

## MINUTES OF THE APRIL, 2006 BCCA BOARD MEETING

The Bearded Collie Club of America's Board of Directors meeting was held by mail on April 21, 2006.

### I. Roll Call

**PRESENT:** Coxwell, Alspaugh, Finley, Hayes, Ipser, Mazer, Patzius, Prassa, Remell, Snook, Taylor **ABSENT:** Lamb

### II. Officers' Reports

Recording Secretary's Report  
Notices  
Corresponding Secretary's Report  
Treasurer's Report

### III. Unfinished Business

#### Results April Motions Ballot

**03/06-00** Motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2006 meeting.  
(Taylor)

**Yes:** Alspaugh, Finley, Hayes, Ipser, Mazer, Patzius, Prassa, Remell, Snook, Taylor **Present:** Coxwell **Absent:** Lamb

**04/06-01** Motion to approve the Executive Committee decision approving expenditure for public education t-shirts designed by Mike McCartney.

**Yes:** Alspaugh, Finley, Hayes, Ipser, Mazer, Patzius, Prassa, Remell, Snook, Taylor **Present:** Coxwell **Absent:** Lamb

### IV. Election of New Members

#### New Members

Sheila C. Green, Theresa & John Holmes, Diane Engel King, Karen & Charles Layfield, Kim Raleigh, and Mary Beth Usery

#### BCCA Applicants May

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Joint

**VI. New Business**

**Motions To Be Considered in May**

**04/06-00** Motion to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2006 meeting.  
(Taylor)

**05/06-01** Motion to establish a Preferred Agility Veteran trophy, to be sponsored by Carl Widell. (Prassa)

*Discussion: This award will go to the top veteran dog, 7 years of age or older during the entire competition year, for performance in both Standard Agility and Jumpers with Weaves. As with all the agility awards, only legs toward titles will be considered.*

*The scoring will be based on the same sliding scale as the Denia Award:*

100	-	8
99	-	7
98	-	6
95 – 97	-	5
93 – 94	-	4
90 – 92	-	3
88 - 89	-	2
85 - 87	-	1

*It will be retroactive, to include those veterans who won in 2005, 2004, and 2003 (including Sept-Dec 2002).*

*Trophy design:*

*The trophy will be a plaque that says at the top: "Bearded Collie Club of America Preferred Agility Veteran Of the Year". In the center will be an engraved image of a veteran Beardie going through weave poles. It will be engraved on metal, possibly bronze, brass, or stainless. Under the image will be a place for the years and the names of the winners.*

*Background:*

*In September of 2002 the AKC introduced a new agility classification, "Preferred Agility," to allow competition at lower jump heights with longer course times. This is ideal for our veteran Beardies or for early training for our younger ones. The agility committee would like to recognize and reward our veteran Beardies who, rather than retiring, continue to compete in this type of agility.*

*In the 2005 Regular classes, 47 Beardies earned legs at the Novice level, 39 at the Open level, and 60 at the Excellent level. A total of 44 Beardies competed in Preferred at all three levels (30 competed only in Preferred); of these 44 dogs, 19 were seven years of age or older for the entire competition year. Similar levels of participation were also recorded in 2004: the number of dogs competing in all levels of Preferred was roughly equivalent to the number of dogs competing at a single level of the Regular classes.*

*99% of the Preferred legs resulted in placements. This high percentage of placements to legs is due to the fact that the average class size in Preferred is 3-5. The high percentage of placements/legs in Preferred, coupled with the small size of the classes, suggests that placement points, currently used to determine the winners of the standard and JWW awards in the Regular classes, would not be a good method to use for determination of the winner of the Preferred award. Hybrid systems like those used for the Diehard and Overall JWW Awards, which were designed to be more complex in order to avoid ties, seem unnecessarily complicated for the Preferred Award. The Denia Award system, which uses a sliding scale to rank each qualifying leg according to score, is simple and easy to use and seems best suited to this new award.*

**05/06-02** Motion to contract with Wild Weavers to hold a 3 day all breed agility trial in either February or March, 2007. (Ipser)

*Discussion: The Wild Weavers will be adding a February or March trial to their schedule in 2007. They have offered the BCCA the first right of refusal if we would like to hold it under our name. They will use a contract under the same terms that we signed for the 2006 trial (\$650 per day for a 3-day trial). Again we have 8 days per calendar year to hold agility trial under the BCCA name. We have used 1 or 2 days for our national specialty.*

### **Motions Proposed for June**

**05/06-00** Motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2006 meeting. (Taylor)

**06/06-01** Motion to continue the BCCA's participation in the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program through 2008. (Hayes)

**06/06-02** Motion to approve payment of all travel expenses for Susan Glatzer, AKC Delegate, to attend the June meeting of the AKC Delegates in Raleigh, North Carolina. Said expenses shall include airfare at best price available for

coach class, hotel expenses, all ground transportation costs, and meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner up to \$75 per day). (Ipser)

This concludes the business of the BCCA Board of Directors meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Taylor  
Recording Secretary