

# Board Meeting of the Barbet Club of America

Minutes of July 21, 2017

The Board members of the Barbet Club of America (BCA) met via phone.

In attendance:

Judy Descutner, President; Leslie Woodward, Vice President; Lynn Vogt-Kinsey, Treasurer; and Barb Gresham, Secretary. The meeting was called to order by Judy at 7:02pm ET.

The minutes from the June 1, 2017 Board Meeting were reviewed and approved with two corrections. The minutes from the June 16, 2017 Annual Meeting were reviewed and approved with one correction. Lynn moved to approve the minutes; Leslie seconded the motion.

Report of the President:

1. Lynn Byfield, Event Chair for the BCA Open show in Orlando this December, has contacted a judge to do our show. This judge has agreed to get back to Lynn as soon as she returns home.
2. There are now three open shows in Orlando this December, hosted by BCA, the Nederlandse Kooikerhondje Club of the USA, and the Biewer Terrier Club of America. The Biewer club has asked if we would like to host a show with them next summer. This would meet our AKC requirement of hosting two open shows. Perhaps the Azawakh club would join us too to get competition numbers up.

Report of the Vice President:

1. Leslie expressed that she feels strongly that we should participate in the "How to do Judges' Education" seminar this December in Orlando.

Report of the Secretary:

1. Nothing to report this month.

Report of the Treasurer:

1. Lynn reported the following balances: Bank of America: \$4,979.37; PayPal: \$2,895.76; she just received a check from CafePress for \$25.15 which will be deposited into the Bank of America account, for a total of \$7,900.28.
2. Lynn recently paid the Registered Agent Fee (incorporation filing fee) of \$50.

## Unfinished Business:

1. Judge for Orlando BCA Open Show: Show Chair, Lynn Byfield, is awaiting confirmation on a judge we have asked. Judy expressed her appreciation for what an exceptional job Lynn is doing in a new role.
  
2. BCA open show in Orlando this December:
  - A. Judy wanted to start a list of what needs done/planned for in the next couple months. Discussion by the board created the following list:
    - i. Judge
    - ii. Ribbons, trophies
    - iii. Ring steward-this will be handled by the show superintendent
    - iv. Hospitality
    - v. Judge's gift
    - vi. Choice of photographer from those at show
    - vii. Obtain show insurance at least 30 days prior to show
    - viii. Create trophy donation form to send out to BCA membership
    - ix. Premium list and catalog (Leslie asked if we should buy an ad in catalog, thanking our trophy sponsors)
  - B. Sue Meacham, one of our new members, does custom embroidery. She has offered to help with some custom gifts/trophies for the show.
  - C. Judy suggested that the BCA hosts a welcome/hospitality event at our Meet the Breed booth following the open show. Any food/drinks need to be catered through the Orange County Convention Center.
  
3. Michigan Sporting Dog Association Judges' Education (Observations made by Barb June 24, 2017): This was held outdoors with rings set up for each presented breed, similar to show rings. While some presenters were using computer screens and power point presentations, the majority of presenters used a hands on approach. Hand out materials varied from single flyers to complete 3 ring binders filled with information about their breed. Most rings had their volunteers present their dogs as if at a conformation show, with the judges commenting, putting hands on and awarding placements. The presenter

would then discuss with the judges the pros & cons of each dog; what he/she agreed with and disagreed with how the judges “placed” the dogs. Most rings had 6-8 dogs present representing all ages. Barb was unable to observe any water demonstrations, either because they were not occurring at the time she was there or perhaps delayed because of inclement weather. Board discussion followed with unanimous opinion that this is something we would like to be involved in next year. Leslie will contact Kathy Wiecha, President of the MSDA, as to how to proceed.

#### New Business:

1. Orlando open show expenses. Is a fund raiser necessary: Judy believes the trophy donations by members should cover expenses.
2. Planning a second open show hosted by BCA: See discussion under President’s Report. Leslie suggested we post the rules for showing in FSS (they differ from AKC all breed shows) at ringside. Discussion suggested we also post rules in the show premium.
3. New Members up for approval:
  - A. Heath Kenyon, Calgary AB; sponsored by Stephanie Dixon
  - B. Cindy Spies, Millis MA; sponsored by Mary Spies
  - C. Mary Ellen Hoffman, Franklin WI; sponsored by Stacy Able
  - D. Randy Mohr, Yorkville IL; sponsored by Stacy Able
  - E. Michael Brown, Marina Del Ray CA; sponsored by Leslie Woodward
  - F. Lynn moved that all new members be approved; Judy seconded the motion; Barb will notify new members of their acceptance.
4. Registered Agent Fee: (discussed earlier; fee has been paid)
5. Breeders’ List status:
  - A. Nothing new submitted from any of the breeders who have formerly been listed on the BCA website.
  - B. Leslie is still working on creating a checklist, simplifying the requested requirements of breeders wishing to continue to be listed.

6. Club Insurance:

- A. Very few companies offer event insurance that is required by the AKC.
- B. Judy has been in contact with Peter Piusz, our liaison with AKC, who has answered our many questions about obtaining full status.
- C. Insurance is \$600/year and is needed 30 days prior to our show
- D. Judy moved to get the insurance through Equisure, which handles AKC insurance needs. Lynn seconded the motion.
- E. Judy will purchase insurance at least 30 days prior to Orlando show.

Adjournment: Next month's Board meeting was set for Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 7 pm ET. Lynn moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 pm ET. Judy seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted

Barb Gresham,

Secretary, Barbet Club of America