

# Minutes of TICA Board of Directors - 2020 Spring Meeting

Location and Date: Electronic, May 15 - 17, 2020

President, Vickie Fisher  
Vice President, Ralph Stadter  
Asia East RD, Akiko Ishimura  
Asia West RD, Karen Kuo  
Europe North RD, Liesbeth van Mullem  
Europe South RD, Steven Meserve  
Europe West RD, Delsa Rudge  
Great Lakes RD, Liz Brown  
Mid Atlantic RD, Brenda Russo  
Mid Pacific Interim RD, Ann-Charlotte Joseph  
Northeast RD, Tania Antenucci  
Northwest RD, Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz  
South America RD, Luiz Paulo Faccioli  
South Central RD, Vicki Jo Harrison  
Southeast RD, Steve Lawson  
Southwest RD, Canie Brooks  
International Associate RD, Lisa Dickie

Also in attendance: Susan Adler, Legal Counsel; Marylou Anderson, Judging Administrator; Frances Cardona, Business Office Manager; Roemann Fulkerson, Director of Marketing and Business Development; Danny Nevarez, Chief Operating Officer; Hyeyeong Jang, Translator for Akiko Ishimura.

*The meeting was called to order by President, Vickie Fisher, at 7:05 AM CDT.*

1. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to approve the consent agenda. Without objection.

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*Approve Minutes - Special Meeting, April 25, 2020 (electronic)*

*Set Annual meeting date and time - September 2 - 4, Washington, D.C.*

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*All Board Members as well as Adler, Anderson, Cardona, and Nevarez acknowledged receipt of and consent to the TICA Conflict of Interest Policy. Fulkerson was not present at this time but joined meeting later.*

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2. Unanimous consent by Brown to appoint Erik Brown to the Peterbald Breed Committee. Without objection.

3. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to go into Executive Session to include Adler, Anderson, Cardona, Nevarez, and Jang. Without objection.

4. Motion by Antenucci/Lawson to hire a hearing officer to hear the Guerriero/Schiff complaints and make recommendations to the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Unanimous consent by Russo to move Paul Lahey to Judge Emeritus status. Without objection.

6. Motion by Harrison/Lawson to advance Charlotte Shea to Provisional AB (SC). Motion carried unanimously.

7. Motion by Meserve/Faccioli to advance Françoise Dubois to Approved AB (ES). Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion by Meserve/Faccioli to advance Andreas Kretschmer-Kraiczek to Approved AB (EN). Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion by Hawksworth-Weitz/Rudge to advance Alex Marinets to Approved AB (NW). Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Brown/Brooks to send G. Jacobson a letter on appropriate behavior. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Motion by Stadter/Faccioli to take no action on the Dennis v Bobby complaint. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Motion by Meserve/Brown to take no action on the Petrenko v Savant complaint. The question was called by Meserve and carried. Motion carried with van Mullem, Faccioli, Rudge and Hawksworth-Weitz opposed. **Antenucci:** *I firmly believe that extreme caution should always be exercised by judges and TICA officials alike, to ensure that member anonymity and confidentiality is respected in communication forums, public or private.*

*Meserve was excused for the following discussion/vote.*

13. Motion by Faccioli/Brown to take no action on the Bell v Meserve complaint. The question was called by Faccioli and carried. Motion carried with Rudge abstaining.

*Meserve rejoined the meeting.*

14. Unanimous consent by Stadter to include Fulkerson in Executive Session. Without objection.

15. Unanimous consent by Stadter to leave Executive Session. Without objection.

16. Unanimous consent by Stadter to recess for the day at 11:18 AM CDT. Without objection.

*Meeting was called to order at 7:05 AM CDT on Saturday, May 16, 2020.*

17. Motion by Faccioli/Brown to take no action on the proposal to add By-Law 122.2.1.1, 122.2.1.2 (Complaints). Motion carried unanimously.

18. Motion by Faccioli/Brown to take no action on the proposal to amend By-Law 15.1.3.2 (Interim RD). Motion carried unanimously.

19. Motion by Faccioli/Lawson to take no action on the proposal to amend By-Law 122.6.3.1 (Interim RD). Motion carried unanimously.

20. Motion by Stadter/Lawson to take no action on the proposal to amend By-Law 112.2, Standing Rules 102.1.5 and 1012.1 (Countries and Regions). Motion carried unanimously.

21. Motion by Brown/Antenucci to accept the proposal to add Show Rule 23.6.5.1, 23.6.5.2 (Disclose Prior Conduct). Motion carried unanimously. This change will be part of the **2020 Membership Ballot**.

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23.6 The show committee, at its discretion, may refuse to accept any entry for the following reasons:  
(23.6.1 to 23.6.4 are unchanged and excluded for brevity)

23.6.5 Prior conduct of the entry and/or exhibitor is detrimental to the best interest of the association or the welfare of cats or the club and/or its show.

**23.6.5.1 The show committee shall give notice to the exhibitor in writing when applying 23.6.5.**  
**23.6.5.2 The show committee shall disclose to the exhibitor the details of the detrimental prior conduct, if there is a request for information disclosure.**

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22. Motion by Faccioli/Lawson to take no action on the proposal to add Show Rule 29.2.1.1 (No Discrimination). Motion carried unanimously.

23. Motion by Stadter/Russo to take no action on the proposal to add Show Rule 215.2 (Judges' Invitations). Motion carried unanimously.

24. Motion by Lawson/Hawksworth-Weitz to take no action on the proposal to amend Show Rule 23.6 (Refusing Entries). Motion carried unanimously.

25. Motion by Faccioli/Antenucci to take no action on the proposal to amend Show Rule 23.6.3 (Suspension Lists). Motion carried unanimously.

26. Motion by Brown/Harrison to take no action on the proposal to amend Show Rule 23.6.5 (Prior Conduct). Motion carried unanimously.

27. Motion by Lawson/Faccioli to take no action on the proposal to amend Show Rule 29.1 (Show Committee). Motion carried unanimously.

28. Motion by Faccioli/Rudge to take no action on the proposal to amend Standing Rule 202.2 (Judging Frequency). Motion carried unanimously.

29. Motion by Faccioli/Harrison to accept the proposal to amend Standing Rule 903.1, 903.2 (Annual Banquet and Show Guidelines). Motion carried unanimously.  
*Due to the volume, the complete proposal is contained in the appendix which is published separately.*

30. Motion by van Mullem/Rudge to accept the proposal to amend the UCD (Glossary of Terms).

31. Unanimous consent by Stadter to table above motion. Without objection.

32. Motion by van Mullem/Faccioli to accept the proposal to amend the UCD (Uniform Color Descriptions). Motion carried unanimously.  
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33. Unanimous consent by van Mullem to un-table the proposal on amending the UCD (Glossary of Terms) **motion #30**. Without objection.

34. Motion by van Mullem/Faccioli to accept the changes as amended to the UCD (Glossary of Terms) leaving the term Amelanistic. Motion carried unanimously. *This motion was later reconsidered – **Motion #42***

35. Motion by van Mullem/Rudge to accept the proposal to make available an Ancestral Pedigree for USD 50. Motion carried unanimously.

36. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to go to committee of the whole to allow Lorraine Shelton to speak. Without objection.

37. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to leave committee of the whole. Without objection.

38. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to go into Executive Session to include Adler, Cardona, Fulkerson, Nevarez, and Jang. Without objection.

39. Unanimous consent by Stadter to leave Executive Session. Without objection.

40. Unanimous consent by Stadter to recess for the day at 10:41 AM CDT. Without objection.

*Meeting was called to order at 7:37 AM CDT on Sunday, May 17, 2020.*

41. Motion by van Mullem/Stadter to reconsider **Motion #34**. Motion carried unanimously.

42. Motion by van Mullem/Stadter to accept the changes to the UCD (Glossary of Terms) using an amended definition for Amelanistic. Motion carried unanimously.

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*Vickie Fisher provided the Financial Report and the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 01 July 2020 – 30 June 2021 (Fiscal Year 2021).*

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43. Motion by Brooks/Stadter to accept the Financial Report. Motion carried unanimously.

44. Motion by Brooks/Stadter to accept the proposed budget for fiscal year 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

45. Motion by Faccioli/Hawksworth-Weitz to transfer up to USD 250,000 to the investment account (with the intention of changing the investment portfolio to a mix of 60% fixed income and 40% equities). Motion carried unanimously.

46. Unanimous consent by Brown to go into committee of the whole to allow Martin Wood, Rules Committee Chair, to speak. Without objection.

47. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to leave committee of the whole. Without objection

48. Unanimous consent by Faccioli to go into Executive Session to include Adler, Cardona, Nevarez, and Jang. Without objection.

49. Unanimous consent by Brooks to adjourn for the day at 11:47 AM CDT. Without objection.