

Notes from the Board Meeting

May 14, 2013

(The usual disclaimer applies: these are from my personal notes and are not official. The official minutes will be posted on the CFA website.)

Judging Program

Chloe Chung - Advanced to Approval Pending Longhair Specialty

Yuko Nozuki, - Advanced to Approval Pending Longhair Specialty

Chika Hiraki – Advanced to Approved Shorthair Specialty

Cathy Dinesen – Advanced to Approved Allbreed

Awards Committee

The Board approved recipients for this year's Star Awards to be presented at next month's Annual Meeting.

For several years the service awards were not presented to Board Members. The Board voted to retroactively provide such awards to those who wish to receive them.

Club Applications

New England Meow Outfit (NEMO) – Region 1 – **Accepted**

UK Cat Fanciers – Region 9 – **Accepted**

China Super Star Cat Fanciers – International Division (Asia) – **Accepted**

Central Office Report

Time Frame for Implementation of Grand of Distinction Award – This award requires 30 finals in each of three show seasons starting with the 2011-2012 season. Potentially some cats could qualify this

summer. Central Office is finalizing the application form and the certificate. Fee will be determined at the June meeting of the Board of Directors.

Club Retirement , Lord Baltimore Cat Club – Board action not required

Show Format Request, Cat Fashion Club (Int. Division, Israel). Tabled until after the Annual since request violates current CFA Constitution but there is a proposal to amend the Constitution which will impact this request.

Request to grant exception to Show Rule 9.04 for International Division. This rule requires grand points to be awarded by a minimum of three judges to qualify for a Grand. CFA software does not check this so some grands have been awarded with points from only two judges. The software will be modified to check for this in the future. All Grand titles already awarded with only two judges providing the points will remain.

Emergency Support Disbursement

A request was made for CFA to cover the cost for emergencies such as high air fares for last minute replacement judges. Rather than do this, CFA will check with our insurance agent to see what insurance our clubs can be provided to cover such emergencies.

Interpretation of Show Rule 20.06

This concerns the software used by many clubs which assigns numbers in catalogs containing both shows of a 6x6 format. Tabled until the June Board Meeting.

Motion to Reconsider Show Rule 25.13

This concerns the number of CFA judges vs. Guest judges at a show. A number of clubs in Europe want to return to the rule which required a minimum of 50% of their judges be CFA judges. The new rule requires more CFA judges. **Failed**

Motion for Exception to Show Rule 25.13

Rolandus Union requested approval to use 50% CFA judges and 50% Guest judges for their November, 2013 and March 2014 shows. Approval was granted for the November show. The club needs to follow the Show Rule for their subsequent shows.

Request for an Experimental Show Format

A club in France requested approval for a three day show with a total of 16 or 18 rings. This is a holiday weekend in France. The Board granted approval for a three day show with a limit of 12 rings.

Club Membership List Deadline

There was a request to allow clubs to provide a provisional membership list to meet the annual requirement for current membership lists since memberships may change after the due date. It was decided there was no need to do this. The list provided each year to meet CFA's requirements is to include the current members and Officers. As they change during the year, clubs should provide the Central Office with updated lists.

Distribution of HHP Results

There was a request for Central Office to provide Regional HHP scorers with a copy of the marked HHP pages from show catalogs. This will make it easier for the scoring of HHPs shown outside their home Region. This was approved.

World Show

The show will be held November 23-24, 2013 (4th weekend, the weekend prior to Thanksgiving) at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, Michigan. This is about 30 minutes from the Detroit Airport. Format and other decisions will be discussed at the June Board meeting.

Show Scheduling

Steel City Kitties requested approval for the 2nd weekend of February to be their Traditional Date. The Board granted approval with the stipulation that their show have a maximum of eight AB judges.

Regional Assignments

Every North American Region has at least one state that is divided between two Regions. Exhibitors living near a Regional border are cautioned to verify the correct Regional assignment based on the latitude and longitude mentioned in the CFA Constitution. Exhibitors may not make the choice between two Regions when they live near the border. The CFA Constitution will be followed in assigning the Region in which an exhibitor lives.

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