

**THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION
MINUTES - 1990 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING
March 7-9, 1990
Lafayette, Louisiana**

Wednesday, March 7, 1990

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

The following Board Members were present at Roll Call:

Georgia Morgan - President
Dewane Barnes - Director, North Central
Bev Eitner - Director, Northeast
Rae Simpson - Director, Northwest
Sue Pannell - Director, South Central
Frances Young - Director, Southeast
Carol Brown - Director, Southwest
Aline Noel - Director, France

Larry Paul, Vice President, and Arthel Scheuermann, Legal Counsel to the Board arrived at 10:05 AM.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Young that the Executive Office be given 30 "working" days to transcribe the minutes of the Semi-Annual and Annual meetings. Motion carried with Eitner opposed.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Barnes to table the discussion of the TICA TREND costs to Friday. Motion carried unanimously.

Wendy Klamm, TICA TREND Editor later reported: The TICA TREND costs .0246 per page to print. There would be not much savings if international TREND's are sent Federal Express as then local postage must be added. Postage will go up about 20% for third class mail also.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Eitner to add a \$5 charge to any office registration of litter, cat, kitten, or any type of paperwork in or out of the Executive Office to include Fax transmissions. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Barnes to instate a RUSH Charge of \$10, Effective May 1, 1990 for any work that is processed in the Executive Office that is out of the normal routine of office work to include FAX and telephone calls, Federal Express, etc. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to accept the revised 1989-90 Budget. Barnes amended the motion and Pannell seconded to delete the \$8000 microfilm cost and delete \$4000 from the Officers Expense/Travel and add \$12,000 for anticipated yearbook deficit. Amendment carried unanimously. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to approve the 1990-91 Budget Proposal with an increase in the postage allotment to 14,400 and a possible modification to the TICA TREND figure that may come later when the TICA TREND figures are back from Wendy Klamm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Eitner to table the Annual Awards change proposal until time for further thought on the matter. Motion carried unanimously.

On Friday, motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Brown to untable the proposal related to show licensing/annual awards fees. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Paul to ask the Business Manager to come up with proposal/s to be submitted to the Board at the next Annual Meeting that would meet the two following goals: (1) the show licensing fees and annual awards fees would be assessed more equitably (the smaller shows would pay correspondingly lower fees than the larger shows) and (2) the proposal would not result in a significant loss of revenue. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Barnes to untable the motion to publish a list of TICA's top 100 cats, kittens, alters, household pets and top 50 household pet kittens. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Brown to table until Friday. Motion carried unanimously.

On Friday, motion was made by Eitner to print a list of the Top 100 cats, kittens, alters, household pet and household pet kittens in the TICA TREND following the announcement of international awards to include the cat's name, breed, region and score. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Barnes to untable the motion on what the sixth cover of the TICA TREND will feature. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Simpson that the July/August (6th) issue of the TICA TREND will feature the top cats from all international regions. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Paul that the American Curl be allowed to continue their outcross program to remain open until the year 2010, with a review in the year 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Brown to combine the American Curl and the American Curl Shorthair into one breed section. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to refer the American Curl standard to the new breed committee once it is in place. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to send out a combined ballot to the American Curl Breed Section listing only those members eligible to be elected to the breed committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Eitner that no action be taken regarding the Registration Rules for the Singapura. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Simpson to table the Turkish Van Standard and refer it to the Genetics Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to appoint Carol Milleson as the third member of the Oriental Longhair Breed Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Barnes to ballot the Scottish Fold/Scottish Fold Longhair Breed Section on the breed committees being combined. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Simpson that if the vote to combine the two committees is favorable then the Executive Office will ballot the two sections to elect a committee by providing a list of those members eligible to be elected to the breed committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Pannell to disqualify Marilyn Knopp as Japanese Bobtail Breed Committee Member as eligibility requirements had not been fulfilled. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Eitner to appoint Janett Watson and James Reardon to complete the Japanese Bobtail Breed Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to appoint Doris Langford as a member of the Korat Breed Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Carol Brown was instructed to verify if Audrey Barker wants to be a member of the Korat Breed Committee.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to change the number of members of the Ocicat Breed Committee to three due to the relatively small breed section. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Young to appoint Kathy Speed to the Sphynx Breed Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Paul that these people that have not yet fulfilled the requirements for

membership on the breed committees be given 30 days in which to fulfill the requirements or they will be automatically dropped. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Paul to change number of members of the Turkish Angora Breed Committee to three due to the relatively small number of members in the breed section. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Eitner to appoint Steven Funk, Carol Hartman and Debbie Dudley as the Turkish Angora Breed Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Young to change the number of members of the Turkish Van Breed Committee to three members and drop Jack Reardon from the list as requirements had not been fulfilled. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Barnes that Frances write to CATS Magazine asking for particulars on articles written by Susie Paige. Motion carried unanimously.

March 8, 1990, Thursday

The following appointments were made:

Rae Simpson was appointed to work up guidelines for future conventions and board meetings to include size of show hall, size of meeting rooms, banquet facilities, transportation, etc. Rae will prepare these guidelines and furnish them to the Board 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Larry Paul was appointed International Liaison and Liaison to the International Invitational Show.

Arthel Scheuermann was appointed Legal Counsel to the board and Chairperson of the Judicial Committee.

Bev Eitner was appointed Liaison to the 1990 Annual.

Sue Pannell was appointed Liaison to the Yearbook Editor.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell that the International Judging Panel be stricken from the record until such time as there is a better concept of what its function is, etc. Motion carried unanimously.

The President agreed to write a letter to the Judging Administrator to be printed in the Judge's Newsletter explaining why it was a good idea, that the list was never used in any way, with the background, i.e., Georgia was approached by another association, it was kept out of public because it was not in place, it is an exchange in the educational process in cats, etc.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to accept the standard for the Bengals dated 1/90 conditional upon approval of the Technical Terminology committee. Motion carried unanimously.

INSTRUCTIONS: The Executive Office suspends for late judge's books and late judge's fees. The Judging Administrator suspends for record forms and tests with a copy to the Executive Office for billing. The Judging Administrator will furnish the Executive Office a list of judges who were late with refreshers and forms.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Paul to approve Mark Coleman, Gloria Stephens, and Pat Harding to judge in Australia. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Noel that judges' seminars and breeders' seminars must have a Teaching/Training Judge as a moderator and that notice must be published 24 hours in advance. Motion carried with Pannell, Barnes, and Eitner opposed.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Brown that prior to the holding of any judge's conference an agenda must be established. Motion and second were withdrawn in lieu of the Judging Administrator putting it into the guidelines for a conference.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Brown that Lisa Bressler be reconsidered for acceptance as a Household Pet Applicant at the Annual 1990. Language, manner of dress, attitude, and demeanor must be improved. Motion carried unanimously. The Judging Administrator will notify her.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Young that Rick Chalifoux be accepted as Household Pet judge. Motion carried

with Brown abstaining.

Motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Paul to accept Lilia Cook as Household Pet Judge. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Paul to postpone Valerie LaRue's acceptance as Household Pet Judge to the Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. There were disparaging reports about clerking and about judging regarding impartiality. Requirements for the Annual would be two acceptable clerking assignments and two training assignments with favorable evaluations.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Paul to accept Judi Peth as Household Pet Judge. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to defer David Boswell's acceptance as a Longhair/Shorthair applicant to Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to accept Rene Copeland as Longhair/Shorthair Applicant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Paul that Amanda Harman be referred to the Annual Meeting due to the fact that her paperwork was received late which would put her into the next scheduled Executive Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Requirements for the Annual would be to grand a foreign body type, improve dress and personal appearance and attitude, with one additional satisfactory master clerking and one ring clerking with acceptable evaluations from the judge and regional scorer.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Paul to promote Joe Edwards to Probationary Specialty Judge. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Paul to advance Nancy Nolen to Allbreed Judge. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Brown to accept Yukimasa Hattori for advancement to Instructor, Japan only. Motion carried unanimously. The Judging Administrator was instructed to inform Yuki that he must help in Nagoya.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes that Alberto Leal be advanced to TICA Instructor in South America only. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to advance Aline and Philippe Noel to Allbreed and Teaching/Training in Europe only. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Pannell to advance Lucio Coronel to Probationary Specialty South America only. Motion carried with Barnes opposed as he had received no information and with Brown abstaining.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Pannell to license Lucy Koh as an Allbreed and Teaching/Training judge in Southeast Asia only. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Pannell to advance Erica Araujo to Allbreed Judge in South America only. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to accept Cristina Lopez de Grosso into the Longhair/Shorthair Training Program in South America only. Motion carried unanimously. Motion and second withdrawn.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes that Cristina Lopez de Grosso be accepted into the Longhair Training Portion of the Judging Program in South America only. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Eitner that effective immediately license fees and dues must be **postmarked** NO LATER THAN November 30th of each year with this to be printed in each Judge's Newsletter. Motion carried unanimously.

INSTRUCTIONS: Any judge who judges while on suspension must provide a copy of their ticket to prove when the ticket was bought.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to relicense all judges on the Judging List. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to delete #209 of the Judging Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Brown that in any case of a range on the International Judging Program the lower figure of the range would be used as the minimum and the higher figure deleted. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on the complaint on Edith Mary Smith as her mother lives in another city.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Barnes that anyone going into the International Judging Program shall have their name printed in the TICA TREND in enough time to have anybody be able to respond to Gloria Stephens. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to adopt the International Judging Program with the corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Brown to accept the Household Pet Judging Program without correction. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Barnes that the Intermediate category be taken off the Oriental Shorthair/Longhair breeds and that any intermediate type cat be shown as an NBC because there are so few of them. Motion carried unanimously.

The following changes were made to the TICA Color List:

Havana changed to Traditional Category in lieu of Intermediate Category.

Singapura changed to Seal Sepia Ticked, Ticked pattern only.

Korat changed to Blue only.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Eitner that in the color list for the tabbies in silver/smoke division that the blue, chocolate, cinnamon, frost, fawn, red and cream be changed from smoke to silver. Motion carried unanimously.

CLARIFICATION: Cats in French catalog that were not TICA registered will be scored when registered. Aline will send a letter to those people who had finals telling them that their cats will be scored for regional and international awards provided they have registered the cat. Bev will send her a list and Aline will handle the work.

INSTRUCTIONS: The cutoff date for scoring correction from the exhibitors is May 7, 1990.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes to accept the TICA Color List as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Pannell to declare the following ballots which were passed on the last membership ballot, null and void as they were not enforceable. They may be resubmitted in a form which can be enforceable:

Show Rule 10.6. An exhibitor shall not initiate a private conversation with an officiating judging until all judging has been completed.

Show Rule 10.11. During the course of the show, any communication with an officiating judge by an exhibitor shall be done through the ring clerk.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes that TICA will recognize the transfer of grand championships from Europe and other countries with the country or continent designated in front of it. Documents must be furnished to have the title put on the cat when the registration is completed and the certificate will specify South America, Southeast Asia, Europe, etc. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Brown that all legislation adopted at this meeting be published in the TICA TREND and that the Board will reach a decision as to whether to put it on the membership ballot at the Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Barnes to entertain amendments to the By-Laws, the Show Rules and the Registration Rules at each Semi-Annual meeting if presented in the proper format and the proper time and with the proper authorizations. i.e., Technical Terminology Committee, Genetics Committee, etc. and standards, breed matters, and judging matters will be entertained at the annual. Motion carried unanimously.

membership ballot shall contain all Board approved proposed amendments or additions to the TICA Show Rules or By-laws with a brief explanation of why the issue is on the ballot. The Vice President will write the explanations. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Barnes that the proposal to change the TICA TREND publication schedule to accommodate the time dissemination of candidate information is not to be considered as this is already done. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal to add to the By-Laws, Article XIV, Section 2: This shall entitle the candidate to be listed as a candidate for the office sought in every issue of the newsletter up to the newsletter containing the results of the membership ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Barnes and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal to change the By-Laws, Article XIII, Section 2.b.: All membership ballots shall be sent to each member eligible to vote by first class mail postmarked at least 45 days prior to the date published for counting membership ballots. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Barnes to deny the proposal to add to the By-Laws, Article XIV, Section 2.a. A complete listing of all qualified candidates for national office or breed committees shall be printed in the newsletter at least 30 days prior to the mailing of the membership ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Young effective immediately, rescind motion passed at 1989 Annual that: both the sire and the dam must be TICA registered on a TICA Litter Registration Application effective 05/01/91. Motion carried with Pannell and Brown abstaining.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Brown that in lieu of having the stud cat registered that a certified pedigree must be submitted with a litter registration effective 05/01/91. Motion carried unanimously.

The proposal to move Ohio to the North Central Region effective 05/01/91 was withdrawn by Bev Eitner.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Brown to change scoring procedures to eliminate points awarded for number of cats defeated in breed, division and color. Motion denied with Eitner in favor.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Eitner to change the scoring system to start at tenth best points when there are five or less cats competing, effective 05/01/90. Motion carried unanimously.

The Advertising Committee report was given by D'Ann Kovic. She stated that if the clubs want 3 months of advertising the Advertising Committee must have the information 6 months before the show.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Paul to deny all proposals from Levy/Ledoux. Motion carried with Eitner and Barnes opposed.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Barnes to add to the Show Rules: The Executive Office shall include one copy of the current Show Rules, including supplements and updates, and By-laws with the show materials. Motion and second withdrawn.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Paul to add to the Show Rules, Standing Rules: The Executive Office shall include one copy of the current Show Rules and By-Laws, including supplements and updates, with the show materials effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Eitner and seconded by Barnes to amend Show Rule 8.1 and By-Law XXII, Section 3.a. to read: 10 days instead of 5. Motion carried unanimously.

The Entry Form was taken by the Northeast Regional Director for correction.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Eitner to deny the proposal to form a new Mid-Atlantic region from parts of both the Northeast and Southeast: Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Kentucky as it was unfeasible at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal that no judge may judge any cat more than once in one day with exception of a regular judging and a breed congress or breed specialty. A judge may only award one final win per judging. No more than 1/3 of the judges may be repeated on subsequent days of a back-to-back show, and only in the case of a first show, or where a club can prove financial hardship (loss of money on a previous show). (For example two judges in a 6-ring show, or one in a four or five ring show.) Exception made in cases of emergency - 72 hours or less notice. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Barnes that the membership be offered the option of paying an additional amount to be determined based on postage rates of receiving their TICA TREND by First Class mail instead of Third Class mail effective May 1, 1990. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal that all show halls/show rooms shall have operational climate control systems appropriate to the season active during the entire show. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal that no club will be granted a show license until all debts to judges and to TICA are paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Barnes to deny the proposals:

That the excessive use of white powder or chalk, or the use of any colored powder, colored chalk, tints, color rinses or other artificial coloring or concealment media on a cat entered in a TICA show is strictly forbidden. The use of any drug, i.e., tranquilizer, hormone, antihistamine, etc., that will alter the natural actions of a cat is forbidden. Evidence of such use as determined by the personal opinion of the judge will result in the immediate disqualification of the entry, and

That a judge must disqualify any cat showing excessive use of white powder or chalk, the use of any colored powder, colored chalk, tints, color rinses or other concealment media; the plucking of buttons or lockets; or the use of any drug that will alter the natural actions of a cat. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Pannell and seconded by Eitner that for the purpose of entering a show, the lessee of a cat or kitten is the same as the owner of that cat. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal that for the purpose of entering a show, the lessee of a cat or kitten is the same as the owner of that cat as it is unnecessary. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Simpson to deny the proposal that cats that are disqualified are not eligible for any awards in that ring except when the disqualification is the result of veterinarian examination subsequent to judging as it is already covered. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Paul to deny the proposal that stacking of cages in the benching area or judging rings is not permitted. Stacked cages shall be permitted for use as ring dividers provided that no cats are housed in such cages. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Eitner to deny the following proposal as it is unnecessary: a judge may not have access to a catalog prior to the completion of all judging duties and the transfer of a completed set of judges' book sheets to the master clerk. The master clerk shall check these and initial them. The judge must remain in the show hall until these requirements are met, at which time the judge may receive a catalog and leave the show hall. The show committee will make certain that the sheets are checked as soon as possible following the completion of the judges' last finals so that no hardship is placed upon the judge who must often meet the demands of a plane schedule. Judge Trainees may not have access to a catalog until the completion of all training. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Eitner to deny the proposal that as ambassadors of TICA, it is expected that judges, in pursuit of their duties, will dress in an appropriate manner; therefore, member clubs may not stipulate a judge's attire as judges are not required to do this. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Barnes to deny the following proposal as it is covered under Show Rule 10.11 and is unnecessary: exhibitors must not make any comments on exhibits within the judge's hearing or challenge the judge's decision. Any decision based on the judgement of a judge acting under these rules shall be final. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Young and seconded by Brown to deny the proposal that a judge must disqualify any cat that cannot be judged in the judging ring or that is behaving in a recalcitrant or threatening manner. This rule does not apply to cats after the completion of ring judging; and that any cat or kitten which bites the judge shall be disqualified and dismissed from that ring. The ring clerk shall advise the master clerk of this action so the other judges can be notified. Notice of this disqualification shall be sent to the Executive Office. Any cat which is disqualified for biting shall have this disqualification noted in the Executive

