THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION MINUTES - 1988 ANNUAL MEETING August 31-September 2, 1988 Edmonton, Canada

Wednesday, August 31, 1988:

The meeting was called to order by President, Georgia Morgan at 9:30 AM.

The following Board Members were present at Roll Call:

Georgia Morgan - President
Jim Becknell - Vice President
Yvonne Patrick - Director, Canada
Dewane Barnes - Director, North Central
Mark Coleman - Director, Northeast
Sue Pannell - Director, South Central
Pat Smith - Director, Southeast
Brenda Kinnunen - Director, Southwest
Larry Paul - Legal Counsel

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Barnes to accept the minutes of the 1988 Semi-Annual as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

Alice Rhea - Director, Northwest was now present.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell that when a scoring fee is unpaid at the end of the show season and becomes paid prior to the end of the next show season that it be included in the rings for which disbursement is made to the region at the end of the show season. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Barnes that the President be authorized to investigate trademarking the new logo. Motion was amended by Pannell and seconded by Becknell that if the cost did not exceed \$500 the President be instructed to proceed. Amendment and original motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Barnes that Mr. Hart of Hart Industries prepare and present to this Board at the 1989 Semi-Annual, a projected completion report for our computer system regarding registration and other uses. Motion was amended by Barnes and seconded by Becknell that the Board would like a report on what records are to be computerized and a target date for achieving the computerization. Amendment and original motion carried unanimously.

The President appointed Mark Coleman as a committee of one to research the 800 number proposal and report to the Board at the Semi-Annual. Subsequently, Mark reported on the 800 number: AT&T requires \$97.50 installation fee and \$20 a month, plus 26-29 cents a minute on calls depending on the mileage. The MCI 800 service has a \$75 installation fee and \$20 per month, plus 23-29 cents a minute with a discount after 500 minutes for a volume discount. Sprint does not have 800 service at this time. Canadian service is extra.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to table the discussion on the 800 number to the Semi-Annual to give the Board time to consider the impact, ramifications, and the most applicable way to use it and to accumulate more information on the system. Amendment was made by Barnes and seconded by Smith to include information about a 900 number. Amendment and motion carried unanimously.

Georgia instructed Mark to supply more information on both systems.

Later, motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Coleman to instruct the TREND Editors to insert a survey in the TREND to contact their Regional Directors about how the membership would feel about an 800 number and the services that it would provide. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made during the Open Meeting by Coleman and seconded by Becknell to untable the discussion on the 800 number. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Rhea that we accept the 800 services including Canada to furnish information on shows and show schedules for a period not to exceed 6 months on a trial basis on AT&T effective before September 30, 1988. Motion carried with Dewane opposed because he did not feel sure that inquiries about shows would translate into memberships.

Georgia instructed Jim Costello to proceed with initiating the installation of the 800 number.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Coleman to adopt the Budget Proposal. Motion was amended by Barnes and seconded Coleman to increase the advertising by \$3000 to cover the cost of the video in development by Jo Bishop. Amendment and motion carried unanimously.

Yvonne reported that due to the rise in the Canadian dollar, the Canadian Discount could be discontinued.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to raise the membership fees to \$15 per year, with the family membership to remain the same. Motion to table was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Rhea. Motion to table denied with Rhea and Kinnunen in favor. Original motion carried with Coleman opposed.

The President appointed the following committee to investigate advantages for memberships for a report to the Board at the next meeting: Sue Pannell, Yvonne Patrick, Mark Coleman.

Motion was subsequently made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman that effective immediately, in order to get regional, national and international awards for the show season 1988-89, the recipient of the award shall be required to be a member of TICA before the end of the show season.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Smith to amend the motion to include: owners of TOP 20 Cats, Kittens, Alters, Household Pets, and Household Pet Kittens...

Restated: In order to receive a regional, or international award for the show year 1988-89, all the owners must be a member before the end of the show year.

Restated: Regional and international Top 20 awards may be given only to cats whose owners are TICA members for the 1988-89 show year, effective immediately.

Restated: Regional and international Top 20 awards may be given only to cats whose owners/lessors are TICA members for the 1988-89 show year, effective immediately. If one owner or lessor is a member then the cat may receive the award.

Motion was tabled to recess.

Motion was later made by Rhea and seconded by Coleman to untable the question of membership required before awards may be given. Motion carried unanimously.

Original motion denied with Smith in favor.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell that notice be in the next TREND that in all following TREND's the National Bad Debt List for TICA will be published. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Coleman to accept the proposal for the 1990 Semi-Annual in Palm Springs, California. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Becknell to table the proposal until after the discussion on Byron Tassler. Motion carried unanimously.

Subsequently, Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Rhea that Byron Tassler be denied future shows. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Counsel reported regarding Byron Tassler: There was insufficient time to do more than advise Mr. Tassler that these matters were on the Agenda and would be discussed. He was told that he would be advised if a formal hearing was to be held and at which time he could present any witnesses he desired. Carol Hovick had asked if she and Sue Servies would be allowed to be present at any formal hearing, and was told that they would if they were mentioned in this. She requested knowledge of how each Board member voted, and was told that was not in my jurisdiction. The options available regarding Mr. Tassler are: 1) You may elect to do nothing; 2) You may elect to have him put on notice of a formal hearing at the Semi-Annual and subpoena all of the parties involved; 3) You may consider that this is a personal matter between Mr. Tassler and those he made accusations against. He may very well contend those were not accusations, and they may very well contend that they are legal issue for a court of law. If you elect to leave this as a personal matter and to extricate the Board of Directors from this, then the following is suggested: A paragraph in the TREND commending the scorer for her work for this association in past years; a statement of fact that this Board does not now or has never received any information that any cat was knowingly scored incorrectly nor do they have any belief that that has ever transpired, and then have me advise Mr. Tassler the matter is referred back to him; urge him to apologize and retract any statements he may have made, extricate yourselves from any litigation from either side; support the scorer sufficiently in the TREND, and at that time Mr. Tassler would have to request a hearing from you. He might at that time submit any evidence he so desires then. Counsel further stated that he had no personal opinion about what the Board should do about any of these matters or any of these hearings.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Becknell to remove the Byron Tassler matter from the table. Motion carried unanimously.

Counsel stated that he would not advise the Board to deny show licenses to Mr. Tassler until a formal hearing at the Semi-Annual in Brownsville, as this might be shown to be confirming him guilty before his hearing. He further explained that his duty was to protect the Board of Directors.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell that the Board take the third alternative as delineated by counsel to extricate the Board: publish in the TREND their support of Sue Servies in all areas including the statement that we have no reason to believe there has ever been knowing inaccuracy in scoring the cats and notify Byron of the Board's decision and that he may request a hearing if he so desires, and that he is urged to retract his comments. The vote was by secret ballot and the motion carried.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Barnes to instruct Counsel to write a letter to Mr. Tassler informing him of a hearing to be held at the Semi-Annual Meeting regarding a lack of courtesy, lack of attention to Show Rules, proper methods of handling catalogs, exhibitors lists, etc. and his general attitude and actions detrimental to the association. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Counsel was instructed to write a letter to Byron concerning his attitude and lack of courtesy, etc. with a copy to the Board.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Rhea to untable the 1990 Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Rhea that the 1990 Semi-Annual in Palm Springs, California be denied. Motion denied with Rhea, Becknell, Kinnunen, and Barnes in favor, and Morgan abstaining.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Smith that the 1990 Semi-Annual be held in Palm Springs, California. Motion denied with Pannell, Coleman, Smith, and Patrick in favor, and Morgan abstaining.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell that Counsel inform Mr. Tassler that the matter of the Semi-Annual in Palm Springs was discussed; due to the current controversy he was involved in, the Board declined to accept your proposal of the Semi-Annual Meeting in Palm Springs, and the Board will reconsider your proposal at the 1989 Semi-Annual Meeting. Motion carried with Pannell and Smith abstaining.

The Business Manager was asked to mail the Agenda to the Board of Directors 30 days prior to the Board Meetings.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell that the following rule be incorporated into the By-Laws, Standing Rules: Only Allbreed judges shall be allowed to judge shows in other countries unless specifically approved by the Board with the exception of Canada. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell to add Show Rules, Article 4, Section 4: If any debt to TICA/TICA Clubs is still unsatisfied 30 days after the close of the show year then any awards will be forfeit. Motion and second were withdrawn. Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Smith to table until after Counsel could be consulted for correct expression of the rule. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was subsequently made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman to change Show Rule, Article Four, 4.4 to read: If an exhibitor fails to pay any entry fee or other show related debt or if a check in payment of said fees or debts is returned NSF, the club shall notify the exhibitor. If payment is not made within 10 days, the show management may notify the Executive Office and the Regional Director and all confirmations, registrations, and wins of any cats or kittens owned by the exhibitor

shall be denied until the debt is satisfied. No points for wins shall be accrued during the period of indebtedness. Then...Add Show Rule, Article Four, 4.6 to read: Persons having failed to resolve outstanding debts within 30 days from the end of the show season shall be deemed to forfeit all regional, national, or international awards. Motion carried unanimously.

Later, motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Rhea that the matter on unpaid bad debts be referred to the Technical Terminology Committee and Counsel and furnished for action at the Semi-Annual. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman TICA Show Rules, Article Four, 4.4. If an exhibitor fails to pay any entry fee or other show related debt or if a check in payment of said fees or debts is returned NSF, the club shall notify the exhibitor. If payment is not made within 10 days, the show management may notify the Executive Office and the Regional Director and all confirmations, registrations, and wins of any cats or kittens owned by the exhibitor shall be denied until the debt is satisfied. No points for wins shall be approved during the period of indebtedness...and...Add 4.6 Persons having failed to resolve outstanding debts within 30 days from the end of the show season shall be deemed to forfeit all regional, national and international awards. Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell to make these motion by emergency power, to be effective immediately, for ratification for the membership in October. Amendment and original motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Legal Counsel reported:

May a breed committee address tail matters in standards? No, if it supercedes the Show Rules which address those matters in general. If you wish to have legislation regarding standards addressing those matters that are already mentioned in the Show Rules such as crossed eyes and tails then the Show Rules should be amended accordingly. The rule should be given and then it should be stated: unless otherwise specified by a breed.

Best of Best: The Best of the Best should be removed from the Show Rules as it counts for nothing and has no place in the Show Rules, or it must be complied with it as written. This should be addressed in some fashion.

Glacier Hall Cattery: There was no advice as to whether the Board should disallow this cattery from registering cats in TICA. The Board would need to decide that.

River Rose Cat Club: Martine Nurdin used the name of the club to purchase cat food for resale and then absconded with the money. There is a law suit pending that does not involve TICA. There was a mention of dba The International Cat Association; an answer to that would be that this person was never authorized to do business under the name of The International Cat Association is sufficient.

Later, motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Smith to instruct the Judicial Committee to write a letter to Martine Nurdin informing her that charges have been leveled and requesting her reply. Motion carried unanimously.

Bernie/Linda Hayduk: There was insufficient time to give them notice, however, there is a matter of a kitten award; if the Hayduk's would like to waive the time, and the Board agreed, Counsel felt that the matter should be taken care of as soon as possible.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to instruct Counsel to contact the Hayduk's if they are available and ask them if they would like a hearing now to resolve this matter. If they are not here or they do not want a hearing now, then the matter be referred to the judicial committee. Motion carried with Rhea opposed.

Motion was then made by Coleman and seconded by Barnes to table the discussion of Bernie and Linda Hayduk. Motion carried unanimously.

It was later discovered that the Hayduk's would not be present for a hearing.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Barnes to untable the Hayduks'. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Barnes to deny advancement of the Hayduks' in the Household Pet Judging Program pending Judicial Committee review of the charges. Motion carried unanimously.

Frances Yow: Counsel stated that there was insufficient time to put Frances on notice. One matter regards two bad checks to a judge which were ultimately paid. The other regards a protest from riding with an exhibitor, then judging that exhibitor's cats and finalling them. There was also the matter of the club which is substantially in debt to TICA.

Georgia reported that no scored catalogs had been received from the Northeast Region. Eleven catalogs had been received in the Executive Office: Four catalogs had been received from the Southeast Region; none from the Southwest Region; five from the South Central Region; one from the Northwest Region; one from Canada.

Georgia reported that there were 172 Volume Six 1985 Yearbooks, 129 Volume Seven 1986 Yearbooks, and 159 Volume Eight 1987 Yearbooks on hand in the Executive Office. Suggestions were made to place some of these books with the Cobden's for sale; Regional Directors were also encouraged to sell the books at shows.

Georgia announced that she had appointed a Judicial Committee to alleviate research and recommendations on protests and complaints. Various people from each region would be appointed to serve on the committee. Dewane would be the Board Representative on this Committee although he would not be a part of it and therefore would still be voting as a member of the Board. Larry would be helping to develop the guidelines as to how different cases would be handled. Arthel Scheuermann would chair the committee, Gloria Stephens from the Northwest, Bill Schumacher from South Central, and Steele Gladston from Northeast, had already been contacted. Other candidates were being sought out.

Counsel explained that when a complaint is filed, two people outside the region of complaint will be selected to handle it. Counsel would then be would be taking the recommendations of these two representatives of the Judicial Committee and presenting them to the Board. He would then give the Board Members their various options. Counsel stated that the Judicial Committee would be summarizing the complaint and pointing out that this happened or did not happen. Then Counsel might say to the Board: "It is my information that this has happened before...etc.," then the decision would be up to the Board. Counsel advised stated that it might also be necessary for the Board suspend someone while the Judicial Committee is investigating, and he would so advise them.

Counsel was instructed that Veterinary documentation was needed before the Board could take action on the Judith Hall Cattery complaint.

Counsel was instructed to put Frances Yow on notice of the two protests that have been filed and to inform her that it would be turned over to the Judicial Committee.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell that the Judging Administrator be instructed to add to the next Judge's Newsletter that Brown is Beautiful and Triad Tar Paws shows may not be licensed and that judges signing contracts for these clubs need to be aware that there may not be a show. Motion carried unanimously.

Counsel was instructed to turn over the protest on Edie Dyer to the Judicial Committee.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Coleman to uphold the protest by the Koskey's against the Garden Cat Club, however, there would be no action taken and Show Rule 12.8 would be deleted. Motion and second withdrawn.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Coleman to waive the rule to only change Show Rules at the Semi-Annual Meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Coleman to uphold the protest of the Koskey's against the Garden Cat Club reference Best of the Best, however, there would be no action taken and Show Rule 12.8 would be deleted. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE*****

The Garden Cat Club should be notified that they must follow the Show Rules until the membership ballot is completed.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Coleman to move the golden tabby into a separate color class within the Tabby Division. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Becknell that the Shaded Silver and Chinchilla Silver be divided into two separate color classes. Motion was denied with Rhea in favor.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Smith to make an exception in Japan and have the Shaded Silver and Chinchilla Silver in two separate color classes, and the goldens in the shaded division. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Coleman to instruct the Judging Administrator to write in her newsletter that color descriptions apply to all cats including Household Pets with the exception of the addition of the "with white" division. Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Pannell to table. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on the request from Fritzi Sue Andrade.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Kinnunen to disregard the letter from Fenton Kovic regarding a debt owed to Lindajean Grillo until Lindajean had presented it to the Board. Motion carried with Coleman and Becknell opposed.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Becknell to table Lindajean Grillo until further details could be discerned. Motion carried unanimously.

Later, Lindajean spoke with the Board concerning airfares she had not received from Sooner City Cat Club and Excelsior Feline Fanciers. There was no further Board action.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Kinnunen that the General Manager be instructed to correct the CF of BC catalog concerning Sherer's Shorthair Specialty Ring and Thompson's Shorthair Specialty Ring and draw a line under 6-10 that they do not count. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Barnes to reiterate that the only exclusive show in TICA is the Annual Show. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Pannell to table the discussion of Show Rule 221 to the Semi-Annual providing Levy/Ledoux furnish copies of all proposals to all members of the Board of Directors 60 days prior to the meeting. Motion denied with Kinnunen, Smith, Coleman, and Patrick voting against.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Kinnunen to defer discussion of the Levy/Ledoux proposal on Show Rule 221 until tomorrow. Motion denied with Morgan breaking the tie to vote against.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Becknell to defer the proposals from Levy/Ledoux to the Semi-Annual. Motion was amended by Barnes and seconded by Rhea to read: "...provided they submit the proposals in a timely manner. Amendment and Motion carried with Kinnunen, Smith, Patrick, and Coleman against and Morgan breaking a tie to vote for the motion and amendment.

Counsel clarified that the matter had not been acted upon because they had not followed the rules, as the Board Members and Counsel had not received copies of the letter furnished to the Executive Office.

Referred from the Semi-Annual 1988: "Motion was made by Coleman, and seconded by Becknell to discuss the letter from Madame Nicole Guiot-Tabernat. Motion carried unanimously. It was noted that Madame Tabernat had requested a TICA exclusive so that no one in France could register their cats with TICA unless they proceeded through her association. Georgia stated that their pedigrees were extensive, and that each club had their own registry. She felt that a title exchange could be worked out and well documented and that this could be the first step. She also felt that it should be taken slowly and that more input on their titles would be needed. The TICA show in France had been exquisitely done. The rosettes had been beautiful, and the clerks experienced. It was stated that Aline and Philippe Noel were in the same club. Jim had had verbal correspondence from another group in France, and he did not want to prohibit anyone from being able to register. Motion was made by Coleman, and seconded by Kinnunen that this matter be referred to the International Relations Committee for further study and detail. Motion carried unanimously. Mark requested a report from this committee at the Annual."

Jim reported that the matter of exclusivity with Madame Tabernat was now a mute point as CFA has now has a club in France, and that she understood there was no way this was possible.

On Thursday, Aline Noel and Lindajean Grillo appeared before the Board to ask about the French club and its members. The Board explained that they would be delighted to have a club from France chartered but that they could not provide the exclusivity that Madame Tabernat had requested. Aline stated that they were aware of that but were very interested in becoming affiliated with TICA. The Vice President was excused to assist in writing a letter from the Board welcoming Madame Tabernat and her club to TICA.

Tabled from the Semi-Annual 1988: "Motion was made by Kinnunen, and seconded by Barnes to add to the Show Rules: That no cat will be ancestry registered until six allbreed judges have seen the cat and certified that it is a creditable representative of the breed in which it is to be registered. RATIONALE: Several breeds have registered foundation stock that is being sold as stud book type cats. Some of these animals do not look at all like the breed they are supposed to represent and yet they have TICA registration numbers. Since they are not eligible to be shown no one sees the cat until it is too late and they have been sold to unsuspecting persons. The reason for this rule is that we have pet quality of all breeds being shown and bred. These are offspring of two of the same breed and are registerable and then are showable after the third generation. Jim and Georgia both felt that six allbreed judges would probably certify that one of their pet quality Abyssinians were a creditable representative of the breed. Sue Pannell reported that in updating the Registration Rules, she had tried to change them on this point and had been prevented by Solveig and Arthel. They had acknowledged that this could happen but that one of the strong foundation principles of TICA had been its open registry and that if we closed this, then we would be losing so much more than we gained just to handle a few people. Georgia recalled that Solveig had recommended a system of this type whereby allbreed judges would be involved in scrutinizing these cats, although she did not want to preclude an open registry. Larry also advised that it would make acceptance of new breeds difficult. The motion and second were withdrawn to refer it to the Genetics Chairperson."

A report from the Genetics Chairperson stated that she felt that any cat could probably get six allbreed judges to certify that any cat was a creditable representative of the breed.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded Barnes that we add to the Standing Rules of the By-Laws that any Board Ballot submitted to the Executive Office shall be in writing or it shall be disregarded. Amendment was made by Barnes and seconded by Kinnunen that it would also contain a rationale for the Ballot. Amendment and original motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Kinnunen that in order to register a Household Pet, the Household Pet Registration Application must be accompanied by a veterinarian certificate or statement certifying that the cat has been neutered or spayed. Motion denied with Coleman in favor.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Coleman that the TICA Entry Form be revised to add a statement at the bottom: I hereby certify that any adult household pet entered by me has been neutered or spayed. Motion carried unanimously.

The Business Manager was instructed to have a membership list created for the Directors that would incorporate the information currently provided together with telephone numbers and breed sections.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Rhea that the Singapura be left in the classification where they are now. Motion carried with Kinnunen opposed.

Motion was made by Kinnunen that the Singapura Breed Section be polled as to their wishes. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Becknell to disregard the comments from Grace Ruga. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell to appoint Jean Mill, Michael Nelson, and Von Pilchner as the Bengal Breed Committee provided they had paid their dues for 3 years. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Rhea that the Board defer discussion regarding the non-domestic until Dr. Pflueger could provide clarification. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Rhea that the Ragdoll Breed Committee's proposal to close the foundation stock be referred to the Ragdoll Breed Section for an affirmative vote effective May 1, 1989. Motion carried unanimously.

Later, motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman to reopen the Ragdoll question. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded Coleman by that a letter be sent to the Ragdoll Committee from the Business Manager stating very simply that TICA is an open registry association. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell that the Ocicat have Siamese, and American Shorthair as additional outcrosses. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Becknell that the Siamese be allowed to change the color Frost to Lilac. Motion denied with Rhea abstaining.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell that recognition be refused for the American Bobtail. Motion denied with Rhea, Patrick, Coleman, Smith in favor, and Morgan voted against to break the tie.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Kinnunen that the American Bobtail be accepted for New Breed/Color status. Motion carried with Rhea, Patrick, and Coleman against.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and and seconded by Smith that the members of the American Bobtail Association registration be asked to bring two or three creditable representatives of the breed to the Open Meeting of the 1989 Semi-Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Barnes to reopen the American Bobtail proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Rhea to deny acceptance of the American Bobtail as New Breed/Color on the basis of the fact that the standard calls for surgical alteration. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Coleman to accept the Lynx as New Breed/Color. Motion denied unanimously.

Report from the Standard Committee: Breed sections have been balloted and the standards have been approved with the following exceptions: Failed - Scottish Fold, American Curl, Norwegian Forest, Balinese, Ragdoll. The Siamese standard has been approved by committee, and the breed section will be balloted shortly. The Burmese will be balloted shortly. The Sphynx has asked to be reballoted. The Ragdoll denied their new standard because they did not want cinnamon and have changed their minds. The Maine Coon must be reballoted because of there were 110 points on the standard.

The Business Manager was instructed to send out those standards already approved in a group and add those that have not been approved as they become approved.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman that the Breed Committees for the American Shorthair/American Wirehair Group, the Scottish Fold/Scottish Fold Longhair Group, and the American Curl/American Curl Shorthair Group would be informed that their committees would have to be combined since they are in effect the same cats and that the breed section would be balloted for a new breed committee combining the two. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board instructed the Chairperson of the Standard Committee to write to these committees and inform them of this motion.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell that the Nebelungs be restored to the New Breed/Color status. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell that the Board approve the travel expenses for Georgia Morgan to New York regarding her meeting with the Argentina people. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Barnes to approve the 9-Lives Video translation for Japan with a cost up to \$500. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Becknell that all applicants must apply under the current judging program. Motion carried unanimously.

Thursday, September 1, 1988:

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell to change the By-Laws, Article XXIII, Section 2.b. to read "Any member over <u>21</u> years of age may apply to enter the Judging Program by submitting a completed, signed application and the application fees."

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

CLARIFICATIONS:

The training period begins from the time accepted into the Judging Program and runs from Board Meeting to Board Meeting. [124]

Entry clerks may not train. [128]

Names of applicant will be published in the TREND and it is the responsibility of the applicant to have the name published. [134]

Applicant must have judged not less than 30 shows (30 LH and 30 SH or combination thereof). [137a]

Applicant must have judged not less than fifty shows as such (50 LH and 50 SH or combination thereof). [143a]

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Pannell to table the discussion on Probationary Allbreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Later, motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman that the Judging Program be changed, effective immediately, as below:

143: Remove subsection c.

- 144: Revise subsection c to read: When all requirements are met, **and the test passed**, the applicant shall serve as probationary allbreed judge, **after** Board approval of the advancement.
- 144: Add new subsection d: After five shows the applicant may reapply to the Judging Administrator for advancement at the next Board Meeting to Approved Allbreed. Motion carried with Pannell abstaining and Barnes opposed.

The Judging Administrator will clarify in her newsletter that "different judges" means different "training judges". [125]

There are the same five divisions under three different categories.

The shaded and chinchilla goldens are judged in their own color division except in Japan.

The Exotic Shorthairs are accepted for championship in all colors of all divisions. Counsel stated that they must be recognized because Burmese was one of the accepted outcrosses in the Exotic Shorthair breeding program and it was a normal color which would appear, and that the cats had already been shown in championship classes and received ribbons.

An altered kitten is judged with the kittens.

When a cat is disqualified it counts as present for competition.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell by that the Exotic Shorthair Breed Committee and then Section be balloted on the acceptance of the intermediate sepias for championship competition with the reason to be given that the Burmese were an acceptable outcross and therefore sepia is a logical progression. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Barnes that the Himalayan Breed Committee and Section be balloted on the acceptance of the particolor point for championship competition with the reason that a black and white Persian bred to a Himalayan may produce a particolor point Himalayan. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell that the Household Pet Divisions and classifications remain the way they have been in the past. Motion carried with Coleman, Rhea, and Patrick opposed.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman that Show Rules, Standing Rule #4 be changed to read: Household Pet Color classification - Each household pet may be presented to an Allbreed Judge in order to determine the correct color of each entry, prior to the start of judging, and that such classification will hold throughout the entire show. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Barnes to waive the requirement to change all publications for the rest of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman that Show Rules, Standing Rule 4 be changed to read: Household Pet Color classification - Each household pet may be presented to an Allbreed Judge in order to determine the correct color of each entry, prior to the start of judging, and that such classification will hold throughout the entire show effective immediately. Motion carried with Rhea opposed.

The Judging Administrator was instructed to highlight this in her newsletter.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Pannell that Show Rule 17.9 be changed to read:"...Judges must forward the yellow copy of all pages of the judge's book to the **Regional** Scorer in the region in which the show was held within 48 hours after the close of the show..." Motion carried with Becknell opposed.

****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Rhea that discussion of CEU's be deferred to committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Rhea to strike any reference to type group from the color descriptions. Motion denied with Kinnunen, Coleman, Rhea and Smith in favor with Morgan breaking the tie by voting against.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Coleman to instruct the Judging Administrator to simplify the check-off list regarding paperwork sent to the directors. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to grant permission to Rae Simpson to use Philippe Noel as a judge, October 22, 1988, in the event he had not met all the requirements at that time. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to approve the use of an Australian judge at the Garden Cat Club, Tropical Trail Feline Fanciers, Evangeline Country Cat Club, etc. shows in March. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Smith that expenses of Directors and those appointed officials required to attend Board meetings would be paid as follows:

- 1. Air travel at the lowest possible fare and hotel room rate plus tax for the nights required for the meeting shall be paid to those appointed officials whose attendance is required by the Board for Board meetings. If the official is judging the show and consequently has paid airfare, this shall relieve TICA of this responsibility. If the official chooses to stay with a friend, or make guest arrangements other than the hotel, this shall relieve TICA of this responsibility for the nights on which no hotel accommodations are required.
- 2. Air travel at the lowest possible fare shall be paid for all Directors. If a Director chooses to travel at a rate, time, or to and/or from a point other than his/her residence, the Director shall pay the difference in the actual fare and the lowest possible fare.
- 3. Each Director's fee for the Annual Awards Banquet shall be paid.
- 4. As the President and Vice President do not have regional travel funds and/or contributions available to them, these two offices shall have first priority on payment of Board related expenses in the event funds are not sufficient to cover all expenses for all Directors.
- 5. Hotel allowance shall be based on the lowest available room rate x the number of nights required for Board meetings and/or events (such as Annual Awards Banquet). If sufficient funds are not available amount of funds shall be divided equally among all Directors, unless a Director does not remain for the full time of the Board meetings and/or events. In this instance, his/her share shall be prorated for the actual time in attendance. If a Director chooses to book a room at a higher rate than

the lowest available room rate, or to stay longer than required, the additional hotel expense is his/her responsibility. If a Director chooses to stay with a friend, or make guest arrangements other than the hotel, this shall relieve TICA of this responsibility for the nights on which hotel accommodations are not required.

- 6. Meals allowance shall be based on a flat rate per day x the number of days required for Board meetings and/or events. If sufficient funds are not available to cover complete meal requirements for Directors, the available amount of funds shall be divided equally among all Directors, unless a Director does not remain for the full time of the Board meetings and/or events. In that case, his/her share shall be prorated for the actual time in attendance. If a Director chooses to stay longer than required, or to eat in a more sumptuous manner than calculated, the excess meals expense is his/her responsibility. If a Director chooses to stay with a friend, or make guest arrangements other than the hotel, this shall relieve TICA of this responsibility for the days and/or nights on which no outside meals are required.
- 7. Each Regional Director shall submit to the Executive Office an accurate accounting of all funds contributed by his/her region for travel and subsistence of that Director. The Director's hotel/meals allowance will be reduced by the amount of the funds contributed by his/her region.
- 8. Hotel bills and meal receipts shall be furnished the Executive Office within 30 days following the appropriate Board meeting. Failure to do so shall jeopardize payment of future funds for expenses to the offending Director.

Determination will be made by the Executive Office of funds available to cover travel and subsistence expenses of appointed officials and Board members; disbursement of funds available shall be made at the discretion of Executive Office in accordance with the above guidelines to first, appointed officials, second, office of President and Vice President, and third, Regional Directors.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mark presented a proposal for changing the fees for Show License and Scoring:

License: AB-\$20 Scoring: AB&SP/ring

SP-\$10 each <100 cats - \$5 100-150 cats - \$10 150-225 cats - \$15

>225 cats - \$20

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes that the Executive Office (Business Manager/President) work up this proposal as compared to the present system and that this be referred to the Semi-Annual in March. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to amend by Emergency Powers, the By-Laws, Article XIII, Section 3.c. to read: All counting of membership ballots shall be computed and the vote certified within <u>10</u> days of the last day ballots may be received. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Friday, September 2, 1988:

Advertising Committee Report: Fenton, Judy, and D'Ann Kovic were present at the meeting. Fenton advised that a 1/4 page ad was the best ad for the money. He felt that one on one at the shows was the best way to get memberships. Everyone felt there should be TICA banners at the shows. The Kovic's were commended by the Board for their work. Georgia appointed Alice Rhea, Brenda Kinnunen, and Vickie Shields as a committee of three to pick the catalog of the year.

Jim reported on the Yearbook: He reiterated that there would be no extensions on advertising. The Board gave Sue Becknell a vote of confidence on the wonderful job she had done on the yearbook.

Sheila Reams presented her proposal to have the Tonkinese sepia and pointed colors accepted for championship.

Counsel had researched this question: The Registration Rules, Article III, Section 2.b. state: "No breed may recognize for championship cats which are phenotypically indistinguishable from an already established breed; that is, each breed recognized for championship must be unique. However, this restriction does not apply to registration..."

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Kinnunen that this discussion of the Tonkinese be ended at this time because the Board was not notified other than 5 days prior to this meeting and there had been no time to think or to prepare. Counsel pointed out that this was deferred from the previous meeting for research, he had presented that research and that Sheila had a perfect right to present her proposal. Motion was withdrawn, however, second was not. Alice reiterated that she had had no further information on the Tonkinese and she was not prepared to discuss this. Motion was denied with Rhea and Kinnunen in favor.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Rhea to deny championship recognition of the sepia and pointed colors in the Tonkinese breed. Motion carried with Rhea abstaining because she objected to the fact that it was heard at all.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman to accept for championship recognition all colors in the Tonkinese breed. Motion was made by Alice and seconded by Pannell to table this motion. Motion and second were withdrawn. Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Rhea to table until he could talk to Dr. Pflueger. Motion was amended by Barnes and seconded by Rhea to add members of the Genetics Committee. Motion and amendments carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell to untable the Tonkinese. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell to accept the sepia and pointed colors in the Tonkinese. Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell to table until Alice has had time to study the matter today. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Rhea to take the Tonkinese off the table. Motion carried unanimously. Article Eighteen, Section 2: "Proposed Standard amendments including but not limited to the addition or deletion of colors or the adoption of a new Standard for recognized breed shall be submitted by the Breed committee Chairman to the Rules, Genetics and Technical Terminology Committees and the Board of Directors..."

Original motion carried with Pannell and Rhea abstaining.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Barnes that Pete Garcia and Frank Queiroz be given two full-page color ads in the yearbook at half-price due to the fact that their yearbook advertising for last year was very poor. Motion to table was made by Rhea and seconded by Barnes. This motion was neither voted on nor untabled during the meeting.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Becknell to approve the 1991 Annual Convention and Awards Banquet to be held in Pasco, Washington by the Columbia Cat Club. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Smith to add to the Show Rules 605.d: The master clerk shall record all changes (i.e. absentees, transfers, etc.) in the master catalog, and shall provide a list of all changes to each head ring clerk. Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Becknell to table this motion to committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Kinnunen that it be printed in the Show Rules, Standing Rules that all entries must be on an official TICA entry form. Motion and second were withdrawn.

The proposal from Big Tex Cat Club was voted down by a substantial margin at the South Central Regional Meeting and therefore, was not presented by the South Central Regional Director.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to consider the request by The Garden Cat Club for TICA to supply on diskettes, the names and addresses of all TICA members. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Rhea to make the list available on diskette at the same price as on paper--\$2.00 per page. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to accept the change in our scoring system whereby cats will be scored on the basis of cats defeated only. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to defer this matter until a comparison may be made for a report at the Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Rhea to change Show Rule 9.1 to read: Liability insurance shall be procured by the Board of Directors of TICA. Each club submitting an application for a show license will be required to purchase a pro rata share for this liability insurance coverage. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Rhea to add: unless the club furnishes the Executive Office with a certificate of insurance naming the association as an additional insured. Amendment and motion carried unanimously.

****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to delete Show Rules, Standing Rule #10: "Computer Fund Fee - 5 cents per entry per ring; club is required to pay.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Patrick to add Show Rules, Standing Rules #10: An individual club's share of the liability insurance fees will be based on TICA's premium, prorated on the number of clubs which applied for a show license the previous show calendar year. Any overage of funds on the next due TICA premium will be billed/credited to each club account on a prorated basis.

If Show Rule 9.1 passes the membership then Show Rules Standing Rule #10 above would apply.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Patrick to amend the motion to read: An individual participating club's share of the liability insurance fees will be based on TICA's premium, prorated on the number of clubs which applied for a show license the previous show calendar year. Amendment and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to add Show Rule 2.5: TICA Liability Insurance premium shall be established by the Board of Directors, based on the total overall premium cost. Motion and second withdrawn.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to delete "the official scorer" from Show Rule 9.12 to read: The show committee is required to forward one completely marked catalog to the Executive Office of TICA, the regional scorer, and the regional director within 48 hours after the close of the show. The show committee is required to forward one completely marked catalog to the Judging Administrator within 1 week after the close of the show. (Balance to remain the same.) Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to add to the By-Laws, Article XVIII, Section 1.c.: After acceptance for championship competition, a breed must register a minimum of 25 cats of the breed, have at least five TICA members in at least three regions raising the breed, and exhibit at least five specimens of the breed in at least fifteen rings in each of the three regions each show calendar year for the next 3 years. If these conditions are not met, the breed will be removed from the list of breeds recognized for championship competition by TICA. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE*****

Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Pannell to add to By-Laws, Article V, Section 5.a. Only one member of a family, related by marriage or lineage, may serve simultaneously as an Officer or Board Member of this Association. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Becknell to deny: CHAMPION/MASTER: An eligible male, female, neuter or spay cat registered in TICA shall be entitled to the prefix "CHAMPION" and an eligible, TICA registered household pet shall be entitled to the prefix "MASTER" when it has won a minimum of 300 (or even more) points under no less than 4 (or more) different judges and confirmation applied for... (Balance to remain the same.) Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Pannell that the members of the grouped breeds be brought to the ring alphabetically within their group. Motion denied unanimously with Coleman absent.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Kinnunen to add to Show Rules 12.6: If, with the permission of the show management, an entry is removed from a show hall prior to the advertised closing time of a show, that entry shall be eligible for finals only in those rings in which its breed has already been judged. Said entry must be marked absent in any subsequent rings. Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Barnes to table until after recess so that the wording may be changed. Motion and second to table were withdrawn. Motion was made by Rhea and seconded by Barnes to table this motion to refer it to the Technical Terminology Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell to add Show Rule 4.6: No person who has entered a cat for 1 day only of a 2- or 3-day show may "extend" that cat's entry to any other days of that same show once entries have closed for that show. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Kinnunen that the solution used for washing cages and hands in the judging ring be of a type that does not upset the cats from the smell and should actually contain a feline-safe disinfectant. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Kinnunen that the members of the breed sections should receive a ballot which is in effect a rating score of how the various TICA judges are judging their breed. The ballot should consist of the names of all TICA judges eligible to judge the breed and a space for a score from 1-10. The results of this ballot should be sent to each of the judges and the board, as well as the members of the breed section. Motion denied unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Pannell to have Registration Rules changes proposed by Carol and David Melvin resubmitted in proper format and referred to the Technical Terminology Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Debbie Broadwein, from 9-Lives, gave a presentation on the Morris Awards.

Jim Lecroy reported on Upchurch Travel and the revenue share and free tickets accumulated by TICA. Three American coupons must be used by January 15, 1989. The Delta contract was not renewed because of low usage.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Pannell to accept the Bengal Standard as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Wendy Klamm, TREND Editor, presented a proposal for upgrading the TREND.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Pannell to accept Ron/Wendy Klamm's proposal for a new format, and an increase in the size of the TREND. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Becknell that the fees paid to Ron and Wendy for being the editors of our TREND be 70 percent of the money collected for advertising, the remaining 30 percent to be sent to the Executive Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Coleman that the changes in requirements to the Clerking Program proposed by the Clerking Administrator be accepted effective May 1, 1989 as below:

General Requirements: Current photo accompanying application (no larger than 4x6).

Trainee/Assistant Ring Clerk Requirements: Attendance at a TICA sanctioned clerking school. Upon receipt by the administrator of the third favorable evaluation and verification of attendance at a clerking school, your certification will be forwarded to you along with the Head Ring Clerk exam.

Head Ring Clerk Requirements: Five favorable evaluations from at least three different TICA judges on file with the administrator within 18 months of applying to advance to Head Ring status; two must be from an AB ring. Upon receipt of the five favorable evaluations and successful completion of the Head Ring exam, certification will be forwarded to you.

Master Clerk Requirements: Three favorable evaluations from three different show managements and the Regional Scorer filed with the administrator within 18 months of applying to advance to Master Clerk status.

Sue Pannell was instructed to write a letter to Nancy Parkinson from the Board expressing their favorable impressions with the new requirements recommended, and the job description, etc.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Barnes to present the proposals for Show Rules from Mark Coleman.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Pannell to add Show Rule 16.18: Any cat or kitten which bites the judge shall be disqualified and dismissed from that ring. The ring clerk shall advise the master clerk of this action so the other judges can be notified. Motion denied with Rhea, Pannell, and Barnes against and Patrick abstaining, and Morgan voting against to break the tie.

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Rhea to add to Show Rules, Standing Rule #13: "and contracted judges." Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to deny adding Show Rule 16.19: When a breed standard names disqualifying faults, such as kinked tailed and crossed eyes, the judge must disqualify for those faults (except in alters). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to send rules 20-32 to the Clerking Administrator and have her give the Board input at the Semi-Annual. Motion was editorially amended by Pannell to state: with the request that she correlate them to our Clerking Program, write them in a presentable fashion and present them to the Technical Terminology Committee and the Board for consideration at the Semi-Annual. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Barnes to add Show Rule 10.4: All claws of each entry must be clipped prior to benching. Failure to do so may subject the entry to disqualification. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Becknell and seconded by Barnes to add to Show Rule 9.8: No judging cage may be placed so that a cat in one ring can see out the back of its cage into another cage in the ring immediately behind it. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Rhea to add Show Rule 20.14 to read: Final numbers may not be announced over the public address system. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE*****

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Becknell to refer the following to Technical Terminology Committee: When an entry has been removed from the show room without permission of the show manager, and is not available for the finals, in order that entries defeated by it may not thereby be deprived of their right to compete, the judge may, if he so desires, announce that that had the absent cat been present it would have received that win, and thereafter award a win or wins to an entry or entries previously defeated by that absent cat. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Becknell to delete Show Rule 7.6. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Rhea to add Show Rule 10.6: Exhibitors shall not sit in the ring holding cats prior to or during judging except with the explicit permission of the judge. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Patrick to add By-Laws, Article XX, Section 3: Specific annual awards placements shall not be made known before the Annual Awards Banquet; and...Specific regional awards placements shall not be made known before the Regional Awards Banquet; to be balloted separately and if both pass, to be incorporated into the By-Laws as one rule. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MEMBERSHIP VOTE****

Motion was made by Kinnunen and seconded by Coleman to adjourn the Annual Board Meeting 1988.