

## THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION

2005 Semi-Annual Board Meeting

February 16-20, 2005

Harlingen, Texas

The meeting was called to order at 8 AM on Wednesday, February 16, 2005 by the President, Kay DeVilbiss. The following Board Members were present:

Kay DeVilbiss - President

Dewane Barnes - Vice President

Motoko Oizumi - Director, Asia

Jamie Christian - Director, Great Lakes

Tracey McCullough - Director, Great Plains

Donna Gonyea - Proxy, Northeast

Kurt Vlach - Director, Northern Europe

Ellen Crockett - Director, Northwest

Lisa Dickie - Director, Mid Atlantic

Pamela Barrett - Director, Mid Pacific

Don Caruthers - Director, South Central

Jo Parris - Director, Southeast

Genevieve Basquine - Director, Southern Europe

Vickie Fisher - Director, Southwest

Laurie Schiff - Legal Advisor

Beatriz Deya, Director, South America was not present at the meeting. Donna Gonyea was the designated proxy for Louise VandeWater, Director, Northeast.

1. Unanimous consent that Bobbie Tullo, Judging Administrator, Nancy Parkinson, Rules Committee Chair and the interpreter be allowed to stay in the meeting. Without objection.

2. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

4. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

5. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Crockett that the Board of Directors instruct the Executive Office to release for registration any cats submitted by Arden Morley and allow these cats to be shown in TICA shows and to develop a process for implementing a Standing Rule which would require the disclosure of theoretical wild gene percentages. Motion carried with Gonyea and Barrett opposed.

6. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

51. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

52. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

53. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

54. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Christian to remove 165A from the cat count in Barrett's ring in the show of Toe Tufts and Tails catalog. Motion carried with Barrett abstaining.

55. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

58. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

59. The motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Barnes that the minutes corrections be approved to include Vlach (opposed) in Motion #177. Motion carried with Basquine abstaining and Caruthers opposed.

Motion 72. Unanimous consent to add a two letter association code followed by a slash at the beginning of a cat's name to cats **with duplicate TICA cattery names** registered from another association. Without objection.

Motion 180. Unanimous consent to have the 2005 Semi-Annual Meeting in Harlingen, TX February 17-20, 2005. Without objection.

177. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Caruthers to accept the Napoleon as REGISTRATION ONLY status. Motion failed with Barrett, Basquine, Dickie, McCullough, **Parris, Rhea**, Skipchak and Vandewater **Vlach opposed**. Dickie was opposed because he is representing the wishes of his region; McCullough was opposed because regional concerns together with concerns about genetic defects; Skipchak, Vandewater and Vlach were opposed because of regional concerns.

Yearbook Report  
TICA TREND Report  
Computer Status Report

60. Unanimous consent to correct prove to improve in the Legislative Policy below. Without objection.

61. Unanimous consent to add the Legislative Policy to the Standing Rules where the Legislative Policy (website) resides. Without objection.

**Legislative Policy: TICA will OPPOSE legislation regarding licensing, limits, mandatory microchip programs, mandatory data kept by animal control, and taxation on pets or pet products. TICA will generally SUPPORT efforts to improve shelter conditions, voluntary microchip programs, trap-(test)-neuter-(vaccinate)-release programs, and fund raising programs such as vanity license plates which designate part of the income for animal welfare and educational programs.**

**NOTE: The items in parenthesis are not done in all communities that have feral programs.**

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

62. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Vlach to amend the Legislative Policy to say that "TICA will *generally* support " efforts... Motion carried with Barnes, Caruthers, Christian, and McCullough opposed and Oizumi abstaining.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

63. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Fisher that the Regional Directors will receive \$40 /day up to 5 days for meals expense during this meeting. Motion carried with Barnes, Caruthers, and Parris opposed and Barnes voting against because he thought we needed a more comprehensive program.

64. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Christian to reconsider the motion on \$40/day (Motion 63). Motion carried with Vlach opposed.

65. Motion was made McCullough and seconded by Barnes that the Regional Directors will receive up to \$40/day for meals for 5 days with receipts for this meeting only. Motion carried with Barrett, Basquine, Fisher, Oizumi and Vlach opposed.

66. Motion was made by McCullough and seconded by Vlach to reconsider motion 65. Motion denied with Basquine, McCullough, Oizumi and Vlach in favor.

\*DENIED\*

67. Withdrawn.

68. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Barnes to appoint a committee to do a study of the costs of the travel for Regional Directors for the next six upcoming meetings. Motion carried with Basquine and Vlach opposed. Basquine was opposed because the committee does not exist.

**=====Referred to the Annual Meeting=====**

69. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Gonyea to cover up to 6 nights for the hotel bill for the Regional Directors. Motion carried with Gonyea opposed. Gonyea was opposed because she felt it should be 5 nights.

70. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Barrett to table the Guidelines for Writing a TICA Standard to the 2005 Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**=====Referred to the Annual Meeting=====**

71. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Parris that the Board get a copy of Profit and Loss Statements from Quickbooks and a copy of the DAR Revenue Quarterly Reports. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\***

72. Unanimous consent to accept the Audited Financial Report. Without objection.

73. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Barnes to accept the 2005-2006 budget.

74. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Vlach to table the 2005-2006 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

75. Motion was made by Vlach and second by Fisher that the TICA Administrative Policy Booklet be placed on the Executive Office Web Page.

**\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\***

76. Unanimous consent to accept the reports designated below: Without objection.

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| Annual Awards Report | Scored Catalog Report                 |
| License Fee Report   | Domestic X Domestic Litter Registered |
| Insurance Report     | Ballot Expense Report                 |

77. Unanimous consent that the Board appoint Anne Harvey, Associate Director of Australia and New Zealand. Without objection.

78. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Barnes to adopt the language below with a venue of Orange County, California. "Submission of this [name of form] constitutes verification that the information contained therein is true and correct, that the party submitting the form is familiar with and agrees to abide by the rules of the International Cat Association, Inc., and agreement that sole jurisdiction and venue for any disputes against the International Cat Association, Inc. shall be [county and state]." Motion carried with Barnes, Barrett, Caruthers, Dickie, and Gonyea opposed and Basquine and Vlach abstaining. Barnes, Barrett and Caruthers were opposed because they felt it should be in Texas. Fisher was in favor because she wanted to have a lawyer who was familiar with the cat fancy.

79. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Barnes that in the case of duplicate cattery names from Great Britain, "GB" would be placed before the name of the cattery to show that it came from Great Britain. Motion carried with Crockett and McCullough opposed and Christian abstaining.

\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\*

80. Unanimous consent to delete Standing Rule 103.3.1.1. Without objection.

81. Unanimous consent that when a member pays his dues in April then it automatically expires in April of the following year. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\*

82. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Barnes to accept a HHP program which will be in conjunction with Humane Groups who have a 501c3 and to raise the price of HHP registrations \$1. Motion carried with Barrett and Crockett opposed and Basquine, Dickie, Fisher, Oizumi and Vlach abstaining.

\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\*

83. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach that in addition, for organizations outside the US, there must be the equivalency to a 501c3. Motion carried unanimously.

\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\*

84. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by McCullough to add to Standing Rule 109.2.1: "Upon application to the Board, to include specific reasons for the request for exemption, and why such a show would have no impact on the annual, a club may receive permission to hold a show on the annual weekend." Motion carried with Crockett and Parris opposed.

}}}}Standing Rules{{{

85. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Barrett for the Catica Club to hold their show on the same weekend as the Annual with the reason that it is the only weekend they can get a reasonable rate. Christian wanted it noted that he would probably not approve this next year if the same club approaches the Board. Motion carried with Crockett and Parris opposed.

86. Withdrawn.

87. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Parris to rescind the 2007 Semi-Annual Meeting in Southern Europe. Motion denied with Barnes, Barrett, Crockett and Parris in favor and Oizumi opposed.

\*DENIED\*

88. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\*

90. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\*

91. Unanimous consent that the Board upholds the protest of Emmons Brown. Denied.

\*DENIED\*

92. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach that the Board upholds the protest of Emmons Brown against Robert Thompson. Motion carried with Barrett and Fisher abstaining. Barrett abstained because she wanted to see more documentation.

93. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded McCullough not to relicense Robert Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.

94. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the previous motion. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

95. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\***Executive Session**\*\*\*\*\*

96. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Barnes to accept the Napoleon for REGISTRATION ONLY status. Motion denied with Barnes, Caruthers, Fisher, Oizumi and Vlach in favor.

**\*DENIED\***

97. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Barnes to reconsider the previous motion. Motion carried with Barrett and Basquine opposed.

98. Reconsideration of Motion 96. Motion carried with Barnes, Caruthers, Fisher, McCullough, Oizumi and Vlach in favor and Christian and Dickie abstaining.

}}}}**Standing Rules**}}}}

99. Unanimous consent to accept the revised Chausie Standard. (See Addendum.) Without objection.

100. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Fisher to revise the Peterbald Standard to remove "eye comments". Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum.)

101. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Christian to move the Peterbald to Advanced New Breed status. Motion carried unanimously.

}}}}**Standing Rules**}}}}

102. Unanimous consent to appoint Nancy Parkinson as the Working Group Breed Chair for the Peterbald. Without objection.

103. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach to change the Scottish Fold/Scottish Fold Longhair to allow British Longhair as an acceptable outcross. Motion carried unanimously.

104. Unanimous consent that the 2007 Annual Convention be hosted by the Southwest Region in Albuquerque, NM. Without objection.

105. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by McCullough to accept the Savannah Breed Report as presented. (See Addendum.) Motion carried with Barrett opposed and McCullough abstaining. Barrett was opposed because while she acknowledged receiving the report, the term "accept" meant acceptance of opinion and fact as presented in the report.

106. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Barnes to send out a poll to the Savannah Breed Section on the Working Group Breed Section Chair during the last week in March stating "Do you want a new breed chair?" as the question. Motion carried with Caruthers, Parris, Gonyea and Vlach opposed.

107. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Barrett for clarification purposes only that British Shorthair and British Longhair be treated as a breed group. Motion carried with Crockett abstaining.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

108. Unanimous consent to accept the TICA Trend Report. (See Addendum.) Without objection.

109. Unanimous consent to appoint Ellen Crockett as Board Liaison to the Savannah Working Breed Group. Without objection.

110. Unanimous consent to accept Laurie Schiff's report on the election results as part of the minutes. (See Addendum.) Without objection.

111. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Barrett that the petition be returned to Beth Hicks for non-compliance and for her to resubmit it in the proper format and ask her to get the signatures again. Motion carried with Gonyea opposed.

112. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Fisher to amend the Judging Program 42.3: A longhair/shorthair specialty applicant shall have bred and/or acquired as a kitten (5 months of age or younger) and shown to TICA Grand Champion status a minimum of two whole cats in the applicant's breed specialty and one cat of opposite coat length/body type (may be an alter). The cat of opposite coat length/type must be owned or leased by the applicant and **must reside with the applicant**.

42.3.1 At least one whole cat bred and/or acquired by the applicant as a kitten (5 months of age or younger), shall be shown to Supreme Grand Champion status.

42.3.1 Applicants applying under the requirements of 42.2.5.2 must have shown to TICA Grand Champion or Grand Champion Alter five cats from both the longhair and shorthair breeds, with no fewer than three from one coat length/body type and the remaining from the opposite coat length/body type. One Supreme Grand Champion or Supreme Grand Champion Alter and Regional Winner must be in the opposite coat length/body type from the primary coat length/body type

Motion carried unanimously.

**~~~~~Judging Program~~~~~**

113. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Vlach to amend the Judging Program 42.2.5 Breeding and/or Showing.

42.2.5.1 (For Breeders) Prior to being granted a Probationary Specialty License shall have been breeding cats for at least 5 years; shall have bred a minimum of five TICA registered litters; *and shall* have shown in at least 25 TICA shows (back-to-back shows will be considered as one show).

42.2.5.2 (For Non-Breeders) Prior to being granted a Probationary Specialty License shall have been actively showing cats in TICA for a minimum of 5 years; shall have acquired cats at 5 months of age or younger; shall have shown a minimum of five cats to TICA Grand Champion or Grand Champion Alter, three of which must have achieved the title of Supreme Grand Champion or Supreme Grand Champion Alter; shall *have* achieved a minimum of three Regional Wins in the Top Ten; *shall* have shown in 25 shows (back-to-back shows will be considered one show).

Motion carried with Crockett opposed and Barnes, Basquine and Caruthers abstaining.

**~~~~~Judging Program~~~~~**

114. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Barrett to add to the Standing Rules 103.2 Applications for New Membership as a Regular, International or Family member must be accompanied by a copy of a government issued **photo ID** such as a passport, driver's license or voter registration card. It is strongly recommended, but not required, that Junior membership be accompanied by such identification. Motion denied with Barrett in favor.

\*DENIED\*

115. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Fisher to amend Standing Rules 202.1.8.1. Show Flyers **MUST** include the following information: Size of benching cages, Cage coverings required, Dimensions of Grooming Space. Motion carried unanimously

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

116. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Parris to deny addition of Standing Rule 203.6.2.1. A cat or cats in the possession of any individual who shares a hotel/motel room with a person owning, agenting, or in possession of a cat that has, or has had, fungus or any other infectious or contagious illness within 21 day prior to the opening date of the show will be ineligible for entry and/or exhibition.

\*DENIED\*

117. Unanimous consent to amend Standing Rules 203.9.1 and 203.9.2. Without objection.

203.9.1 *Chausie*. *Chausies* with a 3rd generation non-domestic ancestor may be shown in Preliminary New Breed (PNB) or Advanced New Breed (ANB) with full disclosure for any judge handling the cat. *The "third generation" requirement means that the non-domestic ancestor is no closer in relation than a great-grandparent.*

203.9.2 *Savannah*. *Savannahs* with a 3rd generation non-domestic ancestor may be shown in Preliminary New Breed (PNB) or Advanced New Breed (ANB) with full disclosure for any judge handling the cat. *The "third generation" requirement means that the non-domestic ancestor is no closer in relation than a great-grandparent.*

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

118. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Vlach to reconsider motion 117. Motion denied with Barrett opposed.

\*DENIED\*

119. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Fisher to amend Standing Rules 2017.1 and Show Rules 209.1.1.4.

2017.1 Judges Books. At the completion of judging, each judge must provide the Master Clerk his/her original judge's book, including the cover and all original (white) pages. The Master Clerk shall provide the judge with a receipt indicating that the judge's book has been received. The judge shall retain the pink copy of his/her judge's book and the receipt until 45 days after the close of the show season, at which time the judge's book and receipt may be discarded.

2017.1.1 At the completion of the show, the Master Clerk shall submit the marked catalog and ALL judges' books to the Show Manager or designated member of the Show Committee. The Show Committee shall be responsible for mailing the Master Catalog and Judges' Books in accordance with Standing Rule 209.1.1.4.

Show Rules:

209.1.1.4 Marked Catalogs. The Show Committee shall forward the Master Catalog and ALL Judges' Books to the Executive Office within 48 hours after the close of the show.

209.1.1.4.1 It is suggested that priority mail and/or an express delivery system be used rather than regular mail. In regions outside of North America, it is recommended that the senior US Allbreed judge be appointed by the Show Committee to transport all judges' books and the Master Catalog to the US and forward them to the Executive Office within 48 hours of his/her return or within 8 business days of the close of the show, whichever is earlier.

209.1.1.4.2 Failure to forward the Master Catalog and judges' books in accordance with 209.1.1.4. or 209.1.1.4.1 shall result in a fine to the Club of \$ xxx.xx.

209.1.1.4.3 Additionally, the Show Committee shall forward a fully marked catalog to the regional reporters and the appropriate 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, to each

judge, the master clerk and to any person who ordered a marked catalog NO LATER THAN 7 DAYS AFTER THE SHOW. The show committee shall also send a catalog marked with the finals page(s) and the appropriate breed awards to each certified ring clerk within 7 days after the show.

Motion carried with Barrett, Basquine, Christian, Dickie, and Gonyea opposed and Barnes abstaining.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

120. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach that the amount to fine the club was \$25. Motion carried with Barnes, Barrett, Basquine, Christian, Dickie and Gonyea opposed.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

121. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Barnes to reconsider 119. Motion carried with Caruthers, Crockett and Fisher opposed.

122. Motion 119 was denied with Caruthers, Crockett, McCullough, Oizumi, Parris and Vlach in favor. \*DENIED\*

123. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach to add Standing Rule 2016.1 An emergency is an unforeseen, exigent (urgent) circumstance. Motion carried with Barrett, Basquine, Parris and Gonyea opposed and McCullough abstaining. Barrett and Parris were opposed because they saw no reason to add dictionary terms to the rules.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

124. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach to add Standing Rules 2016.5 Minimum Handling Requirements

2016.5.1 A judge must have the ability to remove from and return to the judging cage every cat entered in the show, except for those cats not amenable to handling. In the event that a judge believes that a cat may not be amenable to handling, the judge may request that the owner or agent remove the cat from and/or return the cat to the judging cage.

2016.5.1.1 A judge must disclose an inability to meet the minimum handling requirements to the club at the time the club offers the judging assignment to the judge or, as soon as such inability is known to the judge.

2016.5.1.2 If the inability to meet the minimum handling requirements becomes known to the judge after entering into the judging contract, the judge must notify the club of such a change of circumstances as soon as possible. Either the club or judge may, at that time, cancel that judging contract.

2016.5.2 In the event that a judge is unable to meet the minimum handling requirements, the **club** must:

2016.5.2.1 Contract a handler at the time of contracting the judge or as soon as the inability of the judge to meet the minimum handling requirements becomes known. The handler must be a licensed judge or a trainee. (Show Rule 216.1)

2016.5.2.2 List the handler on the flyer with the judge or, if the inability to handle is unknown until after the assignment is published, list the handler on all revisions of the show flyer, and on all other show announcements including the show schedule.

2016.5.2.3 Compensate the handler with lunch on the day of handling, a fully marked catalog and **the handler's choice** of either one night's hotel OR a minimum of \$xx.00. [Suggested options: \$35.00, \$50.00, \$75.00].

Motion carried with Basquine, Fisher and Parris opposed. Parris was opposed because her clubs don't want an amount in the rule.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

125. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Vlach that the amount for compensating a handler be the same as that which the clubs compensate a ring clerk. Motion denied with Crockett in favor.

\*DENIED\*

126. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Barnes that the amount for compensating a handler be the same rate as a Probationary Specialty Judge per cat. Motion carried with McCullough, Oizumi and Parris opposed and Basquine abstaining.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

127. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Barrett to recess. Motion denied with Barnes, Barrett, Basquine, Oizumi and Parris in favor.

\*DENIED\*

128. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Crockett to accept the amendment to Standing Rule 901.4.3.1. Motion denied with Basquine in favor.

901.4.3.1 The cumulative points of the [50] 75 judgments of each registered cat, alter and household pet carrying the highest point value will be used to determine the aggregate Regional and International points for each registered cat, alter and household pet during each show year. The cumulative points of the [30] 50 judgments of each registered kitten and each household pet kitten carrying the highest point value will be used to determine the aggregate Regional and International points for each registered kitten and each household pet kitten.

\*DENIED\*

129. Unanimous consent to deny amendment of Judging Program 414.6 and 414.7. Without objection.

414.6 The completed annual Judge's Record Form must be sent to the Judging Administrator/Designee with a postmark, fax or email date NO LATER THAN June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. The annual Record Form lists a judge's activities (shows, CEU's, etc.) for the previous show season (May 1<sup>st</sup> - April 30<sup>th</sup>). Judges Emeriti are exempt from the Record Form requirement.

*414.6.1 Not less than a 4x6 professional color photograph must be sent to the Yearbook Editor once every 3 years and NO LATER THAN June 30<sup>th</sup> of said years as a requirement for relicensing.*

414.7 Each judge's license shall be reviewed at the scheduled Semi-Annual Board Meeting. ~~To all approved for relicensing, the Judging Administrator shall issue a judge's license by April 15<sup>th</sup> of each year, which shall be effective for May 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> of the following show year. Not less than a 4x6 professional color photograph must be sent to the Yearbook Editor once every 3 years as a requirement for relicensing~~

*414.7.1 The Board may vote not to relicense any judge as it deems necessary for the benefit of the Association.*

*414.7.1.1 Should a judge not be relicensed, he/she shall return his/her Judge's License to the Judging Administrator within 30 days of such notification*

414.7.2 The Board may vote not to renew a judge's license for the upcoming show year, based on missing requirements. It may advise the Judging Administrator to issue a license when the missing requirements have been met. The license has not been revoked, it has expired; it may be renewed upon meeting requirements for renewal

414.7.3 A judge's license shall not be renewed if that judge has any outstanding fines. *The Board may instruct the Judging Administrator to renew the license when the fine(s) has/have been received in the Executive Office*

\*DENIED\*

130. Unanimous consent to table all remaining Show Rule and By-Law changes and accompanying Standing Rules to the 2005 Annual Meeting. Without objection.

=====Referred to the Annual Meeting=====

131. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\*

133. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\*

134. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Barnes for Barbara Petersen to create a TICA E-business pilot project with a budget of \$3,000 NO LATER THAN the end of April 2005. Motion carried with Gonyea opposed because she wanted it NO LATER THAN March 2005.

135. Unanimous consent to go into a committee of the whole to allow Larry Hart to speak. Without objection.

136. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Caruthers to request that the Board receive a Strategic Plan for the Implementation of Ebiz at the 2005 Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

=====Referred to the Annual Meeting=====

137. Unanimous consent that Barbara Petersen be appointed as Project Manager of the Ebiz Committee with Lisa Dickie, Jamie Christian, Shirley Little, Pam Barrett and Elektra Hammond on the committee. Without objection.

138. Motion was made by Barrett for further discussion and review of the Computer Report. Motion died for lack of a second.

139. Motion was made by Barrett and seconded by Vlach to review the progress with the TICA Executive Office Scoring System in 2 months. Motion denied with Barrett, Fisher, Gonyea and Vlach in favor and Crockett abstaining.

\*DENIED\*

140. Unanimous consent to reconvene as the Board. Without objection.

141. Motion was made by Vlach and seconded by Crockett that the Executive Officer register cats from other associations with the original name with a two letter code plus a slash for each registering body. Motion carried with Barrett abstaining and Parris voting opposed because of the burden placed on the Executive Office right now.

\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\*

142. Motion was made by Dickie and seconded by Vlach to accept the published Federal Travel Management per diem rates effective immediately. Motion carried with Caruthers and Parris opposed and Oizumi abstaining. The rate for Harlingen is \$39.

\*\*\*\*\*POLICY\*\*\*\*\*

143. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\*

155. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\*

156. Unanimous consent to add the Board Governance Policy to the Business Plan in the standing rules. (See Addendum.) Without objection.

**}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

157. Unanimous consent to have the Business Plan as a separate document published on the website. Without objection.

158. Unanimous consent to create a committee to coordinate activities of the TIFS Junior Achievers. (See Addendum.) Without objection. The President appointed Shirley Little as chair with the following members: Cassie Hale, Diane Finch-Smith, Denis Ragnizzio, Tanya Carey, and Margaret Karpen.

159. Unanimous consent to set up the TICA Feline Rescue Committee. (See Addendum.) Without objection.

The President appointed Christie Montgomery as chair with Susan Hagrelus, Linda Swiercynski. And Mary Arnold as members.

160. Unanimous consent to appoint a person to serve on the Joint Purebred Rescue Board. Without objection.

The President appointed DeLynne Satimore as the Joint Purebred Rescue Board member.

The President appointed Vickie Fisher, Kurt Vlach and Lisa Dickie to a Budget Ad Hoc Committee for updating the 2005-06 Budget.

The President appointed Basquine, Crockett, and Barrett to the Catalog of the Year Committee.

The President appointed a Governance Committee of Stadter, Fisher as Chair, and Christian.

161. Withdrawn.

162. Unanimous consent to authorize the President to complete the negotiations with a commercial sponsor. Without objection.

163. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.

**\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\***

164. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.

**\*\*\*\*\*Executive Session\*\*\*\*\***

165. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Barnes to offer Leslie Bowers the option of buying back 3 weeks of her annual leave or paying her for 3 weeks annual leave at her discretion. Motion carried Barrett, Gonyea and Vlach opposed and Basquine abstaining.

166. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Vlach to reconsider Motion 117. Motion carried unanimously.

167. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Vlach to add to the Standing Rules 203.9.1.1: The following breeds with a non-domestic ancestor no closer in relation than a great-grandparent may be shown in the Preliminary New Breed and Advanced New Breed classes:

203.9.1.1.1 Chausie

203.9.1.1.2 Savannah

Motion carried unanimously.

### **}}}}Standing Rules}}}}**

168. Unanimous consent to keep the name of the new sponsor out of the minutes. Without objection.

169. Unanimous consent to amend 203.9.1 and 203.9.2:

203.9.1 Chausie. *Chausies* with a 3rd generation non-domestic ancestor may be shown in Preliminary New Breed (PNB) or Advanced New Breed (ANB) with full disclosure for any judge handling the cat. *The "third generation" requirement means that the non-domestic ancestor is no closer in relation than a great-grandparent.*

203.9.2 Savannah. *Savannahs* with a 3rd generation non-domestic ancestor may be shown in Preliminary New Breed (PNB) or Advanced New Breed (ANB) with full disclosure for any judge handling the cat. *The "third generation" requirement means that the non-domestic ancestor is no closer in relation than a great-grandparent.*

Denied.

**\*DENIED\***

170. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Vlach that Standing Rule 203.9.1.2 be amended to read: In the event that any cat, in any class, contains a Theoretical Wild Gene percentage (TWiG) of greater than twenty-five percent (25%), it shall be the obligation of the exhibitor to disclose the TWiG of that cat and obtain the informed consent of the judge to handle the cat. The appropriate form must be completed and presented to each judge prior to that cat being handled by the judge. A judge may agree to handle the cat, or choose to allow the owner or agent to handle the cat. By entering a cat with a TWiG of greater than twenty-five percent in a TICA show, the exhibitor of that cat specifically agrees to indemnify and hold TICA and the hosting club and show committee harmless from any damages that results from the entry of that cat in a TICA show. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor of a cat with any wild genes to ascertain the TWiG of that cat. Irrespective of the TWiG of the cat, if any TWiG is present and if an exhibitor fails to either ascertain the TWiG of a cat, or disclose the TWiG as required, the exhibitor shall indemnify and hold TICA and the hosting club and show committee harmless from any damages that result from the entry of that cat in a TICA show in addition to any other actions that may be taken pursuant to these rules. The TWiG of a cat is calculated by adding the TWiG of the sire and the dam of a cat, a domestic cat having a TWiG of zero percent and wildcat having a TWiG of 100 percent, and dividing the total by two. Motion carried with Barrett, Dickie, McCullough and Gonyea opposed and Christian abstaining. Barrett was opposed because if we have concerns over high percentage wild blood because of TICA liability then we should protect ourselves by prohibiting these cats in our shows instead of finding ways to allow them to be shown. Gonyea was opposed because she felt the genetics committee, the Bengal Breed Section and Leslie Lyons should be consulted before a decision was made.

171. Unanimous consent that the Computer Programmer be directed by Leslie Bowers. Denied.

**\*DENIED\***

172. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Barnes that Larry Hart be notified that he is under the direct supervision of Leslie Bowers, Business Manager. Motion carried with Barrett and Gonyea opposed. Barrett was opposed because she did not feel that Leslie Bowers could direct a programmer.

173. Withdrawn.

174. Motion was made by Mccullough and seconded by Barnes to specify the role of the Board Liaison and refer it to the Rules Committee for the task of coming up with the definition. Motion carried unanimously.

175. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Barrett to specify the role of the Committee Chair and refer it to the Rules Committee for the task of definition. Motion carried unanimously.

176. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Gonyea that 106.2.8 be amended to read: To promote TICA membership, to encourage judging applicants, to act as a liaison to the Board of Directors regarding problems and issues pertaining to areas not organized as a TICA region. Motion carried unanimously.

177. Unanimous consent to eliminate the International Committee. Denied.  
\*DENIED\*

178. Withdrawn.

179. Unanimous consent to rename the International Committee as the International Development Committee. Without objection.

The President will rewrite the directive for the International Development Committee. Lisa Dickie was appointed as Board Liaison to this committee.

180. Unanimous consent to create an Ad Hoc Committee for Finance. Without objection.

181. Unanimous consent for the Board to allow the Awards Committee to spend the same amount of money as last year on the Judge's Service Awards. Without objection.

182. Unanimous consent to allow the Executive Office to provide the World's Greatest Cat Litter a one-time membership label list. Without objection.

183. Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Caruthers to adopt the Budget Proposal for 2005-2006. Motion denied with Parris opposed as there were only three items affected and two of them can't be helped and the other one is the TICA TREND.  
\*DENIED\*

184. Unanimous consent that a Voluntary Code of Ethics be sent from the Executive Office with all new litter registrations. Without objection.

185. Unanimous consent to score BLUE MIST OVER THE NILE OF KHAFRE, owner Linda Knuutinen for its second show. Without objection.

186. Unanimous consent to adjourn. Without objection.

# ADDENDUM

<b>HEAD</b> .....	40 points
Shape .....	7
Ears .....	7
Eyes .....	5
Chin .....	4
Muzzle .....	4
Nose .....	5
Profile .....	6
Neck .....	2

<b>BODY</b> .....	40 points
Torso .....	10
Legs .....	8
Feet .....	4
Tail .....	4
Boning .....	7
Musculature .....	7

<b>COAT/COLOR/PATTERN</b> .....	20 points
Texture .....	5
Pattern .....	8
Color .....	7

**CATEGORY:** Traditional.

**DIVISION:** Solid, Tabby and *Miscellaneous* Divisions.

**COLORS:** Black, Brown Ticked Tabby, and Silver Tipped.

**PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:** *Domestic shorthair*, not a member of a recognized breed, Jungle Cat, Abyssinian.

#### HEAD:

**Shape:** *Modified wedge, medium in size with a long, sloping forehead and high, angular, long cheekbones that meet a strong, full muzzle and chin.* A change in direction at the sides of the muzzle gives the appearance of rounded whisker pads.

**Eyes:** Medium, slightly flattened oval and set on bias to just below the outside edge of the ear. *Gold or yellow eye color preferred, hazel to light green allowed.*

**Profile:** Long sloping forehead flows into the rise between the eyes, continuing down with good length, to meet the nose bump, which is rounded where it meets the convex nose leather.

**Ears:** Tall, large ears should be placed fairly close together on top of head with a wide base cornering the head and the ear set at a slight outward angle. The ear itself should be fairly wide all the way up with rounded ear tips. Ear tufts preferred, lack of tufts not a penalty.

**Neck:** The muscular neck is of medium length and thickness.

**Muzzle:** *Proportionate to the cheekbones and length of nose, with full whisker pads.*

**Chin:** Strong, full, both in profile and frontal view *with depth resulting from good bone structure.*

**Nose:** Medium-wide *slightly broader between the eyes.* Nose leather is convex and full.

#### BODY:

**Torso:** Long, lean and *muscular, firm to the touch*; the large rectangular body is strong and athletic, with a *balanced* chest and good depth of body without any roundness of the ribcage.

**Legs:** The legs are moderately long, well muscled with medium boning. The hind legs are slightly longer than the front, as the cat is built for running and leaping.

**Feet:** The feet are round and small in comparison to the overall size of the cat.

**Tail:** Three-quarter or full length tail acceptable; the 3/4 tail has fewer vertebrae and is preferred. Both tail lengths should be of medium thickness and fully articulated.

**Musculature:** The musculature of the Chausie is long and lean rather than bulky.

**Boning:** The Chausie has *medium leg boning with long, lithe legs, while the torso is substantial with good depth.*

#### COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:

**Length:** Short to medium, with enough length to accommodate at least two bands of ticking. Not open.

**Texture:** A dense, softer undercoat with a harder resilient texture to outer coat.

#### COLORS:

**Brown ticked tabby:** A mouse-gray color next to the skin with sandy-gray to reddish-gold base coat. The coat will have two or more bands of color in the ticking. Reverse ticking and/or flecking may also be present. There should be tabby markings on the face and barring on the legs and tail. Barring on the front legs appears primarily on the upper front and inside of the leg, With the inside being more bold than the outside. The barring on the front legs may be more bold than on the hock of the back legs. The tail should be black-tipped. Barring may or may not be present on the neck. Faint tabby markings on the body may be present but not preferred. The backs of the ears will have "thumbprint" markings of a lighter color. A white or off-white color should outline the eyes and muzzle. Nose leather pink to brick red. The underside will range in color from white or off-white to sandy-gold. Stomach may appear flecked, speckled or spotted.

**Black:** Solid black.

**Silver tipped:** *This pattern is a new gene that appears to be a form or modification of ticked tabby in that it is grey or lighter at the skin followed by black and is marked by lighter bands of color or ticking on the shaft ending in black tips. Faint tabby markings on the torso may be present but not preferred. Ear furnishings will appear silver and will be banded. Nose leather is black, The Silver Tip gene is a dominant gene found in the Chausie breed as a result of the Jungle Cat ancestor used to develop this breed.*

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** The Chausie is a statuesque cat, tall, upright, medium to large framed with legs more moderate in boning giving the cat a tall, slender-legged look. Its musculature is that of an agile hunter with great jumping ability. They have large upright, tufted ears. Males will be proportionately larger than the females. The overall appearance should bring to mind the Middle Eastern/Asian Jungle Cat as the breed retains a strong resemblance to it's ancestor. This cat is good-natured, loyal and intelligent and should be amenable to handling showing no signs of challenge.

**ALLOWANCES:** Variation in tail length starting from just below the hock (3/4) to full length. Slight ghost body markings on kittens. *Black paw pads with rosy or pink overtones allowed.*

**PENALIZE:** Vivid green eyes. A cat that is too refined or too heavily boned. A cat void of tabby markings on the legs or tail.

**WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW):** True classic pattern. Any colors other than the three allowable colors. White lockets.

**DISQUALIFY (DQ):** Tail too short, resulting from a mutated gene (MX/PB/BB). Tail kinked or lacking flexibility.



*Temperament must be unchallenging; any sign of definite challenge shall disqualify. The cat may exhibit fear, seek to flee, or generally complain aloud but may not threaten to harm. In accordance with Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN, the following shall be considered mandatory disqualifications: a cat that bites (216.9), a cat showing evidence of intent to deceive (216.10), adult whole male cats not having two descended testicles (216.11), cats with all or part of the tail missing, except as authorized by a board approved standard (216.12.1), cats with more than five toes on each front foot and four toes on each back foot, unless proved the result of an injury or as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.2), visible or invisible tail faults if Board approved standard requires disqualification (216.12.4), crossed eyes if Board approved standard requires disqualification (216.12.5), total blindness (216.12.6), markedly smaller size, not in keeping with the breed (216.12.9), and depression of the sternum or unusually small diameter of the rib cage itself (216.12.11.1). See Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN for more comprehensive rules governing penalties and disqualifications.*

# PETERBALD (PD)

Proposed Standard 05/01/05

<b>HEAD</b> .....	40 points
Shape .....	9
Ears .....	7
Eyes .....	7
Profile .....	7
Muzzle .....	5
Chin .....	3
Neck .....	2

<b>BODY</b> .....	40 points
Torso .....	12
Musculature .....	10
Boning .....	8
Legs and Feet .....	5
Tail .....	5

<b>COAT</b> .....	20 points
Texture .....	20

**CATEGORIES:** All.

**DIVISIONS:** All.

**COLORS:** All.

**PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:** Oriental Shorthair, Siamese, Don Hairless (Don Sphynx)

## HEAD:

Shape: Long, inverted triangle, measuring from ear tip to ear tip to blunted chin, forming a wedge.

Ears: Extra large, pointed, and broad at the base, slightly flared. Set to extend just below the line of the wedge.

Eyes: Medium in size, almost almond\* in shape. Obliquely set, flush with the skull, neither protruding nor recessed. Distance between eyes not less than width of one eye. Eye color independent of coat color.

Profile: Almost straight profile with slightly noticeable angle from forehead to nose; two-planed. Flat forehead.

Muzzle: Strong, smooth, slightly blunt. Not narrow. No whisker pinch.

Chin: Strong, tip of nose in line with tip of chin. Not protruding.

Neck: Long and slender.

## BODY:

Torso: Medium-sized, long and graceful. Shoulders and hips equal in width.

Legs: Long, medium-fine boned. Firm muscles. Straight vertical forelegs. Hind legs slightly longer than front legs.

Feet: Oval, medium in size with long, agile prominent toes and a discreet, non-prominent foot pad.

Tail: Long, strong and whippy.

Musculature: Firm and well-developed.

Boning: Medium-fine.

## COAT

The Peterbald coat ranges from completely hairless, to a flocked or velour coat, to a brush coat. The gene which causes the Peterbald coat is a "hair-losing" gene rather than a "hairless" gene. **All coat types are accepted and no preference should be given to one coat type over another. Instead, attention should be paid to the quality of the coat type.**

The hairless Peterbald has soft, warm skin that feels almost sticky, but not oily, to the touch. The texture is chamois-like. The hairless Peterbald may have wrinkles all over the body. The flocked or velour coat ranges from a short fine, sparse down to a slightly longer, closer down which offers resistance to the hand

when stroked. The flocked or velour coat may appear hairless until touched. The texture is suede-like.

The brush coat is one of the Peterbald's most distinguishing characteristics. No other breed has a coat similar to this. The brush coat is a dense, wiry coat of irregular texture, ranging from soft to coarse. Brush coat may range from one-eighth to one-quarter inch, but should in no way feel or look like a normal coat when closely inspected.

In some instances, a Peterbald may combine coat types. For example, a cat may have brush coat on the extremities (i.e. muzzle, ears, legs, tail) and have a flocked or velour coat on the body. In such cases, coat that is retained on extremities is short, close lying and downy in texture, rather than the typical wiry texture.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** The overall impression of an ideal Peterbald is an elegant and intelligent cat. The Peterbald has a sturdy, lean elongated body that contributes to its graceful movement. Peterbalds originated in Russia in January, 1994. They were originally produced by mating an Oriental Shorthair with a Don Hairless (Don Sphynx). The original litter demonstrated that the Don Hairless gene is a dominant gene, unlike the Sphynx gene. It also demonstrated various unusual coat types, including the distinctive brush coat.

**LOCKETS:** Allow

## PENALIZE:

Head: Curved profile; weak chin; muzzle break.

Body: Heavy, rounded body; bowed forelegs.

**WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW):** Longhaired cats; normal coat. Any evidence of illness or poor health.

**DISQUALIFY (DQ):** Protruding sternum; visible tail fault; crossed eyes.



*Temperament must be unchallenging; any sign of definite challenge shall disqualify. The cat may exhibit fear, seek to flee, or generally complain aloud but may not threaten to harm. In accordance with Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN, the following shall be considered mandatory disqualifications: a cat that bites (216.9), a cat showing evidence of intent to deceive (216.10), adult whole male cats not having two descended testicles (216.11), cats with all or part of the tail missing, except as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.1), cats with more than five toes on each front foot and four toes on each back foot, unless proved the result of an injury or as authorized by a Board approved standard (216.12.2), visible or invisible tail faults if Board approved standard requires disqualification (216.12.4), crossed eyes if Board approved standard requires disqualification (216.12.5), total blindness (216.12.6), markedly smaller size, not in keeping with the breed (216.12.9), and depression of the sternum or unusually small diameter of the rib cage itself (216.12.11.1). See Show Rules, ARTICLE SIXTEEN for more comprehensive rules governing penalties and disqualifications.*

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## Savannah 2005 Semi-Annual Breed Report

### Progress:

This is a short report for this meeting of the Board.

The Savannah breed is currently in Advanced New Breed Status, working towards becoming a Category IV Championship Breed. Savannahs are being shown at nearly every TICA show, in such numbers that tracking the actual statistics proves difficult.

We have continued to push the idea that TICA membership is most desirable for Savannah breeders, as TICA is the Association that has most energetically championed the Savannahs. Other Associations either do not support the Savannah at all, or they do, but their membership and activities are so limited that the breed gets little visibility from it.

Most Savannah breeders are currently TICA members and are currently registering their cats in TICA. There are over 100 Savannah Breed Sections members currently. We have reached the point where large numbers of third and fourth generation Savannahs are being registered, and we are now getting fertile F5 males, a long time goal of the Breed. With fertile F5 males we will have other options for our females than simply continuing to outcross to other breeds.

With the Permissible Outcrosses approved at the 2004 Annual meeting we have given Savannah breeders the chance to continue to work towards Championship. As a result of this action, many Breed Section Members who have invested countless dollars in cats now have progeny that will be counted toward our goal of creating a Championship breed.

We do not have a count of the number of Savannahs that have been bred, registered or shown for this year. The breed had reached the point in its development where Savannah breeders are members of several separate clubs with limited contact with each other.

Previously, I reported to the TICA Board, Simbabies, one of the co-hosts of the World Cat Congress, was a 501 c3 corporation. We incorporated with the intent of being a tax-exempt entity to affect rescues of servals, Savannahs, other hybrids and felines in general, with the intent to be good stewards of our breed and responsible and worthwhile members of both TICA and Simbabies. Despite being involved in many rescues, at considerable expense to our members, the legal steps to complete the process with the IRS are yet undone by our attorney. Simbabies has not accepted any illegal donations from our benefactors wishing to donate. The benefactors are still sitting on the sidelines willing and waiting to donate funds to our efforts. The entire reporting of our status, by me, to the Board, was due to the advice of our incorporating attorney/board-member/TICA member informing our Simbabies Board to go on ahead as the tax exempt status would be retroactive. I am currently taking the steps to accomplish the tax status with a different attorney and it should be completed soon.

We would like to thank the Board for its continued support of our breed.

Lorre Smith

# THE TICA TREND

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## 2004 Year-End Report: Volume 25, Numbers 1-6

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# pages:	40	40	36	48	56	36	256
# printed	3,100	3,250	3,600	2800	3200	3300	19,250
Total Production:	\$7,838.71	\$7,814.09	\$7,588.16	\$8,584.88	\$10,984.66	\$9,856.66	\$52,667.16
Income:	<u>-1,363.00</u>	<u>-945.00</u>	<u>-1,439.40</u>	<u>-3,089.20</u>	<u>-2,975.00</u>	<u>-1,118.00</u>	<u>-10,929.60</u>
Total Cost:	\$6,475.71	\$6,869.09	\$6,148.76	\$5,495.68	\$8,009.66	\$8,738.66	\$41,737.56
Per Copy Cost:	\$2.09	\$2.11	\$1.71	\$1.96	\$2.50	\$2.65	

## Three Year Comparison

	<u>Vol. 23 (2002)</u>	<u>Vol. 24 (2003)</u>	<u>Vol. 25 (2004)</u>
# pages	264	272	256
# printed	18,650	17,775	19,250
Total Production:	\$52,695.80	\$50,191.14	\$52,667.16
Advertising Income:	<u>-12,697.40</u>	<u>-12,757.94</u>	<u>-10,929.60</u>
Total Cost:	\$39,998.40	\$37,433.20	\$41,737.56
Per Copy Cost:	\$2.14	\$2.11	\$2.17

As you can see above, advertising income was down in 2004. Commercial advertisers continue to advertise with us and we continue to gain more commercial advertisers, but we saw a dramatic drop off in show advertising during the first half of the year. The sale price for show ads announced in the June/July 2004 Trend turned this around and has been so popular that I will make it permanent. We also had less member advertising in the regional and international awards Trends (Numbers 4 and 5). This combined with the original drop off in show advertising makes me think that the increase in advertising rates at the end of 2003 was a factor along with the continuing poor economy. (Two previous advertising rate increases were also followed by a year of reduced advertising.) However, members were so pleased with how their cats' photos looked in the awards layouts created for TICA's 25th anniversary, and with the new glossy paper, that I am hopeful of seeing a return to normal advertising this coming year.

I am pleased to report that the cost of switching the inside pages of the TICA Trend to glossy paper has stayed within the original estimate. I regret to report that I made a mistake at the Annual when I told the Board that glossy paper would not increase the cost of postage. I thought that switching from 70 pound paper to 70 pound paper meant the per page weight would remain the same; I have since learned that 70 pound is the description of the cotton content within the paper, not of the actual weight of the paper.

To give you an idea of the weight difference, the 36 page December/January Trend published on glossy paper weighed 134 grams, compared to 94 grams for the 36 page June/July 2004 Trend published on the cheaper paper. This increased weight made little difference in the cost of US postage since US postal rates, especially for bulk mail, start low and increment up in small amounts. However, it made a noticeable difference in the cost of international mail.

In addition to this, we also had a international rate increase with the October/November Trend. This has been expected for several years: After 9/11, increased security measures to keep the mail safe dramatically increased international postal rates to pay for the added security.

The following are estimated annual increases in costs based on the Trends we produced in 2004. Please keep in mind that the number of pages we print each issue, the number of copies we print each issue, and the number of copies we mail internationally each issue are variables affecting costs that I cannot predict with any certainty:

effect of a 6% International Rate Increase:	\$565.00 more per year
effect of a 26% increase in international postage due to the increased weight of glossy paper:	\$2,000.00 more per year
increase in cost of publishing Trend on glossy paper:	<u>\$5,700.00</u> more per year
Total additional cost of the Trend if we continue using glossy paper:	\$8,263.00

Note: International postage is extremely difficult to estimate accurately. We pay a flat per piece price based on weight, not destination. For example, using the two 36 page Trends mentioned above: The one printed on cheap paper cost us \$1.60 per piece at the old rates; it would cost us \$1.69 per piece at the new rates. The one published on glossy paper, with the increased weight, would have cost us \$1.90 per piece at the old rates; it cost us \$2.01 per piece at the new rates. So although I have done my best to provide a reasonable estimate, weight makes a tremendous difference in actual cost.

I also received a letter from our international mailer stating that there will be a 4% increase in rates effective January 16, 2005. This cost increase is due to the dramatic increase in the price of fuel, a yearlong decline in the value of the dollar vs the Euro, an 8% increase in REIMS II (remuneration of mandatory deliveries of cross border mail), and a 4.5% increase in Canadian postal rates.

Despite the rate increases at the international mailer, we are still saving a lot of money over using the US Post Office. The October/November Trend was our most expensive Trend to mail internationally: we paid \$2.18 per piece. I mailed the same Trend at the US Post Office to the UK for \$4.80 and to Australia for \$5.40; the post office stated it would have cost \$5.30 to mail that Trend to Japan.

Despite increasing costs, both those out of our control and those caused by the switch to glossy paper inside the Trend, I recommend that we continue using glossy paper inside the Trend. Our members have been resoundingly pleased with the new professional look of the TICA Trend.

Yours, Cathy Welch, Trend Editor

# Report of Investigation

## New Members in Asia Region

### 234 New Members in Asia

Working hypothesis: if these new members were only enrolled for the purpose of influencing the RD election, such would be reflected in the number of cats not registered by those new members

New Asia Members

- A.234 New Asia Members
- 56 New Cats Registered to those Members
- 4:1 New Members to New Cats

4:1 New Members to New Cats

- Is this ratio unusual?
- Wouldn't new members also be registering cats?

4:1 New Members to New Cats

In order to determine if this ratio is unusual, which would therefore indicate that these new members did not have an actual interest in TICA, I compared these figures with the most recent new members in all regions

New Members to New Cats Registered - Other Regions

New Members to New Cats Registered - Other Regions

- 4 regions had zero cats registered with new members
- 6 regions had less cats registered than new members
- 2 regions had more cats registered than new members

New Members to New Cats Registered - Other Regions

- 4:0 - 3 regions
- 4:1 - 2 regions
- 2:1 - 1 region
- 4:3 - 3 regions
- 2:3 - 1 region
- 2:7 - 1 region

New Members to New Cats Registered - Other Regions

Most new TICA members do not register cats when they join, therefore, the registration of cats is not indicative of a "legitimate" member. Thus, the new Asia members are no less legitimate members than any other new members and therefore the proffered explanation that these new members were interested in shows is reasonable and believable.

Affect of New Asia Members on the Election Result

- 314 votes for Motoko Oizumi
- 32 votes for Shunichi Kuroda
- 3 votes for write in (Yukimasa Hattori)

● Even if all votes of the 234 new Asia members are discounted, Mrs. Oizumi would have won the election 80 to 32, and the result of the election would not change!

Conclusion

There is no reason to believe that any of the new Asia members differ from any new TICA members, nor did these new members affect the election in any manner, therefore no tampering with the election process occurred.

# The International Cat Association Board Governance Policy

## Accountability

The Board understands that its duty is to see that the organization acts in the best interests of the members whom it serves, including the cat fancy, in general. Board members bring perspectives and knowledge from outside endeavors, different geographical areas and diverse cultures. Although Regional Directors represent single regions and consider the perspective of those specific regions, they must also consider the best interests of TICA as a whole, as well as the cat fancy in general. Directors do not represent single constituencies. The Board acts with diligence and objectivity on behalf of the members as a whole.

## Responsibility

The Board focuses its work on major responsibilities:

- Defining the ends, policies, and goals of the organization, beginning with the mission, vision, and strategic plan
- Making and supporting decisions that advance the ends
- Monitoring organizational performance and exercise accountability for results, especially in the areas of mission effectiveness, financial stewardship, strategic direction, and customer service
- Taking responsibility for the board's own effectiveness

## Exemplary Conduct

Exhibit trust and respect toward colleagues and management, honor the confidentiality of sensitive information, and be aware of and disclose any (or potential) conflicts of interest.

## Mission-Driven

Board work is designed to enhance the mission, vision, values, and strategic direction of the organization.

## Value-Added Work

The board focuses its meetings and other work on activities that add value for the organization, with an emphasis on high-level, strategic matters and critical issues affecting the future of the organization and the cat fancy.

**APPLICATION  
Junior Exhibitor**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Member Email if different from guardian/parent: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about the TIFS Junior Achievers?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tell us about yourself:

Do you have a nickname? \_\_\_\_\_ How old are you? \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

What grade are you in? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you in any clubs at school? Yes No

If yes, what are they?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are you active in any after school activities like sports, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Church Activities?

Yes No If yes, what are the activities?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a mentor? Yes No If yes, who is your mentor? \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us about your cat or kitten:

Do you have a alter, kitten, or HHP that you are showing or wanting to show? Yes/No

If yes, tell us what you have and the name of the cat/s:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is your cat pedigreed? Yes No

Did you adopt the cat from a shelter? Yes No

Where did you get your cat? \_\_\_\_\_

What color is your cat? \_\_\_\_\_ Long or short hair? \_\_\_\_\_ Eye color? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Do you need something to show? Yes No If yes, what would you be most interested in showing?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What are your responsibilities taking care of your cat/kitten?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you shown this cat/kitten before? Yes No If yes, did you have fun? Yes No If no, what could have made it a better experience?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Why would you like to be a member of TIFS Juniors?

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Junior Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Yearly membership fee of \$5 paid on (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ by Check, Cash, Money Order, PayPal, Other

Explain other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of TIFS Club member accepting applicant as TIFS Junior Member:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Send completed form and dues to:**

Jan Chambers  
19802 Oak Branch CT  
Humble, TX 77346

**TIFS Junior Achiever  
Novice Junior Level of Achievement Requirements**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_

Age :\_\_\_\_ Email:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Submit Application Form and Dues to TIFSJA

\_\_\_\_ Complete TICA Junior Member Registration

\_\_\_\_ Select a Mentor

Mentor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Have a kitten, HHP, or alter registered in your name

Name of cat \_\_\_\_\_

Reg# \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Show in at least 4 TICA Shows

Please list the following info on the shows attended

1) Show name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of show: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Show name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of show: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Show name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of show: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_

4) Show name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of show: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Complete the necessary paperwork and submit it to the Regional Director to earn your Junior Exhibitor Excellence Award

From the Standing rules

*901.4.1 Junior Exhibitor Excellence Award. Exhibitors under the age of 18 may apply yearly to the Executive Office for a Junior Exhibitor Excellence Award. To qualify, a Junior Exhibitor must exhibit in 4 shows a year and provide a letter of endorsement from a TICA Judge. To receive the award, the junior exhibitor must forward copies of the catalog cover pages and the pages that name the junior exhibitor as the owner or agent along with the endorsement letter to the Regional Director. The Regional Director shall forward the list of names to the Executive Office.*

Participate in at least 2 Junior Achiever Rings

1) Show name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of show: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Show name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of show: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Steward in at least 1 show *does not need to be an entire show/day*

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete personal project

\_\_\_\_\_ Meet your Regional Director

Submit your written report introducing yourself and your cat to your mentor.

Mentor's signature of receipt of report: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete online open book, mentor/adult help test

<p>I have completed all the requirement listed above: Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Mentor's Signature: _____ TIFS Member Signature for advancement to Junior Intermediate Level: _____</p>
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# Junior Novice Level of Achievement Open Book Test

I.1) What does "cat out" mean?

- a) Time for cats to go to a ring
- b) A cat is loose in the show hall
- c) Please remove all cats from hall
- d) Time for cats to be removed from a ring

2) Who is the TICA President?

- a) Kay Devilbiss
- b) Duane Barnes
- c) Don Caruthers
- d) Jan Chambers

3) A ring steward is required to write down the winners of a class

T/F

4) Should you clean your cat's ears and clip nails before a show?

- a) Yes
- b) No

5) Should cats be freshly bathed for a show?

Y/N

6) Should you thank the judge for a final?

- a) Yes
- b) No

7) Can Ring stewards play with and pet the cats in the exhibitor cages behind the judge?

- a) Yes
- b) No

8) Should you let the judge know which cat belongs to you?

- a) Yes
- b) No

9) What does TICA stand for:

- a) Transatlantic International Care Association
- b) The International Cat Act
- c) The International Cat Association

10) What is a third call?

- a) Final call to evacuate the hall
- b) Calling for all the alters in the 300 classes
- c) 3rd call for exhibitor to present cat to judging ring
- d) Final announcement that the judge is going to lunch

## **Feline Welfare Committee and Rescue Presentation**

I. Opening Statement: Thank you for this opportunity to speak about the reorganization of TICA's Feline Welfare Committee and the organization of TICA's Rescue Committee. TICA needs to take a proactive approach to feline welfare and rescue as opposed to a reactive approach.

II. Presentation: Necessity for an active Feline Welfare Committee

- A. A committee to arbitrate complaints regarding feline welfare
  - 1. Notify appropriate TICA officials of complaint
  - 2. Develop procedures to assist TICA members in need to help prevent complaints being filed or to arbitrate complaints after they are filed to keep them from having to go to the board for resolution
  - 3. Develop procedures to identify problem areas within TICA prior to complaints being filed
- B. Education
  - 1. Appropriate education will help prevent emergencies and reactive situations
  - 2. Education is necessary to promote feline welfare for breeders and pet owners
- C. A committee TICA members can contact for questions on feline welfare
  - 1. TICA is a cat registry; TICA is Feline Welfare
- D. A Committee to market the Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program
  - 1. Develop controls to guarantee a licensed veterinarian does the cattery evaluation
- E. A Committee to handle issues and problems and be proactive in regard to feline welfare and handle problems before authorities have to step in
- F. Any organization working with or having anything to do with animals cannot operate without a Feline Welfare Committee
- G. The Feline Welfare Committee is part of TICA's Standing Rules, #106.2.5, it should be viable, active and available to TICA members
- H. A committee that show committees, Judges, exhibitors and other interested parties can report problems/issues at cat shows or other locations

III. Organization of Feline Welfare Committee

- A. New Chair must be a current and active TICA member – Present Chair resigned
- B. A minimum of one Committee Member in each TICA Region
  - 1. New Committee members, current members are inactive and most TICA members were unaware the Committee exists
  - 2. Appointments to the Committee will be made by Regional Directors and must be current TICA members and active within TICA
- C. Set up one Yahoo List for the Feline Welfare Committee and the Rescue Committee to hold meetings and have discussions
- D. Goals and Objectives
  - 1. Develop polices and procedures and guidelines for the Committee

2. Develop procedures to utilize committee members expertise for handling questions and other issues to help prevent complaint from being filed
3. Develop policies and procedures for handling complaints and arbitration of the complaints to help prevent complaints going to the board
4. Develop reporting procedures for complaints that cannot be arbitrated
5. Make recommendations to the board for programs involving Feline Welfare
6. Develop forms for feline welfare programs and issues
7. Develop a form for questions regarding feline welfare and refer the form to the committee member with expertise dealing with the question
8. Develop procedures for assisting TICA members in need
9. Develop voluntary inspection procedures for TICA members either requesting a cattery inspection or members requiring assistance needing inspections of their catteries or foster homes
10. Develop informational documents and publications for educational purposes to distribute to TICA members and promoted by TICA
11. Develop procedures for working with Legal on issues dealing with feline welfare
12. Breeder and pet owner and Household pet exhibitor education programs, seminars and publications

#### E. Necessity for a TICA Rescue Committee

1. In recent years rescue numbers have risen substantially these numbers include purebred cats and TICA members and/or TICA catteries
2. Rescue is necessary for the welfare of the cats being shown in TICA as well as other cats owned by TICA members
3. Many TICA members are involved in rescue so it would be easy to mobilize and organize these efforts
4. Education
5. CFA Purebred Rescue has many TICA members working physically with them and donating funds to their rescue efforts
  - a. TICA as an organization needs to be more involved
  - b. TICA needs to take credit for their member's physical work and donations
  - c. Joining forces with CFA Purebred Rescue will save time and energy since their organization is operational with policies and procedures in place

#### F. Organization for TICA Rescue Committee

1. Chair
2. A minimum of one Committee member with rescue experience from each TICA Region
3. Goals and Objectives
  - a. Combine rescue efforts with the already operational and functional, CFA Purebred Rescue, to benefit both rescues both financially and with additional manpower and expertise.

- b. Appoint Regional Rescue Directors/Coordinators with rescue experience from each TICA Region
- c. Help TICA members in need
- d. Education
- e. Promote getting TICA members involved in rescue
- f. Promote TICA members involvement in fostering, adoptions, helping with shelter IDs, transporting, home visits and other rescue functions
- g. Develop a system or data base to keep track of TICA approved fosters, transporters, shelter walkers, and other volunteers
- h. Develop an approval process for fosters, transporters, and adopters and other necessary volunteers
- i. Voluntary home visit program
- j. Develop a reporting system to the TICA BODs with the Rescue Chair and each of TICA's Regional Directors
- k. Develop policies, procedures and guidelines for the Rescue Committee
- l. Make recommendations to the Feline Welfare Committee and board for programs and issues regarding rescue
- m. Develop forms for rescue programs and issues

IV. Closing. We cannot stop seizures of cats from breeders and Household pet exhibitors or from the hoarders and collectors. The reorganization of the Feline Welfare Committee and the organization of a Rescue Committee can make TICA proactive and possibly slow these types of issues down within our own community. TICA members are asking for a resolution to current and previous problems. The activation of the Feline Welfare committee and organization of the TICA Rescue Committee is the solution to future problems. Thank you for this opportunity to speak and make this presentation. These committees will not get organized overnight but TICA members working together as a team can make them work and become a reality. I hope the board will seriously consider this proposal and that the Feline Welfare Committee will be active once again.