

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 21, 2012 BCCA BOARD MEETING

The Bearded Collie Club of America's Board of Directors meeting was held by mail on March 21, 2012.

I. Roll Call

PRESENT: Alspaugh, Atkins, Blau, Hayes, Lott, McDonald, Mendonca, Minner, Schroeder, Voss, Williamson
ABSENT: None

II. Officers' Reports

President
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer

III. Committee Reports

IV. Unfinished Business

Results February Motions Ballot

02/12-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2012 meeting. (Alspaugh)

Yes: Alspaugh, Atkins, Blau, Hayes, Lott, Mendonca, McDonald, Minner, Voss, Williamson **No:** None **Abstain:** None **Present:** Schroeder

03/12-01 Motion to adopt the attached form, BCCA Board of Directors Candidate Resumé, as the official form to request biographical information from all candidates for BCCA office. (Williamson)

Yes: Alspaugh, Atkins, Blau, Hayes, Lott, Mendonca, McDonald, Minner, Voss, Williamson **No:** None **Abstain:** None **Present:** Schroeder

03/12-02 Motion to add the following language to the rules for the Breeders' List on the BCCA website:

1. If they wish to renew for the next year, breeders who are currently listing should send a check for \$50, payable to the BCCA, to the Breeder Listing person by December 31.
2. Breeders who are not currently listing, but who wish to list for the coming year, should send \$50, an application with the signed Code of Ethics, and a business card to the appropriate person by December 31. If that breeder would also like to list for the balance of the current year, they may send a check for the coming year PLUS a pro-rated amount for the current year, along with an application, signed code of ethics, and business card. They will need to contact the Breeder Listing Person for the pro-rated amount. In no case will a breeder be allowed to list for only a partial year without listing for the next full year. A check for the partial year AND the next year must be included with the application.
3. Breeders may NOT list only for the balance of a year without committing to the subsequent year and paying for the next year in full along with the balance of the current year. (Hayes)

Yes: Alspaugh, Atkins, Blau, Hayes, Lott, Mendonca, McDonald, Minner, Voss, Williamson **No:** None **Abstain:** None **Present:** Schroeder

03/12-03 Motion to approve Valarie Maloney as Chairperson of the Fundraising Committee. (Alspaugh)

Yes: Alspaugh, Atkins, Blau, Hayes, Lott, Mendonca, McDonald, Minner, Voss, Williamson **No:** None **Abstain:** None **Present:** Schroeder

03/12-04 Motion to amend SR 07/01-01, Breeder of BOB at National Specialty, to read as follows: The “Ralph Carson Breeder’s Cup” is an annual award to acknowledge the accomplishment of the Breeder(s) whose dog is selected Best of Breed at each BCCA National Specialty. ***The award shall consist of an engraved silver cup, silver plate, or crystal water pitcher on a wooden base engraved with the following: “Winner of Best of Breed (Dog’s Name), his/her official titles, and year of the Specialty Win.” The silver, or the silver plate water pitcher will be engraved with “In Memory of Ralph Carson of Stonehaven Bearded Collies”. If a crystal water pitcher is presented, there will be a hanging tag over the top of the pitcher with the same engraving “In Memory of Ralph Carson of Stonehaven Bearded Collies”.*** It will be presented to the Breeder(s) of the Best of Breed at the BCCA National Specialty Awards Banquet each year beginning in the year 2001 and will remain with the recipient. A new cup will be donated each year by Irene Carson, and/or the “Friends of Ralph Carson” as a tribute to the Breeder(s) of the BOB National Specialty Winner. (Atkins)

Yes: Alspaugh, Atkins, Blau, Hayes, Lott, Mendonca, McDonald, Minner, Voss, Williamson **No:** None **Abstain:** None **Present:** Schroeder

V. Election of New Members

New Members

The following new members were voted into the club: Nataly Encarnacion, Louise & Delmo Fabrizioio.

BCCA Applicants April

None.

VI. New Business

Motions to be Considered in April

03/12-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2012 meeting. (Alspaugh)

04/12-01 Motion to request a one-time custom report of all Bearded Collie tracking titles earned from the AKC at a cost of \$120. (Minner) **WITHDRAWN BY MAKER – SEE 04/12-07**

Discussion: Compiling historical records for tracking titles, the committee is unable to track down data from 1994-2002 in our records. The requested report will provide an accurate listing of all tracking titles earned historically for Bearded Collies. As we are now getting the reports from AKC on titles earned for Beardies going forward, this history will be maintained and a need for an ongoing report is not seen at this time.

04/12-02 Motion to amend SR 01/99-03 to read as follows: Beginning with Trials after January 1, 1999, a “Herding Dog of the Year” award will be given to the first ranked Bearded Collie in the Started, Intermediate, and Advanced levels of the AKC Herding Trial Program each year in accordance with the then current AKC Herding regulations. ***So that this award is comparable pre and post January 1, 2012 when AKC regulations changed, eligible scores and number of dogs defeated are good for just 60 days after completion of the title in Started and Intermediate levels, and are based on the calendar year after completion of the title in Advanced.*** (Alspaugh)

*Discussion: Submitted by the Herding Committee. The second sentence in **bold italics** is added to the SR. The remainder of the SR is unchanged.*

04/12-03 Motion to amend SR 06/99-09 as to read as follows: Annual awards are established for the top herding dogs of the year to be initiated at the 1994 National Specialty starting with the top dogs for the calendar year 1993. The awards are to be given to the ~~four~~ dogs participating in AKC licensed events that attain the highest overall average qualifying score (from all three qualifying runs in attaining the title and the top three qualifying runs in the case of the Championship class) for each of the following classes: Started Class, Intermediate Class, Advanced Class, and Championship Class per any appropriate AKC Regulations at the time. This award shall be given in the year in which the title is earned, **regardless of the year in which the other qualifying runs were obtained**. Ties shall be broken by the average of the number of dogs defeated using the first three qualifying runs under three different judges to obtain the title. (Alspaugh)

*Discussion: Submitted by the Herding Committee. The word “four” is deleted in the second sentence – the SR was initially written in 1993 before stock and course specific titles were given. The wording in **bold italics** replaces the prior wording “regardless of the year in which the title was obtained.”*

04/12-04 Motion to create a Top Herding Dog Master’s Award in Started, Intermediate, and Advanced levels commences 1/1/12 in accordance with new AKC regulations. The award will be given to the dog having the highest average of the 8 qualifying runs for the Master’s title, which begin after the third qualifying run for the regular title at that level. The Master’s award will be given in the year in which the title is earned and the qualifying runs can come from that and previous years. Ties shall be broken by the average number of dogs defeated in the 8 qualifying runs. Documentation of the Master’s title will be from whatever source AKC deems official.

When AKC Herding Trial Qualifying Runs are Eligible for BCCA Yearly Herding Awards

Award (Year Begun)	Previous Years	Award Year (Calendar)
Masters THD (12): started, intermediate, advanced	Starts after Q run for title at that level	Ends with 8 th Q run at that level
THD (93): all courses, all stock, all levels including championship	Yes	Ends 60 days after run that completes the title
HDOTY (99): all courses, all stock, levels – started, intermediate, advanced	Yes for started and intermediate only	Yes for all levels. Ends 60 days after run that completes the title
Bishop (07): sheep only, any course, any level	No	Yes

(Alspaugh)

Discussion: Submitted by the Herding Committee.

04/12-05 Motion to amend SR October 2, 2009 ABM, Reinstatement of Futurity Program, to end the Futurity Program as of October 2012. (Voss)

Discussion: This motion is being made since no judging nominations for the 2013 specialty were accepted.

04/12-06 Motion to approve, if necessary for the election of the 2012-13 Board of Directors, the utilization of Club Count, a ballot counting service, to mail, receive, and count the ballots and report the results of the election to the members of the Board and the candidates. (Alspaugh)

04/12-07 Motion to approve the Executive Committee decision to reimburse Michele Ritter for obtaining the records of Bearded Collies earning AKC tracking titles from 1994-2002. (Alspaugh)

04/12-08 Motion to approve an addendum to the services to be performed by E. Marie Wilson, Certified Professional Parliamentarian-Teacher, Professional Registered Parliamentarian, who is working as a parliamentary consultant to the Bylaws Revision Committee. The addendum includes the work necessary to complete the bylaws

revision, including acting as facilitator for discussions at the 2012 annual meeting, culminating with the approval of the bylaws revision by the American Kennel Club, and the adoption of the revision and accompanying special rules of order and standing rules by the members. (Alspaugh)

Proposed Motions for May

04/12-00 Motion to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2012 meeting. (Alspaugh)

05/12-01 Motion to amend SR 02/95-05 as follows: A "Register of Merit Obedience" (ROMO) is established for Beardie dams producing two or more offspring having a total of at least three obedience titles among such offspring (**at least two regular titles**) and for Beardie sires producing two or more get having a total of at least five obedience titles among such get (**at least three regular titles**). A "Register of Merit Obedience Excellent" (ROMOX) is established for Beardie dams producing offspring having a total of five or more obedience titles (**at least three regular titles**) and for Beardie sires producing get having a total of ten or more obedience titles (**at least seven regular titles**). **The regular titling classes to be counted toward these awards are CD, CDX, UD, UDX, OM, and OTCh; optional titling classes to be counted are BN, GN, GO, and VER.** (Williamson)

*Discussion: Amended language in **bold italics**. AKC added three new obedience titles in January 2009 (GN, GO, VER). These titles were added as "optional titling classes," thus, giving the hosting clubs the "option" to offer these classes without requiring that they are offered at all trials. The Beginner Novice (BN) was added in July 2010 and has become a very successful class and is being used by many obedience competitors to get their dogs ring-ready for the CD (the class which was previously the lowest level of obedience offered by the AKC). In 2010 one Bearded Collie earned the BN. In 2011, 20 Beardies competed for the BN and nine Beardies earned the BN. Three of those earning the BN went on to complete the CD title. The Graduate Novice (GN) title can be used for dogs that have a CD and are preparing for the CDX; the Graduate Open (GO) can be utilized by competitors for dogs that have the CDX and are preparing for the UD; and the Versatility (VER) title has exercises from the CD, CDX and UD classes, therefore, dogs competing in this class must be proficient at levels of obedience. We have also included the regular obedience title Obedience Master (OM) which was introduced in 2009.*

The BCCA Obedience Committee is attempting to be proactive by including the optional titling classes in our ROMO(X) guidelines. However, we believe that it is important to require that qualifying sires/dams have offspring with a certain number of regular titles, in addition to allowing optional titles to be counted towards the ROMO(X).

Discussion Sheets

None.

This concludes the business of the BCCA Board of Directors' meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Alspaugh
BCCA Recording Secretary