONS 1-9, Paragraph 10.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
10. Upon completion of training, the judge shall be licensed as a Specialty Judge. They will need to complete eight (8) evaluated assignments in each specialty licensed. Once completed, if double specialty, they will move on to Approval Pending Allbreed Judge. Eight (8) evaluated Allbreed assignments must be completed to advance to Approved Allbreed Judge.	10. Upon completion of training, the judge shall be licensed as a Specialty Judge. They will need to complete eight (8) evaluated assignments in each specialty licensed. Once completed, if double specialty, they will move on to Approval Pending Allbreed Judge. Eight (8) evaluated Allbreed assignments must be completed to advance to Approved Allbreed Judge. <u>being licensed as an Approved Double Specialty Judge, the Judge will be required to complete eight (8) evaluated assignments in each specialty licensed. Once completed and approved by 2/3 majority vote of the CFA Board, the judge will be licensed as an Approval Pending Allbreed Judge. Upon being advanced to Approval Pending Allbreed, the Judge will be required to successfully complete eight (8) evaluated Allbreed assignments to be approved by the CFA Board by 2/3 majority vote, to advance to Approved Allbreed Judge.</u>
RATIONALE: Explains process.	

Action Item: Approve verbiage.

Hamza: Go ahead. **Baugh:** OK. The next one is changing the heading on Section IV from *Requirements for Judges from Other International Associations* to *Requirements for Judges With Guest Judging Evaluations*. **Anger:** What? **Baugh:** We talked about that in June and this would fall in line with the other two things we changed. **Anger:** Did you skip a couple, Loretta? **Hamza:** Yeah. Loretta, you're bouncing around on us, kiddo. **Baugh:** I could be. I thought we did – didn't we do – we did them? I skipped one. I'm sorry, you are right. I skipped one. I'm

sorry. I was too far down on the page. I'm sorry. We're still on Section 3 and that was outlining how the judges with no guest evaluations end up becoming approved allbreed. It explains the process. Sorry about that. I'm getting ahead of myself. Standing motion. **Hamza:** Anybody got anything to say? Doesn't look like anybody. Go ahead with your standing motion. **Baugh:** Standing motion. **Hamza:** Ginger/George. **Meeker:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION IV – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
SECTION IV REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM.	SECTION IV REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS WITH <u>GUEST JUDGING EVALUATIONS</u> APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM.
RATIONALE: Change from International, per suggestions in June.	

Action Item: Approve verbiage

Hamza: Mark, would you take over? **Hannon:** Where are we? **Hamza:** Section IV. **Baugh:** Section IV is changing the verbiage from *Other International Associations* to *With Guest Judging Evaluations*. **Hannon:** Any comments? Since there are no comments, you've got a motion on the floor. Has Ginger/George seconded it? **Eigenhauser:** Second.

Hannon called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION IV – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM, Preface.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
Depending on an individual's qualifications, the applicant will be accepted no higher than Approval Pending. If the applicant has been an Allbreed Judge for a sufficient length of time, the applicant will be considered for Approval Pending Allbreed; otherwise, Approval Pending in both Specialties.	Depending on an individual's qualifications, the applicant will be accepted no higher than Approval Pending. If the applicant has been an Allbreed Judge for a sufficient length of time, the applicant will be considered for Approval Pending Allbreed; otherwise, Approval Pending in both Specialties.
RATIONALE: Clarifies/spells out acceptance level, as passed in June 2012.	

Action Item: Approve verbiage change.

Hannon: Alright, the next Section IV. **Baugh:** The next one is Section IV and we are deleting the part about if the applicant has been an approved judge, because we're only accepting

them as approval pending. We're not going higher than that. We passed this in June. It's just clarification. **Hannon:** Any comments? If nobody has any comments, there's a motion in favor. Standing motion. **Eigenhauser:** Second. **Hannon:** Ginger/George, you are seconding it.

Hannon called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION IV – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph 1.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
1. Applicant must be at least 21 years of age.	1. Applicant must be at least 21 <u>eighteen (18)</u> years of age.
RATIONALE: Changes age to 18.	

Action Item: Approve age reduction.

Hannon: OK, we're on to the next Section IV. **Baugh:** Procedural. Do we have to vote again on 18 or can we just make it? **Hannon:** Ed, do we have to vote on it again? We've already voted on it once. **Raymond:** No. **Hannon:** No, it's already passed, so let's go on to the next one. **Baugh:** Alright.

SECTION IV – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph 8.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
8. Successfully guest judged a minimum of seven (7) CFA shows. Evaluation forms are provided by the Judging Program and must be on file with the Judging Program Guest Judges File Administrator for the seven (7) shows.	8. Successfully guest judged a minimum of seven (7) <u>eight (8)</u> CFA shows. Evaluation forms are provided by the Judging Program and must be on file with the Judging Program Guest Judges File Administrator for the seven (7) <u>eight (8)</u> shows.
RATIONALE: Raises number of guest assignments to 8. Passed June 2012.	

Action Item: Housekeeping, passed June 2012.

Baugh: The next one is increasing the number of guest judge evaluations from 7 to 8. We passed that in June. This is just the verbiage. **Hannon:** David, are there any comments? **White:** No. **Hannon:** No comments. OK, there's a standing motion. Second? **Meeker:** Second.

Hannon called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION IV – REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES FROM OTHER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING TO THE CFA JUDGING PROGRAM, Paragraph 10.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
10. Applicant must complete an application and have it signed by the CFA International Chairperson (<i>Region 9 Regional Director after May 1, 2012</i>). The Chairperson (<i>Regional Director after May 1, 2012</i>) is to sign and send directly to the Judging Program Administrator. Applicant is to provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope for mailing to the Judging Program Administrator.	10. Applicant must complete an application and have it signed by the CFA International Chairperson (<i>Region 9 Regional Director after May 1, 2012</i>). The Chairperson (<i>Regional Director after May 1, 2012</i>) is to sign and <u>send or Regional Director, and sent</u> directly to the Judging Program Administrator. Applicant is to provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope for mailing to the Judging Program Administrator.
RATIONALE: Housekeeping. Region 9 is officially a region.	

Action item: Approve the verbiage.

Hannon: Loretta, we're down to #10. **Baugh:** Section IV, yeah. #10 removes the regional director after May 1st. Changes it to International Chairperson or Regional Director because we don't have – we have Region 9 as a region now, so it's just housekeeping. **Hannon:** OK, no comments. There's a standing motion. Is there a second? **Eigenhauser:** Sure.

Hannon called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION V – MECHANICS OF INITIAL AND SECOND SPECIALTY APPLICATION REGIONS 1-9.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
SECTION V MECHANICS OF INITIAL AND SECOND SPECIALTY APPLICATION REGIONS 1-9	SECTION V MECHANICS OF INITIAL AND SECOND SPECIALTY APPLICATION— REGIONS 1-9
RATIONALE: Removes region numbers.	

Action item: Approve the verbiage change.

Hannon: We're down to Section V Loretta. **Baugh:** Section V just eliminates Regions 1 to 9. **Hannon:** Any comments? There's a motion. Second? **Meeker:** Second.

Hannon called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION V – MECHANICS OF INITIAL AND SECOND SPECIALTY APPLICATION REGIONS 1-9, Paragraph 7(e).	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
e. When all requirements for initial application have been received by the Judging Program Administrator no less than four (4) months prior to the Board meeting, the application will be submitted in its entirety to the Executive Board for consideration at the Board Meeting following listing of the applicant’s name on the CFA website.	e. When all requirements for initial application (<u>with or without judging evaluations</u>) have been received <u>and approved</u> by the Judging Program Administrator no less than four (4) months prior to the Board meeting, the application will be submitted in its entirety to the Executive Board for consideration at the Board Meeting following listing of the applicant’s name on the CFA website. <u>the applicant’s name will be listed on the CFA website awaiting receipt of letters of recommendation or concern. Following this procedure, the application will be submitted no less than six (6) weeks prior to the next scheduled board meeting for consideration of the CFA Executive Board.</u>
RATIONALE: For clarification for pre-noticing of applicant’s names and actual timing and process. Four months are no longer needed since we are not publishing names in a paper magazine, but are publishing names online.	

Action item: Approve the change.

Hannon: OK. Loretta, you’re down to Section V, 7.e. **Baugh:** Yes. This one, the current requirements say we have to wait no less than 4 months before we can submit the application. We really don’t need that time frame now because we’re not actually publishing the names in print. We’re publishing on the CFA website and in the CFA News, so we would like to lower that to *no less than six (6) weeks*. That still gives us plenty of time to have our letters in before the board meeting and to have responses back. **Hamza:** Anybody got any questions? Alright Loretta, go ahead. **Baugh:** Standing motion. **Anger:** Second. **Hamza:** Oh, my God. Rachel got a second in.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION VII – TRAINEES, Paragraph 2(b).	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
b. Second specialty judges are required to perform a minimum of five (5) breed/division color class evaluations where the last two (2) shows must be outside their region or not less than 500 miles from their place of residence. It is strongly recommended that these shows be large full two-day shows.	b. Second specialty judges are required to perform a minimum of five (5) <u>eight (8)</u> breed/division color class evaluations where the last two (2) shows must be outside their region or not less than 500 miles from their place of residence. It is strongly recommended that these shows be large full two-day shows.
RATIONALE: Trainees are weakest in the 2nd specialty and as a consequence need as much, if not more training in the specialty with which they have the least experience.	

Action Item: Approve the increase from 5 to 8 color classes.

Newkirk: Jerry? **Hamza:** Yeah. **Newkirk:** There is a parliamentary procedure called unanimous consent. Almost all this stuff could be handled and we wouldn't even have to vote. Have Ed explain it to you and it will make this go much faster. **Hamza:** You know, I'll have Ed explain it to me at dinner tonight. We don't have that much further to go. **Newkirk:** OK. **Baugh:** Yeah, we're almost done. The next one, the Committee feels very strongly that second specialty applicants need more than the 5 trainings. The second specialty applicants are coming to us with the least experience in that specific side of the panel and those are the individuals who need more work, rather than less, and we highly recommend that we increase the number of color classes for second specialty applicants to 8. **Hamza:** Any comments on this? **Anger:** Bravo. **Baugh:** Standing motion. **Anger:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION XI – INTERNATIONAL DIVISION, Paragraph 1.	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
Applicant requirements to the CFA Judging Program Initial Application, Domestic Regions 1 thru 9 and to the International Division Judging Program are listed in Sections II, III and IV.	Applicant requirements to the CFA Judging Program Initial Application, Domestic Regions 1 thru 9 and to the International Division Judging Program are listed in Sections II, III and IV.
RATIONALE: Remove reference to region/division.	

Action Item: Approve verbiage change.

Baugh: OK, Section IX [sic]. Section IX [sic] eliminates the reference to the region/division. **Hamza:** Say that again? Is that Section XI? **Baugh:** Section XI, yeah. Before, it said *Domestic Regions 1 thru 9 and International are listed in Sections I [sic], II [sic] and IV*. We just want to say, *The Requirements are listed in Sections I [sic], II [sic] and IV* because we've eliminated that verbiage in the headings. **Hamza:** Just to be clear, you mean Sections II, III and IV. **Baugh:** Yeah. Did I say one? I meant two, sorry. I'm getting slap happy. **Hamza:** Alright. Go ahead. **Baugh:** Standing motion. **Hannon:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

SECTION XI – INTERNATIONAL DIVISION, Paragraph 2(b).	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
b. Invitations from clubs affiliated with foreign cat associations are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program Committee and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty Judges. A Judge may judge only the	Insert whichever option the Board passes.

<p>specialty/specialties in which he/she is approved.</p> <p>Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty Judges. A Judge may judge only the specialty/specialties in which he/she is approved.</p>	
<p>RATIONALE: Change verbiage to comply with Show Rule 25.02 (below).</p>	

Action Item: Approve verbiage change.

Baugh: OK. The last one here pertains to the action that we took in June on whether or not which individuals were allowed to be judging overseas. We had said that we would remove that, and when I brought it to the JA meeting and the Judges’ Workshop, there was a concern. They wanted to be sure it was clarified, whether these individuals can judge only CFA shows, or can they judge all shows? So, I’ve got two options here. I believe we passed “only CFA shows”, but if I’m wrong, I wanted to be certain I had the option here of doing the other one. So, if we’re going to go ahead with the first two, then we won’t have to vote on the second two. Vote the first two down and pass the second two. Either way. **Hamza:** Do you recall? **Hannon:** Yeah. We were talking CFA. Annette’s got a question. **Hamza:** Ed. **Raymond:** I would suggest you wait until you vote on the show rule tomorrow and then just follow what you do there. **Baugh:** That would be nice. I’m kind of tired of talking. **Hamza:** So – **Baugh:** Can we do the show rules tomorrow, then? **Hamza:** So, we table this and deal with this with Show Rules. Is that OK with you? **Baugh:** That’s fine by me. **Wilson:** I just have one – I just wondered what the Committee would recommend, if they had a recommendation. **Hamza:** Can you remember for tomorrow? **Wilson:** Yeah. **Hannon:** Then I have a question. **Hamza:** OK, Mark. **Hannon:** I have a question where it starts out, *Invitations from clubs affiliated with foreign cat associations*. If you are in Russia, that’s not a foreign country to the Russians. **Wilson:** Right. “Other than CFA” it should say. **Hannon:** Yeah. Annette suggested it should be “non-CFA”. **Baugh:** That’s the way the rule reads. We didn’t change that part. That’s been that way. **Hamza:** Well, Monte will be with us tomorrow, so that’s a question that probably needs to carry over. **Hannon:** OK. **Baugh:** OK. **Hamza:** Alright. So, we’ll table this until we do Show Rules. **Baugh:** OK. Rachel, I’m sending you my ballot right now on my vote. I didn’t get to it before. **Hamza:** Is hers the only ballot we’re missing? **Anger:** Right. **Hannon:** What about 25.13? **Raymond:** It’s a show rule. **Baugh:** Those are show rules. **Hannon:** OK. Alright. **Hamza:** So, we’ll see those tomorrow and the rest of your report is just informational. **Baugh:** Right.

Action Item: Adopt the following proposed Show Rule revisions.

Show Rule 25.02 – Option 1	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>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 Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.</p>	<p>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 Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.</p>
<p>RATIONALE: Discussion and motion passed in June. The clarification needed is whether the removal of the restriction pertains to CFA shows worldwide only (first proposal) or to any/all association shows (second proposal).</p>	

Action Item: Approve change to Show Rule 25.02.

OR

Show Rule 25.02 – Option 2	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>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 Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.</p>	<p>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 Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.</p>
<p>RATIONALE: Discussion and motion passed in June. The clarification needed is whether the removal of the restriction pertains to CFA shows worldwide only (first proposal) or to any/all association shows (second proposal).</p>	

Action Item: Approve change.

Show Rule 25.13	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
25.13 For Championship, Kitten, Premiership and Veteran classes, a CFA judge (at least Apprentice) or approved guest judge must be used. No more than 50% of the judges at any CFA show may be guest judges. For Household Pet classes it is permissible for a club to use a Trainee.	25.13 For Championship, Kitten, Premiership and Veteran classes, a CFA judge (at least Apprentice) or approved guest judge must be used. No more than 50% <u>25%</u> of the judges at any CFA show may be guest judges. For Household Pet classes it is permissible for a club to use a Trainee.
RATIONALE: Between the CFA Judges residing in the European division, along with the regular CFA judging panel, the consensus is that there are enough judges to decrease this requirement to 25%. Many of the clubs in Region 9 and the ID are using and need to make an effort to use CFA Judges. The impression presented of the judging panel and CFA specifically is much better with licensed CFA judges officiating.	

Action Item: Approve change to Show Rule 25.13

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RATIONALE: Between the CFA Judges residing in the European division, along with the regular CFA judging panel, the consensus is that there are enough judges to decrease this requirement to 25% This request has the support of 90% of Region 9. This also falls in line with FIFe and WCF etc. The impression presented of the judging panel and CFA specifically is much better with licensed CFA judges officiating.	

[from Sunday] **Hamza:** Loretta, did we not have something that you had from judging yesterday that we deferred? **Baugh:** Yes, we do. I sent out a revision to the wording this morning, because I got a frantic email. It's a show rule change to 25.13. Our current show rule says, *No more than 50% of the judges at any CFA show may be guest judges.* We would like to see this changed to say that *No more than 50% of the judges at any CFA Show in the International Division and 25% of the judges at any CFA show in Regions 1-9 may be guest judges.* At least 90% of the people in Region 9 support this. **Hannon:** Who is that? **Hamza:** That's Loretta. Loretta, we can't hear a word you're saying. I don't know if everybody else can. **Wilson:** We can hear, but we can't understand. **Eigenhauser:** About half way through you became muffled. **Baugh:** OK. This should be better. OK, I'm sorry. Changing the requirements. Currently it's 50% guest judges allowed. We would like to change it to 50% in the International

Division and 25% at shows in Regions 1 through 9. Pauli supports this. 905 of the clubs in Region 9 support it. It falls in line with FIFe, WCF and other associations over there. **Kallmeyer:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Yeah. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, I would like probably a change to that. First of all, if we do 75%, that means we would require 7-1/2 judges and I don't think we want to get into which of our judges are a half. But also, I think on international, I would like to see 60% and we can also modify it to round up, so if we had 7-1/2, it would be 8 judges and 60% of a 4 ring show in the international would really require 3 judges. I think it should be more than a half. In international, we have a lot of shows where there's an incredible amount of color changes and I think we need a stronger CFA influence for those shows, so I would like to see 60% and 75% with a restriction that you round up to the nearest integer. **Baugh:** So, you want us to change it to read *60% of the judges in the International Division must be CFA judges, and 75% must be for Regions 1-9*. That is fine. It's better even than what we were looking at. We would like to support that change. **Phillips:** Remember, that's the maximum number of guest judges? 60%, or is it 60% of – **Hamza:** You're reading it backwards. **Raymond:** At least. **Baugh:** The requirement. OK, the requirement would be that a minimum of 60% of the judges at shows in the CFA International Division, and a minimum of 75% in Regions 1-9 must be CFA judges. We're turning it around. Rather than saying how many guest judges we allow, we're saying how many CFA judges we require. **Phillips:** OK. **Hamza:** Darrell. **Newkirk:** In my opinion, I don't think this rule should be changed. I'll tell you why. RUI is a club that puts on a couple shows a year. They use half of their judges and they use half CFA judges. It has worked out very well for them. It's been a training ground for a lot of their judges who go on to guest judge for us in other parts of Europe. The logic used, because we need CFA judges, because there are color changes, I will give you a good example. Last weekend, CFA registered a Siberian as a red/cream and white Siberian. Now, that's impossible, because cream is the dilution of red, OK? CFA registered this kitten. Two judges had judged this kitten before it got to me and nothing was done, so the logic of our CFA judges recognizing colors and patterns and stuff I don't think is a good, logical answer to make this change. Personally, I don't think that this is a real issue. Now, we have had issues where guest judges have not functioned up to snuff, as they used to say when I was a kid. Now, that's a function of just somebody coming here and learning how to judge our shows. Now, most of those people haven't clerked or done anything, so they come in, you know, totally green handed, don't know how our rules operate. However, I thought the board had consented that these would be dealt with on an individual basis. Now, if that's the rationale for trying to make more CFA judges in the show hall, then I don't think that's another reason to change the rules. So, my personal opinion is, I don't think this rule is causing a tremendous amount of issue. **Hamza:** I think, to be clear, and this is for you, Loretta, isn't the philosophy behind this to ensure that CFA judges have – I mean, CFA shows have a majority of CFA judges? **Baugh:** Yes, and as you probably remember when we've had the meetings with the International Division, there has been a great deal of consternation over the performance of the guest judges, especially in Region 9. Everybody that I've spoken to in Region 9 supports this. Pauli supports it. Yes, we realize it's going to be a problem for the RUI group, but I think that the rule needs to benefit the majority of the people, and the majority of the people over there want this. **Kallmeyer:** Loretta, couldn't the board at least pass a resolution for RUI as a special exception? **Baugh:** That's not a problem. **Hamza:** Alright. George. **Eigenhauser:** I'm looking at this from a different angle. We've had some discussion now about how we count fractional parts of a person. Can we just get away from the math and just say, for a 4-ring show it's got to be this many CFA judges, for a 6-ring show

it's got to be that many CFA judges, and not make people do math and then have to figure out how to round fractional people? **Hamza:** That would be fine. I don't mind things being clearer than unclear. Mark. **Hannon:** I think one of the reasons people come to CFA shows are for the CFA judges. If we're going to have a show where there's a heavy percentage of the judges are not CFA judges, we've not given them as much a reason to come. They could see those same judges in FIFe or the independent associations. They are coming to us because they like our format, but because also they like our judges. They think the quality of our judges is good.

Hamza: Loretta, is your hand up? **Baugh:** No, I'm sorry. I can take it off. **Hannon:** Take off her hand? **Hamza:** We're taking her hand right off. I guess before we go forward, we need to do some sort of straw polling anyway to see if the majority of this board thinks that we need to have a majority of CFA judges at CFA shows, and so this is very informal. Everybody who thinks that we should increase the percentage – **Eigenhauser:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Yeah George. **Eigenhauser:** There's actually another point of view, and to me it depends on the show size. On a 10 ring show, I would feel differently about maybe being one off one way or the other on whether it's 50% or not than I would at a 2 ring show. **Hamza:** Again, we can go to what you proposed and come up with numbers for each format. **Eigenhauser:** What I'm saying is, it may be a different number for different formats for me. I would be maybe more comfortable with going over 50% at a 10 ring show than I would at a 2 ring show. **Hannon:** Can we just have a straw poll if we want to maintain the status quo, or whether we want to discuss it? **Hamza:** We can approach it that way. I mean, you know, let's do a straw poll. Everybody who wants to maintain the status quo – yes means you want to maintain it, no means you don't. So, yes votes? <Newkirk> No votes. <everyone else> So, we obviously have – what's going to happen here is we're not going to write the show rule today, but we're going to talk about how we want it. George, since you're the one who feels like you want numbers, do we – I don't think – well, where do we want to start it? A 2 ring show? We haven't seen one of those. **Phillips:** You see them in the ID. Believe me. Places like Thailand and Singapore. Korea, Kuwait. **Hamza:** Alright, so a 2 ring show. Is 50/50 a reasonable minimum? **Eigenhauser:** Yep. **Hamza:** OK, that's easy. 4 ring show, which is also we're only dealing with – it could change, but right now, most of those are in the ID. **Baugh:** Jerry, the other issue that we have is, in Regions 1-9 and the International Division, we only want to require this for Regions 1-9 because we realize there's issues in the International Division with having the smaller shows. The proposal we had was that it would be 1-9. **Hamza:** You know what? Here's what I'm going to do. I'm going to kick this back to you, George and Monte, for December. **Baugh:** Me too, please. **Eigenhauser:** And Dick. **Hamza:** Pardon? **Kallmeyer:** And Dick. **Hamza:** And Dick, too. That's fine. Anybody else? **Baugh:** And Loretta. **Hamza:** You're you. **Eigenhauser:** You're you, Loretta. **Hamza:** I meant, Loretta, Monte, George and Dick. Is that good? **Baugh:** OK, that's good. **Hamza:** So, we'll bring it back in December and hopefully it will be something more substantial that we're voting on. **Baugh:** The consensus definitely is, we want to do something, so that's good. We appreciate that. Thank you.

(16) PROTEST COMMITTEE.

Protest Committee Chair George Eigenhauser gave the Protest Committee report containing recommendations for disposition of pending matters (see item #29). **Motion Carried [vote sealed].**

Committee Chair: George J. Eigenhauser, Jr.
**Committee Members: Dick Kallmeyer, Betsy Arnold, Norman Auspitz,
Joel Chaney and Pam Huggins**
Animal Welfare: Linda Berg
Asian ID Liaison Sara Tsui
European ID Liaison George Cherrie
Japan Liaison: Yukiko Hayata
Judging Liaison: Norman Auspitz
Legal Counsel: Ed Raymond

The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. continued the meeting on Sunday, October 7, 2012, via teleconference. President **Jerold Hamza** called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. EDT with the following members present after a roll call:

Mr. Jerold Hamza (President)
Mr. Mark Hannon (Vice-President)
Carla Bizzell, C.P.A. (Treasurer)
Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)
Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)
Ginger Meeker, Ph.D. (NWR Director)
Ms. Carissa Altschul (GSR Director)
Mrs. Loretta Baugh (GLR Director)
Mr. Michael Shelton (SWR Director)
Ms. Kathy Calhoun (MWR Director)
Mrs. Tracy Petty (SOR Director)
Mrs. Kayoko Koizumi (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. Darrell Newkirk (Director-at-Large)
Mr. David White (Director-at-Large)
Mrs. Annette Wilson (Director-at-Large)

Mr. Pauli Huhtaniemi (Europe Regional Director) was not present, due to travel issues.

Also present were: Donna Jean Thompson, Director of Operations; Roeann Fulkerson, Director of Marketing and Public Relations; Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel; Shino Wiley, Japanese Translator; and Jodell Raymond, Assistant to the President.

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

Anger: Would you like to do roll call while we are resolving the log-in issues? **Hamza:** We'll call the meeting to order. Rachel, do the roll call. **Anger:** OK. Jerry Hamza. **Hamza:** I am here. **Anger:** Mark Hannon. **Hannon:** Here. **Anger:** Rachel Anger is here. Carla Bizzell. **Bizzell:** Here. **Anger:** Sharon Roy. **Roy:** Here. **Anger:** Ginger Meeker: **Meeker:** Here. **Anger:** Carissa Altschul. **Altschul:** Here. **Anger:** Loretta Baugh. **Baugh:** Here. **Anger:** Mike Shelton. **Shelton:** Here. **Anger:** Kathy Calhoun. **Calhoun:** Here. **Anger:** Tracy Petty. **Petty:** Here. **Anger:** Kayoko Koizumi. **Koizumi:** Here. **Anger:** Pauli. I don't think he will be able to attend today. Roger Brown. **Brown:** Here. **Anger:** George Eigenhauser. **Eigenhauser:** Here. **Anger:** Dick Kallmeyer. **Kallmeyer:** Here. **Anger:** Are you sure? **Kallmeyer:** Yep. **Anger:** OK. Carol Krzanowski. **Krzanowski:** Here. **Anger:** Annette Wilson. **Wilson:** Here. **Anger:** Darrell Newkirk. **Newkirk:** Here. **Anger:** David White. **White:** Here. **Anger:** Also here is Donna Jean Thompson. **Thompson:** Here. **Anger:** Roeann Fulkerson. **Fulkerson:** Here. **Anger:** Edward L.

Raymond, Jr., Esq. **Raymond:** Here. **Hannon:** And Mrs. Edward L. **Anger:** Jodell Raymond. **J. Raymond:** Here. **Anger:** Shino Wiley, are you on the call? **Wiley:** Yes, here. **Anger:** Great, thank you. **Anger:** Monte Phillips, Chair of Show Rules. **Phillips:** Of course. **Anger:** Is there anyone whose name I have not called? Thank you.

Hamza: Alright. If we can get through these show rules in a timely manner, I think we'll be done relatively quickly today. So, with that in mind – **Baugh:** David, I need help. I can't get on here. **Meeker:** I can't either, David. **White:** What's the issue? **Meeker:** I keep going in a circle. It keeps taking me back to the page that asks for a name and password. It won't let me in without a password. **Baugh:** Mine says *User Name and Password* too. **White:** And you are clicking on Join Now? **Meeker:** Yep. **White:** That's the link that was sent out on Thursday, right? The email that I sent Thursday? **Anger:** I'll see if I can resend it. **Baugh:** Join the meeting? **White:** Yes. You know what? **Anger:** I can resend it. **White:** You want to resend it? **Hamza:** You know what? We'll give you guys another minute. If not, we'll just have to – **White:** If you don't click on Join Now, it will ask you for a user name and password. Join Now automatically adds the user name and password for you, so you don't have to do any of that. **Meeker:** You know David, when I click on Join Now, it takes me to a garbled Word document. **Hamza:** You know what? If you two can't get on, you can just follow along. **Meeker:** I'll go to File Vista. **Hamza:** Yeah. **Meeker:** And follow it from there. **Baugh:** I've got the transcript. It's not a problem. **White:** Try re-booting your machine. **Hamza:** And then, if you have questions you just have to say, "This is Ginger, I have a question" or "this is Loretta, I have a question."

(17) **SHOW RULES.**

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

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Committee has reviewed and prepared show rule changes for issues identified during both the annual meeting of the delegates, concerns identified by various members of the board concerning certain issues, and a review of some rules to help streamline the production of shows.

Current Happenings of Committee:

The committee has prepared this report in three parts – the first part deals with rule changes that were voted on by the delegates and passed by 2/3. These are rules forwarded to the Board for ratification. There were four of these. The second part deals with the rules that passed by majority. There were two of these. Finally, the third set of rule changes are those based on issues identified over the past half year either from Board minutes or requests from exhibitors concerning such things as allowing specialty judges to accept assignments in Europe and the International Division, elimination of specific fee values from the show rules, reducing requirements for submittal of entries with catalog corrections to central office, eliminating the need for three-part paper being purchased and sent to entry clerks to print catalogs, and raising grand point requirements in certain countries within the International Division. Each rule proposal includes a description in the analysis of the basis for the change.

The Committee also seeks guidance regarding show rule 8.03, qualifying ring requirements for champion/premier. At one time a few years ago, the goal was to make all titles require six qualifying rings, no matter where the cats were shown. To this end, when we added Egypt, etc. to isolated status for grand points, they were not added to the exceptions to the six qualifying ring requirements. Thus, a cat cannot earn a grand title, for example, in Egypt except over a three year period, as they typically only have one two-ring show per year. Hard to get six qualifying rings with two-ring shows once per year. The Committee feels that if a country is on the isolated status list for grand points for granding a cat, it should also be in that status to earn the champion/premier title. We are requesting guidance on whether to revise show rule 8.03 along the same lines as 9.03 for granding, revise it as originally planned to make everyone require 6 qualifying rings to grand, or leave it the inconsistent way it is now.

Future Projections for Committee:

The committee is still obtaining statistics regarding the number of grand champions and grand premiers that have occurred over the past two years (since we moved opens into the champion count) to see if we should raise the number of points required for those awards from present values. The Committee feels, based on comments we've received by e-mails and on the CFA list, that such a proposal should go to the delegates initially for approval. Therefore, we propose to use data for the period May 2011 through December 2012 to determine what proposals should

be developed, and then put the proposals before the Board for comments, and finally to the delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting for approval.

Action Items:

1 – Items Pre-noticed to the Annual Meeting Delegates and Passed by Greater than 2/3 margin.

Ratify the following rule proposals at this time:

Rule # 1.18f	Passed by greater than 2/3 at annual – Resolution 12	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<p>f. The HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry not otherwise eligible. Household pets are eligible only for awards in the Household Pet Class. Pedigreed cats with a disqualifying trait(s) as listed in the standard for that particular breed are eligible for entry in the household Pet Class. Household pets are to be judged separately from all other cats, solely on beauty and condition. Wild cats or wild cat-domestic cat hybrid crosses are not eligible for entry. (See Article II – Eligibility for Entry.)</p>	<p>f. The HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry—not otherwise eligible. Household pets are eligible only for awards in the Household Pet Class. Pedigreed cats with a disqualifying trait(s) as listed in the standard for that particular breed are eligible for entry in the household Pet Class. Household pets are to be judged separately from all other cats, solely on beauty and condition. Wild cats or wild cat-domestic cat hybrid crosses are not eligible for entry. (See Article II – Eligibility for Entry.)</p>
<p>RATIONALE: The phrase “not otherwise eligible” is nebulous and can be interpreted different ways because it begs the question, “eligible for what?” There is no good answer. This has resulted in judges questioning exhibitors about the cats in the HHP class, even though the judges are not supposed to know anything about an entry they are judging other than what is in the catalog, and in at least one case going so far as to threaten to DQ a cat from the HHP class that was an AOV. Rather than adjust the rule fussing with the meaning of “not otherwise eligible,” this proposal just makes all the cats showable in the HHP class because it should be the owner’s choice where to show the cat. If a cat is someone’s beloved Household Pet, it should have a place in the HHP class regardless of registration or pedigree status. Can we really afford to turn away those entries?</p> <p>At the annual meeting, this rule passed the delegation by greater than a 2/3 margin.</p>		

Hamza: Alright Monte, go ahead. **Phillips:** OK. The first proposal is 1.18f, and it does have a type-o. *Cat entry* should not be crossed off. I don’t know how it managed to get crossed off, but it did in the draft. It should read: The HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS is for any domestic kitten (altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry. Period. That’s the first sentence. Sorry for the type-o. Unfortunately, with my computer crashing, I can’t fix it. **Thompson:** What is he talking about? **Anger:** So, could you – **White:** Can you read that again? **Anger:** Yes. Please read the whole sentence. **Phillips:** *The HOUSEHOLD PET CLASS is for any domestic kitten* and then in parenthesis it says *(altered/unaltered) or altered cat entry*. **Anger:** OK great, thank you. **Phillips:** But *not otherwise eligible* is still lined out. **Anger:** I’ve got it. **Phillips:** And then, further down, *Pedigreed cats with a disqualifying trait(s) as listed in the standard for that particular breed are eligible for entry in the household Pet Class*. That entire sentence is lined out. **Roy:** And that’s supposed to be lined out. **Phillips:** That is supposed to be lined out. What this essentially does is,

it opens Household Pets for any pedigreed cat. **Eigenhauser:** I move we ratify. **Anger:** Second. This is Rachel.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Rule # 9.07 (new)	Passed by greater than 2/3 at annual – Resolution 15
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
None.	<p><u>Any cat that achieves 30 or more Top 10/Top 15 finals per season in three separate seasons shall be eligible to claim the “Grand of Distinction” title (abbreviated GCD or GPD). At least 20 of these finals in each season must be in Allbreed rings. These finals may be achieved in either championship or premiership class, or a combination, in each season. The “of distinction” suffix will be added to the title corresponding to the class in which the cat competed in the third season with 30 finals. Cats who have achieved this title will still compete in the regular Grand Champion/Grand Premier classes.</u></p> <p><u>This award may be claimed by filing the appropriate form with Central Office, and paying a fee as set by the Board of Directors. Show seasons prior to 2011-2012 may not be considered in claims for this title.</u></p>
<p>RATIONALE: This title will give exhibitors who have quality cats, but who may not have the desire or resources to compete for Regional or National wins, an intermediate goal to encourage them to show these cats. Additionally, clubs throughout CFA are struggling for entries, and this would encourage the showing of individual cats over multiple seasons.</p> <p>At the annual meeting, this rule passed the delegation by greater than a 2/3 margin.</p>	

Phillips: OK, 9.07 is the next one. That was one also passed at the board [sic, Annual]. That is the proposal, I believe, that Mike [Shelton] put together that has to do with the new award structure, to give a new titled called Grand of Distinction for a cat that manages to get 30 finals in 3 show seasons. They don’t have to be consecutive and they don’t have to be the same thing. They could be getting – by the way this rule is written, they could be getting 30 finals as a champion in one season, and 30 finals in premiership the last seasons and 30 finals of something in between, in the middle season. This is the new award; the Grand of Distinction award, which I think you guys came up with. **Hamza:** Yep, yep. **Shelton:** Yes, we did. **Petty:** I just wanted to clarify. So, kitten finals would not count toward this award? **Shelton:** That is correct. **Petty:** OK. **Phillips:** Yeah, it’s champion and premier class, period. **Hamza:** Anybody else have any questions here? **Eigenhauser:** I move we ratify. **Bizzell:** Carla just has a comment. **Hamza:** OK Carla. **Bizzell:** If we pass this, we will also need to determine a fee, for our price list. **Hannon:** Why? **Wilson:** It says, *by paying a fee*. **Shelton:** Yes, that’s true. At some point, we will although the way this is written, we shouldn’t get anybody applying for it for another couple of years. **Phillips:** No, you can’t apply for it until 2014. **Shelton:** We will also need to develop a form that people have to submit for verification of the win. The form is something the committee

will take care of. **Hamza:** Can we put a date on when to expect this by, Michael? Just so it's in the record? **Shelton:** When would you like it? **Hamza:** Can we say by next October's meeting? **Shelton:** Absolutely. **Hamza:** Very good.

Wilson: I have a question. **Hamza:** Annette. **Wilson:** I just have one question. I think we should clarify that the cat that would be getting this award needs to already have a grand title. While it makes sense to me and I suppose to everybody, that if they made 30 finals they would be a grand champion, we have these shows now in some of these countries with very small entries. There might be two shows a year and there might be 10 or 12 ring shows. It would theoretically be possible, over 3 years, for a cat not to be a grand yet qualify for Grand of Distinction. So, it's just a minor thing but I think we should add that. **Phillips:** They would have to have a lot of shows per year. Don't forget that's 30 finals per year, with a total of 90. **Wilson:** If you have two shows or three shows a year and there's 10 or 12 rings and you only have a small number of cats entered in a show, they all make finals, it doesn't mean that they are necessarily going to all be grands. **Anger:** Over 90 finals? **Phillips:** They are going to have trouble if there's only 10 or 12 rings. **Wilson:** I understand it's remote. **Phillips:** That means 24 rings max, and they can't possible get 30 finals in 24 rings. **Hamza:** How hard would it be to put just a little asterisk at the bottom saying, *To be eligible, you must have the title of Grand Champion*. **Hannon:** Or Grand Premier. **Wilson:** Or any Grand Premier or Grand Champion cat that achieves, unless that's confusing because people think they won't be eligible unless they are already a grand. I just think it will probably never be an issue, but if it is an issue then it's going to be an issue. **Hamza:** You know, on the other hand, even if it's in a country where they're not getting the grands, this still would probably be hard, relative to their field of competition. **Wilson:** This means a final. **Hamza:** Dick. **Kallmeyer:** I think that Annette's case would be hard to get because I think there's so many opens and champions now, that if they have that many finals they probably would be a grand easy. **Wilson:** Maybe because they have a lower number of points needed to grand. I didn't take that into account. **Kallmeyer:** I think we're OK the way it is. **Hamza:** George. **Baugh:** Jerry? **Hamza:** George and then, is that Loretta? **Baugh:** Loretta, yeah. **Hamza:** OK. George and then Loretta. Go ahead, George. **Eigenhauser:** Since it's going to be a couple years before anybody is going to be able to claim the title anyway, why don't we just approve it now. If anybody has concerns about tweaking it, give it to Mike. When he comes back with a report on fees, he can come back with any little tweaks that people might have suggested, but for something that's not going to go into effect for a couple years, it's fine for today. **Hamza:** Loretta. **Baugh:** I would support that, but I do want to say that I agree with Annette. Why don't we have it the way it should be, rather than have to fix it if we end up with a problem. **Hannon:** We can fix it when we do the fee. **Hamza:** We're going to have to visit this next October anyway, to insert the fees and the forms. So, this passed by 2/3 at the Annual, as well, so can I get a motion? **Eigenhauser:** I move we ratify it for now. **Calhoun:** Kathy seconds.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** 9.07 is ratified.

Rule # 12.03d	Passed by greater than 2/3 at annual – Resolution 18	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
d.	Clubs that hold a show for two (2) consecutive years	d. Clubs that hold a show for two (2) consecutive years

<p>on the same weekend (also referred to as date) are considered traditional dates and do not need to seek permission from their Regional Director to license their show each year thereafter. Clubs that do not hold a show for two (2) consecutive years will lose the distinction of having a traditional weekend.</p> <p>For clubs that hold a show on a biennial basis, i.e., every other year, their traditional show date will be month, weekend and either odd or even to indicate the year of the show. These clubs will lose the distinction or having a traditional date after a show is not held for two (2) consecutive show dates.</p>	<p>on the same weekend (also referred to as date) are considered traditional dates and do not need to seek permission from their Regional Director to license their show each year thereafter. Clubs that do not hold a show for two (2) consecutive years will lose the distinction of having a traditional weekend.</p> <p>For clubs that hold a show on a biennial basis, i.e., every other year, their traditional show date will be month, weekend and either odd or even to indicate the year of the show. These clubs will lose the distinction or having a traditional date after a show is not held for two (2) consecutive show dates.</p> <p><u>CFA’s Central Office shall maintain a page on the CFA website listing all traditional dates, including at a minimum the name of the club holding the traditional date and the traditional city and state.</u></p>
<p>RATIONALE: One of the most problematic areas of show scheduling when looking for a date is knowing what clubs hold which traditional weekend and where those shows are. Making this information available in a central location to all clubs will aid us immensely when planning shows. Central Office knows which dates are traditional because it uses that information to enforce 12.03, and it is just common sense to make that information available to the rest of us to use when looking for show dates. Once the page is created, it will only have to be updated occasionally when clubs change their traditional dates. After the initial setup, this should have very little impact on Central Office. The person handling show scheduling would have to send an occasional email to the webmaster to update the page. This information is needed now, not with the next show season. Since this is a requirement for Central Office, we do not need to wait for the next show season. Making the resolution effective 90 days after passing allows ample time for the page to be created while making the information available to CFA’s clubs as quickly as possible.</p> <p>At the annual meeting, this rule passed the delegation by greater than a 2/3 margin.</p>	

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** OK, 12.03d they added one paragraph at the very end of the section to require Central Office to maintain a page on the CFA website showing all traditional dates, with the name of the club, the traditional date and the traditional city in which the show is held. **Thompson:** It’s there. **Phillips:** That one also passed by 2/3. **Hamza:** And it’s there. **Phillips:** Well, that makes it a moot point then. **Hannon:** No, it means she has to maintain it. **Phillips:** Yeah. It’s all done. **Hannon:** It’s not all done. I mean, by putting this in the show rules, that means that they have to keep it up. **Phillips:** That’s true. **Hamza:** We just need to ratify it. George? **Eigenhauser:** I was going to say, first of all, we do need to ratify it because this isn’t a one-time thing. This is an ongoing project. And the other thing is, you know, I think we need to be a little bit flexible on the term “city” because there are a lot of shows that bounce around between several different locations within a short radius that are technically separate cities, but are really in the same area. So, I think we need to be a little bit liberal about that and the interpretation, but we do need to vote on this today. **Hamza:** Yeah, I agree. Tracy. **Petty:** I just wanted to say, we still need to tighten up what that calendar is, because there is a show listed in November that’s a tentative show and this is supposed to be established traditional show dates. **Hamza:** Well, a tentative show can be a traditional show date. **Petty:** How can it be an ongoing tentative show if it’s a traditional show date? **Hamza:** Well, I don’t think it’s an ongoing tentative show. I think it is a traditional show date that is tentative for this year. **Hannon:** No,

that's planned, not tentative. **Petty:** Is there supposed to be a calendar for this year or a perpetual calendar? **Hannon:** Which show are you talking about? **Petty:** Bougalie Rebels in November. **Hannon:** Alright. Carissa, is that a traditional date for them? **Altschul:** It was, but they cancelled it for now. They kind of told me that it was going to be a show, but I don't think it's going to happen now. So, it was a traditional date. It was just tentative for this year because they weren't sure if they were going to use it. They get two years before they lose that date. **Hamza:** Right. **Hannon:** So, it's still a valid, traditional date. **Hamza:** Right. That's what I thought. **Petty:** OK. I think the term "tentative" on there is confusing. There's lots of shows listed as cancelled for 2012, which is my other comment. We still haven't made any kind of procedure for updating this or how we are supposed to do that. While we don't need to vote on that today, I think we do need to clarify that. **Hamza:** Yeah Mark. **Hannon:** Central Office maintains their own calendar because they have to contact the regional director for approval for dates that aren't traditional. Since they are maintaining it anyway, they should be able to keep it up to date. They contact you when a club puts in a show license and it didn't appear to be a traditional date. They contact you for approval on it, so I don't think anybody has to be assigned the task, other than the Central Office. I don't think it's up to the regional directors or anybody like that to maintain this list and keep it current. That's Kristi's [Wollam] job. **Hamza:** I just think what happened here is that the club called Central Office and said that they were tentative. **Hannon:** She already keeps it. Hu? You don't agree? **Hamza:** Anyway, we're getting off target here. We're talking about – **Hannon:** Implementing it. **Hamza:** Yeah. We're talking about ratifying the list which was passed by 2/3, so can I get a motion? **Meeker:** So moved. Ginger. **Eigenhauser:** I will second Ginger.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** It becomes ratified.

Rule # 17.04e	Passed by greater than 2/3 at annual – Resolution 19	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	e. The entry confirmation, whether it be in the form of email, fax or regular mail, must be accompanied by a show announcement and driving directions from nearby major highways to the show hall.	e. The entry confirmation, whether it be in the form of email, fax or regular mail, must be accompanied by a show announcement <u>or link to a web-page containing the show announcement for emailed confirmations,</u> and driving directions from nearby major highways to the show hall.
<p>RATIONALE: Many entry clerk softwares, when sending an email of the show announcement as an attachment to the confirmation, find that the confirmation is treated as spam by internet service providers. Some software packages have been modified, including the one sponsored by the CFA, to prevent attaching files to a confirmation. As such, we have ignored this rule as written and accepted the practice of including the web link to the show flyer in the confirmation as an acceptable alternative to actually sending an attachment in the confirmation. This proposed rule modifies the rule to support what is actually in practice today for most shows.</p> <p>At the annual meeting, this rule passed the delegation by greater than a 2/3 margin.</p>		

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** OK, the last one that passed the floor by 2/3 has to do with the use of links in confirmations set out by email. Right now, if you send out attachments, at least what I've experienced is it turns into spam and gets thrown away, or worse

yet it just doesn't even get delivered, which means the person at the other end doesn't get the confirmation, but the email person who sends the confirmation out gets a message that says it went, which is the worst you can possibly have. It's like putting it in the mail thinking it got delivered and it never did. Anyway, what this basically does is add the ability to include a link to a web page that contains the show flyer and driving directions, if necessary, as opposed to having to put it in the mail. This is the last one that passed by 2/3. **Hamza:** Any questions? Go ahead, George. **Eigenhauser:** I move we ratify. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Ginger. **Meeker:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** 17.04e is ratified.

2 – Resolutions that passed by majority or from the Floor at the Annual Meeting (Advisory to Board)

Rule # 12.03c	Passed by majority at annual – Resolution 17	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
<p>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 1-9) 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.</p>	<p>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 1-9) 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. <u>Before granting permission, the Regional Director shall notify all subscribers of the CFA News announcements or a similar CFA-managed email list of such a license request. Clubs wishing to provide comment may do so to their Regional Director within 7 days of the announcement. While the Regional Directors will consider all input, they are not bound by it. This is in addition to any other policy used by the CFA Executive Board to manage the show schedule. This does not apply to shows licensed within the state of Hawaii.</u></p>	

RATIONALE: On a few occasions, for various reasons, a Regional Director has given approval for a change without first getting input from another affected club. It can be very difficult for the RDs to know which shows will be affected by these changes. This proposal will aid the RDs in managing the traditional dates by having a blanket pre-notice of all clubs, then anyone who wants to comment can do so and the RDs can determine the merits of the comments (as they do now). This only applies to cases where the RD is considering granting the request, not every request that comes in. If the RDs plan to deny the request (some requests are obviously bad moves and can be quickly denied), then there is no need to go further.

When the RDs are considering granting a request, notifying all clubs through an email list removes any need for the RDs to determine which clubs are affected or to figure out mileage or to worry about clubs with dates before and after the show. Nobody will be left out. Clubs who care about such notifications will make sure they have members subscribed to the necessary lists.

The 7 day requirement is enough time for a club to provide input without unduly delaying the licensing process. If a club needs more than 7 days, they can always make an initial comment and ask for a little more time.

This is the same as pre-notice of applicants to the judging program and applicants for new clubs, it is simply an opportunity for anyone with a concern to receive a notification of a proposed new show and to have the opportunity to comment. This is solely about the opportunity to provide input, it is up to the RDs to determine whether the input is relevant or has merit.

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** Alright. 12.03c. This is one that passed by a majority, and it had to do with the granting of permission to hold shows on non-traditional dates that the regional director had to notify everyone on the CFA News announcement or some similar managed list, of the fact that there was a request to have a show on a date that would otherwise not have been occupied but is a former traditional date. This is basically a requirement for the regional directors to put out information to the regions. **Hamza:** Michael. **Shelton:** Yeah. I've had a request from Hawaii to see if we can exempt Hawaii from this requirement, because of the issues that were discussed at the Annual and also what we passed at, I think it was the July teleconference, allowing them to license their shows very late because of what they are having to do to get show halls. Because an additional 7 days when they are generally licensing about 5 weeks out – 7 days is a long time and also that there is no possible way a show in Hawaii can ever influence another show anywhere in CFA. So, I'm just asking for a sentence at the end of this show rule: *Does not apply to shows licensed within the state of Hawaii.* **Hamza:** What do you think, Ed? **Raymond:** I think that's fine. **Hamza:** Monte? **Phillips:** I don't have a problem with that. Can you add that sentence, Rachel? **Anger:** Sure. **Phillips:** Just a sentence at the very end. **Hamza:** Does anybody have any objection to exempting Hawaii? OK, then we will vote to ratify this. **Phillips:** Actually, you will vote to approve it. **Eigenhauser:** I move we approve it, as amended. **Shelton:** Second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Calhoun: I just had a quick question about the mechanics. It says, *Written permission must accompany the show license application.* Does that mean – what does that mean? Email? What does that mean? **Hamza:** Anything. You need to send, as a regional director, if you're approving a non-traditional date, you just have to – somehow, the regional director has to verify with Central Office that you have, indeed, approved that. **Calhoun:** OK. **Hamza:** So, email. **Phillips:** That's not new, by the way. **Hamza:** Pardon? **Phillips:** I said, that's not new. **Hamza:**

No, right. **Calhoun:** Yeah, but I'm a new regional director, so I am. **Hamza:** Alright, so we're clear? **Calhoun:** We're clear. Thank you.

Rule # 22.01 & 22.02a	Passed by majority at annual – Resolution 20	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording as passed	
<p>22.01 In Allbreed rings the Championship finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 150, for Championship entries of 150 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion, Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Longhair Champion, and Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Shorthair Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 75, for Premiership entries of 75 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier, Best and 2nd Best Longhair Premier, Best and 2nd Best Shorthair Premier.</p> <p>Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.</p> <p>22.02a In Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings the Champion-ship finals will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 150, for Championship entries of 150 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 75, for Premiership entries of 75 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier.</p> <p>Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.</p>	<p>22.01 In Allbreed rings the Championship finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 150<u>115</u>, for Championship entries of 150<u>115</u> or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion, Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Longhair Champion, and Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Shorthair Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 75<u>60</u>, for Premiership entries of 75<u>60</u> or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier, Best and 2nd Best Longhair Premier, Best and 2nd Best Shorthair Premier.</p> <p>Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.</p> <p>22.02a In Longhair/Shorthair Specialty rings the Champion-ship finals will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 150<u>115</u>, for Championship entries of 150<u>115</u> or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best, 2nd Best and 3rd Best Champion. Kitten finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Kitten when kitten entries are less than 100, for kitten entries of 100 or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Kitten. Premiership finals awards will be Best through 10th Best Cat when cat entries are less than 75<u>60</u>, for Premiership entries of 75<u>60</u> or more the final awards will be Best through 15th Best Cat; Best and 2nd Best Premier.</p> <p>Veteran Class finals awards will be Best through 5th Best Cat or Best through 10th Best Cat as determined by show management.</p>	
<p>RATIONALE: Rather than give the complete analysis over again from the annual meeting (which is fairly long), suffice it to say that these revised numbers are based on an analysis of show counts over the last two seasons to essentially normalize the number of shows having a top 15 final in championship or premiership with the number of</p>		

shows we currently have a top 15 in kittens.

White: Loretta, I see you got in. **Baugh:** Yes. I was going in through Chrome and it wouldn't work so I switched it to Google and I got in. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** OK, the next one is two rules – 22.01 and 22.01 alpha that has to do with the requirements for the number of cats required for a top 15 final. **Hamza:** Hang on, Monte. Kathy has got her hand up. Kathy, is this from the last question? **Calhoun:** Yeah. I voted and supported it. [transcript goes to previous show rule proposal]

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. I'm sorry. **Phillips:** OK. 22.01 and 22.02a both have to do with reducing the number of cats required for a top 15 final. These were passed by majority but not by a super majority. The championship number goes from 150 to 115. I've got to say that clearly because both numbers almost sound the same. The premiership number goes from 75 to 60, 6-0. On 22.01a there is a type-o. I think when I tried to type the 60 the second time, it put a strike-out through it while I was actually trying to put it in as a new number. That's 5 lines up from the bottom of 22.01a, first paragraph. **Anger:** Got it. **Phillips:** That 60 should not be lined out. These two rules have to do with allbreed finals (that's 22.01) and specialty finals (that's 22.01a), and they lower the requirement for top 15 from 150 to 115, and from 75 to 60 in premiership. Kittens stay the same, at 100. **Hamza:** Tracy. **Petty:** I just wanted to point out to Monte, you have the same strike-out issue in 22.01. **Phillips:** That's the one I'm talking about. **Hannon:** But that's not what you said. **Phillips:** Oh, I'm sorry. Yeah, the strike-out issue is not in 22.02a. That came out OK. It's just the one in 22.01. **Hamza:** You know, we could have fun and just get rid of the line through all the letters and have it say 7,560 cats. **Phillips:** That won't happen. We haven't even had an International bigger than 1,304 ever, I don't think. **Hamza:** I know. It would be fun, though. Anyway, can I get a motion here, unless there's any other objections? **White:** So moved. **Anger:** Rachel seconds.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser voting no.

3 – Rules proposed based on Board discussions

3.a – Removal of Judging Restrictions - discussed at June 28, 2012 Board Meeting

Rule 25.02	Show Rules Committee per request of June 28 Board Meeting	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	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 Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved.	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 Approved Specialty judges. A judge may judge only the specialty in which he/she is approved, either as an apprentice,

<p>Judges residing in Region 9 or the International Division may judge in Region 9 or the International Division.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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> <p>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.</p>	<p><u>approval-pending, or approved judge.</u></p> <p>Judges residing in Region 9 or the International Division may judge in Region 9 or the International Division.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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> <p>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.</p>
<p>RATIONALE: Without reciting the full pages of minutes, the concern addressed at the Board meeting was that there is a show rule that restricts judges from the United States from judging in Europe or the International Division unless they are at least fully approved specialty judges; while there is no such restriction for judges in Europe or the International Division judging in the United States. The Committee was requested to come to the Board with a proposal to remove that restriction so that US judges could judge overseas just as overseas judges could judge in the US.</p>	

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** OK. 25.02, based on my reading of the June 28 board minutes, the proposal was basically to eliminate the restriction that prevents people who don't already have an allbreed license from being able to judge in the International Division or Europe. So, that is what this proposal has been written to do. It basically removes the restriction and lets anybody who is a judge basically be able to judge whatever it is they are licensed to judge. So, a shorthair specialty judge could accept an assignment, for example, or an allbreed approval pending could accept an assignment, which right now they would have difficulty doing if they were a specialty judge. It removes that restriction, which I should think would also be able to help judges in those parts of the world become judges because it's kind of hard to get a judging assignment if you're not allowed to accept it. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Loretta. **Baugh:** What this does is allow judges to only judge at the level they are approved at. In other words, a specialty judge isn't going to be allowed to judge allbreed. **Phillips:** No, it doesn't do that. **Baugh:** That's what it sounded like you were talking about, but in any event, the question that came up at the workshop was whether or not we want to allow non-approved allbreed judges or

approval pending to be able to judge non-CFA shows. Are we talking about just CFA shows, or are we talking about any show, like for another association? That's where the concern was and that's why I had written it both ways. I think we need to discuss what we want to, in fact, do with these people before we pass anything. Do we want to allow a non-approved judge to judge for FIFe or another association, or do we want to remove the restriction only for CFA shows?

Hamza: Annette. **Wilson:** I think that the third paragraph down says, *Approval of the Judging Program/CFA Board must also be obtained for non-CFA shows*. I mean, I think that's good.

Baugh: OK. I just want to be sure. I want to be sure everyone is aware what we're doing.

Hamza: That seems to be a pretty good control valve. **Baugh:** I'm fine with it. [inaudible]

Hannon: I brought this up yesterday and I honestly don't remember the answer. Right at the beginning of the paragraph, the top of the page, *Invitations from clubs affiliated with foreign cat associations*. How do we deal with the word "foreign"? If you are in Russia and you want to invite somebody from a Russian association, that's not foreign for you. **Hamza:** You know, it depends on how you look at it. You can consider any non-CFA association as a foreign

association. It could be a conceptual – **Hannon:** Can we say, *Invitations from clubs affiliated with other cat associations*?

Hamza: It would be the same thing. If that makes it clearer, I don't

mind. **Hannon:** Well, it just seems to me that the word "foreign" implies outside your home

country, and this was written when virtually all the CFA shows were in North America. **Hamza:**

Right. If it makes it clearer. Ed. **Raymond:** You can do that. The way I interpret this, as it's

currently written is, "foreign" means non-CFA. **Hamza:** It's just a matter of, we know what it

means, but if we can make it clearer – **Hannon:** Well, maybe Dick – is it clear to the clubs in the

other countries in the ID? Is it clear to the Europeans? **Kallmeyer:** Probably not. I don't know

about Europe. **Wilson:** It's not clear to me. The whole this unclear. **Hamza:** George.

Eigenhauser: Yeah. I would support putting in "other" or "non-CFA" because this is going to be

translated into other languages, too, and we don't know what the connotation of "foreign" might

be in other languages. So, I think we should un-US the rules as much as we possibly can and use

neutral language, so "other" or "non-CFA" would be my choice. **Hamza:** If we're going to go

down that road, "non-CFA" would be the clearest. **Phillips:** I agree. **Hamza:** Michael.

Shelton: I had a different question. There seems to be a small internal consistency. In the existing language, it says, *Invitations ... may be considered only Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty judges*. But then, at the end of that paragraph includes

apprentice. **Hamza:** Loretta, do you want to speak to that? **Baugh:** Well, that's what we talked

about in June, that it was anybody. An apprentice judge is somebody who has only been

advanced to the first level, but the discussion that we had in June, I was under the impression and

apparently Monte was, as well, when he wrote this is that it's open to anybody. We are removing

the entire restriction. **Phillips:** Correct. It is going to be you could judge whatever you are

licensed to judge. **Baugh:** Correct. **Hamza:** You know, passing by a simple majority I think

gives us more discretion as a board. **Baugh:** This is a board vote. This didn't go to the Annual.

Phillips: This never went to the annual. **Hamza:** Oh, OK. I thought something like this came up.

Alright. Well, should we just strike out apprentice? **Baugh:** I would be more comfortable with

that, personally. **Altschul:** You still have a conflict, because it says *Approved Specialty Judge*,

not an Approval Pending Specialty Judge. **Baugh:** But we are taking all that out. **Hannon:** Not

above. **Hamza:** Well, it's got lines through it. **Hannon:** No, it doesn't. **Bizzell:** No, it doesn't.

Phillips: The sentence says – I can't tell if it's two sentences or one sentence because there's so

many capital letters in here. *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.* That's all lined out. **Hannon:** But right above that. **Hamza:** Where it says, *Approval Pending Allbreed or* – **Phillips:** That's the foreign cat associations. **Hamza:** Alright. You know where the confusion is, is the way David has highlighted it [on the screen]. **White:** It wasn't me. **Hamza:** As far as reading it off the screen. I see what Monte is saying. So, the one above the lined-out stuff is for international judges. **Phillips:** That would be a LOOF club, for example, deciding they wanted to hire a judge from us. **Hamza:** Right. Annette. **Wilson:** I think we just need to clarify here that this is addressing two different situations. **Phillips:** That's correct. **Wilson:** Invitations from non-CFA clubs in the first sentence, and then invitations from CFA clubs. I think the problem is, lining out invitations from CFA clubs. So, there's actually two things. Which judges can judge non-CFA shows and which judges can judge CFA shows in the International Division. **Hannon:** Or Europe. **Wilson:** No, not Europe. That's part of CFA. **Hamza:** That's Region 9. **Wilson:** So, I think if you take the lining out, if you leave *Invitations from CFA clubs* and then line out *in Region 9*, so *Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be judged in the specialty in which he or she is approved*, if that's in fact what this is, or are we also allowing judges to judge the FIFe shows and – I mean, I think it's two different things. We're trying to cover two different scenarios with one correction, and we can't. **Hamza:** Would this be easier to send this back and have it written up as two separate items? **Calhoun:** Yes. **Wilson:** Or two paragraphs. **Eigenhauser:** I would support that. **Hamza:** However. **White:** Clean it up. **Phillips:** We can do that. **Hamza:** Monte, I would prefer that we – you know, because it will always make it easier for future amending, that you break it up and you deal with one issue in one section and you deal with the judging of foreign associations or other-than-CFA associations in one part of it, and then the CFA part in another part. So, why don't we just send this back and have it for the November – can you have it done by November, or do you want to move it to December? **Phillips:** Well, I don't know. **Hamza:** Why don't we move it to December? **Phillips:** Let's go for December, because I'm not so sure I will make November. **Hamza:** Yeah, I agree with that. So, does anybody have a problem with this not raising its head until December? **Baugh:** I just want to know if Monte could send it to me before he finalizes it. **Phillips:** Absolutely. I can do that. **Hamza:** Monte, there you go.

Hamza: Tracy, do you still have a question? **Petty:** Yes. I'm not sure if we're – as far as shows in Region 9 or the International Division, apprentice and approval pending specialty judges from those countries can take those assignments, is that correct? **Baugh:** I'm sorry, what was that again? **Petty:** Approval pending specialty and apprentice specialty judges that are in Region 9 or the International Division can take those assignments, correct? **Baugh:** Yes, yes. **Petty:** The way it's written does not read that way, so we have to say North American judges or something like that. When it is rewritten, that should be clarified. **Bizzell:** It is in there. It says, *Judges residing in Region 9 or in the International Division may judge in Region 9 or the International Division.* It doesn't qualify what status you are, but judges in general. **Baugh:** We'll clean it all up before we bring it back. **Hamza:** Loretta, there seems to be some discomfort with allowing apprentices to do this. **Baugh:** Yes, there is. **Hamza:** So, does anybody object if we remove the apprentice from this? **Hannon:** No. **Bizzell:** No. **Baugh:** I think it's a good move, personally. **Hamza:** Annette. **Wilson:** I have a problem with removing apprentices from judging

CFA shows. **Hannon:** They will never get beyond apprentice. **Wilson:** Right. I mean, that's how you get your experience. I mean, if we can't trust an apprentice to represent CFA in our European region, then they are not ready to be an apprentice. **Hamza:** I'm talking about – **Baugh:** [inaudible] judge non-CFA shows. I have no problem with CFA shows. **Hannon:** Non-CFA shows is what she's talking about. **Hamza:** That's what I was talking about, too. **Wilson:** Well, I agree. **Hamza:** I think it's not a great policy to send an apprentice. **Wilson:** That's why we need two separate – **Hamza:** That's why we need two separate issues for this. David. **White:** Do you honestly think that someone is going to invite an apprentice judge to judge overseas? **Wilson:** They might. **Hamza:** You don't know. They may have – it's just better. If we're going to have judges represent CFA in foreign registries or non-CFA registries, they should at least be further along the trail than apprentice. OK, let's move on.

Tabled.

3.b - Removal of Specific Fees from Show Rules - discussed at August 14, 2012 Board Meeting

Article VIII	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<p>Scoring Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a CFA registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee of \$ 50.00 for point reinstatement.</p>	<p>Scoring Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a CFA registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee <u>as specified in the CFA's current price list</u> of \$ 50.00 for point reinstatement.</p>
Rule # 11.08.b.3	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<p>3. If the full payment (as prescribed in section 1) is not received within the 30 day period, the club will notify the exhibitor and CFA Central Office of that fact within seven (7) days by certified, return receipt</p>	<p>3. If the full payment (as prescribed in section 1) is not received within the 30 day period, the club will notify the exhibitor and CFA Central Office of that fact within seven (7) days by certified, return receipt</p>

<p>mail. The club may elect to notify CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the notification within 7 days after the thirty (30) days is up. CFA Central Office will then rescind all wins earned by the exhibitor's cat(s) for that show weekend and suspend all CFA services and inform the exhibitor by certified, return receipt mail. A \$100.00 processing fee shall be payable to CFA by the exhibitor. All CFA services will be suspended to the exhibitor until the processing fee and the debt to the club are paid. Once points are rescinded they will not be reinstated if the exhibitor ultimately pays the outstanding fees.</p>	<p>mail. The club may elect to notify CFA Central Office by fax, email or regular mail, but it is the club's responsibility to ensure CFA receives the notification within 7 days after the thirty (30) days is up. CFA Central Office will then rescind all wins earned by the exhibitor's cat(s) for that show weekend and suspend all CFA services and inform the exhibitor by certified, return receipt mail. A \$100.00 processing fee shall be payable to CFA by the exhibitor. <u>The amount of the processing fee is listed in the CFA's current price list.</u> All CFA services will be suspended to the exhibitor until the processing fee and the debt to the club are paid. Once points are rescinded they will not be reinstated if the exhibitor ultimately pays the outstanding fees.</p>
Rule # 12.04	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>Application for license should be received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 90 days prior to the opening day of the show on the official form that may be obtained from the Central Office. Applications post-marked with a date less than 90 days from the opening day of the show will incur late filing fees, in addition to the regular show processing and show insurance fees, as follows:</p> <p>89-60 day postmark = \$50.00 fee</p> <p>59-30 day postmark = \$100.00 fee</p> <p>29 day postmark or less but received in Central Office not less than 7 days prior to the opening day of the show = \$500.00 fee.</p> <p>No license will be granted for shows whose license is received in the Central Office with less than 7 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show.</p> <p>A club will be considered not in good standing until the late filing fee is paid.</p> <p>The show secretary of the benching club must submit to the Central Office the following</p>	<p>Application for license should be received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 90 days prior to the opening day of the show on the official form that may be obtained from the Central Office. Applications post-marked with a date less than 90 days from the opening day of the show will incur late filing fees, in addition to the regular show processing and show insurance fees, as <u>specified in the CFA's current price list follows:</u></p> <p>89-60 day postmark = \$50.00 fee</p> <p>59-30 day postmark = \$100.00 fee</p> <p>29 day postmark or less but received in Central Office not less than 7 days prior to the opening day of the show = \$500.00 fee.</p> <p>No license will be granted for shows whose license is received in the Central Office with less than 7 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show.</p> <p>A club will be considered not in good standing until the late filing fee is paid.</p> <p>The show secretary of the benching club must submit to the Central Office the following</p>
Rule # 15.01.1	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>Should the show manager permit a cat/kitten whose entry information is not printed in the catalog to compete, the show manager shall provide a written statement of explanation, for the review of the CFA Central Office, which shall determine if the entry was eligible for competition. The show manager's statement and all</p>	<p>Should the show manager permit a cat/kitten whose entry information is not printed in the catalog to compete, the show manager shall provide a written statement of explanation, for the review of the CFA Central Office, which shall determine if the entry was eligible for competition. The show manager's statement and all</p>

<p>documents pertaining to his/her decision must be submitted with the show package to the Central Office. Entries deemed not eligible by the Central Office will not receive credit for any award(s) achieved at the show (see paragraph 20.06).</p> <p>The show manager must prepare an addendum to include all information for any entry not included in the show catalog, which is to be posted with the master clerk and included with the official show records submitted to the Central Office. A fee of \$50 per addendum will be charged to the club/entry clerk/show service and must be submitted with the show packet. Payment of the \$50 non-refundable fee does not guarantee acceptance of an addendum by the Central Office.</p>	<p>documents pertaining to his/her decision must be submitted with the show package to the Central Office. Entries deemed not eligible by the Central Office will not receive credit for any award(s) achieved at the show (see paragraph 20.06).</p> <p>The show manager must prepare an addendum to include all information for any entry not included in the show catalog, which is to be posted with the master clerk and included with the official show records submitted to the Central Office. A fee, <u>as specified in the CFA's current price list</u>, of \$50 per addendum will be charged to the club/entry clerk/show service and must be submitted with the show packet. Payment of the \$50 non-refundable fee does not guarantee acceptance of an addendum by the Central Office.</p>
Rule # 16.06.1	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>The show secretary or designated representative is responsible for creating a computerized file in a format specified by the Central Office which contains complete information as required on the show entry form for all cats/kittens entered in the show (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet). 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.</p>	<p>The show secretary or designated representative is responsible for creating a computerized file in a format specified by the Central Office which contains complete information as required on the show entry form for all cats/kittens entered in the show (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet). A processing fee, <u>as specified in the CFA's current price list</u>, 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.</p>
Rule # 16.10	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>The show secretary MUST send the following to the Central Office by EXPRESS MAIL Next Day Service, UPS OVERNIGHT, FEDERAL EXPRESS or an equivalent overnight service, on the first (1st) business day after the close of the show. This must arrive at the delivering service prior to the time such service requires for delivery to arrive at CFA Central Office the next day (the second [2nd] business day after the close of the show). Central Office may impose upon the club a \$100.00 fine for the untimely receipt of show packages.</p>	<p>The show secretary MUST send the following to the Central Office by EXPRESS MAIL Next Day Service, UPS OVERNIGHT, FEDERAL EXPRESS or an equivalent overnight service, on the first (1st) business day after the close of the show. This must arrive at the delivering service prior to the time such service requires for delivery to arrive at CFA Central Office the next day (the second [2nd] business day after the close of the show). Central Office may impose upon the club a \$100.00 fine, <u>as listed in the CFA's current price list</u>, for the untimely receipt of show packages.</p>
Rule # 16.10h	Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>h. the electronic show information (in an electronic format acceptable by the Central Office) containing</p>	<p>h. the electronic show information (in an electronic format acceptable by the Central Office) containing</p>

<p>show entry information (see Data File Information at the front 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;</p>	<p>show entry information (see Data File Information at the front of this booklet), unless the file has been sent directly to Central Office by the Show Entry Clerk or Show Secretary. A processing fee, <u>as specified in the CFA's current price list</u>, 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;</p>
<p>Article XXXVII - Eligibility</p>	<p>Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting</p>
<p>Existing Wording</p>	<p>Proposed Wording</p>
<p>2. Kitten classes - all kittens entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually registered and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with a fee of \$25 to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show (this fee does not include any expedited registration service fee, if applicable). It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the kitten's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied.</p>	<p>2. Kitten classes - all kittens entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually registered and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with <u>the fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the kitten</u> a fee of \$25 to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show (this fee does not include any expedited registration service fee, if applicable). It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the kitten's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied.</p>
<p>Article XXXVII – Scoring (starting at Note)</p>	<p>Show Rules Committee per request of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting</p>
<p>Existing Wording</p>	<p>Proposed Wording</p>
<p>Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date</p>	<p>Note: requests to restore wins voided by the Central Office or to receive credit for awards/points earned at a show but not posted to the cat's record, due to the presence of an incorrect registration number or the lack of a registration number in the catalog, can be considered only if a correctly completed registration application for the cat in question was received in the Central Office no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the show in question. A correctly completed registration application is one which contains all the information necessary to register the cat, is accompanied by the proper fee, AND for which no registration impediment exists (i.e., genetic improbability, all kittens in litter already registered, etc.). Such requests must be made to Central Office within 30 days after completion of the show or the Monday following the end of the show season, whichever comes first, and must include the correct registration number of the cat, the name and date of the show involved, and be</p>

of the show involved, and be accompanied by a fee of \$ 50.00 for point reinstatement.	accompanied by a fee <u>as specified in the CFA's current price list</u> of \$ 50.00 for point reinstatement.
<p>RATIONALE: The Board requested, at its August 2012 meeting, that all CFA fees be removed from the show rules. The above rules proposals do just that – and refer the reader to the CFA's current price list. The price list needs to also be updated to include all of the above-referenced fees. Fees that still are listed in the show rules are those associated with payments to be made by clubs to individual Clerks or Judges for their work at a show, and the surcharge amounts for entries. If the Board also wishes to remove the surcharge amounts from the show rules, then the next rules proposal addresses that area only.</p>	

Phillips: OK, 3.b., the long one. At the August board meeting, the request was made to remove all of the specific dollar amounts of fees from the rules, and reference CFA's price list. So, we have a bunch of those. Article VIII, you're seeing at the end we're taking out the \$50 point reinstatement and saying, see the price list. Rule 11.08.b.3., which is the one that has to do with processing. [loud, annoying buzz] **White:** Hold on, hold on. **Hamza:** Hang on. Everybody hang on for a second. **Phillips:** We are under attack by bees. [noise stops] **Anger:** Thank you. **Phillips:** Anyway, that has to do with the \$100 processing fee. That's being taken out again and replaced by, see the price list. 12.04 has to do with how much you pay for a license, depending on when it's postmarked. That's all being taken out and referred to the price list. [loud, annoying buzz] It's back. The bees are killing us. 15.01 has to do with how much it costs for an addendum. That's being taken out and replaced by the price list. 16.06.1 has again to do with a processing fee for the file that you have to send to CFA, the data disk. If you don't send a data disk, again that's being replaced by referencing the price list. 16.10.h., same thing, same disk, same fee. Article XXXVII has to do with scoring. If you have to go back and have them reinstate points because you forgot to give them your kitten number, again this is, see the price list. That's Article XXXVII, and that's in two places. That's it.

Hamza: Let's talk about – George, go ahead. **Eigenhauser:** Yeah, I have a couple of comments. The first is, I want to make sure that there is somebody in particular responsible for making sure that all of the ones we take out of the show rules or take out of other places and put onto the new master price list actually get to the master price list. I want a name, not just, "somebody is going to make sure this all happens." **Bizzell:** That would be Carla. **Eigenhauser:** It's definitely going to be Carla? You're going to be responsible for it? **Bizzell:** I'm responsible. **Hannon:** The Treasurer. Whoever the Treasurer is. **Eigenhauser:** What I would like to do when we got to the price list is, for rule 12.04, which is the late fee for putting show rules in, I would like an asterisk on it and a footnote on the master list to reflect our policy regarding Hawaii. **Hamza:** Do you get that, Monte? **Phillips:** Right. **Eigenhauser:** That's more for Carla. **Phillips:** That's not really me. That will be Carla because it won't be in the rules. It will be gone from the rules. All it will say is, *See price list*. **Hamza:** OK. So, you want Carla to have a footnote on the price list? **Bizzell:** Right. **Hannon:** But, I think we should say the Treasurer, not Carla, because Carla won't always be responsible. **Bizzell:** That's correct. **Eigenhauser:** Right. I just need to know for purposes of getting the initial group over to the initial master list, to make sure it doesn't fall through the cracks. **Phillips:** That's got to happen by May 1. **Bizzell:** Right. **Hamza:** I think you pretty much have that done already, don't you? **Hannon:** She said she has annotated her rules, here. **Hamza:** Alright. Does anybody else have any comments on these? Alright.

Hannon: So, we need a motion. So moved. **Hamza:** Can we get a motion to accept? **Hannon:** So moved. **Krzanowski:** Second, Carol.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

3.c – Also remove surcharge fee amounts from Show Rules – extension of August 14, 2012 Board Meeting Request

Rule # 16.10.k	Show Rules Committee	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<p>k. the show entry surcharge fee of \$2.00 per catalog entry (including HHP). Shows held in the International Division, Canada and Hawaii will include a show entry surcharge fee of \$1.00 per catalog entry (including HHP).</p>	<p>k. the show entry surcharge fee, <u>as specified in the CFA’s current price list</u> of \$2.00 per catalog entry (including HHP). Shows held in the International Division, Canada and Hawaii will include the a show entry surcharge fee <u>as specified in the CFA’s current price list for those areas of the world</u> of \$1.00 per catalog entry (including HHP).</p>
<p>RATIONALE: This rule change would also remove the surcharge fee from the body of the show rules and place it in the price list. The committee does not recommend this rule be adopted, as it may cause confusion at shows as to how much the surcharge is for a specific show. Referencing the show rules won’t help unless the rules contain a copy of the price list. Printing the price list in the show rules defeats one of the purposes of removing them – it would make it very difficult to change the prices other than at the start of a show season.</p>		

Phillips: This would remove all the fees except for the surcharge fee. Surcharge fee is the next rule. If you want to remove the surcharge fee from the rules and say, *See current price list*, that would be 3.c. I wasn’t sure whether you wanted to leave that one in or take that one out, so I made it two separate proposals. [transcript returns to 3.b.]

Phillips: 3.c. is the one about – it’s the same idea. It’s removing the fee from the price list, or putting it on the price list, but this has to do with the catalog entry surcharge fee, which is very specific in the rules because that’s where the numbers of cats are. I wasn’t sure if you wanted to take that one out, as well, and put that on the price list, as well, so I made that its own separate proposal. **Hamza:** I think it should stay the way it is. I think it should always take a board action to move that surcharge, whereas if my understanding is right, the other fees that we moved onto a fee page is so that the treasurer can always adjust those fees upward, depending on the costs associated with those fees. **Eigenhauser:** No. **Bizzell:** No. The board still needs to ratify price changing. **Hamza:** On anything. **Bizzell:** Right. But I have to agree that the price in this particular show rule is more appropriate than the other penalty prices that we had sprinkled throughout. **Phillips:** And that’s why I separated it out. **Bizzell:** Right. **Hamza:** So, if we leave it as is, we don’t even need to vote. **Phillips:** Correct. **Hamza:** And I would prefer leaving it as is. George. **Eigenhauser:** Yeah, I was just going to say, I was going to disagree with what you said at first. Whatever fees the board sets is what’s going to appear on the master fee list. It’s not going to be Central Office or Carla or somebody else doing it, so it’s not a question of who sets the fee. The issue is, where we want to put it. There are some things that you really do need to

highlight, to make sure people do it. Leaving it in the show rules is a way to emphasize it.
Hamza: OK. So, we seem to all be in agreement that we don't really need to do anything here.

No action.

3.d – Allow for not sending in full entry forms to Central Office for certain catalog corrections – Show Rules Committee Proposal

Rule 18.11.a	Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
<p>a. The master clerk is authorized to make corrections in the official catalog to entry information that is printed in error and/or to add registration numbers for kittens where not printed in the catalog (see paragraph 11.04). When such a correction is made, the official entry form and the original copy of the catalog correction request form must be sent to the Central Office with the official catalog.</p>	<p>a. The master clerk is authorized to make corrections in the official catalog to entry information that is printed in error and/or to add registration numbers for kittens where not printed in the catalog (see paragraph 11.04). When such a correction is made, the official entry form and the original copy of the catalog correction request form must be sent to the Central Office with the official catalog. <u>Submitting the entry form to Central Office is not required if the catalog correction involves only the addition of a missing kitten registration number or the transfer of a cat from open, champion, or premier to champion, premier, grand champion, or grand premier. In these cases only the original correction form need be submitted to Central Office.</u></p>	
<p>RATIONALE: This proposed rule revision was prepared for three purposes. First, it reduces the amount of time the Master Clerk needs to spend on tracking down entry forms for catalog corrections where the entry information would not be in error in the first place, i.e., the catalog correction isn't correcting anything in error on the entry form. Second it reduces the amount of money spent by clubs to ship their completed show packages back to Central Office. Show package shipments are priced by weight. By reducing the number of sheets of paper that need to be sent back to Central Office, we are in effect reducing the amount of money clubs need to spend on shipping show packages. Finally, many Master Clerks have already implemented this rule even though what they are doing at this time is technically a rules violation. This would eliminate the "violation" part of their activities.</p> <p>The proposal removes the requirement to include a show entry form for catalog corrections that involve only the addition of a missing kitten registration number, or change in judging status of a cat that transfers on Saturday from open/champion/premier to champion/premier/grand champion/grand premier. In cases where a correction not only involves the above, but also involves another valid reason for making a catalog correction, the entry form submittal requirement remains.</p>		

Hamza: So, we will move on to 3.d. Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** OK. 18.11.a. is basically a money saver for clubs. Right now, if you read the rule, every catalog correction is supposed to have a copy of the entry form attached to it when it's sent back to Central Office. There's two kinds of catalog corrections that really don't need that – catalog corrections where the guy is changing from open or champion to grand. There's obviously nothing wrong with the entry form. Catalog corrections where you are adding a kitten registration number to one that was never submitted to begin with, there's nothing wrong with the entry form there, either. So, both of those, basically what this does is say you don't have to send the entry form in with the catalog

correction. Some master clerks are already not sending them in as it is, but technically they are in violation of the show rule if they do that. This just cleans up the show rule so you don't have to send the entry form in if there's just a registration number addition or change of title. That's it.

Hamza: George. **Eigenhauser:** And lighter show packets mean lesser shipping fees. **Phillips:** That's the idea. We'll get to that one further. **Hamza:** I think this one is pretty straightforward, so can I get a motion. **Calhoun:** Kathy moves. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

[Newkirk leaves the conference] **White:** We lost Darrell. Darrell, are you OK?

3.e – Clarify internal inconsistency of currently-worded rule - Show Rules Committee Proposal

Show Rule # 12.04c	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>c. the show license fee and show insurance fee.</p> <p>These documents and fees must be submitted as a package, and the Central Office will not issue the license for any show until all the papers have been received in proper order. The office will return copies of the approved license(s).</p> <p>Applicable late filing fees will apply if a completed application with all judging contracts and show license and insurance fees is received with a postmark of less then 90 days from the opening day of the show.</p> <p>*Clubs are permitted to schedule one ring for which no judge(s) has been contracted (commonly known as a “to be announced” (TBA) judge). If a club chooses to schedule such a ring, include the initials “TBA” on the show license under the judging information section and the type of ring scheduled for the TBA judge. Completed judges contracts (to include the name and signature of the judge) for any previously scheduled TBA judge(s) must be received in the Central Office no later than 30 days prior to the opening day of the show.</p> <p>Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in club sponsorship will be allowed.</p> <p>Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in format or a judge’s assignment (e.g. allbreed to specialty or specialty to allbreed) will be permitted, except in the case of an emergency. If a show format is to be changed, a revised license application must be sent to the</p>	<p>c. the show license fee and show insurance fee.</p> <p>These documents and fees must be submitted as a package, and the Central Office will not issue the license for any show until all the papers have been received in proper order. The office will return copies of the approved license(s).</p> <p>Applicable late filing fees will apply if a completed application with all judging contracts and show license and insurance fees is received with a postmark of less then <u>than</u> 90 days from the opening day of the show.</p> <p>*Clubs are permitted to schedule one ring for which no judge(s) has been contracted (commonly known as a “to be announced” (TBA) judge). If a club chooses to schedule such a ring, include the initials “TBA” on the show license under the judging information section and the type of ring scheduled for the TBA judge. Completed judges contracts (to include the name and signature of the judge) for any previously scheduled TBA judge(s) must be received in the Central Office no later than 30 days prior to the opening day of the show.</p> <p>Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in club sponsorship will be allowed.</p> <p>Once a show license is approved by the Central Office, no change in format or a judge’s assignment (e.g. allbreed to specialty or specialty to allbreed) will be permitted, except in the case of an emergency. If <u>as a result of an emergency</u> a show format is to be changed, a revised license application</p>

<p>Central Office for prior approval. The show judges, exhibitors and Regional Director must be notified immediately of any change in format.</p> <p>Format changes may be permitted provided the request is received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 90 days prior to the opening day of the show. Revised judging contracts must be obtained before the format change request is submitted if a judge's ring type is being changed.</p> <p>A change from a two-day show where all judges and entries are present both days to a back-to-back show is not considered a format change (see 12.07 b.3.); however, Central Office and all contracted judges must be notified of the change by the club.</p> <p>If a show scheduled as a two day show is changed to a one day show or a show scheduled as a one day show is changed to a two day show, the judges, exhibitors, Regional Director and Central Office must be notified as soon as possible.</p>	<p>must be sent to the Central Office for prior approval. The show judges, exhibitors and Regional Director must be notified immediately of any change in format.</p> <p><u>In cases of emergency, format changes may will be permitted without CFA Board approval</u> provided the request is received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 9030 days prior to the opening day of the show. <u>The request must include a description of the emergency necessitating the format change. Format changes made as a result of an emergency less than 30 days before the show require Board approval. For format changes submitted to Central Office 30 or more days in advance of the show, r</u>Revised judging contracts must be obtained before the format change request is and submitted if a judge's ring type is being changed. <u>If not already submitted, revised contracts will be submitted to Central Office with the show package for format changes approved by the Board less than 30 days in advance of the show.</u></p> <p>A change from a two-day show where all judges and entries are present both days to a back-to-back show is not considered a format change (see 12.07 b.3.); however, Central Office and all contracted judges must be notified of the change by the club.</p> <p>If a show scheduled as a two day show is changed to a one day show or a show scheduled as a one day show is changed to a two day show, the judges, exhibitors, Regional Director and Central Office must be notified as soon as possible.</p>
<p>RATIONALE: As currently worded, this show rule is internally inconsistent. The first part of the rule says format changes will not be permitted, and then later on the same rule provides the method for receiving approval for the not-permitted format change. The revised text allows for format changes in an emergency and then makes it clear what the process is for getting such a change approved based on the existence of said emergency. It is two parts, changes not requiring Board approval (i.e., those made 30 or more days in advance of the show), and those that DO require Board approval (those made less than 30 days in advance of the show). An example of the former would include a judge already contracted then goes on medical leave. An example of the latter would include situations where weather prevents flights from the judges location to the location of the show, but the show is able to obtain a judge who can get to the show.</p>	

Hamza: OK, on to 12.04.c. **Phillips:** 12.04.c. basically is to remove an internal inconsistency. Right now, the show rule as worded tells you that you cannot change format and then proceeds to tell you how to change the format, which makes no sense. So, what we have done here is specified, OK, you can change the format in an emergency and we have defined the emergencies, and we've specified two kinds of format changes – one with board approval, one without board approval. If it's more than 30 days, it's no board approval; if it's less than 30 days, like the examples that we have had a few times – I can think of St. Louis when the tornado came through the airport and people couldn't land, you basically were scrounging for judges and we ended up taking local judges that were going to go to New York and have them judge the local

show, and the judges up around New York that were coming down to St. Louis stayed up there and judged the show up there, so at least they could have normal shows but at the same time that's a format change. This specifies the method by which that would be done. **Hamza:** Rachel. **Anger:** I also, in the paragraph that starts out *Applicable late filing fees*, the second line from the bottom said, *postmark of less than*. I changed it to t-h-a-n, than. **Phillips:** I've got t-h-a-n, don't I? **Hannon:** No, e-n. **Hamza:** You had *then*. **Phillips:** Oh, is it supposed to be t-h-a-n? **Anger:** Yes. **Phillips:** My apologies for not knowing how to spell. **Anger:** Oh, that's alright, it was already there. **Phillips:** I actually thought I had the right word. **Hamza:** Other than grammatical corrections, does anybody have a problem with this? It's pretty straightforward. **Hannon:** I have a question. **Hamza:** Mark. **Hannon:** What if it's not an emergency and they, for whatever reason strikes their fancy, want to make a change? They want to have more allbreed rings or fewer allbreed rings. It's not really an emergency, they had second thoughts. Tough luck? **Phillips:** Yep. That would be one where they would have to get board approval no matter what, if they are going to do something without an emergency. **Hamza:** They could always petition the board. **Phillips:** We have that now. **Baugh:** This is Loretta. Looking at the way this reads though, I agree with Mark. It seems to me that somebody reading this would think they could only change their format in an emergency, and there are other ways to do it. **Hamza:** You know, this is a major improvement over the way it used to read. So, you know, I mean, and the other thing is, do we really want to advertise and encourage midstream format changes? I think it only should come to the board if there was a real important reason to. Annette. **Wilson:** This is Annette. I guess I don't understand. It says, *In case of emergency, format changes will be permitted without CFA Board approval provided the request is received in the Central Office with a postmark of at least 30 days prior to the show*. Well, most emergencies happen like two days before the show. How is someone going to know there's an emergency 30 days before the emergency happens? **Hamza:** I think – **Phillips:** As pointed out in the example, if a judge, for example, becomes injured or is no longer able to judge, that can happen more than 30 days in advance. **Wilson:** Right. So, it doesn't really cover all emergencies, just certain ones. **Phillips:** Oh, no it does not. It's not intended to. There are two kinds, short-term and longer-term. **Hamza:** I think what we have to look at in this particular instance is that we're going from maybe worse to bad. **Hannon:** Or we're maybe going from worse to worser. **Hamza:** I think the language – I don't know. It depends on how you read it. If you read the old way, it says you can't really do anything about it, but maybe if this and this and this happens. **Hannon:** I think Monte is right. The way it was worded where there are no exceptions, but here are the exceptions. **Hamza:** We have two choices here. We can either approve this or work on it a little more to have it say what we want it to say. George. **Eigenhauser:** I would like to work on it a little bit more. I'm a little concerned that we don't really define what we mean by an emergency. "I think I can make more money with a different format" is not an emergency to us, but who is to say a club won't decide that's an emergency to them? I think they need some guidance as to what we consider to be an emergency before we just blanket give clubs the ability to change their format 31 days out. **Hamza:** Tracy. While Tracy figures out how to work her phone, we will go to Loretta. **Baugh:** Yeah. I concur with George's sentiments. I would be more comfortable working on this and getting it the way we want it, rather than try to do it piecemeal. **Hamza:** Yeah, that's probably a good idea. Here's what we need, then. We need a board member to help cover all the bases with Monte. **Baugh:** I'll be working with Monte on the other one. I would be happy to help with this one. **Hamza:** And how would you like to help, Mr. Hannon? **Hannon:** I'll just criticize it later. **Hamza:** You'll just

criticize it later? Well, Mark and Loretta will help Monte. **Hannon:** No, Mark’s got too much else to do. **Hamza:** Tracy, are you still there? **Petty:** Yeah, I’m here. Sorry about that. I just was questioning if an emergency happens the day before a show, does a format change require board approval? **Hamza:** What usually happens in those instances is that one of the Executive Council members gets notified and we deal with it through the Executive part of the board. It happens. Typically once or twice a year, we end up doing something even the same day, but that’s the mechanism to deal with last-minute emergencies. **Petty:** That’s what I thought, but they might just put that in, so show committees know how to do it. **Hamza:** Again, you know, Monte and Loretta – Tracy, Mark is flatly refusing in his own way, so how would you like to help them with that? **Petty:** Are you talking to me? **Hannon:** Yeah. **Hamza:** Yeah. **Phillips:** Now we’ve got three? **Hamza:** Well, you’ve got two. Mark won’t do it. I want to say that so it’s in the minutes again. Mark refuses to help. **Phillips:** Well, he will be kind of busy working the World Show. I won’t argue that. **Hamza:** I know, I know. We’re just trying to keep it light here, folks. Tracy, is that something you would be willing to help with? **Petty:** Yes, absolutely. **Hamza:** OK, very good. So, we can move on.

Tabled.

3.f – Eliminating Need for 3-part paper by eliminating requirement for club copy of fully marked catalog – Clerking Committee/Show Rules Committee

Show Rule # 18.11.b	Show Rules Committee & Clerking Committee	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<p>b. The master clerk shall print the corrections and added registration numbers for kittens legibly in red ink in the fully marked catalogs to be submitted to the Central Office and the club, either the official show catalog or the NCR condensed show catalog. When an NCR condensed catalog is used for scoring the show, the master clerk shall make all corrections and registration number additions to the NCR condensed catalog only, and shall not mark any corrections in the blank copy of the official show catalog to be sent to the Central Office.</p>	<p>b. The master clerk shall print the corrections and added registration numbers for kittens legibly in red ink in the fully marked catalogs to be submitted to the Central Office and <u>retained by the master clerk</u>the club, either the official show catalog or the NCR condensed show catalog. When an NCR condensed catalog is used for scoring the show, the master clerk shall make all corrections and registration number additions to the NCR condensed catalog only, and shall not mark any corrections in the blank copy of the official show catalog to be sent to the Central Office.</p>
Show Rule # 18.17	Show Rules Committee	
	Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<p>The master clerk shall provide the show secretary with two (2) fully marked catalogs, including all rings, at the close of the show. A marked catalog may consist of either an official show catalog or a condensed show catalog that has been marked. A condensed show catalog contains an entry’s name, registration number, color description, entry number, birthdate, region of residence, and owner’s name – the sire, dam and breeder are not</p>	<p>The master clerk shall provide the show secretary with two (2)<u>one (1)</u> fully marked catalogs, including all rings, at the close of the show. A marked catalog may consist of either an official show catalog or a condensed show catalog that has been marked. A condensed show catalog contains an entry’s name, registration number, color description, entry number, birthdate, region of residence, and owner’s name – the sire, dam and breeder are not</p>

<p>included. Multi-copy (NCR) paper and forms are available from the Central Office for use in producing multi-copy catalogs. No other forms may be used to produce the color class portion of a marked catalog. One catalog, the official CFA catalog, is to be mailed to the Central Office by the show secretary in accordance with Paragraph 16.10. If an “NCR” catalog is used, a blank, official show catalog must also be sent to the Central Office.</p> <p>The second catalog is to be retained by the club for appropriate use and file.</p>	<p>included. Multi-copy (NCR) paper and forms are available from the Central Office for use in producing multi-copy catalogs. No other forms may be used to produce the color class portion of a marked catalog. One catalog, the official CFA catalog, is to be mailed to the Central Office by the show secretary in accordance with Paragraph 16.10. If an “NCR” catalog is used, a blank, official show catalog must also be sent to the Central Office.</p> <p>The second catalog is to be retained by the club for appropriate use and file. <u>At their discretion, the show secretary may make a copy of the fully-marked copy going to central office prior to its submission and retain them as show records.</u></p>
Show Rule # 18.19	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>Upon completion of the show, the master clerk shall assemble, arrange, group and verify the completeness of all show records he is responsible for turning over to the show secretary pursuant to paragraphs 16.10 through 16.12, 18.14,18.17 and 18.18. The master clerk shall separate multi-part forms and arrange the copies of the master catalogs and forms according to the prescribed distributions into the sets to be sent to the Central Office, to be retained by the show secretary as the club’s record, and the master clerk’s own set. The assembled and checked sets shall be enclosed in envelopes or otherwise bound and labeled to identify the destination of each set, i.e., “Central Office Copy” and “Club Copy,” when turned over to the show secretary. Records sent to Central Office will include the pedigrees submitted for all cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application forms, and the associated fees, stapled together for each associated cat. The master clerk’s responsibilities for the show terminate when the assembled sets of show records are turned over to the show secretary.</p>	<p>Upon completion of the show, the master clerk shall assemble, arrange, group and verify the completeness of all show records he is responsible for turning over to the show secretary pursuant to paragraphs 16.10 through 16.12, 18.14,18.17 and 18.18. The master clerk shall separate multi-part forms and arrange the copies of the master catalogs and forms according to the prescribed distributions into the sets to be sent to the Central Office, to be retained by the show secretary as the club’s record <u>(which does not automatically include a completely-marked show catalog)</u>, and the master clerk’s own set. The assembled and checked sets shall be enclosed in envelopes or otherwise bound and labeled to identify the destination of each set, i.e., “Central Office Copy” and “Club Copy,” when turned over to the show secretary. Records sent to Central Office will include the pedigrees submitted for all cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application forms, and the associated fees, stapled together for each associated cat. The master clerk’s responsibilities for the show terminate when the assembled sets of show records are turned over to the show secretary.</p>
<p>RATIONALE: These show rules changes eliminate the need for the master clerk to provide the show secretary a completely-marked show catalog. This has two advantages. First, it eliminates any concerns over the need to send two-part or three-part paper to the entry clerk or show secretary for the printing of the NCR marked catalog. Since the club would no longer be receiving a completely marked catalog, there would only be one type of paper needed in show supplies – two-part paper. Second, the club show package would still include a complete list of breed winners in every ring, as well as all of the ring finals for the show – both copies from the rings and copies created by the master clerk. The only data the club would no longer receive would be which cats were disqualified in which rings, and the specific color class awards in each breed/division. Based on information provided by clubs to the show rules committee, the records they receive regarding the show catalog are only referenced for the previous show date and judging panels. This information would still be provided to the club on the breed/division awards sheets and master clerk marked information. When data questions come up due to missing pages, the individual always contacted by Central Office is the master clerk, not the show club secretary. Another reason these records are not specifically</p>	

needed by the club. Finally, there have been recent concerns over show records only containing two part paper for the NCR marked catalog. In most of those cases, the clubs did not want the master clerk to make up a separate copy of the catalog for them. Therefore, the committee felt that it would be best to reduce the amount of paper sent to create the show's NCR catalog (this also reduces shipping costs for the show box sent to the entry clerk/show secretary as they are also charged by weight). The show secretary can still make a copy of the fully-marked catalog prior to submission, but that is at the discretion of the show secretary.

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** Alright-y. The next one has to do with saving money. Three- part paper. Right now, we have three-part paper because we have a master clerk requirement to have a club copy. This would eliminate the club copy. You would still have a master clerk copy, which is who Central Office usually contacts when they have questions about the catalog anyway, and you have the copy that goes to Central Office. The club could still make a copy, if they wish, before they mail it, but that's up to the club secretary. This would mean that Central Office no longer has to send three-part paper out. They could send two-part paper out, period, and they wouldn't have to say, "let's see, I need this many pages of three-part and that many pages of two-part" and bla, bla. It would be one kind of paper, period.

Huhtaniemi: [via written submission] The clubs outside the USA are very much depending on the US judges as there is no way we could follow the rules about overnight shipping to Central Office as such a service doesn't exist. US-based judges are always taking the show package with them and clubs don't have opportunity to copy the catalogs for themselves as it must be given to judge shortly after the show. There is a very little time frame to get package ready before it is handed to judge who mails it from USA to Central Office. It is common here (and I believe it is in Asia too) that exhibitors are contacting to the Show Secretary if there rises some questions about the show results. This is due the reason that usually show secretary speaks the same language as the exhibitor. They might not have the language skills to contact Central Office directly - neither they cannot contact Master Clerk as Master Clerk usually is not from the same country (we currently have 10 MC's from Europe and CFA shows are run almost in 20 different countries) and there might be again a language barrier. European clubs are hoping that rules stays like it is and no changes are made.

Hamza: I have just a basic concern. You know, I understand why this was started. It puts things in triplicate in case it's lost in two places. The odds of it being lost in three places are less and four places and so on, but triplicate has always been the standard. George. **Eigenhauser:** I agree with doing it in duplicate, but we're leaving it with the wrong person. I agree with Pauli's comment. I know, Monte, you haven't seen Pauli's email to the list, but the show secretary is the keeper of the records at the non-Central Office end. I mean, that's just the way we do it. The show secretary keeps the records of the show. That's who exhibitors contact when they have questions about the show. I've had Central Office contact me as the club secretary. If the packet doesn't get in, they don't even know who the master clerk is. They call the club secretary and say, can you – **Phillips:** And I've had it happen just the opposite way, George, where they call the master clerk and never bother with the club secretary. **Eigenhauser:** There is absolutely no reason for the master clerk to have a copy. The master clerk works for the club. Anything the master clerk does belongs to the club. That copy belongs to the club. It should go to the show secretary. There is no reason for the master clerk to have one. If the master clerk wants to keep one for their own records, they can sit there and hand write a marked catalog for themselves

while they are doing it. They have the privilege of doing so, but the club copy should go to the club, not to the master clerk. **Hamza:** I have a question here anyway. I know it saves us some money, but how much are we talking about? I mean, if we're talking about a very small amount, then I would prefer to keep it the way it is. I have another question. How much paper are we sitting on? **Thompson:** I just got a couple of boxes. Most of them are – like you said, a lot of them two-part. **Hamza:** But this one is a three-part form. Do we have a large supply? **Thompson:** Yeah, I think so. I think so. **Hamza:** A, we're sitting on a lot of it. B, I would like to know just how much the two pages saves us over the three pages. If it's insignificant – **Hannon:** Why don't we wait until the next meeting? **Phillips:** If it's insignificant, we might just withdraw the rule proposal. **Hamza:** Dick, go ahead. **Kallmeyer:** I think we should stay with the three part. I know at least four clubs, four times in the past two years where it's the master clerk that has actually saved us when international show packets got lost. The clubs aren't always familiar with what to do, and it was actually the master clerk copy that helped us score. I don't have any objection to having it in both places, just in case. **Phillips:** Alright, why don't we just withdraw it. **Hamza:** OK. That's fine with me. I'm a CYA guy anyway.

Withdrawn.

3.g – Revision to Grand Point Requirements in certain parts of International Division – Dick Kallmeyer

Show Rule 9.03b	Show Rules Committee per Dick Kallmeyer request	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
<p>b. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Malta, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), the International Division (except Hong Kong), and the Maritime Provinces of Canada 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.</p>	<p>b. Two hundred (200) points are required for Grand Championship; seventy-five (75) points for Grand Premiership in Regions 1 through 9 with the exceptions of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, Malta, the Ukraine, Hawaii, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), and the International Division. For cats residing and competing in Hawaii, Malta, Russia (east of the Ural mountains), the International Division (except Hong Kong, <u>China, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia</u>), and the Maritime Provinces of Canada seventy five points (75) are required for Grand Championship; twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership. In Hong Kong, <u>China, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, and Ukraine</u> one hundred twenty-five (125) points are required for Grand Championship. In Hong Kong <u>seventy-five (75)–fifty (50)</u> points are required for Grand Premiership; in Ukraine and Russia twenty-five (25) points are required for Grand Premiership.</p>	

RATIONALE: This raises the requirements for earning a Grand Champion title in China, Malaysia, Thailand, and Indonesia to 125 points from the current 75. It also raises the requirements for earning a Grand Premiership in Hong Kong from 50 to 75. Currently, Hong Kong averages 50.5 cats present in premiership for all of its shows. That is significantly higher than the average in all of regions 1-8 (), yet only 50 points are currently required to grand there while that number is 75 in all of regions 1-8 This proposal would raise the requirement to be consistent with the

requirement in regions 1-8. Similarly, cats in championship present in China (57), Malaysia (46), Thailand (61), and Indonesia (57) are fairly consistent with the average number in championship in regions 1-8 (62). However, given the reduced number of shows, we are not proposing to raise the number all the way to what it is in regions 1-8 (200). The proposal would take effect as with all other proposals, at the start of the 2013-2014 show season.

Hannon: Same with the next one. **Hamza:** And that would go to the next one, as well?
Phillips: Right. That would go through all of the 3.f.'s. Both of them, so I'll just withdraw them.

Withdrawn.

3.h – Revise Award Structure in International Division to reflect quarantine problems – ID Awards Committee report – September , 2012 Board Meeting

Article XXXVII – International Division Awards	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
<p style="text-align: center;">International Division Awards</p> <p><i>International Division Definition:</i> for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is as defined in the CFA constitution.</p> <p><u>International Division</u></p> <p>Best Cat*: Trophy</p> <p>2nd-20th Best Cat*: Certificate</p> <p>Best Kitten*: Trophy</p> <p>2nd-20th Best Kitten*: Certificate</p> <p>Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy</p> <p>2nd-15th Best Cat in Premiership*: Certificate</p> <p>*The title of “International Division Winner (DW)” is given to cats receiving these awards.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">International Division Awards</p> <p><i>International Division Definition:</i> for the purposes of season end awards, the International Division is as defined in the CFA constitution <u>divided into the following geographical areas based on quarantine requirements: China; South Korea; Israel; Hong Kong; Singapore; Taiwan; Indonesia; South America; the countries of Malaysia, Thailand, and Vietnam; and finally the combined Kuwait, Dubai, and Africa.</u></p> <p><u>International Division</u></p> <p><u>For the above geographical areas, numbers of awards in each area are based on the following formula:</u></p> <p><u>1-3 shows sponsored in the area = 1 award;</u></p> <p><u>4-7 shows sponsored in an area = 3 awards in championship and kitten, 1 award in premiership;</u></p> <p><u>8-10 shows sponsored in an area = 5 awards in championship and kittens, 2 awards in premiership;</u></p> <p><u>11-15 shows sponsored in an area = 10 awards in championship and kitten, 3 awards in premiership;</u></p> <p><u>>15 shows sponsored in an area = 15 awards in championship and kittens, 5 awards in premiership.</u></p> <p><u>To be eligible for an award, in the International Division, cats must earn a minimum of the following: 50 points in championship, 30 points in kitten, and 10 points in premiership.</u></p> <p><u>Awards are as follows:</u></p> <p>Best Cat*: Trophy</p> <p>2nd-2015th Best Cat, as appropriate*: Certificate</p>

	<p>Best Kitten*: Trophy</p> <p>2nd-2015th Best Kitten, as appropriate*: Certificate</p> <p>Best Cat in Premiership*: Trophy</p> <p>2nd-15th Best Cat in Premiership, as appropriate*: Certificate</p> <p>*The title of “International Division Winner (DW)” is given to cats receiving these awards.</p>
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RATIONALE: Unlike most of CFA’s regions (with the exception of Hawaii and Japan), the International Division is plagued with multiple and various quarantine requirements that prevent cats from competing at any show in the division. For example, cats from Malaysia can go to Hong Kong and vice versa. If a Malaysian cat goes to Thailand, it cannot go to Hong Kong for 6 months. Cats from Thailand and Indonesia can go to Malaysia, but not Hong Kong. Effectively, there is no real cross-border competition. Then, Israeli cats cannot go to Dubai, Kuwait or Egypt. Kuwait and Egypt cats could go to Malaysia, but it would cost a lot. Finally, South American cats can’t go anywhere cheaply. Given all of this geographical quarantine isolation, it makes sense to provide an award structure that recognizes those restrictions. The above was discussed at the September 2012 board meeting, and is the consensus from that meeting.

Hamza: Go ahead, Monte. **Phillips:** The last one I have, 3.g., which has to do with the grand point requirements. This would revise the grand point requirements in certain parts of the world; namely, China, Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia, to raise them. It would raise the premiership requirements from 25 points to 75 points in Hong Kong – correct that, from 50 to 75 points in Hong Kong. It would raise the China, Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia grand points for championship requirements to 125 from 75, and raise the points for premiership from 25 to 75 in China, Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia. Why? Believe it or not, those parts of the world can still get top 15 finals with 75 cats in premiership, and yet they only have to have 25 points to grand. According to Shirley [Dent], we actually have some one-RING grands.

Huhtaniemi: [via written submission] Many European clubs are complaining about the lowered Grand Premier point requirements for Russia – only 25 is required for GP in Russia. Lately the Premiership counts are getting higher in Russia and they are in the same level as rest of the Region 9 counts are. That’s why I think it would be wise to give special permission only to east of the Ural mountains of Russia to have this lowered grand point requirement in Premiership. Ukraine due to its isolated area would be OK.

Hamza: Also, on this section, I can’t remember but I thought somebody wanted to deal with the grand points in Ukraine. **Kallmeyer:** This is Dick. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Dick. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, I think we had proposed before, I think Ukraine would be 200 grand points and I think Pauli had asked, too, that Moscow or west of the Urals would be raised, as well, for premiership. **Hamza:** And what kind of feed-back are you getting in the ID? **Kallmeyer:** Well, you know, obviously they don’t want to change, but I think just on their statistics, not only, I guess we had the one show DM, actually, came across because the count was so low. I think it definitely has to be raised in the other points. Again, in Region 9, I think we want to have Ukraine at 200 points for championship and I think Pauli’s recommendation was that Moscow stay at 75. Darrell, did you pick that up? **Phillips:** When you say “Moscow”, it’s kind of hard to label a city. **Kallmeyer:** I think, “west of the Urals”. **Baugh:** I have Pauli’s email from last night in front of me. **Kallmeyer:** OK. **Baugh:** <reads> He is saying, east of the Ural Mountains only.

Everything else should be the same as it is in Region 9, all over. **Kallmeyer:** So, Monte, it would be for championship 200 for the Ukraine. For premiership, Moscow would be 75 points. **Hamza:** But you can't say Moscow. **Phillips:** Don't say Moscow, say "Russia west of the Urals". **Kallmeyer:** I'll say, "Russia west of the Urals". Sorry. **Phillips:** They all seem to be in Moscow, but there could be St. Petersburg. **Kallmeyer:** No. Yeah, that's west, too. **Hamza:** Yep. **Hannon:** Why can't he rewrite this? **Phillips:** Don't say that, because I actually have World Show entries from St. Petersburg. **Hamza:** You know, somebody at the table said, how about we rewrite this and bring it back in December? **Phillips:** Yeah, I think that would be a good idea since we're going to be changing it again anyway. **Hamza:** It just makes sense. We don't have to have it done until – **Kallmeyer:** Right. **Hamza:** None of this is going to come in.

Time Frame:

At the current board meeting.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Unless a significant issue is identified between completion of this report and the date when inputs are due to the Board for the February meeting, we do not anticipate making a presentation to the February meeting. We plan to hold off until we have the full calendar year's worth of data before proposing any changes in grand scoring requirements that would affect all exhibitors, which, when ready, will be submitted directly to the delegates for their action.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Monte Phillips, Chair*

Hamza: Is that it for Monte? **Phillips:** Well, I just want to make one comment and it has nothing to do with this subject, it has to do with the World Show. I've still got about 100 cats to put in, but the revenue so far from just exhibitors is \$61,311+. **Roy:** Wow. **Eigenhauser:** Yay. **Hamza:** So, we could end up making a couple bucks for the regions. **Phillips:** I would hope so. **Hamza:** Me, too. We're going to be fine. I knew we would. Monte, I want to thank you for all the work you have done on the World Show. **Hannon:** And Show Rules. <applause> **Hamza:** And I understand your computer died? **Phillips:** Oh, don't remind me. That's why you're looking at the quality of this report. I have to find and reload things like Word. **Hamza:** And how is your new computer? **Phillips:** Excel, etc. My entire e-point collection for about 14 years is now missing. **Hamza:** Do you like your new computer? **Phillips:** My new one works pretty nice. I can actually get through my mail quickly. **Hamza:** I would like to make a motion that we, CFA, give Monte \$500 to help offset the cost of his new computer. **Anger:** Second. **Eigenhauser:** You can't make the motion, so I'll make the motion.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Phillips:** Thank you very, very much. **Hamza:** You deserve it, Monte. Thank you for all you've done. **Phillips:** Thank you. **Anger:** Thanks Monte. **Baugh:** Yay Monte. **Phillips:** I'll let you guys go, and I'll get back to doing entries. **Hamza:** OK. **Meeker:** That was nice, Jerry. Thank you. **Hamza:** We should reward the people that deserve it, and he definitely deserves it.

(18) CFA OUTREACH/EDUCATION.

Committee Chair: *Joan Miller*
List of Committee Members: *Dee Dee Cantley, Roeann Fulkerson, Donna Isenberg, Karen Lane, Karen Lawrence, Jodell Raymond, Mary Sietsema*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The overall vision of the CFA Outreach and Education Program:

- *Establish CFA as a primary information resource on cats*
- *Provide feline education programs for the general public, shelters and veterinarians*
- *CatsCenterstage.org: A website promoting respect for all cats. The goals for the website include a CFA pet owner membership program providing revenue for CFA through advertising and sponsorship.*
- *Increase involvement in CFA activities (attract new exhibitors and breeders; increase show visitors)*

Education –

Feline color/pattern project. *I have been working, since late June, with Arne Cohen, Associate Editor, HSUS Publications, and writer for “All Animals” magazine. (She is also the owner of a seal point Siamese.) It started with help on an article about feline colors and patterns and has evolved into a project to include a chart showing the basic cat colors/patterns – those most likely to be seen in random bred cats in shelters. This should be finished by October 1.*

American Veterinarian Medical Association Annual Convention, San Diego, August 3 – 7, 2012. *I attended the events and seminars with a press pass at this convention of 10,000 veterinarians. In addition to discussing legislative matters with veterinarians, I also networked with many, and attended seminars on feline behavior and animal ethics. I attended a special press preview for the new AVMA Pet Owners Demographics Book (due to be available in October), and a party at the San Diego Zoo to launch a national Tour for the “Keep the Love Alive” free pet fairs in six cities to help pet owners tackle cat and dog behavior problems and help save animals from being relinquished to shelters. Information is available at www.keepthelovealivetour.com*

Current Happenings of Committee:

Planning is underway for the next educational event – November 17-18, 2012 - the CFA-Royal Canin World Cat Show. Our Education Program will include talks by Joan Miller, Kim Everett-Hirsh and Tracy Petty as well as grooming presentations from various experts. I am working with Jodell Raymond on the coordination for this event. She will invite the cats to be benched in the ring and line up our assistants. We will need 10 to 12 volunteers. Talks will include topics such as “ What are the Judges Looking For, the Origin of The Domestic Cat and History of Breeds, Feline Colors and Patterns, Showing Your Household Pet, the Basic Nature of All Cats,

Choosing a Pet Cat and How to Introduce Your New Cat to the Resident Cat. We are looking forward to providing lots of fun and education for a large number of visitors at this show.

Future Projections for Committee:

Attendance at the Cat Writers Association Conference November 2-4, 2012, Los Angeles.

CFA Royal Canin World Cat Show Education Program, November 17-18, 2012. Columbus, Ohio.

Action Items:

None

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updates

*Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Miller, Chair*

Hamza: Next is Outreach and Education. There's no action items here. Does anybody have any questions? It speaks for itself.

(19) **PAWS UP COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: *Jerry Hamza/Kathy Calhoun*
List of Committee Members: *Jerry Hamza, Kathy Calhoun, Teresa Keiger,
Jodell Raymond, Carol Krzanowski*

Hamza: We can move on to the National Marketing Committee, which these folks have come up with a new name and that should be the committee name. Anyway, I'm going to let Kathy go into it, and also Carol is on here and has been working very hard, so you guys go ahead. **Calhoun:** OK. So, hopefully you had a chance to read the report. CFA has actually a toll-free line, not really an 800 line. Is that me making this noise? **Hamza:** Yeah, it is. **Calhoun:** Or is it somebody else. Is that better? **Hamza:** Yeah, much better. **Calhoun:** Is that better? **Hannon:** No. **Calhoun:** Hello. **Hamza:** Yeah, that's what we want. Right there.

Current Happenings of Committee:

CFA 888 line (1-888-752 CATS (2287)) has been established as an interface to the general public. The call center Answer Connect will provide 24/7 live answering fielding general questions about CFA. The overarching intent is to provide a service to the public and to capture contact information for CFA. Answer connect has been provided scripts to help field basic questions. Answer Connect members will obtain contact information and forward those contacts to information specific experts for personal follow up. The anticipated threads stem from the following areas:

1. *Breed specific inquiries – Answer Connect will respond and capture contact information to be forwarded to the specific breed council secretary with a copy to Jodell Raymond.*

Calhoun: OK, alright. Alright. So, the toll-free line is going to be monitored by a company, a call center, called Answer Connect. It will be providing 24 hours a day, 7 days a week fielding questions from the general public. We have supplied them with a set of scripts and we're doing testing, having people randomly call the 888 number and ask questions – some interesting questions like, you know, “where would I find a Siamese?”, “where would I find a show?”, “why is my cat peeing on the couch?” This sort of thing, and we understand that the Answer Connect people, although they have a script, they are not the subject matter experts, so what we are asking them to do is (a) capture as much information from the caller as possible, so information like their return phone number, email address. They can answer the questions that are simple, like “where is the show in Ohio?”, “are there any in February?”, and if they have a show calendar, they can answer that question. The more difficult ones, we have dropped them into three buckets, but they may not all fall into a bucket. We're going to learn as we go along. Breed-specific inquiries, what we're asking Answer Connect is to capture the information, they will forward that information to Jodell, Jodell will then turn – you know, send that inquiry to the breed council secretary. We polled – sent emails to all the breed council secretaries, gotten about 24 responses. Was there a question? **White:** No. **Calhoun:** OK. We've gotten about 24 responses back so far. Everybody is a yes, we've gotten one no, but that's OK. We're waiting to hear back from the rest of them. Now, what we would be doing, we are protecting the breed

council secretary in that the caller will not get their phone number, will not get their contact information. It would be the onus of the breed council secretary to reach back out to the caller and, you know, either via email or whatever, but we're not giving out that personal information.

2. *General cat inquiries – Answer Connect will respond and capture contact information to be forwarded to a team of feline experts from the cat fancy. Teresa Keiger is supporting that team.*

Calhoun: The second category is for general cat inquiries; you know, “what’s the best cat for my family?”, “I’ve got a dog, do cats like dogs?”, “should I get a kitten?”, bla, bla, bla. So, if they can give an answer from the basic script, that’s fine, but again we’ve got a team of experts. Teresa Keiger has helped put together that team. Again, the information will flow back to the support group, but their personal contact information will be protected.

3. *Show inquiries – Answer Connect will respond and capture contact information to be forwarded to Donna Lewis at Central Office.*

Calhoun: Then, we may have show inquiries, back to, “Is there a show in Ohio?” That information, if they can’t answer it based on the information that Answer Connect has, that will go back to Donna Lewis in Central Office.

Jodell Raymond will track all calls to verify the process and make recommendations as we progress.

Calhoun: Jodell is tracking all the calls to verify the process. If there are any recommendations as we go along – again, I said we’re kind of learning as we go.

CFA Commercial Footage: *DNT is working with CFA to produce commercial footage to be used by CFA and Clubs for advertising.*

Calhoun: DNT has been at several shows filming footage and putting together commercial footage, so to speak, so that that can be used by CFA and can be used by clubs that have a budget for some TV advertising, so they would have some footage to work with.

Future Projections for Committee:

- *CFA-We Are Waiting for YOU” Welcome Flyer – The committee is working to develop a 1 page, color flyer to be distributed at the World Show. Subsequently, these flyers will be sent in bulk to clubs as a part of their show packages to be used as handouts to visitors at the show.*

Calhoun: Some of the things we are working on, we are working diligently on a *We are Waiting for YOU* welcome flyer. This would be your traditional one-page flyer but it would be kind of slick, nice glossy paper, full color. The intent is to get this out to be ready by the World Show. It would have the toll-free number, pictures, talking about some of our services and just welcoming people to CFA. The World Show is coming up and it will be a trial, because we may

need to edit that or make subsequent changes, but the intent is to put the flyers in the show packages for clubs so that they can hand out these flyers at the door for their gate.

- *A general information pocket folder incorporating the “CFA-We Are Waiting for YOU” theme will be developed to mail to people expressing interest in CFA captured through Answer Connect. These folders can be stuffed with various collateral materials depending on the direction of interest. Collateral materials would include CFA Breed Summary sheets, the Welcome Flyer, show schedules etc.*

Calhoun: In addition, we also are putting together a *We are Waiting for YOU* pocket folder. This could be used by the groups that we talked about people who want to get information about, say, about a breed. They will have a pocket folder. We can actually put breed-specific information in the folder and mail it back to the person from the public that reached out.

- *CFA 888 Line test period is the week of 9/24 and 10/1. Go live week of Oct 8 on CFA website and social media.*
- *DNT to focus on social media blasts.*

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Data as to the number of contacts and resulting interest in CFA

*Respectfully Submitted,
The Committee*

Calhoun: Those are some of the things that we’re working on. Like I said, we’re testing the toll-free line now and working out some of the bugs. We hope to go live – actually, this says the week of October 8. It’s probably going to be more like October 15th. In addition, DNT has been continuing on, getting information out to various social media points of contact like FaceBook and all those sorts of things. So, that’s where we are. We don’t really have an action item, per se, just to make sure with the board if there’s any questions and we are seeing general alignment. **Hamza:** I want to say a couple things here. Has everybody seen the DNT 2 minute, 14 second video and the commercial? <yes> **Meeker:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Yeah. **Meeker:** Can we send those out on the list for regional use? **Hamza:** The commercial you can’t. The commercial needs to be – that commercial is specifically tailored for the National [sic, World] Show. We’re going to send that back to have a generic commercial made with the ability to scroll across the bottom. Once we get that, we’re going to figure out a way to put it up somewhere where the clubs can go and get it off the website. The 2 minute, 14 second video, I don’t want anybody to use it until after the 15th. I want the first impact of it to be in the newsletter that Mark puts out on the 15th. After that, you guys can use it any way you would like, especially you regional directors. **Meeker:** OK.

Hamza: Anybody got any questions here? Mark. **Hannon:** What’s the name of this committee, because what’s on the agenda is not the name of the committee. **Hamza:** Didn’t you guys come up with a Paws Up thing? **Calhoun:** Yeah. We do have on there the Paws Up logo.

Hamza: That's what this committee should be called, is the Paws Up Committee. I like that name. **Calhoun:** It's good. We can have future reports from the Paws Up Committee. **Hamza:** Alright, Dick. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, Jerry. Could we have an audio-type commercial, too? Maybe a 30 second or different spots? **Hamza:** You mean for radio? **Kallmeyer:** For radio, yeah. **Hamza:** What I'm thinking is that the audio that we're going to put with the 30 second video, you know, if we do it right should be very adaptable to a radio spot. If not, it wouldn't be hard to convert anyway. It's done all the time. **Kallmeyer:** Great. **Hamza:** Alright. Just also another thing I'm mentioning is, I'm going to France at the end of October to meet with [name deleted], and one of the things we're going to be talking about, I'm mentioning this for Dick and Pauli, who's not here, but I'm going to try to see if I can't come up with a comprehensive package that will provide support, not just to CFA in North America, but globally. I don't know exactly how that will go, but that's one of the things I'm shooting for. So, I just wanted to mention that.

(20) **MENTOR/NEWBEE PROGRAM.**

Committee Co-Chairs: Carol Krzanowski and Teresa Keiger

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Both the Mentor and NewBee areas of the committee have continued providing assistance and answering questions as requests are received. Since the June report a number of mentor requests have originated from proteges in most CFA Regions as well as the International Division, and they were handled promptly through our mentor coordinators.

The committee has been concentrating most of our efforts on working with the National Marketing Committee to develop ideas and programs intended to draw exhibitors into CFA. We established a core team led by Sande Willen that will field questions expected to result from calls by the general public to the new CFA toll-free phone number. A new CFA email address was set up for information requests, and an online group was established to receive those requests so that members of the team can easily monitor which emails need to be handled. The team, consisting of experienced volunteers from both areas of the committee, is ready to begin work as soon as the toll-free number is live.

Current Happenings of Committee:

The Mentor/NewBee Committee is developing a combined web site where we can better organize our information and have everything for both areas easily accessible. A new name for our committee has been chosen, and design work is underway on a new logo that is appropriate to both the Mentor and NewBee areas.

We are working on a new brochure entitled “Do You Want To Show Cats?” in conjunction with the National Marketing Committee.

Future Projections for Committee:

We will continue working with the National Marketing Committee for the benefit of CFA. Requests for Mentor and NewBee assistance will be handled promptly and efficiently.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

We will present an update on our current activities and a progress report on the development of our combined web site.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Krzanowski & Teresa Keiger, Co-Chairs*

Hamza: Up next is Carol, Mentor/NewBee. **Krzanowski:** Yes. I don't have that much to add to our report, which I hope you read, but we do continue to handle requests for assistance, NewBee assistance and Mentors, but we're actually concentrating most of our efforts towards

helping out with the National Marketing Committee. In fact, we put together the team that's going to be handling a lot of the questions that will come from the public through that toll-free number. I would like to invite any of the board members who would like to help participate in the testing process to please do so, and if you know of any individuals who would like to test the number, we would more than welcome that because we need as much feedback as we can before we go public. The only thing we request is that you let us know who is going to be a test caller so that we have their name, then we can follow through and follow up on that. Actually, that's about all I have to say. If anyone has any questions, just let me know. **Hamza:** Thank you, Carol.

(21) **CLUB MARKETING.**

Committee Chair: T. Ann Caell

List of Committee Members: Kitty Angell, Roemann Fulkerson, Bob Johnston

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Club Marketing Committee reports a record year with 77 clubs, thus far, receiving 88 awards totaling \$57,450. There are two additional clubs that may receive a sponsorship award for 2012 pending receipt of their forms.

We are also have a few new clubs that have submitted forms requesting sponsorship for their shows in 1Q2013. The 2013 spreadsheet is nearing completion at this time and will be submitted when it's available.

Current Happenings of Committee:

A list has been started for the Region 9 and Asian clubs. The award structures are not in place at this time, but the Club Committee anticipates the details in the next few months.

Future Projections for Committee:

Region 9 Director, Pauli, has been approached to assist with the award structures. Dick Kallmeyer has provided several clubs for consideration also. This will be the Club Marketing Committee's next challenge to work through to get the award sponsorship process started in R9 and Asia. Perhaps we will have the first Regional Awards show and banquet for either or both regions in 2012!

Board Action Items:

No Board Actions for voting are requested at this time.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Status of CFA Club Marketing award sponsorships.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Ann Caell, Chair, CFA Club Marketing Committee

Hamza: Up next is Club Marketing, and that's Roemann. **Hannon:** Roemann, you're on mute. **Fulkerson:** No, I'm here. **White:** You're up. **Fulkerson:** The report – does anyone have any questions? I think it stands on its own. **Hamza:** Mark has a question. **Hannon:** There was a listing of clubs that were receiving or proposed to receive sponsorship this year, and I contacted Ann Caell and Bob Johnston about some errors on that and I never heard back, so I don't know whether they even got my email. For example, it lists the Phoenix Feline Fanciers in Arizona in December as being a Southern Region club and that's not so. **Fulkerson:** Oh, OK. I don't think I

saw that email, Mark, but I'll be happy to follow up with it, with Bob. **Hannon:** And it listed Golden Gate in the Bay Area as being in Region 5, and last I heard San Francisco was in Region 2. **Fulkerson:** Yep, I believe it is. **Hamza:** Alright. So, we're just talking about – **Hannon:** Errors. **Hamza:** Errors. **Kallmeyer:** Golden Gate moved down to 5. **Meeker:** No. **Hannon:** No, it didn't. **Shelton:** No. **Hannon:** It was held like a week ago and it was outside San Francisco. **Hamza:** Alright, Rachel. **Anger:** Those reports were executive session anyway. They won't be in the minutes, but they were corrected and appended to what we had on the File Vista. **Hamza:** So, they are corrected, is what you're saying? **Anger:** Right. **Hannon:** No, they weren't. They didn't correct them. **Anger:** Yes, on October 4th. I'll find the email from Ann. **Hamza:** OK. So, any other questions for Roeann? Thank you, Roeann.

(22) **WEBSITE COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: *Kathy Durdick*
List of Committee Members: *Ginger Meeker, Dennis Ganoë, Jodell Raymond*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

In addition to the normal day-to-day maintenance of the site, some of the major changes since last report include:

- *Continued set-up of shows to use the interim online entry form. The database logging system came into heavy use for the World Show entries!!*
- *The new menu organization went through some usability testing at the Seaside, Oregon show, where around 50 people over the weekend tried it out and gave feedback. A variety of folks – from judges, to long-time exhibitors, to newbies, and computer experts to computer “dummies” – were involved. My thanks to all of them for taking the time to do this and give their input!*
- *Working with Jodell on many, many text changes to be implemented in our pages as they convert to the new site. Tons of pages out there with outdated and incomplete information.*
- *In the final stages of getting an official blog set up for Jodell to use – by the time this meeting occurs, the blog should be up and fully operational.*
- *The conversion to the new look and organization (and back-end technology) continues, with a target of late October/early November still the goal*

Current Happenings of Committee:

Major focus is on the conversion of the website right now, as well as the set-up of the blog system.

Time Frame:

This report covers the timeframe of 6/11/2012 through 9/15/2012

Hamza: Next is Web Oversight, and that's Ginger. **Meeker:** That's me. I just – my report stands on its own. There's no action items. I would like to mention that, as part of the new web design, one of the areas of great consternation is the shopping cart, and a new shopping cart is planned to correct the deficiencies of the current cart. Our shopping cart hit the list this last week, at least in Region 2 and Region 5, and it is an area that we certainly need to improve and it is being worked on. Kathy [Durdick] is doing a great job and from what I understand – Dick, correct me if I'm wrong – that the launch is planned for end October/early November.

Kallmeyer: Yes, let me correct that. I think she will have converted all the pages across. First of

all, Kathy has probably spent three months working on a new navigation scheme, to really clean that up and she has brutally gone through every page to see if the content is still relevant and what should be consolidated or rewritten. The delay may come in, in the shopping cart. Let's face it, our current shopping cart and the previous one were somewhat abysmal in usage. As part of the new content management, she is using off-the-shelf open source shopping cart, so it will be integrating the shopping cart that may cause a delay in that. We can have all the pages up except for the shopping cart in that time frame. **Meeker:** OK, thanks for the clarification. I know that she's really excited about looking at the ability to start some of the more creative work on this project. The back page edits and rewriting, I understand, are also being accomplished with the help of Jodell Raymond, so thanks very much for that. That's about all I have on the Web Oversight. She is working hard and it's happening. **Hamza:** David.

Kallmeyer: I would emphasize, too, that she's bringing in a lot of testing as the pages are rolling out and she will extent that testing community quite a bit to make sure it is usable. She has tested the new navigation scheme for probably over 100 people, just to make it easier to find things. **Meeker:** Whenever she goes to a show, she takes her laptop and brings up the stuff and lets people bang away on it, and the reports I've heard from people testing it are, they're just really thrilled with the navigation and the ease of use. **Hamza:** David. **White:** So, Ginger, what can we expect? I think you said October 31st. Is there a highlight or a recap of what the changes that she implemented that we can expect to see? **Meeker:** What Dick said is, those pages will be moved to the new site but the launch will not be until a different time frame. If you would like to look at what she's done, I can – if there's anybody that would like to look at product, let me know and I'll have Kathy get in touch with you for testing. **White:** So, does that include a – **Meeker:** Do you want to do that? **White:** Yeah, that's good, thank you. Is that going to include – **Meeker:** Anybody else? **Hamza:** We've got some more questions, but David, finish your question. **White:** So, I guess the last question is, the October change, does that include a widened page frame on cfa.org or no? Or, is that step 2? **Meeker:** No. **White:** OK. **Hamza:** Mark. **Meeker:** I don't think she's doing anything except basic nut and bolt stuff that has to be corrected on the current website. **Hamza:** Mark. **Meeker:** Much of her time is being put on the new design.

Hamza: Mark. **Hannon:** OK, so, at the end of October/early November, we should be able to see live the new skin? Is that right? **Meeker:** Dick, is that true? **White:** You're on mute. **Hannon:** Dick, are you on mute? **Kallmeyer:** Sorry. Yes, it's a new skin and it will be a widened frame as part of the new design, so certainly the board members will be able to start previewing and doing the testing. The question is, the new shopping cart. It wouldn't pay to move the old, ugly one over and trying to get that working, so it may – we would probably delay it until we brought the new shopping cart in and take advantage of it, to turn it loose. **Hannon:** So, when are you projecting having the new shopping cart operational? **Kallmeyer:** I would say, closer would be end of November/December. I just don't know the mechanics about moving it across. **Hannon:** OK, so, are you saying, then, when we go live with the new skin, which is late October/early November, we may go for a month with no shopping cart? Because you're not going to move the current one and you're not going to be ready. **Kallmeyer:** No, we are not going live at the end of October/early November. The pages will be moved across. We'll begin the testing on that. We will not convert to the new pages until we get the shopping cart. We

cannot go up without the new shopping cart. **Hamza:** I think where the confusion is, is that at the end of October/November, the board will be able to view the new skin. **Meeker:** Right. **Hannon:** No, I think the confusion is that we have been told, and we have told our constituents, that the new site will be available in November – I’m sorry, in October, and then we were told it would be the end of October/early November. Now we’re being told end of October/early November the board can see it, but it won’t go live for another month. **Kallmeyer:** You must remember, I told you the last telephone meeting that it’s probably December that the page would go live. **Hamza:** Here’s where we’re at anyway, and I just want to make this crystal clear. When we went down this road, we were looking at bridging a 40 year gap in technology, and in some naïveté we thought we would be able to slay the dragons faster than we have been able to. As we go into this process, the amount of issues that we’ve had to convert and deal with are mind staggering. **Hannon:** You’re talking about the new computer system; we’re talking about the website. **Hamza:** But they go hand in hand. **Kallmeyer:** No, we’re talking website, too. **Hamza:** They go hand in hand. **Meeker:** We’re talking website, too, Mark. I mean, we’re talking about – **Hannon:** We have not had a website for 40 years. We’re not talking about 40 years of bad stuff for the website. **Hamza:** No, but what you’re talking about – let’s talk about the shopping cart issue, and it was before I got here that a decision was made to buy the asp.net website that we have now. Also, at that time, the decision was made to purchase a customized shopping cart, for whatever reason I have no idea why, because there are stock carts all over the place and they will be a fraction of the cost of what we paid for this monstrosity. **Meeker:** Right. **Hamza:** But, you know, it just makes sense to roll certain modules out all at the same time. I’m as frustrated as anybody here. We would like to see – I think our website leaves a lot to be desired. That’s why we’ve been working so hard. I think that when this board gets to see when the product – the website part will be done enough for the board to look at, at the end of October/early November. But, what we don’t want to do is what’s been done previously. We want to make sure that it’s flawless when it gets wheeled out, and one of the ways to do that is to have the board really go through it before it gets launched. Dick, am I not – is part of what you’re doing waiting for some of the new stuff? **Kallmeyer:** Yeah, I agree. You know, we can roll it out if we want to, but we’ve got to make sure this works right and it’s the way we want it. If it takes a month or two longer, then that’s what it takes. We’ve got to get it right. We don’t want to spend all our time struggling over something that’s wrong. If that’s what it takes, that’s what it takes. **Hamza:** You know, we have target dates, but with the scope of the IT problem, they have gotten pushed back. This has been going on for a long time. I think we’re close enough now that we should all be happy, and we’ll discuss more of this when we get to the IT report, but right now we’re talking about this website, and Ginger, Dick, is there an opportunity if things go right all the way around that, after the board gets it late October/early November, that we might be able to roll it out a little faster? **Kallmeyer:** If everything is working the way we want, no hitches, no major problems, we’ll roll it out when it’s ready. That’s our goal. We’re trying to speed it up. There’s just a lot to be done and it’s not a question of just doing a new design, it’s kind of really analyzing everything that’s on there to see if it’s really suitable. Those things, it’s better to do the work up front than apologize to the list for screw-up’s and everything afterwards. **Hamza:** This change is fundamentally different, because we’re dealing with, I think, a much better, intuitive design. **Kallmeyer:** Plus, things will open up. The new content management system will allow segmentation and this means that George can basically go in and update his legislative stuff himself with a password control, and we still keep the same look and feel. We can do it the same

with the Mentor Program. They can change content without the webmaster involvement. That's significant. We can remove that delay in updating, as well. **Hamza:** And there's also going to be a much greater capacity for remote working. **Kallmeyer:** And also language pages. We will actually be able to have the same page in different languages, if we ever get that sophistication, so we can do the Japanese or Chinese or Arabic, as well, for the same page. There's some opportunity for some new things we didn't have before. With the new shopping cart, we will be actually able to change vendors. We're in the process of upgrading our credit card processing, but somebody else came up with a different design. It will be much simpler to implement that as time goes on. **Hamza:** Mark. **Hannon:** Right now we have some things that are on servers that are not controlled by CFA; for example, the NewBee Program, unless it has changed recently, is not on a CFA server. Are you going to incorporate all those things into CFA? **Kallmeyer:** I don't know with this design. Obviously we would like to. We don't have to. If they are functioning, fine. We can worry about doing it at a later time or we can offer the NewBee people an opportunity to put it under the CFA design. **Hannon:** Right now, there's a link from the CFA page to – and NewBee is just one of the examples. There are number of them. But you go to the NewBee page, and it's a whole different look and feel. **Kallmeyer:** That's something we will have to work on over time. It's up to them if they want to bring that in to the fold. **Hannon:** I don't think it should be up to them. I think it should be up to us to say, "you will come into the fold". **Hamza:** That would be a board discussion. **Kallmeyer:** That should be a board decision. **Hamza:** David. **White:** But the site overall is going to be moved from Computan, right? Or is it going to stay in Computan? **Hamza:** It won't be with Computan. **Kallmeyer:** It will on the site that will have redundant applications with fail-over opportunities and different servers on different sites. One thing that will be on a different site already would be the CFA blogs. It turns out that it's cheaper and more cost effective to have it on another site. It actually provides a failsafe capability that if the CFA site went down for some God awful reason, we would still be able to get out CFA blog messages independently. **Hamza:** Any other questions for the web oversight?

(23) **BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

Management Committee Chair Ginger Meeker presented the following report:

Committee Chair: *Ginger Meeker*
Committee Members: *Rich Mastin, Dick Kallmeyer, Jodell Raymond, Kathy Durdick (IT/Website)*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

With the changes in the Central Office structure this committee has been and will continue to be active. At this time, the cfa@cfa.org email is being monitored to determine the types of problems being encountered by CFA. Multiple projects have been accomplished with the full awareness that day to day management of the Central Office is in the hands of the Director of Operations, Donna Jean Thompson.

A subcommittee of the Business Management Committee, the Annual Responsibility Committee was created with Board approval. Members of this committee include Jodell Raymond, Sharon Roy, Carla Bizzell, Tracy Petty, Ann Caell and Ginger Meeker. Jodell chairs this committee and Ginger Meeker serves as liaison to the BOD. This committee completed the Annual Manual and sent the Manual for BOD review to the September telephonic Board Meeting. The Manual has now been distributed to RDs and remains an archived document on the FileVista site. To further aid in the smooth running of the annual, Jodell Raymond has been appointed project manager of the annual from the Central Office staff. Jodell will also be responsible, at this time, for the updating, as required, of the Manual. Also, as a result of this committee's work, the annual delegate fee was raised from \$20 to \$30 to help offset the rising production costs of the annual event.

This committee also completed an update/revision of the Board of Directors' Guidelines and the document was submitted for Board approval at the September telephonic meeting. This document is also archived on the FileVista site. This committee will continue to update and maintain the document as required.

Members of the Business Management committee are also working on the IT project and personnel issues because some of the functions overlap from one area to another.

Current Happenings of Committee:

During the last quarter members of this committee have worked on the IT committee with Computan and continue to provide input and assistance with this project. As part of the IT role, the functions and redesign of the website with Kathy Durdick being part-time staff to upgrade and update the CFA website. Her report will be submitted in addition to this report. A working time-frame of late October is in place for the website being moved and uploaded to a new server.

The chair is in regular contact with Donna Jean Thompson to determine the status of current projects and the development of future projects. We are currently working on reviewing all

projects and processes to increase the efficient operations of Central Office. The office functions of registration and registration by pedigree appear to be current. Now that this is the case, the focus will be moving to assessment of customer service in multiple areas. Jodell Raymond continues to provide staff training as necessary. This committee is fully open to any and all requests from Donna Jean Thompson and we stand ready to support Donna Jean in her role as Director of Operations. A report on data and statistics from the cfa@cfa.org site will be submitted at the November Board meeting so a full 90 days' worth of data can be assessed.

Future Projections for Committee:

Continue to work with Donna Jean Thompson, as requested, to facilitate office function and team development in Alliance, OH. The committee, in cooperation with the CFA Director of Operations will be focused on customer service issues. While the specific email site for CFA is only one aspect of customer service, it was seen as a starting point for the process.

Action Items:

None at this time.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Any completed projects done in the next time period.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ginger Meeker, Chair*

Hamza: On to the Management Committee. **Meeker:** The report has one type-o. The spell check did not pick up. In the second paragraph it said, *The Manual has not been distributed to RDs.* That should be, *The Manual has now been distributed to RDs.* RDs have access to it on File Vista and can get it out to the people in their region. My region, which has the next Annual, is using it and finding it very helpful. They are also very pleased that Jodell will be the point person with CFA project management and that's working very well at the moment. One of the pieces of feedback I get on a regular basis has to do with customer service, and what I have done is, for a 90 day period I am looking at the cfa@cfa.org site to see from just that arena, the email arena, what the Central Office is being asked to deal with and looking at responses. A report will be ready for the November meeting with 90 days' worth of data. Just as a preview, right now while there might be problems, they are not as prevalent as many would think in this venue, the email, and I would like to commend Donna Lewis. I have watched her email responses to some very tricky email submissions to the Central Office and she consistently does a good job to express sympathy and uncharge emotional situations. So, I want to thank Donna Lewis.

Meeker: Any questions? **Hamza:** David. **White:** So, we're raising the delegate fee from \$20 to \$30? **Hannon:** The delegates passed that. **Meeker:** Yeah. That happened at the last Annual. **White:** I thought it was \$25. **Meeker:** Nope, they did \$30. **Hamza:** Any other questions? Thank you, Ginger. **Meeker:** You're welcome.

(24) **IT COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: Dick Kallmeyer

Hamza: Up next is Dick with IT. **Kallmeyer:** The big change that we have now is that we hired an IT person that will start, I believe it's the 15th, a week from this Monday. He's a local Alliance person and that's going to help significantly as part of the process. We're at the stage, we're doing testing, Central Office testing. We have not begun really the overlay testing and that new person is going to help significantly. Part of the reason for the delay is that in converting the major database over to the new system, we had some delays. We found some interesting things with ECS codes that didn't exist. There were a couple thousand we had to kind of wade through to see what was going on. Part of the problem was, in the past when they typed data in from the index cards, there was no checking on codes and so there were things appearing that we didn't know about. Some of those actually turned out that they were re-registered with CFA. We found them and were able to delete the old records. We found cases and several hundred litters that actually had duplicate litter registration numbers, and so we've been looking at that. In about half the cases, we found problems where there was the same litter number but different sire and dam. We don't know how that happened, so we're cleaning up the old data. We found cases with multiple cattery ownership going back in the past. We had one record – I think it was one cattery that had 5 different owners over a 40 year period. They are all listed as active over the time, so it's just scrubbing the old data as we're going through the process. Until that old data is ported over, we really can't run parallel because the cats don't exist or comparing across. So, those are some of the things we're looking at.

Kallmeyer: The next stage is, Carla has hired a consultant to help us do the QuickBooks integration, and so this will be the first time where we can actually take the data from registrations and feed it into the accounting system automatically. We'll finally be able to track things – things like registrations by country rather than regions, or breaking it out by certain geographic areas that we've never been able to do in the past. Carla can explain some of the subtleties in accounting that's changing.

Kallmeyer: The next testing period will be the user interface side, and this is the case that will replace the online registrations, litter registrations, ordering pedigrees, as well. One of the characteristics of that is that the user will be able to order the pedigree and, assuming the financial information is correct, that we can actually send the PDFs from the system. Registrations will actually require an approval process from CFA Central Office just as a procedural vehicle. Now, one of the things that changed and the board is probably going to have to start discussing this is that today, when we record the owner of a cat, if the owner is part of a group grope, we have one single address associated with that account. The new system will actually have discreet owners, so if we have four owners, those names and addresses will have to be in the system and record. Then we get into some of the approval process. If we register a litter from one of those people, what is the policy from CFA? Do we allow any of the owners to approve the process, or do we only allow the lead owner, as well? Once we get to the user interface side, we're going to probably need a lot of board members to test the usability features to see if it makes sense, to see if it's easier to use. There's an additional advantage there for

online registrations, as well. Today, when we do online registrations, basically it sends and email to Central Office, who retypes that information. That opens the door to type-o's and mistakes in the process for registering. We'll be able to at least take the information that the user enters direct, and then we'll still have error checking as part of the process, but we'll eliminate some of the Central Office systems, as well. So, a lot still has to change. I think we're at least probably a month and a half away, depending on that Central Office testing, but again, having somebody in house that can overlook the Central Office staff and find the expressions of disgust or usability-type features or just outright errors will be in much better shape than we were today.

Hamza: David. **White:** Hey Dick. It sounds like we're kind of repeating ourselves. These are all things that we were doing and going through last year. It sounds like we are going through them again. Is that because we lost [name omitted] from [name omitted]? **Kallmeyer:** The stuff last year was probably not suitable. We really – there were still a lot of problems in the testing that weren't discovered at that time. If you look at it, and these errors that came out had just come out. [name omitted] did not find these porting errors that we had at that time. These are brand new ones that it's just recently that we've come across. **Hamza:** I think the big difference is that we have, for all intents and purposes, we have modules that are complete and that are working. Right now, what we're doing is removing the glitches from the modules. **Kallmeyer:** Right. **White:** So, we've gotten to the point where we're uploading? **Hamza:** Yeah. **Kallmeyer:** I think, David, if you remember a year ago that there were a lot of problems that several of us found with the system and usability and just whether you can actually do things. I think we're past that stage now and it has been whack-a-mole for the past 6 months. There's a lot of things popping up. **Hamza:** But the good news is that, Dick, all the modules are pretty well in place, and even – the only one that's really hanging out is the financial one but I guess that's getting there, too. **Kallmeyer:** The financial one and the user interface modules. You know, really making sure it works. I think that there were some problems with security-type issues. For instance, if you logged on and tried to register a cat yourself, you begin typing and all the names similar to yours popped up. We don't want to open that up. We don't want people to see other people's names and what they registered, so those kind of issues I think we're trying to fix, as well. **Hamza:** So, I guess the major difference is that we have modules that are working and ready to go. **Kallmeyer:** Yeah. Very much different. **Hamza:** So, we're close. That's what this means – we're close. We're in the end days of correcting. We're debugging at this point. **Kallmeyer:** The new guy will actually give us a lot of stuff with internal use – handling some of the PC questions we have in house, some of the network issues that we are depending on a consultant now, so we're really excited to have the new person in house. He's a graduate of Mount Union. Actually, the professor gave us a reference for hiring and that's good news. We just want to get him onboard as soon as we can. **White:** Dick, if you were to guesstimate when you think we will receive ETA launch, when would you guesstimate? **Kallmeyer:** I would probably look closer to somewhere in December, and the reason is, we haven't done the side by side. Central Office does a registration on the HP 3000, I want somebody to do it on the Microsoft system and actually compare the outputs to make sure they're exactly the same, no problems. **Hamza:** That was going to be my question, Dick. **Kallmeyer:** We have not been able to do that, because the data that we're using for the testing is probably a year old, so we don't have the current to actually do the test. **Hamza:** Do you think – **Kallmeyer:** Same with scoring. I've scored a lot of test shows from a year ago that turned out exactly the same. You know, the

points are the same and the aggregate e-points, but again I want to look at new shows, just to make sure there's no gotcha. The reason I'm hesitant or want the more testing is, once we cut over to the new system, there's no going back. **Hamza:** No, that's right. **Kallmeyer:** There will be new formats for some of the data, and so it's not like if we find, you know, after we converted over, it's not like we can turn on the HP and recover. It's going to be a one-way conversion and we've just got to be crystal clear that we're going to do it. **Hamza:** Dick, are we going to be able to start running parallel on the Central Office side sometime in October? Are we going to start that? **Kallmeyer:** Yeah. We should be able to do that probably within a week or so. I think, in fact, the data may be ported as we talk. We can do it, but again, we need somebody in Central Office to really kind of sit on it and make sure these things get done. You know, again, one of the problems is, it's a really busy period for Central Office now, and if we're taking one of those employees away from registrations, we're also going to suffer, as well. So, those are kind of issues that we'll have to look at. **Hamza:** Alright, but I would certainly like to see parallel starting by Halloween. **Kallmeyer:** No. No, I would say within two weeks. **Hamza:** Alright. Very good. Any other questions for Dick?

(25) **BREEDS AND STANDARDS.**

Committee Co-Chairs: Rachel Anger and Annette Wilson
List of Committee Members: Diana Doernberg (outcrossing assistance)

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Breed council ballots were received by the September 15 deadline from 13 different breeds, including Abyssinian, American Shorthair, Balinese/Javanese, Bombay, Burmese, Colorpoint Shorthair, Devon Rex, Manx, Ocicat, Oriental Shorthair, Persian – Tabby Division, RagaMuffin and Sphynx.

Current Happenings of Committee:

2012 is an election year for Breed Council Secretaries, so all breed council members will have an opportunity to vote. Voting will take place online, with an opportunity for those who choose to vote via paper ballot to do so.

The ballots will be mailed to qualifying breed council members sometime in late October, with a December 15 return deadline. The CFA Board of Directors will review the ballots at the February 2012 board meeting.

Wilson: What we're planning to do with the rest of the balloting – every breed council will be balloted this year because it is an election year. We don't have quite as many breeds making standard or registration rule changes, but we do have some, so we're planning to, with the help of – Mary Kolencik is going to help train someone at Central Office to upload the ballots electronically and the plan is to provide the same process. A letter and an email will go out to the breed council members with instructions on how to vote online or how to request a hard copy ballot to mail in. Now, I'm curious as to whether or not folks got any feedback from Tonkinese or Burmese breed council members who might have had difficulty. Sharon did send some input and we got responses out to her on those. If anybody else had any – heard anything, we would like to hear it. **Hamza:** I have a question for you two. Looking at the report, it looked like the online thing went great. **Wilson:** Yeah, I think it did. **Hannon:** What's your question? **Hamza:** Well, was there any kind of glitches or any downside to it? **Wilson:** Some people had questions, but they were provided either Mary Kolencik to contact if they had specific questions on the voting process online, or Kristi at Central Office, if they had any questions about the rest of it. Kathy Durdick put up the information on a website, so if there's any addendum or additional information, they can go on the website and see it. I think it worked really well. I think that we might have gotten a better turn-out, had it not been off-schedule. People know when to look for ballots. I think if we can maybe make sure that we include in the CFA News when it's going out, everybody has a ballot, be sure and look and vote. I think that will help, too, so I think it went well. **Hamza:** I think it's a jump forward. **Hannon:** Send me something. **Hamza:** I'm pleased that it turned out this way. I think it's going to make a lot of this a lot easier. **Wilson:** I hope so. **Hannon:** I think we ought to offer Mary Kolencik some thanks for all of her efforts in making this happen. **Wilson:** Absolutely. Right. She made us do it and then she stepped up and helped us

do it. **Hamza:** She might get another one of them stars. **Wilson:** She did a really nice job. She has been really helpful.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

The ballots will be tabulated and the results will be discussed at the February 2013 CFA Board of Directors meeting.

Action Items:

Off-Cycle Breed Council Ballots. The results of the off-cycle ballot have been provided to all board members by Central Office. We are asking the board to ratify those ballots which passed by 50% or more of breed council members.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Annette Wilson and Rachel Anger, Co- Chairs*

Hamza: Alright, we're moving on to Breeds and Standards, and that is Rachel and Annette. **Wilson:** This is Annette. Rachel did the report in writing, so I get to do it by voice. Basically, we're going to talk about just two things here – the upcoming ballots and the off-schedule ballot that we just had for the Burmese and the Tonkinese. This was our first test of using the online or electronic balloting process, so if you don't mind, we'll go through that action item first, which was the off-schedule breed council ballots. The results have been provided here. They are part of the report. [transcript goes to off-cycle ballot]

Wilson: That's the end of our report. **Hamza:** I want to commend both Annette and Rachel. You know, an off-cycle ballot is a big – **Wilson:** We don't want to do any more. **Hamza:** They don't want to do any more, but what you did, it was very commendable. Thank you very much.

**The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc.
2012 BREED COUNCIL OFF-CYCLE POLL**

[NOTE: "No action taken" indicates that a breed standard proposal did not receive a 50% favorable vote from the voting members.]

BURMESE

Breed Council Secretary: Art Graafmans – Newport Beach, California
Total Members: 56
Paper Ballots Received: 3
Online Ballots Received: 28

**Proposed Rules For Registering Kittens Resulting From
Burmese to Tonkinese Out-Cross Breedings**

BURMESE BRED TO TONKINESE:

- 1. PROPOSED:** A Burmese cat may be bred to a CFA Tonkinese of any allowed color, so long as it is genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern and does not carry cinnamon. The Tonkinese parent must also conform to the current Tonkinese breed standard (5/1/2012). All resulting kittens may be registered as Burmese.

RATIONALE: The current Tonkinese breed standard accepts the exact same colors as the Burmese breed standard. In addition, the Tonkinese breed does not display any health issues that are not present in the Burmese breed. Therefore, it is not necessary to perform any genetic testing related to coat color or health with the exception that the cinnamon gene may be present. Because the Tonkinese parent has been genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern, there is no need to test the resulting kittens for coat pattern. All kittens will be solid patterned and therefore conform to the Burmese standard.

REGISTRATION ISSUE

Votes: 31

50% of Voting: 16

YES: 24

NO: 5

ABSTAIN: 2

Wilson: The first one is the Burmese. The Burmese had three action items on their ballot to approve the three different processes for their out cross – one to Tonkinese of solid color, the second one to Tonkinese of any color or pattern, and the third to the Southeast Asian cat. As we directed Art Graafmans, he put together not only a proposal of how to do the outcross, or what cats could be used to do the outcross, but a procedure for actually registering the kittens, and those were the things balloted for the Burmese. This isn't included on the ballot results, but there were 3 paper ballots received. I'm sorry, that is on there. There were 28 online ballots, or electronic ballots, received which is really great, so a total of 31 Burmese breed council members voting. There were 56 breed council members eligible to vote. OK, so all three of the proposals passed by 50% or more. So, do we do it proposal by proposal, or do you want to do them all at one time? **Hamza:** Unless anybody has an objection to doing them all at one time, I see that as fine. **Wilson:** OK. I move that the board ratify the – or whatever we do – the Burmese outcross proposals. **White:** Second. **Hamza:** Alright. We have a second.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

CFA Burmese Breed Council
Out-Cross To Tonkinese Policy Adopted TBD
Applies to Proposal 1

The Burmese breed may out-cross to the Tonkinese breed for the time period beginning January 1, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2021. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested as Solid patterned and test negative for cinnamon. All offspring are eligible to be registered as Burmese.

General Requirements:

1. The Tonkinese parent must be registered in CFA. A Tonkinese cat registered in a foreign registry may be used once it has been registered in CFA.
2. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested as having a solid coat pattern ($c^b c^b$) and test negative for cinnamon (negative for b^1).

Checklist:

- CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
 - CFA registration number is provided for the Tonkinese parent.
 - A copy of the genetic test for solid coat pattern and negative for cinnamon is provided for the Tonkinese parent.
 - A completed hard copy litter application is provided.
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- The litter application has been found to comply with the requirements for registration as Burmese. Please issue a Burmese litter registration slip and register any requested kittens from this litter.

BURMESE BRED TO TONKINESE:

- 2. PROPOSED:** A Burmese cat may be bred to a CFA Tonkinese of any allowed color and pattern as defined in the current Tonkinese breed standard (5/1/2012) so long as it is genetically tested for coat pattern and tests negative for cinnamon. Any kitten resulting from a solid Tonkinese to Burmese breeding may be registered as a Burmese.

Any kitten resulting from a mink or pointed Tonkinese to Burmese breeding must be genetically tested for coat pattern. Any such kitten that tests as solid patterned ($c^b c^b$) may be registered as Burmese. Any kitten that tests as mink patterned ($c^b c^s$) may be recorded as a Burmese Out-cross in the CATS database. Pointed pattern ($c^s c^s$) offspring should not be possible.

Any resulting kitten recorded in the CATS database as a Burmese Out-cross may be bred to a Burmese with the same rules as for a mink or pointed Tonkinese as outlined above except will not require the genetic test for cinnamon.

RATIONALE: The current Tonkinese breed standard accepts the exact same colors as the Burmese breed standard. In addition, the Tonkinese breed does not display any health issues that are not present in the Burmese breed. Therefore it is not necessary to perform any genetic testing related to coat color or health with the exception that the cinnamon gene may be present. If the Tonkinese parent has been genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern, there is no need to test the resulting kittens for coat pattern. All kittens will be solid patterned and therefore conform to the Burmese standard.

If the Tonkinese parent has been genetically tested to be mink or pointed, then the offspring can have a mink coat pattern that can be difficult to determine visually, especially in a young kitten. It is therefore necessary to genetically test for a solid coat pattern prior to registering any of these kittens as Burmese.

REGISTRATION ISSUE

Votes: 31

50% of Voting: 16

YES: 24

NO: 5

ABSTAIN: 2

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

CFA Burmese Breed Council
Out-Cross To Tonkinese Policy Adopted TBD
Applies to Proposal 2

The Burmese breed may out-cross to the Tonkinese breed for the time period beginning January 1, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2021. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested for coat pattern and test negative for cinnamon. The offspring of solid patterned Tonkinese may be registered as Burmese. The offspring of mink or pointed pattern Tonkinese must be genetically tested to be solid patterned in order to be registered as Burmese. Any mink offspring may be recorded in the CATS database as Burmese Out-cross cats. Pointed patterned offspring should not be possible.

General Requirements:

1. The Tonkinese parent must be registered in CFA. A Tonkinese cat registered in a foreign registry may be used once it has been registered in CFA.
2. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested for coat pattern and test negative for cinnamon (negative for b^l).
3. All offspring of a solid Tonkinese to Burmese breeding may be registered as Burmese.
4. Any offspring of a mink ($c^b c^s$) or pointed ($c^s c^s$) Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern ($c^b c^b$) in order to be registered as a Burmese.
5. Kittens tested to have a mink coat pattern ($c^b c^s$) may be recorded as Burmese Out-cross in the CATS database. Pointed ($c^s c^s$) offspring should not possible.
6. Burmese Out-cross cats recorded in the CATS database may be treated the same as a mink Tonkinese bred to a Burmese.

Checklist:

- CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
- CFA registration number is provided for the Tonkinese parent or.
- A CATS record number is provided for the “Burmese Out-cross” parent.
- A copy of the genetic test indicating coat pattern and negative for cinnamon is provided for the Tonkinese parent or.
- A copy of the genetic test indicating coat pattern is provided for the Burmese Out-cross parent.
- A completed hard copy litter application is provided.

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The kitten requesting has been found to comply with the requirements for registration/recording with CFA as follows (only one should be checked):

- The whole litter may be registered as Burmese. Please issue a Burmese litter registration slip and register any requested kittens from this litter.
- The individual kitten may be registered as a Burmese. Please issue a Burmese registration slip for this kitten.
- This kitten may be recorded in the CATS database as a Burmese Out-cross. Please issue a CATS database record slip.

Burmese Breed Council
Proposed Rules For Recording Imported Southeast Asian Cats and Registering their Offspring
Kittens Resulting From Burmese Out-Cross Breedings

BURMESE BRED TO AN IMPORTED SOUTHEAST ASIAN CAT:

3. PROPOSED: A Burmese cat may be bred to an imported Southeast Asian cat provided it has a coat color of one of the four allowed Burmese colors or black and has a solid (non-agouti) coat pattern. This cat must have originated from and been imported from one of the following countries in Southeast Asia: Myanmar (Burma), Thailand, Viet Nam, Cambodia, Laos or Malaysia, and must be genetically tested for the following conditions with the stated results:

- Gangliosidosis 2 – Burmese – Test Negative
- Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency – Test Negative
- Hypokalemia – Test Negative
- Longhair – Test Negative for all 4 variants
- Blood Type – Test as type A
- Agouti – Test as non-agouti (aa)
- Cinnamon coat color – Test Negative for cinnamon (b^l)

Any cat that meets these requirements may be recorded in the CATS database as a Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese.

A kitten resulting from breeding a CFA registered Burmese to a Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese may be registered as a Burmese if it is genetically tested to have a solid sepia ($c^b c^b$) coat pattern and is one of the four allowed Burmese colors (sable, champagne, blue or platinum).

Any kitten that genetically tests as either mink patterned ($c^b c^s$) and/or has a black coat (CC or Cc^b or Cc^s) may be registered in the CATS registry as a Foundation Burmese and may be bred to a Burmese with the same rules as an imported Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese.

Any imported Southeast Asian cat for which a request to be recorded in the CATS database is made must be micro-chipped and a photos showing the front, both sides and underside of the cat must be supplied. The importer must also supply documents indicating the country of origin and from whom the cat was obtained.

RATIONALE: The importation of cats from Southeast Asia is an expensive and time-consuming endeavor. The number of cats that could be considered genetically pure Burmese has been shown to be very small. Given that the Burmese is essentially a black cat, it is felt that it is reasonable to include black cats from this region and through the use of genetic testing we can ensure that only appropriately colored cats are entered into the CFA Burmese registry. In addition to managing coat color and pattern, we are also able to prevent undesired recessive traits from entering the CFA Burmese gene pool through additional genetic testing. The countries listed represent a region of South East Asia where the cats we have come to know as Burmese have migrated over time. Dr. Leslie Lyons has confirmed that the cats from these countries are all genetically very similar and are appropriate for our purposes. The

photograph requirement is valuable in confirming the required coat pattern (non-agouti) and that there are not white spots or gloves etc.

REGISTRATION ISSUE

Votes: 31

50% of Voting: 16

YES: 21

NO: 6

ABSTAIN: 4

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

CFA Burmese Breed Council

Out-Cross To Imported Southeast Asian Cats And Foundation Burmese Policy Adopted January 1, 2011

The Burmese breed may out-cross to qualified imported cats from Southeast Asia for the time period beginning January 1, 2011 until rescinded by the CFA Board of Directors. Imported cats that meet the requirements may be recorded in the CATS database as a Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese. Solid patterned offspring of these breedings that comply with the required genetic testing for color may be registered as Burmese. Offspring that do not comply with the required color testing may be recorded in the CATS database as Foundation Burmese.

General Requirements For Imported Southeast Asian Cats:

1. The imported cat must have one of the allowed Burmese coat colors (Sable, Champagne, Blue or Platinum) or Black and have a solid pattern (non-agouti).
2. The imported cat must have a microchip and the microchip number must be present on all paperwork and photographs. The microchip should be implanted prior to importation if possible, but must be completed prior to submitting a request for recording in the CATS database.
3. Genetic test results marked with the cat's micro-chip number must be included demonstrating the cat complies with the following results:
 - Gangliosidosis 2 – Burmese – Test Negative
 - Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency – Test Negative
 - Hypokalemia – Test Negative
 - Longhair – Test Negative for all 4 variants
 - Blood Type – Test as type A
 - Agouti – Test as non-agouti (aa)
 - Cinnamon coat color – Test Negative for (b¹)
4. High-resolution photographs (1800 x 1200 pixels minimum or 4 x 6 inch printed photos showing good detail of the cat) must be provided showing the front (head and chest), left and right (full body) and the underside (full body) of the cat. Electronic photographs must have the cat's name and microchip number included in the file name. Example: "Mod Darn MC 900 0 12345678901.jpg". Physical photographs must have the cat's name and microchip number clearly written on the back.
5. The imported cat must originate from one of the following countries: Myanmar (Burma), Thailand, Viet Nam, Cambodia, Laos or Malaysia.
6. Paperwork to provide proof of country of origin should include as available: An air bill, an airline ticket or government travel papers, veterinary records from the country of origin referencing the microchip number, etc. Any breeder provided paperwork should also be included. Copies of these documents shall be acceptable rather than originals.
7. An international health certificate must be provided.

Checklist For Imported Southeast Asian Cats:

- The required genetic test report with the required results has been provided.
- High-resolution photographs (physical or electronic) have been provided.
- The cat meets the coat pattern and color requirements (no white spotting or gloves etc.).
- A microchip number has been provided.
- Adequate paperwork marked with the cat's microchip number has been provided to support the country of origin requirement.
- An international health certificate has been provided including the microchip number.

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- The imported cat/kitten has been found to comply with the requirements for being recorded in the CATS database as a Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese. Please issue a CATS database record slip.

General Requirements For Registering/Recording Offspring From Burmese to Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese Or Foundation Burmese Breedings:

1. The Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese parent must be recorded in the CATS database. The record number must be provided.
2. A kitten resulting from a Burmese to Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese breeding must be genetically tested to have a solid sepia coat pattern (cbcb) in order to be registered as a Burmese. A copy of the genetic test report must be provided.
3. A kitten resulting from a Burmese to Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese breeding that does not comply with requirements to be registered as a Burmese (item 2 above) may be recorded in the CATS database as a Foundation Burmese.

Checklist For Registering/Recording Burmese to Imported Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese Offspring:

- The required genetic test for color has been provided.
- The cat/kitten's genetic test for color indicates a solid sepia coat color ($c^b c^b$). This cat is eligible for registration as a Burmese
- The cat/kitten's genetic test for color does not indicate a solid sepia coat color (CC or Cc^b or Cc^s). This cat is eligible for recording in the CATS database.
- The Burmese parent's registration number has been provided.
- The Southeast Asian Foundation Burmese or Foundation Burmese parent's registration number has been provided.
- A hard copy litter application has been provided.

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The cat/kitten has been found to comply with the requirements for being recorded in the CATS database or the CFA registry database as follows (only one should be checked):

- This kitten may be registered as a Burmese. Please issue a Burmese registration slip for this kitten.
- This kitten may be recorded in the CATS database as a Foundation Burmese. Please issue a CATS database record slip.

TONKINESE

Breed Council Secretary: Linda Martino – St. Augustine, Florida

Total Members: 48

Paper Ballots Received: 4

Online Ballots Received: 18

Proposed Rules For Registering Kittens Resulting From Burmese to Tonkinese Out-Cross Breedings

BURMESE BRED TO TONKINESE:

- 1. PROPOSED:** A Burmese cat may be bred to a CFA Tonkinese of any allowed color, so long as it is genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern and does not carry cinnamon. The Tonkinese parent must also conform to the current Tonkinese breed standard (5/1/2012). All resulting kittens may be registered as Burmese.

RATIONALE: The current Tonkinese breed standard accepts the exact same colors as the Burmese breed standard. In addition, the Tonkinese breed does not display any health issues that are not present in the Burmese breed. Therefore, it is not necessary to perform any genetic testing related to coat color or health with the exception that the cinnamon gene may be present. Because the Tonkinese parent has been genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern, there is no need to test the resulting kittens for coat pattern. All kittens will be solid patterned and therefore conform to the Burmese standard.

REGISTRATION ISSUE

Votes: 22

50% of Voting: 11

YES: 18

NO: 4

ABSTAIN: 0

Wilson: We'll move on to the Tonkinese ballot. Because two of the proposals affected the Tonkinese breed, they also were balloted. We had four paper ballots received we had 18 online ballots, so again, the majority of people chose to vote online. The Tonkinese total breed council membership is 48. These passed by more than 50% of the votes received, so I will move that we ratify the Tonkinese ballot. **Baugh:** Loretta seconds.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

CFA Burmese Breed Council
Out-Cross To Tonkinese Policy Adopted TBD
Applies to Proposal 1

The Burmese breed may out-cross to the Tonkinese breed for the time period beginning January 1, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2021. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested as Solid patterned and test negative for cinnamon. All offspring are eligible to be registered as Burmese.

General Requirements:

1. The Tonkinese parent must be registered in CFA. A Tonkinese cat registered in a foreign registry may be used once it has been registered in CFA.
2. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested as having a solid coat pattern ($c^b c^b$) and test negative for cinnamon (negative for b^1).

Checklist:

- CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
 - CFA registration number is provided for the Tonkinese parent.
 - A copy of the genetic test for solid coat pattern and negative for cinnamon is provided for the Tonkinese parent.
 - A completed hard copy litter application is provided.
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- The litter application has been found to comply with the requirements for registration as Burmese. Please issue a Burmese litter registration slip and register any requested kittens from this litter.

BURMESE BRED TO TONKINESE:

- 2. PROPOSED:** A Burmese cat may be bred to a CFA Tonkinese of any allowed color and pattern as defined in the current Tonkinese breed standard (5/1/2012) so long as it is genetically tested for coat pattern and tests negative for cinnamon. Any kitten resulting from a solid Tonkinese to Burmese breeding may be registered as a Burmese.

Any kitten resulting from a mink or pointed Tonkinese to Burmese breeding must be genetically tested for coat pattern. Any such kitten that tests as solid patterned ($c^b c^b$) may be registered as Burmese. Any kitten that tests as mink patterned ($c^b c^s$) may be recorded as a Burmese Out-cross in the CATS database. Pointed pattern ($c^s c^s$) offspring should not be possible.

Any resulting kitten recorded in the CATS database as a Burmese Out-cross may be bred to a Burmese with the same rules as for a mink or pointed Tonkinese as outlined above except will not require the genetic test for cinnamon.

RATIONALE: The current Tonkinese breed standard accepts the exact same colors as the Burmese breed standard. In addition, the Tonkinese breed does not display any health issues that are not present in the Burmese breed. Therefore it is not necessary to perform any genetic testing related to coat color or health with the exception that the cinnamon gene may be present. If the Tonkinese parent has been genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern, there is no need to test the resulting kittens for coat pattern. All kittens will be solid patterned and therefore conform to the Burmese standard.

If the Tonkinese parent has been genetically tested to be mink or pointed, then the offspring can have a mink coat pattern that can be difficult to determine visually, especially in a young kitten. It is therefore necessary to genetically test for a solid coat pattern prior to registering any of these kittens as Burmese.

REGISTRATION ISSUE

Votes: 22

50% of Voting: 11

YES: 15

NO: 7

ABSTAIN: 3

CFA Burmese Breed Council
Out-Cross To Tonkinese Policy Adopted TBD
Applies to Proposal 2

The Burmese breed may out-cross to the Tonkinese breed for the time period beginning January 1, 2012 and extending through December 31, 2021. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested for coat pattern and test negative for cinnamon. The offspring of solid patterned Tonkinese may be registered as Burmese. The offspring of mink or pointed pattern Tonkinese must be genetically tested to be solid patterned in order to be registered as Burmese. Any mink offspring may be recorded in the CATS database as Burmese Out-cross cats. Pointed patterned offspring should not be possible.

General Requirements:

1. The Tonkinese parent must be registered in CFA. A Tonkinese cat registered in a foreign registry may be used once it has been registered in CFA.
2. The Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested for coat pattern and test negative for cinnamon (negative for b^l).
3. All offspring of a solid Tonkinese to Burmese breeding may be registered as Burmese.
4. Any offspring of a mink ($c^b c^s$) or pointed ($c^s c^s$) Tonkinese parent must be genetically tested to have a solid coat pattern ($c^b c^b$) in order to be registered as a Burmese.
5. Kittens tested to have a mink coat pattern ($c^b c^s$) may be recorded as Burmese Out-cross in the CATS database. Pointed ($c^s c^s$) offspring should not possible.
6. Burmese Out-cross cats recorded in the CATS database may be treated the same as a mink Tonkinese bred to a Burmese.

Checklist:

- CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.
- CFA registration number is provided for the Tonkinese parent or.
- A CATS record number is provided for the “Burmese Out-cross” parent.
- A copy of the genetic test indicating coat pattern and negative for cinnamon is provided for the Tonkinese parent or.
- A copy of the genetic test indicating coat pattern is provided for the Burmese Out-cross parent.
- A completed hard copy litter application is provided.

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The kitten requesting has been found to comply with the requirements for registration/recording with CFA as follows (only one should be checked):

- The whole litter may be registered as Burmese. Please issue a Burmese litter registration slip and register any requested kittens from this litter.
- The individual kitten may be registered as a Burmese. Please issue a Burmese registration slip for this kitten.
- This kitten may be recorded in the CATS database as a Burmese Out-cross. Please issue a CATS database record slip.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rachel Anger and Annette Wilson, Co-Chairs

(26) WORLD SHOW UPDATE.

Rich Mastin:	<i>Show Manager</i>
Ed Raymond:	<i>Assistant Show Manager, Floor Plan, Vendor Contract, Facility Contract, Purple Show Judging Schedule on Time</i>
Rick Hoskinson:	<i>Assistant Show Manager, Floor Plan, Red Show Judging Schedule on Time, Vendor Coordinator, Judges Letter, Welcome Letter, Photographers Letter, Review Benching</i>
Sharon Roy:	<i>Show Secretary, Breed Booth Committee Needs, Judges Travel, Communication to CFA Board</i>
Teresa Sweeney:	<i>Treasurer, Tickets, Bracelets, Gate, Blog Coupon</i>
Carla Bizzell:	<i>Assistant Treasurer, Budget, Gate, Credit Card Arrangements</i>
Mark Hannon:	<i>Communications & Announcements (List, Website, Blogs, Facebook, DNT, etc., Floor Plan, Show Flyer, Scoring, Review Benching, Blog Coupon</i>
Loretta Baugh:	<i>General Planner, Scoring, Show Flyer, Judging Schedule on Time</i>
Lisa Smith:	<i>Catalog Advertising</i>
Jerry Hamza:	<i>Committee Member</i>
Jodell Raymond:	<i>Hotels; Catalog Advertising & Printing; Education Ring Needs; Central Office Liaison; Convention Center Liaison Outside of Show Hall; Liaison to Ambassador Program; Marketing; Insurance; Walkie Talkies; Garfield</i>
Roeann Fulkerson:	<i>Corporate Sponsor Liaison; Vendor Coordinator; Convention Center Liaison Inside Show Hall; Show Flyer; Marketing; Photographers; Adoption Coordinator; AV & Microphones</i>

Current Happenings of Committee:

I do not have a whole lot new to report.

We strongly recommend that all exhibitors and entrants regularly look at the BLOG for updated information.

Of special note is the Parking information. Teresa Sweeney is handling parking passes. Advanced purchase is highly recommended. This will insure parking in the lot closest to the show hall we are using. There are several functions in the Center that weekend. Please check the BLOG for information on ordering and payment.

Cheryl Coleman has hired all the clerks. She has had them all sign a contract detailing the expectations of clerking such a large show.

The show is closing November 6th. This was decided as there is a lot of extra work for everyone involved in the final preparations. That includes the double catalog, the extra amount of time for benching etc.

It will also allow for those who are on the waiting list to have time to plan their transportation, should they get into the show.

Board Action Items:

One time exemption to Show Rule 12.07 c, maximum allowance of judging per day.

The world show committee is asking the CFA Board to allow cats in the World show to be judged up to 7 times on Saturday.

Reason: To help accommodate a full schedule for all the judges and to insure that the judging will be completed by 2PM on Sunday to allow for the Best of the Best. Cheryl Coleman has completed a tentative schedule and feels this is the best solution to complete the time constraints.

Hamza: Up next is Sharon Roy with the World Show Report. **Roy:** OK. Not a lot to report, but we do have a couple things we need to discuss, and one which the committee would prefer to discuss in closed session. The first one, which I sent out late – sorry about that – when we got it from Cheryl [Coleman] to approve allowing more than 6 judgments, so actually approve allowing 7 judgments on Saturday in order to get the show done on time on Sunday, to do best of the best. She didn't think that without it, that she would be able to get done before 3:00. **Hamza:** OK, and you did send me – you did look up what show rule this affected. **Roy:** I did. I did sent that out. Yep. **Hamza:** And so, are you prepared at this time to make the motion. **Roy:** Absolutely. **Hamza:** Well then, go to it. **Roy:** A motion to allow 7 judging rings – up to 7 judgments on Saturday at the World Shows in order to accommodate scheduling. **Hamza:** Is everybody clear what they're asking for? OK, can we get a second. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger.

[Note: the motion was subsequently clarified by the CFA Attorney as follows: That the limitation on Regional points in Show Rule Article XXXVII be waived for the 2012 CFA/Royal Canin World Championship Cat Show and that all points earned by cats/kittens at the show count for Regional Awards in Regions 1-9 and the International Division.]

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Hamza: Do you have anything else Sharon, or can we go into closed session on that one item? **Roy:** No. We got one more that came late. I guess it came Friday, that Ed sent out for Shirley Dent, and I know you don't have it, but last year the International Division was able to use – or to keep the points that they received at the World Show in their own region, which is different, and Shirley Dent has asked for some clarification on that this year, whether we are going to allow that again. **Hamza:** I think since we allowed it last year, I think it's important we remain consistent. Does anybody have any comments? Ed. **Raymond:** This year, it applies not only to the International Division, but Region 8 and Region 9 cats, as well. **Roy:** Right. Region 8 and Region 9, as well. Right. **Hamza:** But if it applies to Regions 1 through 7, it should apply to

8 and 9 equally. **Raymond:** I agree. That's what we're asking for, an exception to the show rule. **Hamza:** If nobody wants to discuss it, can I get a motion? **Baugh:** This is Loretta. So moved. **Meeker:** Second, Ginger. **Anger:** Can we have someone state exactly what the motion is, please? **Hamza:** Yeah, we've got to have it. **Baugh:** My motion is that all entries receive regional and divisional points, regardless of their location. **Hamza:** Does that sound OK, Ed? **Raymond:** Yes. **Hamza:** Alright.

Hamza called the motion. **Motion Carried.** **Hamza:** So, that's it for open session? **Roy:** Yep. **Calhoun:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Yeah. **Calhoun:** This is Kathy. I'm trying to get my question button on. Here it is. Can I ask one quick question before we go into closed session, about the World Show? **Hamza:** Yeah, go ahead. **Calhoun:** Some people are a little concerned. There was an email about parking, that there were 75 spots. You can buy a spot and that was all fine, but the question that came up was, what happens to folks – I mean, what is the parking situation? Is there going to be parking enough? Is that going to impact our gate? Is it limited, or are those just better parking spots and there's enough parking for everybody? **Hamza:** Those are better parking spots. The Convention Center and the City of Columbus, they insist that there are 10,000 parking spots available within the immediate area of the Convention Center. The term "immediate area" might mean a couple blocks, or in some cases maybe a little more, but there's a lot of parking in the area. They have a lot of events there every weekend, and they seem to get people and they seem to do it OK. Ed Raymond is one of the show managers and he's right here. Ed, would you like to – **Raymond:** That's true. What we have done is secured some spots in the closest lots to the show hall that we're using. There are other lots that are further out, but by reserving them early we are trying to give our exhibitors first dibs and not have to walk as far. **Hamza:** The advice I would give is to take advantage of the parking that's offered through the show, because you will be much closer and much happier. **Meeker:** Jerry? **Hamza:** Go ahead, Ginger. **Meeker:** What about the folks that will be setting up on Friday, for example, the regional booths? **Hamza:** We're letting them walk from the airport. **Hannon:** No. I can answer that. **Hamza:** No, no. Mark can answer. Go ahead, Mark. **Hannon:** On Friday we're having check-in from 4 in the afternoon to 9 in the evening, where exhibitors can set up their cages, where breed council people can set up their breed booths, where the vendors, the regions, the CFA programs can set up their booths. You can unload at the loading dock in the back of the hall and then you go find a parking place. We're not providing parking places for those people on Friday because we don't anticipate that there's going to be the issue of finding nearby parking on Friday, like we're going to find on Saturday and Sunday. **Meeker:** So, what the show committee is saying is, you don't need any help. **Hamza:** That's not what they're saying at all. You're going to have help. You're going to be able to pull your vehicle right into the loading dock and set up your booth. **Meeker:** At 4:00. **Hamza:** Pardon? **Meeker:** At 4:00. **Hannon:** That's when check-in takes place. **Hamza:** You know what? What you need to do is either get a hold of somebody on the committee if you want to come in earlier, and they will help you. I mean, if you're coming in at 12:30 and they can talk to the Convention Center and there's not an issue, then you can come in at 12:30. **Hannon:** But we're going to still be setting cages and stuff up until 4:00. **Meeker:** OK. Or vending spaces or regional booths, right? **Hannon:** Talk to Rich Mastin. He's the show manager. **Meeker:** I will be happy to, Mark. Thank you. **Hannon:** I'm getting a sign made that way. I'm going to wear it. **Hamza:** David. **White:** So, the parking is only \$11.50 if you reserve, right? **Wilson:** No, that's the cost. They are just letting you buy a pass to park in one of these lots ahead of time. **White:**

So, if you don't reserve, what is it? **Wilson:** \$11.50, but good luck finding a close place.

Hannon: I didn't say that, you didn't say that. **Raymond:** You didn't say that. **Hamza:** Alright, can we go into closed session now on this?

Anger: I just have one question. **Hamza:** Go ahead, Rachel. **Anger:** Is there a list of committee members somewhere? I have asked several times. **Hamza:** Sharon, you must have a list that you can provide. **Roy:** Yeah. I'll send it over to you, Rachel. **Hamza:** There we go.

(27) **AMBASSADOR REPORT.**

Committee Chair: Willa K. Hawke
*List of Committee Members: Jodell Raymond, Art Graafmans, Karen Lane,
Cyndy Byrd*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Committee remains active. Considerable activity at numerous shows worldwide.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Preparing for World Show. We have big plans, tours, many Pet Me Cats. There are many official CFA I-Cats scheduled to be present complete with their new black and gold World Show tents in Columbus.

Future Projections for Committee:

Continue promotion of the program and inter act with clubs and Ambassadors as needed.

Board Action Items:

None

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Report from the World Show

*Respectfully Submitted,
Willa K. Hawke, Chair*

Hamza: We're in open session for the Ambassador Program. All I'm going to say is that, in light of some changes, the Ambassador Program remains strong. They will be at the World Show. The only significant difference is that we have started making our own Sturdi cage packages, which is similar to the old ones except that – you know, changing sponsors is something everything goes through. You look at buildings that are – sports team buildings – they change names depending on who is sponsoring them, and so that's something fairly usual. The new cages are black and gold, to represent CFA colors. That's the only real change there. Any questions on the Ambassador Program?

(28) YOUTH FELINE EDUCATION PROGRAM.

Committee Co-Chairs: *Jo Ann Cummings, Karen Lane*
Liaison to Board: *Loretta Baugh*
List of Committee Members: *See Below*

Regional Representatives

Region One – *Linda Majewski*

Region Two – *Maureen Clark, Aubrey Anderson, Jeanie Miller*, Linda Osburn*.*

Region Three - *Kathy Black, Sunny Lodge , Susan McNeice.*

Region Four – *Lorna Friemoth, Donna Runzel, Ruth Snow*, Dee White*.*

Region Five - *Sharon Rogers, Dee Dee Cantley*.*

Region Six - *Cathy Dunham (YFEP Secretary), Maureen Kramanak.*

Region Seven - *Marguerite Epstein, Susan Melia, Sheri Hillis*, Donna Trusler*.*

Region Eight - *Edward Maeda*

Region Nine - *Maria Kaldeweida*

Regional Representatives were appointed by the Regional Directors. Names with () are volunteers.*

The following YFEP sub-committee chairs have been appointed:

Website – *Aubrey Anderson*

Graphic Design - *Aubrey Anderson*

Reading Requirements – *Sharon Rogers*

National Scorer - *Marguerite Epstein*

Facebook Administration – *Cathy Dunham and Aubrey Anderson*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Continuing to register participants in the program.

Regional Director in Region 1 appointed a regional representative for their vacant position.

Article written for CFA Publications

Prepared 2013-2014 budget for Royal Canin

2011-2012 participants total of 10, Region 2 with 3, Region 4 with 2, Region 6 with 2, and Region 7 with 3.

2012-2013 participants total of 23 to date, Region 2 with 9, Region 4 with 3, Region 5 with 1, Region 6 with 5, Region 7 with 5

Current Happenings of Committee:

Designed Handout Brochure that is ready to go to print

Preparing for the booth at World Show in November

Continuing efforts to promote the program.

Future Projections for Committee:

Present the YFEP to other youth organizations (Boy/Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc.) to encourage a working relationship.

Establish Scholarship Awards

Establish an Educational Foundation

What will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updated list by region of the number of youths participating in the program.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Dunham, YFEP Secretary*

Hamza: We're going to move on to the Youth Education Program. Loretta, that's you.
Baugh: Yeah. I hope everybody has read it. There aren't any action items there. They will be represented at the World Show. If anybody has any questions, let me know. **Meeker:** Loretta?
Baugh: Yeah. **Meeker:** This is Ginger. My understanding is that these kids still have not received their handbooks. They haven't been printed yet. Is that accurate? **Baugh:** I will have to check on that, but I will let you know. I will find out. **Meeker:** Thank you. **Hamza:** Any other questions? OK, that's that, and we're almost done.

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Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Anger, CFA Secretary

(29) DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS.

[To be provided when the 30-day appeal period expires]

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Anger, CFA Secretary