

# **THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**2007 Annual Board Meeting**

**Albuquerque, NM**

**August 29-31, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 8:36AM on August 29, 2007 in the Fiesta Room of the Hyatt Regency in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The following Board Members were present:

Nancy Parkinson - Vice President  
Motoko Oizumi - Director, Asia  
Jamie Christian - Director, Great Lakes  
Donna Gonyea - Director, Northeast  
Martin Wood - Director, Northern Europe  
Ellen Crockett - Director, Northwest  
Lisa Dickie - Director, Mid Atlantic  
Linda Kay Ashley - Director, Mid Pacific  
Don Caruthers - Director, South Central  
Jo Parris - Director, Southeast  
Genevieve Basquine - Director, Southern Europe  
Vickie Fisher - Director, Southwest

Kay DeVilbiss-President and Carlos Arrieta-Associate Regional Director for South America were not present.

1. Unanimous consent to allow all non-Board Members ( Bobbie Tullo-Judging Administrator, Dewane Barnes-Rules Committee Chair, Laurie Schiff-Legal Advisor and the Mrs. Oizumi's translator) to remain in Executive Session. Without objection
2. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session. Without objection.
3. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Basquine to take no action on the Fedewa v Bovyn complaint. After tabling to allow the Board to receive additional information, the motion subsequently carried.
5. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Ashley to take no action on Tshuyia v.Arita complaint. Motion carried.
6. Motion was made by Dickie and seconded by Gonyea that we send a friendly, informational letter to Arita from the Board requesting that in the future she should use ONLY TICA titles. Motion carried.
7. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Fisher to advance Barbara Kissinger to Probationary Specialty Judge. Upon reconsideration, motion carried.
8. Motion was made by Basquine and seconded by Christian to accept Eduard Borrás as Approved Specialty Judge from another association. Motion carried.
9. Motion was made by Wood and seconded by Basquine that Thomas Anderson be advanced to Provisional Allbreed Judge. Motion carried.

10. Motion was made by Basquine and seconded by Wood to advance Pascale Remy to Provisional Allbreed Judge. Motion carried.
11. Motion was made by Oizumi and seconded by Christian to advance Hasai Tasoko to Provisional Allbreed Judge. Motion carried.
12. Motion was made by Ashley and seconded by Fisher to advance Laura Cunningham to Approved Allbreed JUDGE. Motion carried.
13. Motion was made by Ashley and seconded by Caruthers to advance Vickie Fisher to Ring Instructor. Motion carried.
14. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Fisher to reconsider motion #7 on Barbara Kissinger. Motion carried.
15. Unanimous consent to destroy the voting sheets. Without objection.
16. Unanimous consent to untable Motion #3. Without objection.
17. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Ashley that the TDS database shall not be provided to anyone other than for backup purposes. Motion carried with Gonyea opposed.
18. Unanimous consent to go out of Executive Session. Without objection.
19. Unanimous consent to go into a Committee of the Whole to allow Ralph Stadter to speak. Without objection.  
  
Ralph Stadter reported on the Website.
20. Unanimous consent to go out of a Committee of the Whole.
21. Unanimous consent to approve the consent agenda without item #6 (Spring Meeting location) which became the next item on the agenda. . Without objection.
22. Unanimous consent to approve Dulles Airport Virginia area as the location for the 2008 Spring Meeting. Without objection.
23. Unanimous consent to authorize Lisa Dickie to contract for facilities for the 2008 Spring Meeting. Without objection.
24. Unanimous consent to have the 2009 Spring Meeting in Chicago, IL on May 15-17, 2009. Without objection.
25. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Crockett to adopt the policy that the Executive Session Minutes shall have the maker and the seconder of each motion shall be recorded in the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

26. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Fisher that the outcome of voting in Executive Session be recorded as carried or denied and the use of 'carried unanimously' shall be used only if requested by the chair and agreed upon by the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

27. Motion was made by Wood and seconded by Ashley to move Russia back to Isolated Status effective 5/1/07. Motion carried unanimously.

28. Unanimous consent to terminate the Bank of America agreement that allows direct mail to our members. Without objection.

29. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Fisher to approve reimbursement for Chris Unangst for the airfare for her trip to San Antonio, Texas to assist John Harrison with the yearbook. Motion carried unanimously.

30. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Crockett to reimburse the Associate South American Regional Director expenses pursuant to the guidelines for the next Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

31. Unanimous consent to appoint Jackie Rose to the Persian Breed Committee provided she meets the requirements. Without objection.

Fisher was not present for items 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 37.

32. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Crockett to accept the proposal to change the By-Laws 13.1 to read:

13.1 Qualifications. Membership shall be open to any individual person who is interested in owning, breeding or exhibiting domesticated cats. New members must complete the application for *membership* which includes an agreement to abide by the rules and regulations of the Association, *and* pay the required fee for membership dues. ~~and have at least one cat or a cattery name registered with TICA.~~ A member's region of record is the region where the member resides.

**RATIONALE:** Requiring ownership of a cat or cattery has been detrimental to TICA's growth, especially in newly developing areas.

Motion carried unanimously.

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33. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Christian to take no action on the additions to By-Law 17.3 to read: 17.3.3 The Regional Director shall appoint a Regional Treasurer who will be in charge of all regional funds.

17.3.4 The Regional Director shall give a report to the regional members.

17.3.4.1 At a regional meeting held in conjunction with a show, the Regional Director shall give the membership a financial report at least every quarter.

17.2.4.2. The Regional Director shall submit to the TREND editor a regional financial report to be printed in the December/January issue of the TREND.

Motion carried unanimously.

**XXXXXXPROPOSAL REJECTED XXXXXX**

34. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Crockett to amend By-Laws 18.1.1to read:

18.1 The Business Manager/Executive Secretary shall be an employee of the Association, employed by contract specifying a salary and signed by the Secretary and the *President with approval of the majority of the Board.* ~~Board of Directors.~~ **RATIONALE:** Eliminates potential issues when a board member is not present at a meeting, or refuses to sign the agreement that has been approved by a majority of the board.

Motion carried unanimously.

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35. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Caruthers to accept the amendments to the Standing Rules as follows:

905.1 TICA Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program Protocols.

905.1.1 The TICA Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program will be known as the TVRB Program. A participant in the program will be known as a VRB (*Voluntary Responsible Breeder*).

905.1.2 Only one person may be named on the Voluntary Code of Ethics.

905.1.3 The TICA Executive Office shall note consecutive years of participation in the TICA Cattery Inspection Program (Outstanding Cattery or Cattery of Merit). If the current date of inspection is no more than 60 days past the prior year's inspection, the notation of years of participation will be printed on the current cattery certificate.

905.1.4 *References to "Outstanding Cattery" or "Cattery of Merit" on any material (i.e. web site, advertising, etc.) issued by the cattery must include the date that these designations were last earned.*

Motion carried unanimously.

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

36. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Christian to amend Show Rule 216.4 to read:

216.4 Judges must handle and physically examine all cats ~~entered in the show~~ *presented in the ring* except as provided in ARTICLE THREE of the Registration Rules. *No awards may be given to cats that have not been handled and physically examined by the judge.*

Motion carried unanimously.

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37. Unanimous consent to accept the proposal to amend the following Registration Rules:

33.1 Registration of New Breeds. New Breeds shall be recognized as follows:

33.1.1 Experimental New Breed - New breeds which are in development and which do not have an approved breed name. Experimental New Breeds are registered in the Experimental Registry. Formal approval of the Board of Directors is NOT REQUIRED.

33.1.2 Transfer New Breed - A breed accepted for championship competition in another cat association. Transfer New Breeds shall be registered in either the Stud Book Registry or the Foundation Registry (See 36.2, 36.3, 36.4, 36.5, 36.6). Formal approval of the Board of Directors is REQUIRED for Registration Only Breed status.

33.2 Classification of Registrations. A breed shall be classified for registration as one of the following:

33.2.1 Domestic Hybrid Breed - A breed developed from a deliberate cross between two existing domestic breeds, incorporating characteristics of both parental breeds into the new breed.

33.2.2 Domestic x Non-Domestic Source Species Hybrid Breed - A breed being developed by means of deliberate foundation crosses between domestic cats and a single non-domestic source species.

33.2.3 Native Breed - A breed identified through selection of phenotypically similar individuals from a naturally occurring population indigenous to a particular geographic region.

33.2.4 Mutation Breed - A breed which has been defined by the introduction of new gene(s) not present in an established breed.

33.2.5 Household Pet - A household pet which has been altered shall be accepted for registration regardless of ancestry or phenotype (appearance). Board approval is not required to register a Household Pet.

33.3 Procedures for Acceptance for Registration. The Registration process begins as either an Experimental New Breed or as a Transfer New Breed.

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**303.3** *The Registration Rules will automatically be emended to include the name of the new breed and its identifying breed code at the time of acceptance for registration. Notification of such emendation shall appear in the next available issue of the official newsletter.*

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33.3.1 Experimental New Breed. The Experimental New Breed shall be registered in the Experimental Registry by making application to the TICA Executive Office. The following information must be included in the application for breed recognition:

33.3.1.1 A brief description of the proposed breed. (This is to enable the office to identify the breed. It could be a paragraph written by a breeder, a standard from another association, or another means for identifying the cats included in the breed.)

33.3.2 A proposed breed name that is unique.

33.2.2.1 The proposed breed name used for registration in the Experimental Registry is not in any way to be considered an official breed name accepted or approved by TICA and may be changed, removed or revoked at any time.

33.3.3 A proposed breed contact person.

*303.3.3 There will be no formal breed committee or breed section for cats in the Experimental Registry.*

*303.3.3.1 The Executive Office will maintain statistics from the Experimental Registry: the number of litters registered, the number of individual cats registered, the names and addresses of owners and breeders of the experimental breed. Such statistics will be made available should a petition for advancement to Registration Only status be submitted.*

33.3.2 Transfer New Breed. A Transfer New Breed may apply for acceptance as a recognized breed for REGISTRATION ONLY by making application at least 90 days prior to the Board meeting at which acceptance is sought by submitting an electronic application to each member of the Genetics Committee and each member of the Rules Committee. Following approval of the application by the Genetics Committee and Rules Committee, the application will be submitted by the Chair of the Rules Committee to the TICA Executive Office at least 60 days prior to the Board Meeting for inclusion in the agenda. Any comments of the Genetics Committee or Rules Committee must be included. Application for Registration Only Breed status must include the following: (applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at ticaeo.com.) A brief description of the breed distinguishing it from other breeds recognized by the association. A standard of the breed from another established cat association. A proposed designation of Breed Classification (See 33.2). A proposed breed name that is unique. A proposed two-letter registration code. A proposed breeding program. A proposed provisional Working Group Chair.

33.3.2.1 It is understood that acceptance for Registration Only implies only that TICA agrees to provide registration facilities for development of the breed in question. There is no explicit or implied guarantee that TICA will accept the breed for championship either simultaneously or at any time in the future.

33.3.3 Advancement from Experimental New Breed to Registration Only New Breed. An Experimental New Breed may apply for approval of the Board of Directors as a Registration Only Breed upon completion of the following:

33.3.3.1 At least 1 year has passed since the initial registration of the breed in the Experimental Registry.

33.3.3.2 At least 10 cats of the breed have been registered in the Experimental Registry.

33.3.3.3 At least 5 litters of the breed have been registered.

33.3.3.4 At least 3 TICA members in good standing from 2 different Regions are on record.

33.3.3.5 Submission of an electronic Application for Advancement to Registration Only Breed 90 days prior to the Board meeting at which recognition is sought to each member of the Genetics Committee and each member of the Rules Committee. Following approval of the application by the Genetics Committee and Rules Committee, the application will be submitted by the Chair of the Rules Committee to the TICA Executive Office at least 60 days prior to the Board Meeting for inclusion in the agenda. Any comments of the Genetics Committee or Rules Committee must be included. (Applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at ticaeo.com.)

33.3.3.5.1 Application must include the following: (Applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at ticaeo.com.) A brief description of the breed distinguishing it from other breeds recognized by the association. A proposed breed name that is unique. A proposed two-letter registration code. A proposed breeding program. A proposed designation of Breed Classification (See 33.2). A proposed provisional Working Group Chair. Documentation of 33.3.3.1 through 33.3.3.4.

33.3.4 A Notice of Intent to Apply for Advancement to REGISTRATION ONLY Breed status must be published in the TICA TREND at least 120 days prior to the meeting at which the application for advancement will be heard, and which invites comments about the breed to be forwarded to the Executive Office.

33.3.5 Upon official acceptance by the Board of Directors as a Registration Only Breed, cats will be registered in the Stud Book or Foundation Registry. (See 36.2, 36.3, 36.4, 36.5, 36.6.) The approved two-letter registration prefix will be used (without EX). 33.3.6 It is understood that acceptance for advancement to Registration Only implies only that TICA agrees to provide registration facilities for development of the breed in question. There is no explicit or implied guarantee that TICA will accept the breed for championship either simultaneously or at any time in the future.

33.4 Breed Names.

33.4.1 A new breed may not use a name the same as or substantially similar to that of a recognized breed.

33.4.2 A breed name shall not be derogatory, nor shall it make unsubstantiated claims regarding the merits of or geographic or genetic origins of the breed.

33.4.3 TICA may change a breed name at any time it is felt to be in the best interest of the association to do so. In such instances selection of a new name shall be by majority vote of the breed section with approval of the Board. If no clear majority of the breed section agrees on a new breed name, the Board may designate a breed name.

33.4.4 Experimental breeding programs which do not have an approved breed name shall be designated by the code EX. 33.3.4.1 Cats registered in the Experimental Registry shall be designated with EX preceding the proposed two-digit breed prefix.

**NOTE:** Renumber following beginning with "33.5 Championship Advancement Class Program" as the new numbering. 33.1 through 33.3. page 34.

Motion carried unanimously.

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38. Unanimous consent to accept the changes to ARTICLE THREE: Preliminary New Breed.

### 33.6 Preliminary New Breed Status.

33.6.1 Requirements for Application. A breed recognized for Registration Only Status may apply for Preliminary New Breed Status no sooner than 2 years after acceptance for Registration Only Status and upon completion of the following:

33.6.1.1 At least 15 cats which have attained the age of 8 months are registered with TICA;

33.6.1.2 At least 10 litters have been registered with TICA;

33.6.1.3 At least five TICA members in good standing, in at least three different regions are actively breeding the breed ("actively breeding" means breeding at least one litter within the previous 2 years);

33.6.1.4 Submission of *an electronic* Application for Acceptance as a Preliminary New Breed to each member of the Genetics Committee and each member of the Rules Committee at least 90 days prior to the board meeting at which approval is sought. *Following approval of the proposal by the Genetics Committee and Rules Committee, the application must be submitted by the proposed Working Group Chair to the TICA Executive Office at least 60 days prior to the Board Meeting for inclusion in the agenda. Any comments of the Genetics Committee or Rules Committee must be included. The application must include the following: (applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at ticaeo.com)*

33.6.1.4.1 A Letter of Intent to apply for approval as a Preliminary New Breed, including a list of suggested people eligible to serve as Preliminary New Breed Working Group Chairperson and a list of the proposed Preliminary New Breed breed section members to be confirmed by the Board;

~~33.5.1.4.2 A proposed breed name that is unique;~~

33.6.1.4.2 A proposed breed standard with permissible outcrosses, if any;

33.6.1.4.3 A proposed breeding program which includes proposed category ~~and outcrosses, if applicable;~~

33.6.1.4.4 A processing fee of \$50;

~~33.5.1.4.6 A proposed two-letter breed designation code, which shall be automatically included in the Registration Rules upon approval as a Preliminary New Breed (if one has not been assigned previously);~~

33.6.1.5 A Notice of Intent to Apply for Advancement to Preliminary New Breed status must be published in the TICA TREND at least 120 days prior to the meeting at which the application for advancement will be heard, and which invites comments about the breed to be forwarded to the Executive Office.

33.6.1.5.1 Any advancement to Preliminary New Breed status is entirely within the discretion of the Board of Directors. *If accepted for Preliminary New Breed status, the Board shall appoint a liaison (or mentor) to work with the breed committee through the new breed process..*

33.6.1.5.2 The Preliminary New Breed *Working Group Chairperson* serves at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, and may be replaced at any time.

### 33.6.2 Competition and Exhibition.

33.6.2.1 A member of a breed designated as a Preliminary New Breed may be entered in any TICA show in the Preliminary New Breed category *provided the cat has a TICA Registration number. (203.1.1)*

33.6.2.2 Cats which have non-domestic ancestry may be entered in accordance with Show Rule 23.19 and Standing Rule 203. Preliminary New Breed Class cats appear in the catalog, and judge's books and judges shall include these cats in judging fees.

### 33.6.3 Preliminary New Breed Class Breed Committee.

33.6.3.1 During the period of time a breed is designated Preliminary New Breed, the Preliminary New Breed Class Breed Committee will include all of the active TICA breeders of the breed ~~and all members of the Genetics Committee.~~

33.6.3.2 The Executive Office shall furnish the Preliminary New Breed ~~Chairperson~~ *Working Group Chair* and the *Board appointed liaison* with a list of the Preliminary New Breed Class Breed ~~Committee~~ *section* members.

33.6.3.3 The Preliminary New Breed Class ~~Breed Chairperson~~ *Working Group Chair* shall provide *an electronic* report on the status of the breed development and other issues relevant to the breed to the Genetics Committee, *the Rules Committee*, and the Executive Office for inclusion in the Agenda at least 60 days prior to each Annual Meeting. Any member of the Genetics Committee *or Rules Committee* may submit comments on that report, or on any aspect of the breed, to the Board of Directors.

33.6.3.3.1 If the report is not received ~~by the Genetics Committee and the Executive Office~~ at least 60 days in advance of the meeting, or if the report reflects lack of interest in the breed, the breed may be returned to Registration ONLY status until any requirements imposed by the Board of Directors have been met.

33.6.3.4 The Executive Office shall forward a report on litter registrations and individual cat registrations for the breed to the Preliminary New Breed *Working Group Chair* *each year after the Winter Meeting. This information shall be used in preparing the required breed report for the Annual Meeting. Such reports shall be published in the TREND:* Without objection.

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## 39. Unanimous consent to accept the changes to Registration Rules, ARTICLE THREE, Advanced New Breed.

### 33.7 Advanced New Breed Class Status.

33.7.1 Requirements. A Preliminary New Breed Class Breed may apply for Advanced New Breed status upon completion of the following:

33.7.1.1 At least 1 year has passed since the breed was first advanced to Preliminary New Breed Class Breed status.  
33.7.1.2 At least 100 cats, which have attained the age of 8 months, are registered with TICA; of these at least fifty (50) must either correspond to requirements for the assigned registration category for Championship or have a registration code such that the offspring could be eligible for Championship.

33.7.1.3 At least 25 litters have been registered with TICA;

33.7.1.4 At least 25 TICA members in good standing, in at least five different regions are actively breeding the breed.

33.7.1.5 At least 15 individual cats of the breed have been shown in TICA shows. (**NOTE:** Kittens and alters may be included in this total but each cat only counts once toward the total, regardless of how many times the cat may have been shown.)

33.7.1.6 *Submission of an electronic Application for Acceptance as a Advanced New Breed to each member of the Genetics Committee and each member of the Rules Committee at least 90 days prior to the board meeting at which approval is sought. Any proposed modifications to a previously approved standard must be submitted with the application. Following approval of proposal by the Genetics Committee and Rules Committee, the application must be submitted by the Working Group Chair to the TICA Executive Office at least 60 days prior to the Board Meeting for inclusion in the agenda. Any comments of the Genetics Committee or Rules Committee must be included. The application must include the following: (applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at ticaeo.com)*

33.7.1.6.1 A Letter of intent to apply for approval as an Advanced New Breed Class Breed, signed by at least ten TICA members in good standing;

33.7.1.6.2 A copy of the breed standard with any proposed changes.

33.7.1.6.3 A copy of the breeding program with any proposed changes.

~~33.6.1.10 Re-evaluation of the registration category as a Transfer New Breed, a Hybrid New Breed (Domestic or Non-Domestic Source), a Native New Breed or a Mutation New Breed, and the rationale that category was chosen as well as a list of permissible outcrosses.~~

33.7.1.6.4 A processing fee of \$50;

33.7.1.7 A Notice of Intent to Apply for Advancement to Advanced New Breed Class Status must be published in the TICA TREND at least 120 days prior to the meeting at which the application for advancement will be heard, and which invites comments about the breed to be forwarded to the Executive Office.

33.7.1.8 Make a formal presentation at the meeting of the Board of Directors, including photographs, illustrations, statistics, health and breeding reports, representatives of the breed and any other relevant material.

33.7.2 The Board of Directors may approve, disapprove or impose additional requirements on the Advanced New Breed Class Breed, including, but not limited to, appointing a different ~~Chairperson~~ Working Group Chair and requiring changes to the standard and/or breed name, or any other modification which the Board of Directors, entirely in their discretion, may require. ~~The Board of Directors shall designate a member of the Genetics Committee as a liaison to the New Breed Committee.~~

33.7.2.1 Any advancement to Advanced New Breed Class status is entirely within the discretion of the Board of Directors.

33.7.2.2 The Advanced New Breed Class Breed Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, and may be replaced at any time.

### 33.7.3 Competition and Exhibition.

33.7.2.1 A member of a breed designated as an Advanced New Breed may be entered in any TICA show in the Advanced New Breed class provided the cat has a TICA registration number (203.1.1) and provided that the cat meets the pedigree requirements for championship in the proposed registration category or has a registration status code such that its offspring could be eligible for Championship competition. Cats which have non-domestic ancestry may be entered in accordance with Registration Rules 37.6.4, Show Rule 23.19 and Standing Rules 203.

33.7.3.1.1 Advanced New Breed cats appear in the catalog and judges' books and judges shall include these cats in judging fees.

### 33.7.4 Advanced New Breed Committee.

33.7.4.1 During the period of time a breed is designated an Advanced New Breed, the Advanced New Breed Class Breed Committee will include all of the active TICA breeders of the breed ~~and all members of the Genetics Committee.~~

33.7.4.1.1 The Advanced New Breed Class Breed ~~Chairperson~~ Working Group Chair shall be appointed by the Board.

33.7.4.2 The Executive Office shall furnish the Advanced New Breed ~~Chairperson~~ Working Group Chair and Board appointed liaison with a list of the New Breed Committee members.

33.7.4.3 The Advanced New Breed ~~Chairperson~~ Working Group Chair shall provide an *electronic* report on the status of the breed development and other issues relevant to the breed to the Genetics Committee, *the Rules Committee*, and the Executive Office for inclusion in the Agenda at least 60 days prior to each Annual Meeting. Any member of the Genetics Committee *or Rules Committee* may submit comments on that report, or on any aspect of the breed, to the Board of Directors.

- 33.7.4.4 If the report is not received ~~by the Genetics Committee and the Executive Office~~ at least 60 days in advance of the meeting, or if the report reflects a lack of interest in the breed, the breed may be returned to Preliminary New Breed or Registration ONLY status until any requirements imposed by the Board of Directors have been met.
- 33.7.4.5 The Executive Office shall forward a report on litter registrations and individual cat registrations for the breed to the Advanced New Breed *Working Group Chair each year after the Winter Meeting. This information shall be used in preparing the required breed report for the Annual Meeting..* ~~Such reports shall be published in the TREND.~~
- 33.8 Championship Status. Requirements. An Advanced New Breed may apply for Championship Status upon completion of the following:
- 33.8.1 At least 1 year has passed since the breed was first advanced from Preliminary New Breed status.
- 33.8.2 A minimum of 200 adults registered of which 100 are potentially eligible for championship competition.
- 33.8.3 List of at least 100 shows at which cats have been exhibited, including regions and judges.
- 33.8.4 List of 25 individual cats that have been shown, including registration numbers and regions shown. (See 33.6.5.)
- 33.8.5 List of judges who have judged the breed. (At least two-thirds of active licensed judges must have judged the breed.)
- 33.8.6 The North American regions are represented by a minimum of fifteen breeders who are TICA members in good standing actively breeding the breed.
- 33.8.7 At least 25 unique cats shown in the Advanced New Breed Class including entries shown in at least two-thirds of the North American regions and two unique cats shown in each of two non-North American regions during the year preceding the application.
- 33.8.8 Submission of *an electronic* Application for Advancement to Championship to each member of the Genetics Committee and each member of the Rules Committee at least 90 days prior to the board meeting at which approval is sought. *Any proposed modifications to a previously approved standard must be submitted with the application. Following approval of the proposal by the Genetics Committee and Rules Committee, the application must be submitted by the ANB Working Group Chair to the TICA Executive Office at least 60 days prior to the Board Meeting for inclusion in the agenda. Any comments of the Genetics Committee or Rules Committee must be included. The application must include the following: (applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at ticaeo.com)*
- 33.8.8.1 A Letter of Intent to apply for approval as a Championship Breed, signed by at least ten TICA members in good standing;
- 33.8.8.2 A proposed breed standard ~~which includes the approval of each member of the Genetics Committee;~~
- 33.8.8.3 A proposed breeding program;
- 33.8.8.4 A processing fee of \$50.
- 33.8.9 A Notice of Intent to Apply for Advancement to Championship Status must be published in the TICA TREND at least 120 days prior to the meeting at which the application for advancement will be heard, and which invites comments about the breed to be forwarded to the Executive Office.
- 33.8.10 Make a formal presentation at the meeting of the Board of Directors, including photographs, illustrations, statistics, health and breeding reports, examples of the breed and any other relevant material.
- 33.8.11 The Board of Directors may approve, disapprove or impose additional requirements on the breed which the Board of Directors, entirely in their discretion, may require.
- 33.8.12 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. Such cats are acceptable for registration and breeding purposes.
- 33.8.13 If the breed is approved for Championship, a Breed Committee shall be elected in the next regular election.
- 33.8.14 Meeting the requirements set forth in these rules does not guarantee advancement. The Board of Directors shall judge each request for advancement on a case by case basis.
- 33.8.15 *Every NEW breed must meet the following requirements in each of the next three show years following acceptance in order to retain championship status:*
- 33.8.15.1 *Register a minimum of 25 additional cats of the breed.*
- 33.8.15.2 *Exhibit a minimum of 10 individual cats of the breed in at least 15 rings in at least 3 regions.*
- 33.8.15.3 *Have at least 5 TICA members in a minimum of 3 regions who are actively breeding the breed.*
- 33.8.16 *It is the responsibility of the Breed Committee to document that all requirements have been met by providing a report to the Genetics Committee, the Rules Committee and the Executive Office. Failure to meet the requirements of 33.8.15 will result in the breed being returned to Advanced New Breed status.*

Without objection.

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40. Unanimous consent to accept the amendments to the Registration Rules ARTICLE THREE - New Traits.



33.9 New Traits of a Championship Breed.

**303.9** *Trait: A visible distinguishing characteristic.*

33.9.1 Any new trait or traits of a Championship Breed, not recognized for competition in the kitten, cat or alter class of that breed, may be exhibited in the New Traits Class. New Traits Class cats appear in the catalog and judges' books and judges include these cats in judging fees.

33.9.2 Requirements for Championship Status. A new trait or traits may apply for Championship Status upon completion of the following:

33.9.2.1 At least ten individual examples of the new trait or traits have been shown, ~~documented on the approved form.~~

33.9.2.2 At least ten TICA members in good standing actively breeding and/or exhibiting the new trait or traits in the New Traits Class, ~~documented on the approved form.~~

33.9.2.3 A minimum number of cats expressing the new trait or traits have been registered in the 3 years prior to application as follows:

33.9.2.3.1 Ten cats in breeds registering fewer than 100 cats OR

33.9.2.3.2 Ten percent of the cats registered, not to exceed 50 cats, for those breeds registering 100 or more cats.

33.9.2.3.3 *When registering a cat with a new trait other than color, the "non-standard" box on the blue slip must be checked and the trait(s) indicated on the blue slip in order to facilitate tracking.* 33.9.2.4 *Submission of an electronic Application for Advancement to Championship to each member of the Breed Committee, (and if part of a Breed Group, to each member of each Breed Committee in the Breed Group), each member of the Genetics Committee, and each member of the Rules Committee, at least 120 days before the applicable Board meeting. The application must be signed by at least ten TICA members in good standing (applications available from the TICA Executive Office or at [ticaeo.com](http://ticaeo.com)).*

33.9.2.4.1 *Any required standard changes must be included in the application.*

33.9.2.5 *Following approval of the Genetics Committee and the Rules Committee, and at least 90 days prior to the applicable Board meeting, the approved application shall be submitted by the Breed Committee Chair to the Executive Office for polling of the Breed Sections. The application shall include comments of the Genetics Committee on the genetic validity of the new trait or traits and any comments of the Rules Committee.*

33.9.2.6 *Upon receipt of the application marked as approved, the Executive Office shall issue a poll to all members of the related Breed Section(s). Polls must be returned to the TICA Ballot Judge no later than 30 days from the date of issue. In cases of a Breed Group, a majority of the Breed Section Members voting in EACH of the Breed Groups, must vote to approve the new trait or traits in order to advance to championship status. The results of the poll shall be included in the meeting agenda with the application.*

33.9.2.6.1 ~~The expense of any poll shall be the financial responsibility of the individuals requesting the poll. at the request of those breeders working with the new trait or traits.~~

~~33.9.2.6.1 All polls have been sent to the TICA Ballot Judge for counting.~~

~~33.9.2.6.2~~

~~33.9.2.6.3 The poll has included the original letter of intent and the report of the Genetics Committee members.~~

~~33.9.2.6.4 A majority of the Breed Section Members voting, vote to approve the new trait or traits. In cases of a Breed Group, a majority of the Breed Section Members voting in EACH of the Breed Groups, votes to approve the new trait or traits~~

~~33.9.2.6.5 forwarded to the Executive Office by the Ballot Judge for inclusion in the Agenda and to each member of the Genetics Committee at least 60 days prior to the meeting of the Board of Directors.~~

33.9.2.7 A Notice of Intent to Apply for Advancement to Championship Status must be published in the TICA TREND at least 120 days prior to the meeting at which the application for advancement will be heard, and which invites comments about the breed to be forwarded to the Executive Office.

33.9.3 Meeting the requirements set forth in these rules does not guarantee advancement. The Board of Directors shall judge each request for advancement on a case by case basis.

Without objection.

**>>>>Membership Ballot<<<<<**

41. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Gonyea to accept option 2 of the proposal to change Show Rule 27.73.1 to read:

27.73.1. Congresses which include breeds of cats of a single coat length (i.e. longhair or shorthair) shall be judged as SPECIALTY rings. Congresses which include breeds of cats of both coat lengths (i.e. longhair and shorthair) shall be judged as ALLBREED rings.

Motion carried with Oizumi abstaining, and Basquine and Wood opposed.

**>>>>Membership Ballot<<<<<**

42. Unanimous consent to amend Show Rule 27.1, 27.2 and Standing Rules 207.1.1 and 207.1.2. Denied.

43. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Caruthers to amend Show Rule 27.1, 27.2 and Standing Rules 207.1.1 and 207.1.2. to read:

27.1 CHAMPION/CHAMPION ALTER/MASTER: An eligible male or female cat registered in TICA shall be entitled to the prefix "CHAMPION", an eligible neuter or spay cat registered in TICA shall be entitled to the prefix "CHAMPION ALTER", and an eligible TICA registered household pet shall be entitled to the prefix "MASTER" when it has won a minimum of 300 points under no less than 4 different judges *and* acquired a minimum of 1 final. ~~AND confirmation applied for.~~ However, in such isolated areas as defined in Standing Rules 1012.3, cats will be entitled to Champion, Champion Alter or Master status by being awarded no less than 150 points under no less than 2 different judges, *and* acquired a minimum of 1 final; ~~AND confirmation applied for.~~

27.2 GRAND CHAMPION/GRAND CHAMPION ALTER/GRAND MASTER: An eligible male or female cat registered in TICA shall be entitled to the prefix "GRAND CHAMPION", an eligible neuter or spay cat registered in TICA shall be entitled to the prefix "GRAND CHAMPION ALTER", and an eligible, TICA registered household pet shall be entitled to the prefix "GRAND MASTER" when it has won a minimum of 1,000 points, *and* acquired a minimum of 6 finals ~~under no less than 4 different judges~~, three of which are within the Top 5 Cats in a specialty ring or Top 10 Cats in an allbreed ring ~~AND confirmation applied for.~~ However, in such isolated areas as defined in Standing Rules 1012.3, cats will be entitled to Grand Champion, Grand Champion Alter or Grand Master status by being awarded no less than 500 points, *and* acquired a minimum of 3 final awards ~~under no less than 2 different judges~~, one of which is within the Top 5 Cats in a specialty ring or Top 10 cats in an allbreed ring; ~~AND confirmation applied for.~~

**Related Standing Rules:**

207.1.1 Requirements for Titles. *All points earned are cumulative. After earning the points required for one title, any remaining points apply to the next title.*

207.1.1.1

Champion	HHP	Requirements for Titles	(Points are cumulative)
CH CHA	MS	300 points from 4 different judges, plus one final	
GRC GCA	GRM	1000 points with 6 finals/ <del>4 different judges</del> , 3 in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
DGC DGCA	DGM	2000 points plus 1 <i>additional</i> final in top 5 SP or Top 10 AB <del>as a GRC/GCA/GRM</del>	
TGC TGCA	TGM	3000 points plus 1 <i>additional</i> final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB <del>as a DGC/DGCA/DGM</del>	
QGC QGCA	QGM	4000 points plus 1 <i>additional</i> final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB <del>as a TGC/TGCA/TGM</del>	
SGC SGCA	SGM	6000 points plus 1 Best Cat as a QGC/QGCA/QGM	

207.1.1.2 Isolated Areas:

Champion	HHP	Requirements for Titles	(Points are cumulative)
CH CHA	MS	150 points from 2 different judges, plus one final	
GRC GCA	GRM	500 points with 3 finals/ <del>2 different judges</del> , 1 in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB	
DGC DGCA	DGM	1000 points plus 1 <i>additional</i> final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB <del>as a GRC/GCA/GRM</del>	
TGC TGCA	TGM	1500 points plus 1 <i>additional</i> final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB <del>as a DGC/DGCA/DGM</del>	
QGC QGCA	QGM	2000 points plus 1 <i>additional</i> final in Top 5 SP or Top 10 AB <del>as a TGC/TGCA/TGM</del>	
SGC SGCA	SGM	3000 points plus 1 Best Cat as a QGC/QGCA/QGM	

207.1.1.3 *More than one title can be earned in a single show (subject to later confirmation by the Executive Office), except that the Best Cat/Alter/HHP Final for a SGC/SGA/SGM MUST be earned at a later show than the show at which the title of QGC/QGA/QGM is earned. RATIONALE:* The intent of this proposal is to bring the rule into compliance with the actual practice used to confirm titles in the TICA EO. If the rule, as currently written, were followed to the letter, a cat could only confirm one title per show. That was not the original intent of the rule.

Motion carried unanimously.

**>>>>Membership Ballot<<<<<**

44. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Gonyea to take no action on changes to Show Rules.

210.7. An exhibitor shall not request that his entry(ies) be judged separately from the regular class(es) for the entry(ies).  
210.7.1 If an exhibitor does not wish his entries handled by a trainee that may be present, he shall notify the clerk in that ring that the cat will be absent from that ring.

Motion carried with Basquine, Crockett and Dickie opposed.

**XXXXXXPROPOSAL REJECTED XXXXXX**

45. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Fisher to accept Option 2 changes to the Show Rules to read.

216.12. Many abnormalities which are detected in judging are not breed specific, but, rather occur in all cats.

Responsible breeding aims to conserve our breeds while maintaining their health which means focusing on reducing or eliminating these abnormalities. **Household Pets are excepted from this rule. because they are not the result of planned breeding programs.** Except as otherwise stated in this rule, judges shall penalize or disqualify, depending upon severity, championship cats, non-championship kittens, *Preliminary New Breeds (PNB)*, and Advanced New Breeds (ANB), and ~~New Traits Class (NT)~~ [see TICA Standing Rules 701.4.3], and shall penalize championship alters for the following:

**RATIONALE:** Preliminary New Breeds should be included just as Advanced New Breeds currently are. Penalizing New Traits defeats the whole point of the New Traits class.

Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>**Membership Ballot**<<<<

46. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Christian to accept Option 2 to change Show Rules 217.5 and 217.6

217.5 Championship, and Kitten and Household Pet Classes.

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**2017.5 (2017.6) Household Pet Color Classification.** *Each household pet may be presented to an Allbreed Judge in order to determine the correct color on each entry, prior to the start of judging, and that classification will hold throughout the entire show.*

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217.5.1 Each judge shall select and place a first, second, third, fourth and fifth place award in each color class, except as provided in 216.7 or in the Household Pet Standard.

217.5.2 When a cat is judged, but receives less than 5th best of color, the judge shall clearly mark a dash (-) in the space in the judge's book where an award would have been placed to indicate that the cat was handled and judged.

217.5.3 Each judge shall select and place Best, Second and Third Best of Division, except as provided in 216.7 or in the Household Pet Standard. These selections are made from the Best, Second and Third Best of Color class awards.

217.5.4 Each judge shall select and place Best, Second and Third Best of Breed awards, except in Household Pet classes, and except as provided in 216.7. These selections are made from all of the Best, Second and Third Best of Division awards.

217.5.5 Division awards and Breed awards shall be posted in the judge's book after each division and breed, respectively. If provision for these awards is not made in the judge's book, the judge must hand-write it in.

~~217.6 Household Pets.~~

~~217.6.1 All household pet entries, adult and kitten, receive a first place or merit award, except as noted in the Withhold All Awards section of the Household Pet standard.~~

~~217.6.2 At the end of each adult household pet division, the judge shall select and place Best, Second and Third Best of division for each respective household pet division. The selections shall be posted in the judge's book.~~

~~217.6.3 Household pet kittens do not receive division awards.~~

Motion carried with Ashley, Caruthers, Fisher, Oizumi and Parris opposed.

>>>>**Membership Ballot**<<<<

47. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Fisher to move By-Law 118.1.3 to Registration Rules ARTICLE THREE as below:

By-Laws 118.1.3 In order to retain championship competition status, every new breed accepted for championship competition shall, in each of the next 3 show years following such acceptance, register a minimum of 25 additional cats of said breed per year, maintain a minimum of five TICA members in good standing in at least three regions who are actively raising the breed, and exhibit a minimum of ten specimens of the breed in at least fifteen rings in each of three regions per year.

Change to Registration Rules 33.8 (new numbering):

33.8.15 Every NEW breed must meet the following requirements in each of the next 3 show years following acceptance in order to retain championship status:

33.8.15.1 Register a minimum of 25 additional cats of the breed.

33.8.15.2 Exhibit a minimum of 10 individual cats of the breed in at least 15 rings in at least 3 regions.

33.8.15.3 Have at least 5 TICA members in a minimum of 3 regions who are actively breeding the breed.

33.8.16 It is the responsibility of the Breed Committee to document that all requirements have been met by providing a report to the Genetics Committee, the Rules Committee and the Executive Office. Failure to meet the requirements of 33.7.15 will result in the breed being returned to Advanced New Breed status.

**RATIONALE:** Since the membership voted not to delete By-Law 118.1.3 on the 2006 October Ballot, the rule needs to be moved to the correct place. The rule belongs in the Registration Rules with the requirements for advancement of new breeds.

Motion carried unanimously.

>>>>**Membership Ballot**<<<<

48. Motion was made by Gonyea, seconded by Dickie and amended by unanimous consent, to accept the changes to the Judging Program to read:

42.3. For Breeders. Prior to application, must:

42.3.1.1 Have bred a minimum of five TICA registered litters.

42.3.1.2 Have shown in at least 25 TICA shows (back-to-back shows will be considered as one show).

42.3.1.3 Have shown to TICA Grand Champion status **a minimum of four cats**, as follows:

42.3.1.3.1 Three of the four must be unaltered.

42.3.1.3.2 One of the four must have been bred by the applicant; any cat not bred by the applicant must be acquired by 5 months of age and **must live with the applicant from the time the cat is acquired until the requisite title is achieved.**

*42.3.1.3.2.1 For developing areas of TICA where quarantine or equivalent restrictions exist, the requirement to acquire a kitten at 5 months of age or younger may be waived by the Board as follows:*

*Proof that the kitten cannot come out of quarantine until it reaches a specified age up to one year;*

*The kitten/cat has not been shown as an adult or earned any titles prior to the applicant's showing of the cat as part of the Judging Program requirement.*

42.3.1.3.3 One of the three unaltered cats must have achieved the title of Supreme Grand Champion.

42.3.1.3.4 One of the three unaltered cats must have received a Regional Win in the Top 20 Allbreed Cats.

42.3.1.3.5 One of the four must be a cat of opposite body type and coat length **Selection of the breed of cat of opposite body type and coat length must be approved by the Judging Administrator.**

42.3.2 For Non-Breeders. Prior to application must:

42.3.2.1 Have acquired all qualifying cats at 5 months of age or younger.

*42.3.2.1.1 For developing areas of TICA where quarantine or equivalent restrictions exist, the requirement to acquire a kitten at 5 months of age or younger may be waived by the Board as follows:*

*Proof that the kitten cannot come out of quarantine until it reaches a specified age up to one year;*

*The kitten/cat has not been shown as an adult or earned any titles prior to the applicant's showing of the cat as part of the Judging Program requirement.*

*Which must live with the applicant from the time the cat is acquired until the requisite title is archived.*

42.3.2.2 Have shown a minimum of five cats from both longhair and shorthair breeds to TICA Grand Champion or Grand Champion Alter status with no fewer than three from one body type and coat length.

42.3.2.2.1 Three of the five Grand Champions or Grand Champion Alters must achieve the title of Supreme Grand Champion or Supreme Grand Champion Alter.

42.3.2.2.2 One of the Supreme Grand Champions or Supreme Grand Champion Alters must be a different body type and coat length from the primary body type and coat length.

42.3.2.2 Have achieved a minimum of three Regional Wins in the Top 10 Allbreed Cats or Alters.

42.3.2.2.1 One Regional Winner must be in the opposite body type and coat length from the primary body type and coat length.

42.3.2.3 Have shown in 25 TICA shows (back-to-back shows will be considered one show).

Motion carried unanimously.

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

51. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Crockett to accept the changes to the Judging Program 43.3.1 and 44.2 to read:

43.3.1 Training will consist of:

43.3.1.1 A minimum of 40 ring training sessions.

43.3.1.2 A minimum of four solo judging sessions. Solo judging cannot be started until all ring training sessions have been completed.

43.3.1.3 *For developing areas of TICA which are isolated or remote (such as, but not limited to, South America, Russia, Korea) a Trainee must complete the requirements of 43.3.2, 43.3.3, 43.3.5 and 43.3.6 WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:*

*Just complete 20 training sessions, 5 of which must be completed with Licensed Ring Instructors*

*Must complete 2 solo sessions, both of which may be completed in the Trainee's region of residence with any Approved Allbreed Judge.*

*Upon completion of these requirements, the Trainee may apply for a Probationary Specialty License in (Country, Region). See 44.2.*

43.3.2 Ring Training.

43.3.2.1 Ring training consists of handling a minimum of 40 kittens, cats, alters, household pets or new breeds. The selection of the cats for training is at the training judge's discretion. Training may consist of handling full classes (such as championship cats, etc.) or handling full breeds or breed groups (such as the Persian Breed Group or Maine Coon kittens, cats and alters, etc.). The trainee is expected to handle his or her own cat(s) during the training session without calling attention to the ownership of the cat. The trainee is expected to remain in the judging ring until dismissed by the instructor.

43.3.2.2 There may be no more than two training sessions per show weekend. A "show weekend" is defined as a 1-day, 2-day or 3-day show. Only one training session is permitted per day.

43.3.2.3 The trainee may train with any Approved Allbreed Judge. At least ten of these judges must be Licensed Ring Instructors.

43.3.2.4 North American trainees shall train in a minimum of six North American Regions. It is strongly suggested that **ALL** trainees train Internationally at least once.

43.3.3 Solo Training.

43.3.3.1 Solo judging consists of handling no fewer than 20 entries (or of handling the entire class if fewer than 20 cats are present,) as directed by the instructor, marking the judge's book correctly, hanging ribbons and presenting final awards. Trainees must furnish their own rosettes for their solo finals.

43.3.3.2 A solo training session may not be done on the same day as a ring training session. Solo judging may take place before the show begins, during the show or after the completion of the show, under the direction of the instructor.

43.3.3.3 At least two of the four solo training sessions must be done outside the region of residence or beyond 500 miles from the trainee's residence.

43.3.3.4 At least three of the solo judging sessions must be with Licensed Ring Instructors.

44.2 When the training portion of the program has been completed, the trainee shall send the completed Application for Advancement to Probationary Specialty Judge to the Trainee Coordinator, the Allbreed Sponsor and the Judging Administrator to be received by May 15<sup>th</sup> for application at the Annual or by November 15<sup>th</sup> for application at the Semi-Annual.

*44.2.1 Trainees in developing areas completing the requirements outlined in 43.3.1.3 may apply for a Local Probationary Specialty License in (Country, Region). This license will allow the individual to judge ONLY in the specific area noted on the license.*

*44.2.1.1 Upon completing an additional 20 ring training sessions OR 20 judging assignments OR a combination of ring training and judging, the individual may apply to the Judging Administrator for an unrestricted Probationary Specialty License. In order to advance to Approved Specialty, the Probationary Specialty judge must judge an additional 20 shows. See 44.6.*

Motion denied with Basquine, Caruthers and Wood in favor.

**XXXXXXPROPOSAL REJECTED XXXXXX**

52. Motion was made by Fisher and seconded by Christian to refer the previous proposal to the Rules Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

**~~~~~Referred to the Rules Committee~~~~~**

53. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Gonyea to amend the Standing Rules 106.4.5 to read:

106.4.5 Feline Welfare Committee. *The role of the Feline Welfare Committee is to assist in resolving complaints made to TICA about the welfare of cats, to aid and assist breeders who may need or request help, to promote the Responsible Breeder Program, to create and assist in the implementation of a breeder mentoring program or other programs to assist TICA members with feline welfare issues, and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors on programs to promote feline welfare and responsible breeding.*

Motion carried unanimously.

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

54. Unanimous consent to accept the amendment to Standing Rule 209.1.1.4 to read:

209.1.1.4 Marked Catalogs. The show committee is required to forward (via first class mail or better) one completely marked catalog to the Executive Office of TICA, the regional reporters and the appropriate regional director within 48 hours after the close of the show. *As an alternative to mailing, clubs are encouraged to submit a copy of the marked catalog via email in an electronic format known to be readable by the Executive Office, within 72 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.

Without objection.

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

55. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Caruthers to accept the changes to Standing Rules 601.1, 601.2.2, 601.2.25, 901.4.3 to read:

601.1 Unregistered Cats. Unregistered cats may be shown only once in TICA without a registration number. All points and/or wins for ~~titles and/or~~ Annual Awards acquired by an unregistered cat in the second and/or subsequent shows shall be irrevocably lost. The exhibitor is obligated to furnish the registration number to the entry clerk or master clerk **and** the Executive Office. In order to obtain credit for any points and/or wins received at the first show where the cat, kitten, alter, household pet adult or *household pet kitten*, was shown as unregistered, the owner must notify the Executive Office in writing requesting the first show to be credited and stating the name, date and location of the show, and the name of *cat*, breed (if applicable), registration number, and entry number.

601.2.2 No scoring is done in the Executive Office unless the correct registration number is in the scored catalog (~~excluding Household Pet Kittens~~) or the owner notifies the Executive Office as above. (See 601.1)

601.2.25 No scoring is done in the Executive Office unless the registration number is in the scored catalog (~~excluding Household Pet Kittens~~)

901.4.3 Calculation of Regional and International Awards. The Executive Office will accumulate the scores of each registered cat, kitten, alter and household pet as well as household pet kittens as shown in the marked catalogs from all TICA sanctioned cat shows held during the period May 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> (show year). *NO cat, kitten, alter, household pet or household pet kitten shall receive a regional or international award unless it has a TICA registration number.*

**RATIONALE:** Now that the scoring program is being completed, it is difficult to track unregistered household pet kittens between catalogs. The kittens are listed with different names, different birthdates, different owners, and the current rule permits owners to perpetuate these discrepancies in the catalogs which makes accurate scoring impossible. This rule change will prevent the changing of birthdates to place HHP kittens in better positions for judging and would give the EO a way of researching awards for HHP kittens. Last year (2005-2006 show year), there were 102 unregistered HHP kittens out of 191 in the regional awards and 5 unregistered HHP kittens in the international awards. That means that 102 HHP kittens received notifications, certificates, plaques and rosettes and they were never even registered with our association. In the 2007 show year there are 111 out of 209 in the regional awards and 3 international winners. These statistics show that in each show year of 2006 and 2007, 53% of the household pet kittens remained unregistered. The costs of these various awards/scoring is considerable when you discover that there was no revenue for the association deriving from these cats. The EO currently confirms titles for cats shown more than once as pending, hence the deletion of "titles and/or" from 601.1. This rule only refers to scoring for regional and international wins.

Motion carried with Christian and Oizumi opposed and Gonyea opposed.

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

56. Unanimous consent to accept the amendment to Standing Rules 903.1 to read:

903.1 TICA Annual Show Meeting/Awards Banquet Guidelines. *The Annual Show, and the club or clubs producing that show, shall comply with any sponsorship agreements that TICA may have with corporate sponsors as of the date the Annual Show is to be held, regardless of whether or not such agreements are in place at the time of the award of the Annual Show to the club or clubs producing that show.* Clubs hosting an annual show and banquet are expected to conduct the show and banquet according to these guidelines. In the event a club has good cause to deviate from these guidelines, a request to do so must be submitted, in writing, to the Annual Meeting Liaison to the Board of Directors not less than 30 days prior to the ~~Semi-Annual~~ Winter Meeting immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, and specify the guideline for which deviation is requested, and the reason for the request. The Board may then approve or deny the request.

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

57. Unanimous consent to accept amendments to Standing Rule 905.1 to read:

905.1 TICA Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program Protocols.

905.1.1 The TICA Voluntary Responsible Breeder Program will be known as the TVRB Program. A participant in the program will be known as a VRB (*Voluntary Responsible Breeder*).

905.1.2 Only one person may be named on the Voluntary Code of Ethics.

905.1.3 The TICA Executive Office shall note consecutive years of participation in the TICA Cattery Inspection Program (Outstanding Cattery or Cattery of Merit). If the current date of inspection is no more than 60 days past the prior year's inspection, the notation of years of participation will be printed on the current cattery certificate.

905.1.4 References to "Outstanding Cattery" or "Cattery of Merit" on any material (i.e. web site, advertising, etc.) issued by the cattery must include the date that these designations were last earned.

Without objection.

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

58. Motion was made by Ashley and seconded by Fisher to add Entry Clerking License to the Entry Clerking Program.

Add to the Clerking Manual as follows:

51.2.4.4 Licensed Entry Clerk.

51.2.4.4.1 Eligibility for entrance in the Entry Clerk program is current membership in TICA.

51.2.4.4.2 Each applicant must submit documentation of the following to the Clerking Administrator:

51.2.4.4.2.1 Attendance at an entry clerk seminar.

51.2.4.4.2.2 Served as an entry clerk for a minimum of two shows. The applicant must submit favorable evaluations from each show signed by the show manager stating that the catalog was accurate; that the benching was done accurately, if applicable; that all entries were printed in the catalog and the judges' books; and that all entry fees were properly accounted for.

51.2.4.4.3 Experienced entry clerks are not required to attend an entry clerk seminar, but they must meet all other requirements.

51.2.4.4.3.1 An experienced entry clerk shall be one who has served as entry clerk for a minimum of three shows.

51.2.4.4.4 All applicants must pass an entry clerk examination with a minimum score of 90%.

Motion carried unanimously.

**!!!!!!!Entry Clerking Program!!!!!!!**

59. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Fisher to accept the addition of 71.8 Color and Pattern Variations to the UCD.

71.8 Color & Pattern Variations

71.8.1 Paw pads and nose leather of non-domestic source breed hybrids (i.e. Bengal, Chausie, Savannah) may be the base color of the cat, pink or mottled. These color variations are a direct result of hybridization with the non-domestic source species.

Motion carried unanimously.

**////////UCD////////**

60. Unanimous consent to accept the addition of Color and Pattern Variations: Grizzled to the UCD.

71.8.2 Grizzled. Grizzled is a pattern effect caused by a mutation at the agouti locus or extension locus. It is a dominant trait. The hair shaft is banded with lighter coloration at the skin (akin to mouse coat) alternating dark and lighter bands of ticking and ending with a dark tip. All patterns of grizzled tabbies are possible as are all basic colors. On patterned tabbies (i.e. classic, spotted, etc.) the grizzled effect appears in the ground color. The grizzled effect is the result of the use of the Jungle Cat (*Felis chaus*) in the development of the Chausie breed. The Jungle Cat ancestor (black) exhibiting the grizzled effect has solid black nose leather and pink paw pads.

Motion carried unanimously.

**////////UCD////////**

61. Motion was made by Christian and seconded by Gonyea to amend the UCD 74.1.1.2.1 Marbled Tabby to read:

4.1.1.2.1 Markings, while derived from the classic tabby gene, should be uniquely different with as little "bull's-eye" similarity as possible. Pattern should, instead, be random, giving the impression of marble, preferably with a horizontal flow when the cat is stretched. Vertical striped mackerel influence is undesirable. Preference should be given to cats with three or more shades; i.e., ground color, markings, and dark outlining of those markings. Contrast must be extreme, with distinct shapes and sharp edges. Belly must be ~~spotted~~ *patterned*.

Motion carried unanimously.

**////////UCD////////**

62. Unanimous consent to amend the UCD 74.2.2 Golden to read:

74.2.2 One tabby variation seen is the golden. Golden are shaded tabbies showing a preponderance of the ground color rather than the marking color. Golden come in all of the basic colors in the shaded or chinchilla pattern, including shaded or chinchilla golden torbies. A high degree of rufousing giving apricot or golden tones to the undercoat is considered desirable. Golden are genetically agouti (A/-), with any underlying tabby pattern, with a high degree of

rufousing polygenes and wide-band (Wb/-) polygenes. Golden compete in a separate color class within the ~~traditional~~ tabby division. **RATIONALE:** Golden colors are listed for all four categories in 74.2.3, not just the Traditional category. Without objection.

////////UCD////////

63. Unanimous consent to accept the following amendments and additions to the Glossary:

**AMEND:**

~~GRIZZLED TABBY: Modification of ticked tabby that 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 a black tip. Faint tabby markings may be present on the torso. Grizzled is a pattern effect caused by a mutation at the agouti locus or extension locus. It is a dominant trait. The hair shaft is banded with lighter coloration at the skin (akin to mouse coat) alternating dark and lighter bands of ticking and ending with a dark tip. All patterns of grizzled tabbies are possible as are all basic colors. On patterned tabbies (i.e. classic, spotted, etc.) the grizzled effect appears in the ground color.~~

~~TIPPING: Having colored ends of the hairs, with a different color on the lower portion of the hair shaft. In silvers the degree of tipping can determine whether a cat is classified as a chinchilla or a shaded. or smoke: The defining characteristic of a smoke is NOT the degree of tipping, but the fact that the cat is a non-agouti, or solid, cat regardless of how the silver manifests itself.~~

~~TRIPLE COAT: The awn, down and guard hairs are all the same length. A triple coat is a normal coat. It consists of guard hairs, awn hairs and down. Guard hairs are the longest with the awn hairs being almost as long. Down is the shortest coat and is usually seen in the undercoat. (See Awn Hairs, Down Hairs, Guard Hairs, Undercoat.)~~

**ADD:**

PARTICOLOR: A particolor patterned cat can be a solid and white, tortie and white, tabby and white or silver/smoke and white. The pattern of white may vary from unspecified to one of the four recognized patterns of white: gloved, mitted, bi-color or van.

Without objection.

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64. Unanimous consent to go into Executive Session for purposes of discussing corporate sponsor relationships. Without objection.

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

66. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Crockett to appoint Jamie Christian as Board Liaison to Royal Canin. Motion carried unanimously.

67. Motion was made by Dickie and seconded by Crockett to advertise in "Our Cats" magazine as a UK publication, devoted to the cat fancy for up to \$1000. Motion carried unanimously.

68. Motion was made by Dickie and seconded by Fisher to award the hosting of the 2010 Annual to the Jazzy Cats Club to be held in Santa Clara, CA. Motion carried unanimously.

69. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Fisher to allow appointed officials to receive the same per diem as the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

70. Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Christian that the Board and appointed officials be reimbursed \$49 per day and \$73 on Saturday to include the banquet fee. Motion carried unanimously.

71. Motion was made by Dickie and seconded by Crockett to reimburse North American Directors for up to 6 days and International Directors for up to 7 days of per diem. Motion carried unanimously.

72. Motion was made by Dickie and seconded by Ashley to pay North American Directors for up to five hotel nights and International Directors for up to 6 hotel nights.

73. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Fisher to accept the Chausie Standard as amended. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum.)

74. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Fisher to accept the Highlander Breed Group Standard. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum.)



75. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Fisher to accept the Minskin Standard. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum.)

76. Motion was made by Caruthers and seconded by Crockett to refer the TICA Entry Clerking Program plus the new Addendum to the Rules Committee. Motion carried unanimously.  
~~~~~**Referred to the Rules Committee**~~~~~

77. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Christian to accept the Peterbald Standard. Motion carried unanimously. (See Addendum.)

78. Unanimous consent to defer the Who's Who proposal to the Winter Meeting. Without objection.  
=====**Referred to the Winter Meeting**=====

Fisher was not present for items 79, 80, 81, and 82.

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

80. Motion was made by Parris and seconded by Crockett to take no action on the complaint on/about Deborah Millette. Motion carried.

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

82. Unanimous consent to go into a Committee of the Whole. Without objection.

83. Unanimous consent to accept the Savannah Report. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

84. Unanimous consent to accept the Chausie Report. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

85. Unanimous consent to accept the Serengeti Report. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

86. Unanimous consent to accept the Thai Report. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

87. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Fisher to advance the Highlander to PNB Status. Motion carried unanimously.

88. Unanimous consent to initially place the Highlander in Category IV with a domestic outcross with the stipulation that they must be both SBT ONLY and Category I when they go to championship. Motion carried unanimously with Wood absent.

89. Unanimous consent to appoint Cindy Hilliard as Working Group Chair for the Highlander. Without objection.

90. Motion was made by Gonyea and seconded by Fisher to advance the Minskin to PNB Status. Motion carried with Ashley, Basquine, Christian, Crockett opposed and Oizumi and Wood abstaining.

91. Unanimous consent to appoint Paul McSorley as Working Group Chair for the Minskings. Without objection.

92. Unanimous consent to place the Minskin in Category IV. Without objection.

93. Motion was made by Wood and seconded by Ashley to advance the Sokoke to PNB. Motion carried unanimously.

94. Unanimous consent to place the Sokoke into Category II. Without objection.

95. Unanimous consent to appoint Lynn Schafer Russell as Working Group Chair for the Sokoke. Without objection.

96. Motion was made by Ashley and seconded by Gonyea to pay Christian's reasonable expenses to New York to meet with AKC. Motion carried unanimously.

Lisa Dickie was appointed as Liaison to the Legislative Committee.

97. Unanimous consent to accept the Legislative Committee Report. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

98. Unanimous consent to accept the Rescue Committee Report. Without objection. (See Addendum.)

99. Unanimous consent to adjourn. Without objection.

**A D D E N D U M**

**HEAD** ..... 40 points

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| Shape   | 7 |
| Ears    | 7 |
| Eyes    | 5 |
| Chin    | 4 |
| Muzzle  | 4 |
| Nose    | 5 |
| Profile | 6 |
| Neck    | 2 |

**BODY** ..... 40 points

|             |    |
|-------------|----|
| Torso       | 10 |
| Legs        | 8  |
| Feet        | 4  |
| Tail        | 4  |
| Boning      | 7  |
| Musculature | 7  |

**COAT/COLOR/PATTERN** ..... 20 points

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| Texture | 5 |
| Pattern | 8 |
| Color   | 7 |

**CATEGORY:** Traditional.

**DIVISION:** Solid ,Tabby

**COLORS:** Black, Brown Ticked Tabby, *Black Grizzled Ticked Tabby.*

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

**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 *coarser* resilient texture to outer coat.

**COLORS:**

Brown ticked tabby *A Mouse-gray color next to skin with sandy-gray to reddish-gold base coat. There will be two or three bands of dark ticking following the mouse coat with tabby markings on the face, legs & tail. Bold barring on the upper inside of the front leg is preferred with lighter to no barring on the outside of the front leg. There may be faint barring on the back leg. Neck may or may not have necklaces. Faint tabby markings on the body may be present but not preferred. . A white or off-white color should outline the eyes and muzzle. A Lighter underside is preferred the stomach may appear flecked, speckled or spotted. The backs of ears will have "thumbprint" markings of a lighter color.*

Black: Solid black.

Grizzled : *A pattern effect caused by a mutation at the agouti locus or extension locus. It is a dominant trait. The hair shaft is banded with lighter coloration at the skin (akin to mouse coat) alternating dark and lighter bands of ticking and ending with a dark tip. The grizzled effect is the result of the use of the Jungle Cat (Felis chaus) in the development of the Chausie breed. The Jungle Cat ancestor (black) exhibiting the grizzled effect has solid black nose leather and pink paw pads.*

**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 over-all 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.*

## HIGHLANDER BREED GROUP (HG/HL)

The Highlander (HG) is a medium to large shorthair domestic cat. Distinguishing features are its sloping forehead, wide nose blunt profile, and the loose relaxed curl to its wide based ears. The Highlander Longhair (HL) is the long hair version.

**HEAD** ..... 40 points

- Shape ..... 6
- Ears ..... 10
- Eyes ..... 5
- Chin ..... 6
- Muzzle ..... 6
- Nose ..... 4
- Profile ..... 3

**BODY** ..... 40 points

- Torso ..... 10
- Tail ..... 10
- Boning ..... 8
- Musculature ..... 7
- Legs/Feet ..... 5

**COAT/COLOR/PATTERN** ..... 20 points

- Length ..... 4
- Texture ..... 4
- Pattern ..... 6
- Color ..... 6

**CATEGORY:** All.

**DIVISION:** Solid, Tortie, Tabby, Silver/Smoke

**COLORS:** All.

**PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:** Domestic longhair/shorthair, not a member of a recognized breed..

**HEAD:**

Shape: Wide inverted pear-shaped head with substantial width to muzzle.

Eyes: Medium to large set far apart. Set on a slight bias. Slightly flattened oval in shape. Eye color independent of coat color except in Pointed Category

Ears: Medium to large, wide at the base, set as much on the top of the head as on the side, as erect as possible. Ears must be firm at the base, flexible at the tips. Loose relaxed curl with little backward direction, allowing the tips of the ears to be clearly visible in a frontal view. Ear furnishings and ear tufts are desired but not required. Kittens may have a greater degree of curl but not more than 90°.

Muzzle: Full, wide, strong with a definite break. Prominent whisker pads should make muzzle appear squared. Muzzle length makes head appear longer than wide.

Chin: Strong and deep. Must align with top of jaw.

Profile: Rounded back skull, sloping forehead, change of direction at the nose bridge, slight curve to nose. Nose, muzzle and chin form a blunt look in profile

Nose: Wide with substantial nose leather

**BODY:**

Torso: Medium to large in size with noticeable depth. Rectangular in shape. Straight back with hips higher than shoulders. Overall muscled, athletic appearance. Males are proportionally larger than females.

Legs: Medium in length, back legs longer than front..

Feet: Medium to large, rounded with large knuckles.

Longhair (HL) must have toe tufts.

Tail: Short and thick. Bone length must be a minimum of 2 inches in adults with proportional length in kittens. Must not

extend past the hock. Slight kinks and curls are allowed.

Boning: Moderately heavy and substantial.

Musculature: Well-muscled.

**COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:**

Length:

(HG) Short, dense and resilient.

(HL) Long hair up to 2-1/2 inches with shaggy belly hair, longer than the rest of the coat.

Texture:

There will be texture variations depending upon the color of the cat.

(HG) Resilient, snapping back into place

(HL) Soft

Pattern:

Spotted : Random pattern preferred. Spots should be well-defined. May be oval, round, squared or triangular in shape.

Classic: Will have spots and swirls distinguishing it from the normal classic pattern.

Pointed: Expression of the underlying tabby pattern is desirable.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** The Highlander is a muscular, athletic domestic cat. Selective breeding has contributed to protecting the unique features and enhance the bloodlines. Highlander cats come in both short hair and long hair. Physical characteristics include a sloping forehead and wide nose, with the nose and muzzle forming a blunt look in profile. The curled ear is seen in profile as a loose, relaxed curl with minimal backward direction. The ears are wide-based, open and stand tall.

**LOCKETS:** Withhold All Awards

**ALLOWANCES:** .Tarnishing in Silvers

**PENALIZE:** Ears that are not open or wide based, ears too small or low set. Tips of ears not visible from frontal view in adults. Kittens with more than 90° curl.

**DISQUALIFY:** Ears not erect. Tail too short, too long or docked.



*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.*

# MINSKIN (MS) BREED STANDARD (updated and current; pending Board approval)

## HEAD.....40 points

Shape.....8

Ears.....5

Eyes/Color.....10

Muzzle/Chin.....10

Nose.....2

Profile.....3

N e c k ... .. 2

## BODY.....35 points

Torso.....8 Legs.....5

Feet.....2 Tail.....4

Boning.....8 Musculature.....8

## COAT.....25 points

Length.....10 Texture.....10

Color/Pattern.....5

**CATEGORY:** All.

**DIVISION:** All.

**COLORS:** All.

### HEAD:

Shape: Rounded, wider than long, with no flat planes.

Ears: Large, open and alert, with slightly rounded tips. Broad at the base with bell cups or jugs. Placement is as much on the side of the head as the top.

Eyes: Large and round. Set wide, more than an eye's width apart. Expression is open and alert. Muzzle: Short and broad. Prominent whisker pads.

Chin: Firm and strong, aligning with the tip of the nose.

Nose: Slight curvature at the end, neither straight nor humped. Profile: Visible stop.

Neck: Well developed and flexible. Not bulky.

### BODY:

Torso: Semi-cobby, may appear longer due to short legs. The back is straight but allowance may be made for a slight rise from shoulders to tail as the back legs are, or may appear to be, slightly longer than the front legs. The chest is broad, strong and well muscled.

Legs: Short. The front upper and lower forelegs should be equal in length. The back thigh and lower legs approximately equal in length and may be slightly longer than front legs.

Feet: Rounded, compact and strong. All four feet point directly straight forward and not inward or outward. Boning: Sturdy, not fine boned, may appear and feel heavier with muscling.

Tail: Slightly longer than the body, tapering gently from the base to a slightly blunted tip. Musculature: Hard, lean and muscular.

### COAT:

Length: Short. Fur-points; The fur extending from the legs may rise up onto the shoulders, the hips and the buttocks. The temples (forehead in front of ears) are noticeably sparse with bareness extending from the top of the eyes to the frontal base of the ear. Furnishings, if any, are sparse. Ear muffs may or may not be present. Whiskers may be present, sparse, broken or absent.

The neck, chest and abdomen may appear hairless but are covered in a very thin, fine down. Both adults and kittens may have some wrinkling to the skin but this is more apparent in kittens. Texture: Rippled and soft like a fine cashmere garment.

**PERMISSABLE OUTCROSSES:** Domestic shorthairs, not a member of a recognized breed.

**GENERAL:** The Minskin is a noticeably small and stocky cat with a sweet and alert expression. They have a rounded head, large round eyes and a semi-cobby body. Minskins are easy to identify by their short, soft fur-points and their short-stature. The Minskin coat has an overall look and feel of a soft cashmere garment and they are quite warm to the touch.

The short-stature of the Minskin accentuates their otter-like appeal; this is the result of a natural spontaneous autosomal dominant mutation. Their size and stature does not hamper mobility or quality of life. They are swift and agile, sweet tempered and respond well to being handled.

**LOCKETS:** Penalize

**ALLOWANCES:** Mild bowing in the front legs is allowed. Consideration should be given to seasonal and hormonal variations in the coat.

**PENALIZE:** Narrow chest; cow hocked; foreign type; undershot chin; small or close-set eyes.

**WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW):** Lack of fur-points.

**DISQUALIFY (DQ):** Sway back.

**DEFINITIONS:**

Fur-points: Short, closely packed soft fur, covering the entire mask, ears, legs, tail and scrotum.

Fur-points are defined by the density of the fur on the outer extremities in comparison to the rest of the body which is visibly more sparsely coated.

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), 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.

Minskin (MS) Breed Standard May 1, 2008

Rules Approved - No Comments from Genetics **PETERBALD (PD)**

|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| <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:** Traditional & Pointed

**DIVISIONS:** All.

**COLORS:** All.

**PERMISSIBLE OUTCROSSES:** Oriental Shorthair, Siamese, Donskoy

**HEAD:**

Shape: Long, inverted triangle, measuring from ear tip to ear tip to blunted muzzle, forming a wedge. Flat forehead and flat high cheekbones.

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: Straight nose and flat forehead forming two distinct flat planes meeting midway over the eyes in a convex angle. Two-planed.

Muzzle: Strong, slightly blunt and not narrow. Smooth wedge with no whisker pinch, although whisker pads will be evident. Whiskers, if present, should be crinkly and kinky and may be or appear to be broken.

Chin: Strong, straight line from tip of nose to 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 non-prominent foot pads.

Tail: Long, strong and whippy.

Musculature: Firm and well-developed.

Boning: Medium-fine.

**COAT:**

*The Peterbald coat is the single most important feature of the breed. A Peterbald may have a single coat type or it may have a combination of coat types. Generally, if there is more than one coat type, the body has one type and the extremities or points have another. A Peterbald may be born with one coat type which changes to a different type over time. Peterbalds may be born with or without coat. Those born bald may be 100% hairless or may have barely discernible fine residual hair at the base of the ears, on the muzzle, feet, lower legs and tail that feels like velvet. Except in those Peterbalds that are born completely hairless with no whiskers or eyebrows, the Peterbald coat changes or evolves with age. For those born with coat, that become hairless, loss of coat begins at the top of the head or nape of the neck and continues down the body to the tail. Short fine down may be retained on the extremities.*

There are two basic Peterbald coat textures: hairless and brush type. The hairless Peterbald has soft, warm, elastic skin that may range from "sticky" to having a texture akin to suede or peach skin or feeling like silk. The hairlessness can range from being 100% hairless to having almost imperceptible fine hairs, to having short fine, down which appears truly hairless when viewed from a distance. When inspected closely there are clearly visible hairs. Coat that is retained on the extremities is short, close-lying and downy.

Brush coat ranges from a sparse wiry coat of irregular texture in which the skin is seen through the coat, to a dense, wiry, short, wavy or kinky ~~true~~ brush coat. Brush coat ranges from 5mm or longer in length and should in no way feel or look like a normal coat when closely inspected. A cat with ~~true~~ heavy dense brush coat will not lose its coat.

~~In kittens, when conformation is equal, preference should be given to the "hairless" coat texture. Brush coat is a withhold wins in adult cats.~~

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** The overall impression of an ideal Peterbald is an elegant and intelligent cat. The Peterbald has a sturdy, long, lean body that contributes to its graceful movement. The first Peterbalds were born in Russia in January, 1994, the result of breeding an Oriental Shorthair (Radma vom Jagerhof) to a light-boned Oriental-looking Donskoy (Afinoguen Myth). The original litter demonstrated that the Peterbald/Donskoy gene is a dominant gene, unlike the (Canadian) Sphynx gene. Typical of the breed are various unusual coat textures ranging from hairless to full brush coat to normal coat. ~~While "hairless" cats are desired and preferable, the "brush" coat is essential to the Peterbald breeding program.~~

**LOCKETS:** Allowed

~~**ALLOWANCES:** Brush coat in kittens. Light, fine, down on the extremities.~~

**PENALIZE:**

Head: Curved profile; weak chin; muzzle break.

Body: Heavy, rounded body; bowed forelegs.

Coat: Heavy brush coat

~~**WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS (WW):** Long haired cats; normal coat. Brush coat in adult cats.~~

**DISQUALIFY (DQ):** Protruding sternum; visible tail fault; crossed eyes. Any sign of any means of artificial hair removal.





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# 2007 Annual Savannah Breed Report

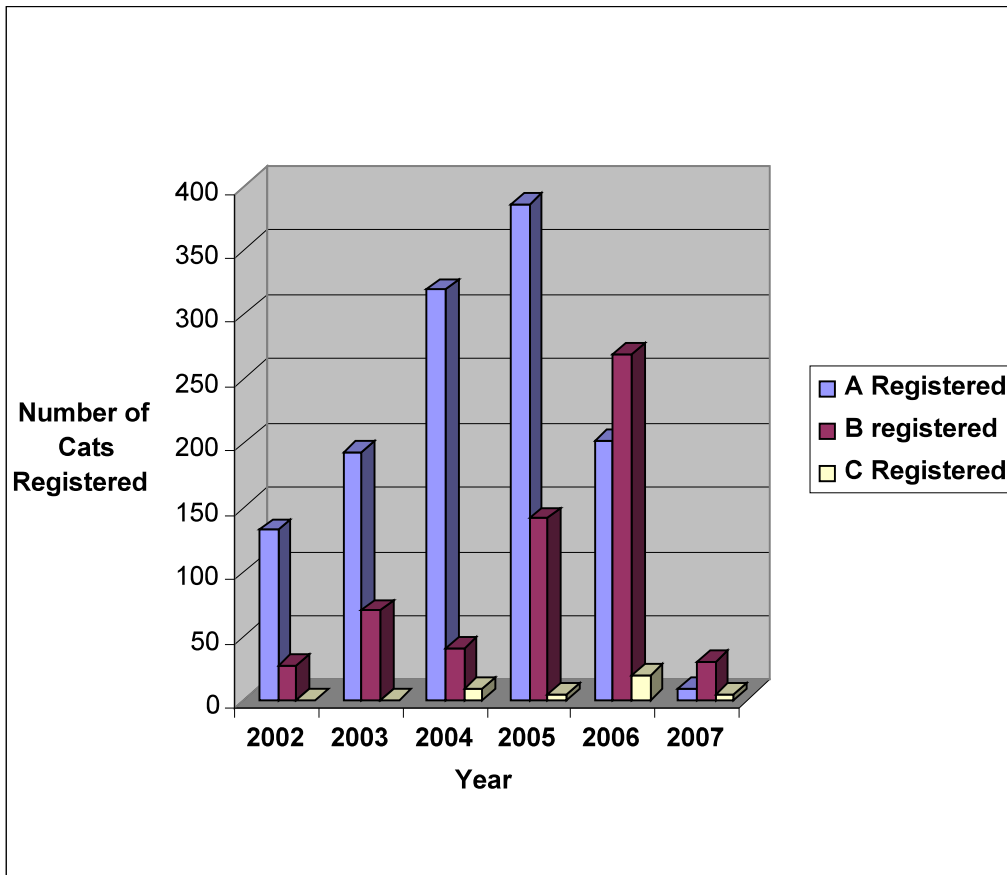
Carol Streit – Provisional Working Group Savannah Breed Chair

We are pleased to present this Annual Savannah Breed Report of a healthy, viable and thriving new breed for TICA. This past year has been a wonderful year of growth and development of our breed.

## Registration Numbers of Savannahs Updated

Registration numbers of Savannahs (SVs) continue at a steady pace. What was exciting for us to see from the 2006 registration figures was that this was the first year the majority of SVs registered were of “B” registration (Savannah to Savannah breeding), this was a figure of 55%! The trend of SV to SV breeding has continued early in 2007 with over 70% of new registrations being B registered SVs and nearly 10% C registered SVs. The Board will remember that a major obstacle for our hybrid breed is dealing with the late generational fertility in our SV males, we have had to wait on average until F5 generation (five generations away from the Serval) to get somewhat reliable fertility in our males. The exciting majority of B registrations tells us that we are overcoming that obstacle and moving down the generations now to SBT level. Indeed the numbers of “C” registered SVs (two generations of SV to SV breeding) has also increased significantly and this year we have already had our first SBT SV litter with many more expected before the Annual meeting this year!

**Figure 1: Savannahs Registered by Year 2002 through May 2007**

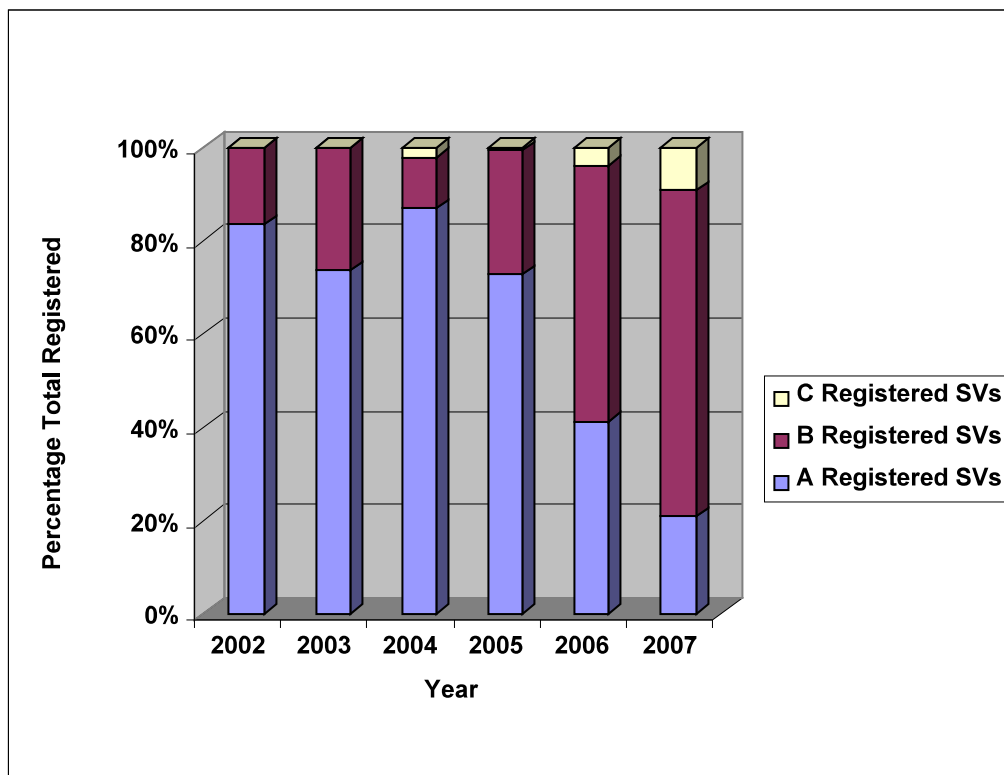


\*A1S registrations were removed from counts, as F1 Savannahs by definition must always be A registered. This did not significantly skew any trends, but it seemed fairer to remove those cats from counts.

Already over a quarter of total registrations of Savannahs are B and C registered, we feel this is a definite indication that we are becoming a breed. Although from the above figure there may seem a

slight decrease in registrations from 2005 to 2006 we do not feel that this small discrepancy is significant. We feel it is more likely due to the change in the SV pet market where numbers have reached the point that just being a SV no longer means a huge price will be paid for a kitten. A number of breeders that may have purchased breeding queens with the idea of making a profit may not be finding it so easy and have closed their programs. We feel that this is a necessary “teething” step in the development of our Breed. Please note that the column depicting A registered SVs takes a significant decrease from 2005 to 2006 but there is a concurrent increase in B registered SVs therefore the difference in total SVs registered between 2005 and 2006 is in reality only a matter of 40 cats.

**Figure 2: Savannahs Registered from 2002 to 2007 –**



**Percentages**

It is much easier to see the progression of the Savannah breed by looking at an alternative way to present the Registration data. By looking at the percentages of A, B and C registered SVs by year it is easy to see that in the last couple years there is a definite trend towards SV to SV breeding. This is mainly due to the commitment of our breeders to develop our breed. We are keenly aware that SV to SV breeding is increasing the type in the kittens we are producing, and this has encouraged many more breeders to acquire SV stud males to replace the domestic outcross males they had previously been using. By using the percentages then it is clear to see that this trend is continuing in 2007, and the number of C registered SVs is clearly increasing also. Many breeders have had their first C litters this year, and we expect many more to be registered by the time of this meeting. To date, we have 35 registered C SVs but we may even have the required 50 by the time of the Annual meeting. Therefore, we may be considering a request to be moved back to Advanced New Breed status next year.

Our Breed Section is currently slowly and deliberately moving through the Savannah Breed Standard, to carefully tweak and reword certain sections based on input by judges participating in SV Breed Seminars in the past. This is not a swift process, not only does each point need to be discussed in detail, we have a large and varied membership in our breed section and our Breed Chair, Carol Streit, has been very clear that she wishes us all to participate in this process. We believe it is very educational for new and experienced breeders alike to revisit each point in our Standard and discuss it anew. It is likely to

take us some time however, to have this process completed and a new Standard ready to present for Board approval.

### **Savannah Male Fertility Project**

*In the past year about 6 male Savannahs have had semen analysis and the results of that have been accurate when compared with what was known from test matings or was found on analysis of the testes after neutering.*

*Results are back on testicular samples submitted from 5 male savannahs known to be infertile and 1 additional male savannah neutered for other reasons. In 4 of the 5 infertile savannahs (2.9 to 12.5% serval) no germ cells were found in the testes. Germ cells are the earliest progenitor cells of sperm and are present in a normal cat before puberty. This preliminary information suggests that very early developmental defects are common in the reproductive system of many of the infertile males.*

*One F2 (25% serval) male which was shown infertile through semen analysis and neutered at one year of age did have germ cells, spermatozoa and sperm were not seen though. One B registered F4 (9.4% serval), this is the cat neutered for other reasons and not tested for fertility, was shown to have spermatozoa and may actually have been fertile.*

*In addition 3 of the 6 infertile males had inflammatory/immune cells present in the testes and the significance of this is unknown.*

*The project is ongoing with several more samples submitted.  
Kristin Filseth, DVM.*

### **Publicity of Savannahs this Year**

Savannahs continued to be covered in the media, online and in print. We were exceedingly pleased to have a very positive article in print this year, the Savannah cat was the Feature Breed for the June issue of Cat Fancy Magazine. The article emphasized the playful interactive nature of our breed, and included some lovely pictures of a range of our SVs as well as comments by the SV Breed Chair Carol Streit, and breeders Kristine Alessio and Brigitte Cowell. Pictures of SVs have also been submitted by Helmi Flick for a feature article of SVs in a Russian cat magazine that will be published this year. A SV breeder in Sweden, Eva Rubin of Wildside cattery, was featured in an issue of "Kattliv" also. And just recently the National Geographic Kids issue for June has an article on Hybrid companion animals, featuring a lovely picture of a SV owned by breeder Cynthia King and comments by her on the SV's personality.

SV displays at shows, Savannah-Ramas, continue to be held. This year there is a Savannah-Rama planned in July in Wisconsin but the BIG event for us will be at this year's TICA Annual show where we shall have most likely our largest Savannah-Rama yet. We were very excited and pleased to be asked to hold this display of SVs at this show. We look forward to showing off a lovely range of generations of SVs, as well as presenting educational posters about our Breed and a Breed Seminar.

### **Savannahs in Shows**

Besides our highly popular Savannah-Ramas, Savannahs continue to be getting out to many other shows. We are pleased to report that not only are there a number of different SVs being shown but also by a number of different individuals, and representing a number of different catteries. We do not wish to be a breed represented by only one breeder!

In the past show year, 63 cats were shown at 48 shows in 6 different show regions (including Europe North). These cats were shown by 32 separate owners, and were bred by 26 different catteries. We are so pleased to demonstrate that more than only a couple of exhibitors are showing our Savannahs, and that many catteries are producing our show cats.

### **Savannah Rescue**

*Savannah Rescue (The International Savannah Cat Club Rescue) has become a full fledged part of the feline rescue community. Currently, we are listed on the Purebred Cat Rescue, Inc. ("PCBR") website as the official rescue for SVs. This has resulted in our Rescue being notified immediately when there have been SVs in need of rehoming or those that have been surrendered to animal shelters, and allows us to coordinate easily with most cat shelters and rescues. We have rehomed a total of nine SVs in the past year.*

*Savannah Rescue has also joined forces on a National level with Bengal Rescue and Chausie Rescue in the form of a Yahoo group which allows for correct breed identification and a sharing of rescue resources. We are encouraged that this interaction will aid our ability to identify SVs that need rescue and help us build further networks necessary for effective and efficient breed rescue.*

*Both breeders and pet owners are involved with Savannah Rescue and we are also very involved in rescue efforts for all purebred cats. Members of the SV community have readily assisted other rescues with transport and fostering of other breeds, such as Persians, Siamese, Havana Browns, Exotic Shorthairs, Ragdolls, Bengals, Chausies and Ocicats throughout the United States in the past year. We remain firmly committed to all rescue work and to maintaining an organized group to handle SVs in rescue and to assist with other rescue groups in their specific breed rescues. We are very proud of our breed group members who have stepped up to the plate to assist with rescue efforts.*

*Additionally, we have put some effort into thinking of additional ways to fund Rescue work without draining our volunteer's wallets continually. All that do Rescue work have found that they tend to expend far too much money that never gets reimbursed. While we do not expect this to stop, we have put some effort into identifying other ways to raise money for SV Rescue. Volunteer work helping to put together this year's highly successful 2007 Savannah Cat Calendar led to a substantial donation by [www.savannahcat.com](http://www.savannahcat.com) proprietor Patrick Kelley to Savannah Rescue. Additional work lead to the design for some SV Cat tshirts and various logo-ed products on online stores (Café Press), which also generate funding for Savannah Rescue, kindly promoted also by savannahcat.com . Currently, the Savannah Rescue Group is working on a new plan whereby breeders may find homes for their retired breeders AND generate a donation to Savannah Rescue. We realize that as our Breed grows in popularity and numbers, so does the risk of SVs ending up in Rescue. We still have a much larger waiting list for Rescue SVs than the number of cats we have gotten into Rescue, but we realize that this will not continue. We are serious about planning to protect our Breed.*

*Kristine Alessio and Brigitte Cowell  
Savannah Rescue Coordinators*

### **Conclusion**

Finally, we feel that our Breed is progressing steadily in registration codes and in total numbers, and that this is matched by an increase in the physical type of the cats we are producing. We have garnered consistent praise from judges about the improvement in type of the cats that we are bringing to the ring compared to previous years. We are pleased that most judges love our Breed and take the time to encourage our efforts and to understand the process we have had to undertake to produce our strikingly beautiful Savannah Cat Breed. We are thankful for the support and encouragement we receive from the TICA Board and the TICA community in general.

TO: Bobbie Tullo

FROM: Karen Sausman, Chair Serengeti Breed Committee

SUBJECT: Serengeti Breed Committee Report

DATE: June 13, 2007

The Serengeti Breed Committee undertook the revision of the judging standard in response to comments made by judges regarding body type and differentiating the Serengetis from Orientals and Saannahs. The Revisions were approved in March. The group's list serve, Serengeti Founders, has grown to 33 members. All are members of TICA and have been requested to join the Serengeti Breed Group. The group site has pictures of Serengetis and the current standard, as well as a data base of registered Serengetis and those being shown. Serengetis continue to grow in popularity, especially in Europe. There are several breeders starting programs in the UK, Germany and the Netherlands. While Serengetis now have breeders in many TICA regions, it will still be some time before we reach 25 active breeders and can consider petitioning to advance in status. Since my personal work schedule still requires many weekends, I am still not able to go to many shows to promote the breed. Other breeders are starting to be more active showing their cats. I do hope to have more time starting next season to attend more shows. I want to thank our Breed Advisor, Bobbie Tullo, for her unfailing support over the years, as well as the TICA Board and Executive Director, Leslie Bowers, for her help.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Sausman

2007 Annual Meeting,  
Albuquerque, New Mexico, U.S.A.  
**Thai Breed Progress Report**

By Cristy Bird

1. **Breed given Preliminary New Breed status** and Cristy Bird appointed Working Chair, Thai Breed Committee? February 18, 2007, TICA Board of Directors, Spring Meeting, Harlingen, Texas.
2. **Registration problems worked out.** From February through late May, 2007, registration problems were encountered as Thai fanciers in Europe and the U.S. applied to transfer old-style cats registered as Siamese to the Thai breed—also in some cases where European Thai were transferred to the Thai breed in TICA. The problems were worked out, in part because of creation of the SBP prefix. The new prefix made it possible to mark the one-way transfer of Siamese to Thai without unintended additional consequences. By June, 2007, registrations were proceeding quickly and smoothly.
3. **Marked increase in number of registrations for 2007** compared to earlier years. As of July 26, the number of Thai registrations for 2007 exceeds the number in every previous year from 2002 on except the year 2005. With five months still left in 2007, it is likely that the number of registrations for all of 2007 will easily exceed the number in 2005.
4. **Increase in litter registrations for 2007.** The number of Thai litter registrations for 2007 is already at the level for previous years and will soon exceed the number for every year since Thai registrations in TICA began (2001).
5. **Increase in number of Thai breed section members.** From the beginning of 2006 until July 26, 2007, the number of Thai breed section members has more than tripled (24 members versus approximately 7), and actually there would have been even more breed section members if it weren't for the usual temporary loss of members right after May 1 caused by delays in membership renewal. NOTE: One member of the Thai breed section has asked if TICA could possibly develop an automated email system for sending reminders about membership renewals to online members. These reminders would need to include information about all the possible items that might need renewing, such as the fee for renewing a secondary breed section membership, the fee for renewing each cattery listing on the TICA website, and so forth. It tends to be difficult for members to keep all the fees straight and know what the price is for each item the first year as opposed to successive years.
6. **From May 1, 2007, to July 26, 2007, at least 6 different Thai cats have been shown in PNB classes in at least 4 regions—SW, SC, SE, and EN.** Show reports were not yet available for that entire period at the time this report was prepared, so that is probably an underestimate. By the time of the 2007 Annual Meeting, I expect there will have been at least 8 cats shown in 5 regions—SW, SC, SE, EN, and GL. Not only will the cats have been shown in all those regions, but their owners live in all of those regions.

# **TICA Legislative Committee Report**

## **June 30. 2007**

First, I would like to note that several committee members have spent long hours in the fight against California's AB 1634. This bill, like the Washington, DC proposed legislation, needs to be defeated or fanciers will see a proliferation of this type of legislation across the country.

The legislative Committee welcomes Shere Crossman as watcher for New York State.

Web Site: Completed and available at [www.tica.org](http://www.tica.org)

Article: Domestic Hybrid Cats Position Statement– Kelly Crouch

### **State:**

#### **California State AB 1634**

Date of initial notice: 2/23/2007

Main Liaison Contact: Jay Bangle

Legislation: MSN, Breeder licensing with unworkable exemptions for competition dogs or cats, requirements for sale of unaltered animal

Current Status: Passed Assembly and now in Senate

TICA legislative Activities: Jay and Kristine Alessio have been working with Joan Miller of CFA, and Bill Hemby of PetPac to defeat this bill. Jay and Kristine pulled together financial information on AB 1634 to share with legislators. They also spent time getting the word out and educating breeders about this bill. Jay was able to attend committee meetings and meet with Assemblyman Ted Lieu. Jay attended an open forum hosted by Senator Joe Simitian (D – Palo Alto). Kristine has been in contact with Assemblyman Joel Anderson and Senator Dennis Hollingsworth. Shere Crossman has helped educate and motivate breeders in her region to help in the fight against this bill. Kelly Crouch sent letters to both Assembly committees on behalf of TICA.

#### **District of Columbia**

Date of Initial Notice: 6/5/2007

Legislation: MSN, breeder licensing similar to California's AB 1634

Legislative contact: Marie Vodicka

Legislative Liaison: Kelly Crouch

TICA legislative activities: An email alert was forwarded to TICA members and a letter sent on behalf of TICA to the DC committee members.

#### **Iowa State**

Date of initial notice: 4/20/2007

Legislation: Wild Animal Legislation

Status: Signed into law.

TICA legislative activities: Assisted local members.

#### **Minnesota State:**

Date of initial notice: 2/25/2007

Liaison: Kelly Crouch



Legislation: "Dog and Cat Breeders Act" breeder licensing

Status: legislative Session ended without a hearing but it was reintroduced on 5/14/2007 and will be active again in January.

TICA legislative activities: Sent letter on behalf of TICA.

### **Nebraska State**

Date of initial notice: 2/1/2007

Liaison: Kelly Crouch

Legislation: Anti-hybrid legislation

Status: Was dropped in favor of another bill.

TICA legislative activities: Sent letter on behalf of TICA.

### **North Carolina State**

Date of initial notice: October 2006

Legislation: Inherently Dangerous Animals, Hybrids

Main Contact: Susan Wolf, North Carolina Responsible Animal Owners Association

Status: This bill was unsuccessful.

TICA legislative activities: Sent letter on behalf of TICA. I contacted the Chausie Breed Committee because the NC Study Group wanted more information on the Chausie.

### **West Virginia State**

Legislation: [West Virginia Nonnative Species Act](#)

Status: Defeated

### **Local:**

#### **Orange (Huntington Beach), California**

Date of Initial Notice: 4/19/2007

Liaison: Kristine Alessio

Legislation: City of Orange (Huntington Beach) City Council approved a directive to staff to research issues and costs to enact a Los Angeles County style ordinance (MSN, microchip including dogs, cats and rabbits.) (7 members, 5 yes, 1 no, 1 absent)

TICA legislative activities: Kristine has enlisted the assistance of members living in Huntington Beach to monitor this issue and inform her of any action that should be taken by TICA.

#### **Davidson County, North Carolina**

Date of initial notice: 1/7/2002

Liaison: Kelly Crouch

Legislation: MSN, Breeder licensing

Status: Legislation was unsuccessful

-----Original Message-----

From: DeLynne Satimore [<mailto:delynne@mindspring.com>]

Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2007 4:11 PM

To: TICARescueCommittee@yahogroups.com

Cc: minusdtl@flash.net

Subject: Rescue Update

As you know, I am the TICA Liaison on the Board of CFA Purebred Rescue AKA Purebred Cat Breed Rescue (PCBR). PCBR has been undergoing some significant changes in recent months:

1. Our present Board of Directors now includes an experienced CPA, a veterinarian, a county humane society President, the TICA GL Regional Director, a retired ex-Director of the SPCA of Texas, and experienced rescuers. We have recently changed our Bylaws to remove the requirement of a CFA Board Member on our Board. At this time, we do not have an official representative from CFA participating in our effort. Presently, TICA has two representatives on the PCBR Board - Christian and myself.
2. Currently, we are incorporated in MN, but will be incorporating in KY, as well. Eventually, KY will be the only state we are incorporated in. (We no longer have a Board member or representation in MN.)
3. We changed our By-Laws to conform with our past practice. They now read: "This corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable purposes, and in particular to engage in the rescue, sheltering, treatment and placement of domestic cats, with non-exclusive emphasis on purebred cats, as well as to educate the public regarding cat ownership issues and participate in efforts to prevent relinquishments and abuse of cats."
4. There is high probability we may be changing our name to the Cat Fanciers' Alliance Purebred Rescue. I will let you know if this comes about.

Funding always remains an issue. Our last plea for funds didn't bring in anywhere near what we had hoped. As a result, we need ways to raise money and I am hoping this committee can brainstorm this and come up with some ideas. More on that in a separate post.

The BOD of PCBR, and I, personally, would like to thank Kristine and Sal for their help over and over again on rescues!!! Kudos to you both!!!

DeLynne