

**SUMMARY AND TRANSCRIPT OF ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAY 6, 2025**

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Secretary's Note: The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, via Zoom video conference. **President Richard Mastin** called the emergency video conference meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time. A roll call by **Secretary Rachel Anger** found the following members to be present:

Mr. Richard Mastin (President)
Mr. Russell Webb (Vice-President)
Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)
Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)
Mrs. Doreann Nasin (NAR Director)
Vicki A. Jensen, Esq. (NWR Director)
Ms. Carissa Altschul (GSR Director)
Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)
Mr. Howard Webster (SWR Director)
Ms. Janet Moyer (MWR Director)
Mr. Kenny Currle (SOR Director)
Ms. Pam DelaBar (Europe Regional Director)
Ms. Aki Tamura (Japan Regional Director)
Dr. Marilee Griswold (Director-at-Large)
Mr. Pauli Huhtaniemi (Director-at-Large)
Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)
Mrs. Anne Mathis (Director-at-Large)
Darrell Newkirk (Director-at-Large)

Also Present:

Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel
Ms. Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director

Absent:

None

Secretary's Note: For the ease of the reader, some items were discussed at different times but were included with their particular agenda.

Mastin: Hello everyone. Rachel, you please do the roll call? **Anger:** I will. Happy Tuesday. [**Secretary's Note:** Secretary Rachel Anger called the roll, as reflected above. All board members confirmed that they are abiding by the CFA Board of Directors' Code of Ethics and Confidentiality Agreement.] Is there anyone on the call whose name I have not mentioned? I believe we're all present if Howard is truly on the call, so I'll turn it back to you, Mr. President.
Mastin: Rachel, thank you.

SUMMARY

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

(1) APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Newkirk moved to approve the Orders of the Day. Seconded by **Mr. Webb**, the Orders of the Day were accepted without objection and became the Orders of Business.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

(2) STRATEGIC PLANNING REVIEW.

The Board of Directors previewed an initial presentation from a marketing company, to gather initial impressions.

(3) SHOW RULES COMMITTEE.

Liaison Mrs. Krzanowski moved on standing motion, with **Mr. Currie** making a standing second, for the adoption of the following Show Rule change proposals:

1. *Amend Show Rules 6.08, 6.15, 6.30, 7.09, 7.11, 10.23, and Article XXXVI as follows to require that kittens be registered in order to be shown, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025:*

Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.08	Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
6.08 With the exception of qualifying longhair Exotics (which may be shown in Persian classes), each cat must be entered in the breed under which it is registered and each kitten must be entered in the breed under which it is registered or eligible to be registered.		6.08 With the exception of qualifying longhair Exotics (which may be shown in Persian classes), each <u>kitten or</u> cat must be entered in the breed under which it is registered and each kitten must be entered in the breed under which it is registered or eligible to be registered.
Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.15	Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
6.15 Only cats registered with CFA with either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a		6.15 Only cats registered with CFA with either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the <u>Kitten</u> , Championship, and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a <u>Kitten</u> , Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry

registration number or request for a temporary registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing as Novices, as provided for in paragraph 2.07.a). It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.	form contains a registration number or request for a temporary registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing as Novices, as provided for in paragraph 2.07.a). It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.
Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.30	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
6.30 The entry clerk shall be responsible for reviewing each entry form received to verify that all necessary information is included. The entry clerk is prohibited from accepting Championship (unless the entry is for a Novice), Premiership (unless the entry is for a Novice), Provisional (kittens or adults), Miscellaneous (kittens or adults), Veterans, and AOV entries (kittens or adults) whose entry form does not contain a registration number. In the case of cats requesting a temporary registration number, the entry clerk will assign the number from the list provided by Central Office for inclusion in the show catalog and complete, if not already completed by the owner, an application for temporary registration number that will be attached to the pedigree or documentation of CFA registration numbers of parents, if allowed by rule 6.16, and associated fee payment. The cat’s pedigree (or CFA registration numbers if allowed by rule 6.16), application form, and associated registration fee OR a catalog correction form containing the cats permanent registration number must be provided no later than the close of check-in for the show or the cat will be entered as a novice. If a fully completed TRN package or catalog correction form with permanent registration number is received by the entry clerk between entry closing and the close of check-in, the entry clerk will put the number in the Master Clerk catalog and transfer the cat out of Novice in that catalog and the judges books. If such transfer is via a catalog correction form with permanent registration number, the entry clerk will also provide that catalog correction form to the master clerk so that the master clerk catalog can be updated. It is	6.30 The entry clerk shall be responsible for reviewing each entry form received to verify that all necessary information is included. The entry clerk is prohibited from accepting <u>Kitten</u>, Championship (unless the entry is for a Novice), Premiership (unless the entry is for a Novice), Provisional (kittens or adults), Miscellaneous (kittens or adults), Veterans, and AOV entries (kittens or adults) whose entry form does not contain a registration number. In the case of <u>kittens or</u> cats requesting a temporary registration number, the entry clerk will assign the number from the list provided by Central Office for inclusion in the show catalog and complete, if not already completed by the owner, an application for temporary registration number that will be attached to the pedigree or documentation of CFA registration numbers of parents, if allowed by rule 6.16, and associated fee payment. The <u>kitten’s or</u> cat’s pedigree (or CFA registration numbers if allowed by rule 6.16), application form, and associated registration fee OR a catalog correction form containing the eats<u>cat’s</u> permanent registration number must be provided no later than the close of check-in for the show. <u>Failure to do so will result in an adult cat being or the cat will be entered as a novice and a kitten being removed from the show as Ineligible for Entry.</u> If a fully completed TRN package or catalog correction form with permanent registration number is received by the entry clerk between entry closing and the close of check-in, the entry clerk will put the number in the Master Clerk catalog and transfer the <u>adult</u> cat out of Novice in that catalog and the judges’ books. If such transfer is via a catalog correction form with permanent registration number, the entry clerk will also provide that catalog correction form to the master clerk so

acceptable to use the absentee/transfer form to transfer the cat in the judges' books.		that the master clerk catalog can be updated. It is acceptable to use the absentee/transfer form to transfer the cat in the judges' books.	
Article VII – Pre-Show Document Preparation, amend 7.09		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
7.09 The introductory page(s) must contain the following information: a. the full name of the club or clubs (including all specialty clubs) sponsoring the show; b. the names of all officiating judges; c. the names of the show committee, indicating their positions as officials of the show; d. a notice that all Championship and Premiership entries, all registered Kittens, Household Pets, and all registered cats competing with Household Pet color class prefixes (whose registration numbers are printed or written in ink in the catalog) will be scored for CFA awards; and e. emergency telephone numbers (ambulance service, police and fire). f. a copy of the CFA Exhibitor's Code of Ethics.		7.09 The introductory page(s) must contain the following information: a. the full name of the club or clubs (including all specialty clubs) sponsoring the show; b. the names of all officiating judges; c. the names of the show committee, indicating their positions as officials of the show; d. a notice that all <u>Kitten, Championship, and Premiership</u> entries, all registered Kittens, Household Pets, and all registered cats competing with Household Pet color class prefixes (whose registration numbers are printed or written in ink in the catalog) will be scored for CFA awards;and e. emergency telephone numbers (ambulance service, police and fire); <u>and</u> f. a copy of the CFA Exhibitor's Code of Ethics.	
Article VII – Pre-show Document Preparation, amend 7.11		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
7.11 The exact registered name of each entry; its CFA registration number (either temporary or permanent), date of birth, sire & dam (including titles) and breeder (if available); and the name and region of residence of the owner—all must be PRINTED in the catalog. The only exception to the requirement for a registration number would be 1) Novices, 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class, and 3) cats listed as exhibition only. Their registration numbers may be printed or hand written in the catalog or may not exist at the time of the show. Each entry must have a name. No Household Pet shall have its breeder, sire or dam listed in the show catalog. If a Pedigree cat transfers into Household Pet class, the entry clerk shall delete		7.11 The exact registered name of each entry; its CFA registration number (either temporary or permanent), date of birth, sire & dam (including titles) and breeder (if available); and the name and region of residence of the owner—all must be PRINTED in the catalog. The only exception to the requirement for a registration number would be 1) Novices, 2) kittens that are eligible to compete in the kitten class, and 3) cats listed as exhibition only. <u>2) cats listed as exhibition only.</u> Their registration numbers may be printed or hand written in the catalog or may not exist at the time of the show. Each entry must have a name. No Household Pet shall have its breeder, sire or dam listed in the show catalog. If a Pedigree cat transfers into Household Pet class, the entry clerk shall delete	

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Article X – Benching/Check In, amend 10.23c		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
10.23 Correction of entry information: ... c. If any of the entry information as printed in the catalog is in error, or a registration number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor’s responsibility to provide corrections of the information printed in error and/or the lacking registration number to the master clerk or the Entry Clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), as appropriate. An official catalog correction request form must be used and the exhibitor submitting the form must obtain a copy of the catalog correction form signed by the master clerk, or designated representative, showing the correct information has been supplied for corrections of erroneous or missing entry information involving the name, registration number, birth date, ownership, region of residence of the cat, or competitive category (Novice, Open, Champion, Premier, Grand Champion, Grand Premier, Household Pet). This receipt should be retained by the exhibitor in the event any question might arise at a future date regarding an entry. For erroneous information regarding sex, age, col or/tab by pattern, color class, competitive category (changes to or from Grand Champion/Grand Premier only) or competitive class of the cat, the correction must be made on the absentee/transfer sheet with the entry clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), or, if check-in is completed, with each ring clerk prior to the cat being judged. Correction of erroneous information regarding the sire, dam, or breeder is not required. Changes to titles within the Bronze/Silver/Gold tiers of Champion and Premier are not required. ...		10.23 Correction of entry information: ... c. If any of the entry information as printed in the catalog is in error, or a registration number has not been printed in the catalog, it is the exhibitor’s responsibility to provide corrections of the information printed in error and/or the lacking registration number to the master clerk or the Entry Clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), as appropriate. An official catalog correction request form must be used and the exhibitor submitting the form must obtain a copy of the catalog correction form signed by the master clerk, or designated representative, showing the correct information has been supplied for corrections of erroneous or missing entry information involving the name, registration number, birth date, ownership, region of residence of the cat, or competitive category (<u>Kitten</u>, Novice, Open, Champion, Premier, Grand Champion, Grand Premier, Household Pet). This receipt should be retained by the exhibitor in the event any question might arise at a future date regarding an entry. For erroneous information regarding sex, age, col or/tab by pattern, color class, competitive category (changes to or from Grand Champion/Grand Premier only) or competitive class of the cat, the correction must be made on the absentee/transfer sheet with the entry clerk or their designee (individual handling check-in), or, if check-in is completed, with each ring clerk prior to the cat being judged. Correction of erroneous information regarding the sire, dam, or breeder is not required. Changes to titles within the Bronze/Silver/Gold tiers of Champion and Premier are not required. ...	
Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisi		Show Rules Committee	

onal Awards Program, amend Eligibility	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
ELIGIBILITY 1. Championship & Premiership classes - all cats entered and competing in accordance with the show rules. 2. Kitten classes - all kittens entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually registered and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the kitten's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied. 3. Household Pet classes – all Household Pets entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually provided with a Companion Cat registration number, or in the case of a pedigreed cat competing as a household pet, a cat whose registration prefix has been changed to the household pet color class number (0892/0893), and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with the fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the Household Pet to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the Household Pet's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied. 4. Cats owned by individuals currently under disciplinary suspension are ineligible to participate in this program. 5. Cats competing in the Veteran classes are ineligible to participate in this program.	ELIGIBILITY 1. <u>Kitten</u>, Championship, and & Premiership classes - all cats entered and competing in accordance with the show rules. 2. Kitten classes— all kittens entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually registered and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the kitten's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied. 32. Household Pet classes – all Household Pets entered and competing in accordance with the show rules, AND which have been individually provided with a Companion Cat registration number, or in the case of a pedigreed cat competing as a household pet, a cat whose registration prefix has been changed to the household pet color class number (0892/0893), and whose registration number has been entered (supplied to master clerk) in the master catalog prior to the close of the show or provided along with the fee listed in the CFA's current price list for scoring the Household Pet to the Central Office by 5:00PM Eastern Time on the Tuesday immediately following the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to: 1.) confirm that the Household Pet's CFA registration number is printed in the catalog; or 2.) supply the CFA registration number to the master clerk AND obtain a signed catalog correction receipt showing that the number has been supplied. 43. Cats owned by individuals currently under disciplinary suspension are ineligible to participate in this program. 54. Cats competing in the Veteran classes are ineligible to participate in this program.
Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisi	Show Rules Committee

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Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
SHOW POINTS Official Show Count ... 2. The cats/kittens/household pets competing in each show are tallied within their category to establish the official show counts. Kittens that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk, are included in the count. Novices, and AOVs are not counted in the official count for their respective categories ...	SHOW POINTS Official Show Count ... 2. The cats/kittens/household pets competing in each show are tallied within their category to establish the official show counts. Kittens that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk, are included in the count. Novices, and AOVs are not counted in the official count for their respective categories. ...
Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisi onal Awards Program, amend Awards	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
AWARDS National Awards ... A cat/kitten is credited for all national points earned under the scoring provisions regardless of any transfers of ownership. ... Regional Awards ... Regional Definition: ... 5. A cat/kitten/household pet whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited. However, no more than one NW will be issued to the same cat in the same category in one show season, e.g., a cat may earn a title in kitten and championship/premiership	AWARDS National Awards ... A cat/kitten is credited for all national points earned under the scoring provisions regardless of any transfers of ownership. <u>This includes any kitten originally registered with its breeder as its owner which is transferred with a new name to a new owner prior to reaching 8 calendar months of age.</u> ... Regional Awards ... Regional Definition: ... 5. A cat/kitten/household pet whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, region 8, region 9, and/or

during the same season, but not two awards in any category.	Hawaii, and/or the International division. <u>This includes any kitten originally registered with its breeder as its owner which is transferred with a new name to a new owner prior to reaching 8 calendar months of age.</u> These multiple awards are not prohibited. However, no more than one NW will be issued to the same cat in the same category in one show season, e.g., a cat may earn a title in kitten and championship/premiership during the same season, but not two awards in any category.
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Motion Carried. Altschul, Nasin, DelaBar, Huhtaniemi and Jensen voting no.

Mr. Newkirk moved that Proposal #1 [discussion and vote] be in open session. Seconded by **Mr. Webb**, the motion was **ratified by unanimous consent**.

2. *Add a provision to the Show Rules Addendum providing that, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens without a permanent or temporary registration number will not be included in the show count for the 2025-2026 show season.*

Addendum	Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<u>Effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk will NOT be included in the count for the 2025-2026 show season.</u>

Withdrawn.

3. *Add a provision to the Show Rules Addendum providing that, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens at shows in the International Division without a permanent or temporary registration number will not be included in the show count for the 2025-2026 show season.*

Addendum	Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
	<u>Effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens at shows in the International Division that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk will NOT be included in the count for the 2025-2026 show season.</u>

Withdrawn.

4. *Amend the show license late fee exception in the Show Rules Addendum to provide that, effective September 1, 2025, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 show season shows in the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau) can be licensed up to 60 days prior to the opening day of the show without any penalty fee; shows licensed 59-30 days before the opening date of the show will incur the penalty fee listed in the current Price List.*

Addendum		Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
The show license late fee exception for Regions 8 and 9 and the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau), which allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days before the opening day of the show without any penalty fee, is extended for the 2025-2026 show season.		The show license late fee exception for Regions 8 and 9 and the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau) , which allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days before the opening day of the show without any penalty fee, is extended for the 2025-2026 show season. <u>The show license late fee exception for the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau), which allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days prior before the opening day of the show without any penalty, is extended for show license application received in Central Office prior to September 1, 2025. After that date and for the remainder of the 2025-2026 show season, shows in the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau) can be licensed up to 60 days prior to the opening day of the show without any penalty fee; shows licensed 59-30 days before the opening date of the show will incur the penalty fee listed in the current Price List.</u>	

The motion was ratified by unanimous consent.

5. *Amend Show Rule 28.02a and Article XXXVI Show Points, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, to require cats/kittens/household pets to be present in 70% of the rings at shows in the International Division in order to be included in the count.*

Article XXVII – Obtaining Titles – Grands, amend 28.02a		Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
28.02 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows:		28.02 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows:	

a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each Champion/Premier in a Specialty final, the cat will be ranked according to its Specialty Champion/Premier placement. Champions/Premiers will earn points from the final according to the remainder of this rule and 28.03b, which will apply to both the Allbreed and Specialty Champion/Premier placements in an Allbreed final. The highest placing Champion or Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated for shows held outside of China, i.e., Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau). For champions/premiers competing at shows in China, the cat will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated that was present in at least 70 percent of the Rings held at that show. To determine the 70 percent present requirement, see the following table:

Number of Rings held at show	Rings present for cat to be in count
1 Ring held	1 Ring
2 Rings held	2 Rings
3 Rings held	3 Rings
4 Rings held	3 Rings
5 Rings held	4 Rings
6 Rings held	5 Rings
7 Rings held	5 Rings
8 Rings held	6 Rings
9 Rings held	7 Rings
10 Rings held	7 Rings

Cats not present in the number of Rings specified in the table based on the number of Rings held at any show held in China will not be counted as competing at the show for determining the official champion/premier count, however, any grand points won by these cats in any ring will still be credited to that cat's record.

The second highest placing Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points awarded the highest placing Champion or Premier, third highest 80%, fourth highest 70% and 5th highest 60%, etc. In

a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each Champion/Premier in a Specialty final, the cat will be ranked according to its Specialty Champion/Premier placement. Champions/Premiers will earn points from the final according to the remainder of this rule and 28.03b, which will apply to both the Allbreed and Specialty Champion/Premier placements in an Allbreed final. The highest placing Champion or Premier will receive one point for every benched Champion or Premier defeated for shows held outside of the International Division, i.e., ~~Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau)~~. For champions/premiers competing at shows in ~~China~~ the International Division, the cat will receive one Grand Championship/Premiership point for every Champion/Premier defeated that was present in at least 70 percent of the Rings held at that show. To determine the 70 percent present requirement, see the following table:

Number of Rings held at show	Rings present for cat to be in count
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Cats not present in the number of Rings specified in the table based on the number of Rings held at any show held in ~~China~~ the International Division will not be counted as competing at the show for determining the official champion/premier count, however, any grand points won by these cats in any ring will still be credited to that cat's record.

The second highest placing Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points awarded the highest placing Champion or Premier, third highest 80%,

cases where 11 or more cats in a top 15 final are champions, those champions placing 11th thru 15th best champion within that final will receive 5% of the points awarded to the highest placing champion. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.		fourth highest 70% and 5th highest 60%, etc. In cases where 11 or more cats in a top 15 final are champions, those champions placing 11th thru 15th best champion within that final will receive 5% of the points awarded to the highest placing champion. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.																																													
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The motion was ratified by unanimous consent.

Mr. Newkirk moved to bring Proposals #4 and #5 into open session. Seconded by **Mr. Webb**, the motion was **ratified by unanimous consent**.

(4) INSURANCE COVERAGE REVIEW.

Seth Buckwalter, President and Principal of Whitaker Myers Insurance Group, presented an overview of the insurance coverages recommended for CFA.

Scoring Issues

(5) CENTRAL OFFICE SCORING ISSUES.

Mr. Newkirk moved to score the ID shows in question. Seconded by **Dr. Griswold**, the motion was **ratified by unanimous consent**.

Mr. Newkirk moved to bring scoring these shows into open session. Seconded by **Mr. Webb**, the motion was **ratified by unanimous consent**.

6. *Amend Show Rule 28.02a and Article XXXVI Show Points, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, to require cats/kittens/household pets to be present in 70% of the rings in order to be included in the count.*

Article XXVII – Obtaining Titles – Grands, amend 28.02a	Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
28.02 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows: a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each Champion/Premier in a Specialty final, the cat will be ranked according to its Specialty Champion/		28.02 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows: a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each Champion/Premier in a Specialty final, the cat will be ranked according to its Specialty Champion/

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Withdrawn.

(6) MAD CATTERS SCORING ISSUES.

Ms. DelaBar moved that the Mad Catters show will be scored in its entirety after the 4 identified erroneous championship entries have been deleted. Seconded by **Mr. Currle**, **Motion Carried**. Currle, Jensen, Nasin and Webb voting no. Moyer abstained for conflict.

Ms. DelaBar moved to bring the Mad Catters show discussion and vote into open session. Seconded by **Mr. Newkirk**, the motion was **ratified by unanimous consent**.

(7) OTHER COMMITTEES.

None.

(8) NEW BUSINESS.

None.

(9) OLD BUSINESS.

None.

TRANSCRIPT

Executive Session

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

(1) APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.

CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD Video Conference Meeting Agenda May 6, 2025		
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Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees		
1.	Approve Orders of the Day	Mastin
2.	Strategic Planning Review	Calhoun
3.	Show Rules	Raymond
4.	Insurance Coverage Review	Whitaker Myers
Show Scoring Issues		
5.	Central Office Scoring Issues	Dunham
6.	Mad Catters Scoring Issues	DelaBar
Unfinished Business and General Orders		
7.	Other Committees	
8.	New Business	
9.	Old Business	
	ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION	

Mastin: Meeting is called to order. May we have a motion to approve the orders of the day? Darrell? **Newkirk:** I will move that we approve the orders of the day. **Mastin:** Thank you. Russell? **Webb:** I'll second. **Mastin:** Thank you. Are there any changes or additions? Are there any objections? OK, seeing no objections, the motion passes unanimously. Thank you.

The Orders of the Day were accepted without objection and became the Orders of Business.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

(2) STRATEGIC PLANNING REVIEW.

The Board of Directors previewed an initial presentation from a marketing company, to gather initial impressions.

(3) SHOW RULES COMMITTEE.

Committee Chair: Ed Raymond
Liaison to Board: Carol Krzanowski
List of Committee Members: Cathy Dunham, Carla Bizzell

Mastin: Ed and Carol, you've got Show Rules. Carol, are you a standing motion?
Krzanowski: I am a standing motion on the Show Rules report. Somebody else was speaking when I was speaking, I thought. **Mastin:** OK, go ahead, Carol. **Krzanowski:** OK, I'm a standing motion on all the action items in the Show Rules report. **Mastin:** Thank you, Kenny, are you a standing second? Kenny, are you a standing second? **Currle:** Yes, I am. **Mastin:** Thank you, Kenny.

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Committee has prepared the show rule and show rules addendum changes set forth for the Board's consideration.

Board Action Items:

Mastin: OK, Ed. **Raymond:** OK, there are five action items in the Show Rules report. Let me just talk briefly about the first three as a group. The first three deal with kittens. The first motion would require kittens to be registered, to be shown. The second motion would not require kittens to be registered, but would not include unregistered kittens in the show count across all of CFA shows. And the third motion would also not require kittens to be registered, but would exclude unregistered kittens from the show count for shows in the International Division. So, if the first motion passes, motions #2 and #3 will be withdrawn. If motion #1 fails, but motion #2 passes, then the third motion would be withdrawn. **Mastin:** OK.

1. Amend Show Rules 6.08, 6.15, 6.30, 7.09, 7.11, 10.23, and Article XXXVI as follows to require that kittens be registered in order to be shown, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025:

Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.08	Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
6.08 With the exception of qualifying longhair Exotics (which may be shown in Persian classes), each cat must be entered in the breed under which it is registered and each kitten must be entered in the breed under which it is registered or eligible to be registered.		6.08 With the exception of qualifying longhair Exotics (which may be shown in Persian classes), each <u>kitten or</u> cat must be entered in the breed under which it is registered and each kitten must be entered in the breed under which it is registered or eligible to be registered.
Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.15	Show Rules Committee	

Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
6.15 Only cats registered with CFA with either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the Championship and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number or request for a temporary registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing as Novices, as provided for in paragraph 2.07.a). It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.		6.15 Only cats registered with CFA with either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the <u>Kitten</u>, Championship, and Premiership competitive categories and the Veterans, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV classes. The show management is expressly prohibited from accepting a <u>Kitten</u>, Championship, Premiership, Veteran, Provisional Breed, Miscellaneous (Non-Competitive) or AOV entry unless the official entry form contains a registration number or request for a temporary registration number. (Except those listed cats that are competing as Novices, as provided for in paragraph 2.07.a). It is the responsibility of the owner to enter the cat with its proper registration number as shown on the registration certificate. Any AOV, Provisional or Miscellaneous kitten must have a registration number in order to be eligible to be shown.	
Article VI – Entering the Show, amend 6.30		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
6.30 The entry clerk shall be responsible for reviewing each entry form received to verify that all necessary information is included. The entry clerk is prohibited from accepting Championship (unless the entry is for a Novice), Premiership (unless the entry is for a Novice), Provisional (kittens or adults), Miscellaneous (kittens or adults), Veterans, and AOV entries (kittens or adults) whose entry form does not contain a registration number. In the case of cats requesting a temporary registration number, the entry clerk will assign the number from the list provided by Central Office for inclusion in the show catalog and complete, if not already completed by the owner, an application for temporary registration number that will be attached to the pedigree or documentation of CFA registration numbers of parents, if allowed by rule 6.16, and associated fee payment. The cat's pedigree (or CFA registration numbers if allowed by rule 6.16), application form, and associated registration fee OR a catalog correction form containing the cats permanent registration number must be provided no later than the close of check-in for the show or the cat will be		6.30 The entry clerk shall be responsible for reviewing each entry form received to verify that all necessary information is included. The entry clerk is prohibited from accepting <u>Kitten</u>, Championship (unless the entry is for a Novice), Premiership (unless the entry is for a Novice), Provisional (kittens or adults), Miscellaneous (kittens or adults), Veterans, and AOV entries (kittens or adults) whose entry form does not contain a registration number. In the case of <u>kittens or</u> cats requesting a temporary registration number, the entry clerk will assign the number from the list provided by Central Office for inclusion in the show catalog and complete, if not already completed by the owner, an application for temporary registration number that will be attached to the pedigree or documentation of CFA registration numbers of parents, if allowed by rule 6.16, and associated fee payment. The <u>kitten's or</u> cat's pedigree (or CFA registration numbers if allowed by rule 6.16), application form, and associated registration fee OR a catalog correction form containing the eatscat's permanent registration number must be provided no later than the close of	

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Article VII – Pre-Show Document Preparation, amend 7.09	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
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Article X – Benching/Check In, amend 10.23c	Show Rules Committee
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
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Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program, amend Eligibility		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
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Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program, amend Show Points		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
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Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program, amend Awards		Show Rules Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
AWARDS National Awards ... A cat/kitten is credited for all national points earned under the scoring provisions regardless of any transfers of ownership. ... Regional Awards ...		AWARDS National Awards ... A cat/kitten is credited for all national points earned under the scoring provisions regardless of any transfers of ownership. <u>This includes any kitten originally registered with its breeder as its owner which is transferred with a new name to a new owner prior to reaching 8 calendar months of age.</u> ...	

Regional Definition: ... 5. A cat/kitten/household pet whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. These multiple awards are not prohibited. However, no more than one NW will be issued to the same cat in the same category in one show season, e.g., a cat may earn a title in kitten and championship/premiership during the same season, but not two awards in any category.	Regional Awards ... Regional Definition: ... 5. A cat/kitten/household pet whose owner changes residence or whose ownership changes and is otherwise eligible, may receive awards in a region within regions 1–7, region 8, region 9, and/or Hawaii, and/or the International division. <u>This includes any kitten originally registered with its breeder as its owner which is transferred with a new name to a new owner prior to reaching 8 calendar months of age.</u> These multiple awards are not prohibited. However, no more than one NW will be issued to the same cat in the same category in one show season, e.g., a cat may earn a title in kitten and championship/premiership during the same season, but not two awards in any category.
RATIONALE: To be consistent with CFA’s show categories, all cats entered in shows will have a paid CFA temporary or permanent registration number. All entries will have a paid temporary or permanent registration number by the close of check-in in order to be eligible to be shown. Failure to provide the temporary or permanent registration number will result in the kitten being removed from the show as Ineligible for Entry. Acknowledging that a number of CFA breeders preregister some or all the kittens in a litter, the option to make a one-time change of a kitten’s name/ownership before the kitten reaches eight calendar months of age, without the loss of points earned, will give breeders the encouragement to register all of their kittens without concern of a future home wishing to change their kitten’s name.	

Raymond: The first motion is the package of show rule changes required to require kittens to be registered to be shown. This requiring kittens to be registered helps CFA from a financial perspective in terms of registration income. It also reduces unregistered kittens at shows, seen particularly in the International Division. **Mastin:** Anything else, Ed? **Raymond:** No. **Mastin:** Alright, Pam. **DelaBar:** We have discussed this I thought in depth previously, especially during the budget, and I thought it was the thought of the board that since the last time this came in front of the delegation there was quite a bit of discussion and it was voted down, that we thought it would be necessary to take this back to the delegation at the annual meeting. I am very uncomfortable with passing this without it going in front of the delegation. It says registered, but there's nothing here for TRN and I believe it's necessary, especially in my area, to be able to have a TRN if we're going to go this route. I'm all for making money, but I do believe this needs to be in the hands of the delegation. I do, however, support Darrell's request for the International Division. They learned too well from us when they got started and there needs to be some breaks applied there. **Mastin:** Thank you, Pam. Ed, before I call on Kathy and Darrell, does the first motion remove the TRNs from the show rules? **Raymond:** It does not. TRNs are provided for in rule 6.30, and if you look at 6.15, this is only cats registered with CFA with

either a temporary or permanent registration number are eligible for entry in the Kitten Championship, Premiership, etc. **Mastin:** OK. Thank you for clarifying that. Kathy? **Calhoun:** So, a small group of folks got together after our marching orders in, I believe, the last time this was up for discussion to prepare a document to go in front of the delegation in June and that is exactly what this is. We absolutely would like to go in front of the delegation and make the case around these rules. It's very important from a revenue perspective for CFA. I think that the Dick Kallmeyer documentation has been provided to the board, so the board fully understands the importance of increased revenue. **Mastin:** OK, Kathy, thank you. Darrell? **Newkirk:** So, I'm going to vote for this. Like Pam said, this has come before the delegation. The delegation is never going to approve this. It's a business decision. We need the income. It will solve a lot of problems across the board. So, we need to have the guts to stand up and do this. If the membership is that unhappy if we pass this and institute this, then they can bring up a resolution from the floor to overturn it. I don't think they'll do it. We may lose a few kittens in a show here and there, but we need the income. And you know what? It's time that we institute this. This needs to be a show rule. If you want to show your cat or your kittens, they have to be registered. There may be some gnashing of teeth for a few days. However, I think that they will come around. People don't want this organization to fall, and if we let them know that we're doing this because we need the increased income, then I think that the people will be willing to get their kittens registered and show them. **Mastin:** Thank you, Darrell.

Mastin: Carissa? **Altschul:** I don't know how many people are on the board who are on the board when we were struggling with the issues in China, or new members of the board who might have taken the time to go back and read through the minutes from 2013, 2014, 2015, as I have, and I want to caution that we don't go down the same path we did 10 years ago when we required China to register all of their kittens. What happened was, we got a whole slew of fake registrations that we are still dealing with the consequences of 10 years down the line, that Karen Lawrence has been bringing these fake registrations to us that are impacting cats that are actually being shown. In one of the old files, there is a catalog that was presented by a judge who went to a China show that had all these kittens that were registered. They all had registration numbers. I don't know how they all got registered because some of them were out of parents and they were less than 30 days apart from the same female, but yet they had registration numbers. We'll see a slight bump or a big bump in registration, which is great. I'm not going to vote for this because I don't think it's going to fix the actual problem and I also think we shouldn't be making decisions that directly impact the clubs without asking the opinion of the clubs. That's all. **Mastin:** Thank you, Carissa. Pam? **DelaBar:** Carissa just basically said what I was going to say. But again, we're bringing a subject or an issue back after we had already made a decision to take this to the delegation and now we're regurgitating the same thing again. The clubs have to have a say on this because, one, it's not just CFA's income, it's our club's income. And our clubs are our grassroots people who are on the ground floor of bringing new people into CFA. We have got to make sure that our constituents are well informed. **Mastin:** Kathy? **Calhoun:** I agree with our constituents being informed, but an interesting thing I'd like to share is that I was part of an email that indicated that CFA doesn't share any of their financials with the constituents, and I beg to differ because we do. I do. Registration is the primary source of CFA income. That being said, there are massive numbers of unregistered kittens being shown. And also, I would like to give Allene an opportunity to speak to the things that the Central Office have put in place that address those issues that Carissa brought up. **Mastin:** Kathy, thank you. Allene, I'll call on you after Marilee. Vicki? **Jensen:** OK. So, today, right now, are we voting to put this in front of the

delegation or are we voting to pass this? Because I'm hearing both things. What are we doing today with this? **Mastin:** Vicki, we're voting to pass the motion that's on the table. **Jensen:** OK. Thank you. **Mastin:** Marilee? **Griswold:** So, I don't know if everyone understands kind of the nuances – I know I've talked to Carissa about this – the nuances of what's happening in the ID Division with regards to these kitten counts. I know the last few extra-large kitten counts that were in Thailand and Malaysia, I'm pretty sure, although I can't prove it, were stuffed with probably 40 to 45 kittens that were supposed to be straight-eared Scottish Folds, whether they're longhair or shorthair, that are this kind of Corin color. My strong suspicion, and from what I've seen on Facebook, with the longhair British Shorthair breeders in WCF praising our CFA judges for finaling their longhair British Shorthairs, this is what's happening. Our WCF constituents that are in Thailand and Malaysia that have British Shorthair kittens that cannot be registered or shown in CFA because they're different colors like the Corin, which is a DQ for a British, but it's allowable in straight-eared Scottish Folds. So, how they're doing this is, they're just saying “this is a straight-eared Scottish Fold”, and they're just making up some dam and sire, literally making up these names, Fluffy and Fufu, and just entering these kittens. Because we allow kittens to be shown with no registration numbers, we have no way to control this at all. It's just completely rampant. So, those kittens cannot be registered legitimately at all because they are British that can't be registered. Some of them are longhair British Shorthairs. Those can definitely not be registered for show. So, forcing people to have a kitten registration is going to decrease that specific thing that we have been seeing for the last couple of shows at the end of the season. It's just too easy to throw those kittens in there as a completely different breed, and those people are British breeders. They don't have Scottish Folds at home. They're just Brit breeders. So, that will at least make it a little more difficult for them to do things like stuffing. If they do have legitimate kittens that they want to enter, then that is going to increase our registration for kittens like Kathy is saying. So, either they won't register them because they're not legitimate or they will register them because they are. Or maybe they're trying to fake it. We can't stop people from faking registrations. That's going to happen all over the world, and that's why we need Karen to come back behind everybody and do the whack-a-mole. But, we can't ever stop doing these tests and checks for fraudulent registrations if we want to maintain the quality of our registration. But I just wanted to make sure that everybody knows that there is a problem not in the United States. So, if everyone really wants this to go to the clubs, the clubs in Malaysia and Thailand, I'm sure, will be very happy to say they don't want kittens to be registered so they can continue to enter 45 kittens this way. But, if you want that to go to the clubs in Europe and other places, I can understand we're trying to recruit people from WCF legitimately, but this is a real problem in the ID at the moment. **Mastin:** OK, thank you, Marilee. Allene? **Tartaglia:** Yes, in regards to Lathy and the safeguards. James, correct me if I'm wrong or if I forget something, but we have a lot of safeguards in place in today's system. I would also like to point out that a lot of the problems Karen is seeing are not current. They are from all those years ago, because we have these safeguards in place. So, for instance, cattery reports are available at no charge to people, so they can review cats that have been registered to their cattery. A cat can be added to a cattery for use in registering a litter only if the cattery name and the cat's ownership matches. There are matches in place now to help with that. If a breeder is using a sire and they are not the owner, an email is sent out to the sire verifying that it is a legitimate litter. Regarding the 30 days between a dam, I don't know what was in place at that time or what got lost at some point, but the checks and balance in place is that I believe it's 65 days. If there's less than 65 days, it's going to stop the litter and there's going to be a question, a review of the litter. Did I miss anything, James?

Simbro: No, you covered everything. Like you said, most of this stuff stems back from 2014 when Computan launched the system and we found a lot of checks and balances lacking back then, but that's all been rectified. If anybody can bring something to me that's more current or something where a litter has been produced by a dam within 30 days, certainly we would need to look into that, but as of right now, I've never seen anything like that current. **Mastin:** Thank you, Allene. Thank you, James. Howard? **Webster:** This needs to be done. We can't keep going on month after month, not bringing in more money, losing a couple \$300,000 a year. This needs to be done and done now. If they don't like it, they take it on the floor. **Mastin:** OK, Howard. Thank you. Kenny? **Currle:** Will this be effective immediately? **Raymond:** It will be effective for shows on or after May 19th. **Currle:** OK, thank you. **Raymond:** If someone has entered an unregistered kitten in an upcoming show, they've got a couple of weeks to get their registration in order or a TRN. **Currle:** Thank you. **Mastin:** Thank you, Ed. Kathy? **Calhoun:** May I share a chart that was provided by Dick Kallmeyer? **Mastin:** This is specific to non-registered kittens, correct? **Calhoun:** Yes, this chart shows the number of present non-registered kittens by geography in the show seasons with China and Asia and all the ID and all of the major – there's North America, there's Japan, there's Europe, there's China. It's not by region, but it is by – **Mastin:** OK. As long as it's specific to non-registered kittens. **Calhoun:** It is. **Mastin:** OK. Yep, go ahead. **Calhoun:** OK. So let's see here. Did that work? Can you see anything? **Newkirk:** I see it. **Calhoun:** This file tracks registration through 2019-2020 season all the way up to 24-25. The clubs and kittens entered in North America, Japan, and Europe are far unique. These are unique kittens, non-registered, that are being shown. Those numbers are by far lower than China. Now, this is 24-25. And I believe that that was a part year that is being reported, but you can see that the numbers in China have dramatically gone up and this is unrealized revenue. This is unrealized revenue for CFA. The other parts of the world are not going to really be impacted that much in compared to the overall benefit that this will provide to CFA. We're doing everything that we can possibly do to be good shepherds of the CFA dollar. There's a lot of things in strategic planning that we can do, but it's going to take time. This, we will see an almost immediate benefit. **Mastin:** OK Kathy. Pauli? **Huhtaniemi:** Pam has actually already said everything I wanted to say. This is not only CFA who's losing money. If you got those unregistered kittens from the shows, it's the clubs who suffer and sometimes two entries might make a show profit. So, it's really important that we have an option that kitten owners can show their cats without registration number. So, I'm going to vote no for the motions #1 and #2, and I'm going to support Darrell's original proposal #3, which is a special rules for the Asia. That's all. **Mastin:** OK. Are there further comments?

Mastin: OK. I try not to make too many comments, so I'm going to have to comment on this one. I got two things, and it's not comfortable to talk about, but I got to bring it up. I agree with Darrell and others who say that all kittens or all cats should be registered to be shown in CFA, but I'm going to put a however in that. I also agree with Pam that it should be brought to the delegation, and I'll explain why. I think we learned a lesson last year with the breed councils when they approached at last year's annual, that they no longer want the board to make the decision solely on the breeds coming into CFA, that they want a say in it. One of the things I worry about here is, if we pass this first motion, do we have a group of clubs that line up like we did last year, putting together a motion to restrict the board on making show rule changes? It's a long shot, but I didn't expect what happened last year to happen and to go on as long as it did. That's one concern. The other concern I have is, I'm not so sure that all the board members who are judges should be voting on this specific motion. The reason why is, there's compensation

involved for all cats entered, kittens especially, if they don't have registration numbers for those judges who work those shows. The report that Kathy shared, I believe, Kathy, that was from December for the 24-25 year. I think the most recent numbers Dick did, and he was waiting for the year end, shows a considerable increase for China and Asia East. When I say considerable, I'm talking about hundreds. I think the total number year to date through April, the second week of April, might have been over 3,200 cats that were not registered that were shown worldwide. Europe wasn't terrible. Japan wasn't terrible. I think United States might have been a couple hundred – 209 or something in that range. So I just want to share those. I don't have to vote on this because I just don't have to, unless there's a tie. I just wanted to share that information with everybody to keep all that in mind. Kathy. **Calhoun:** Rich, can you pull up the Dick Kallmeyer latest numbers? **Mastin:** I can't. **Calhoun:** Can you send it to me? **Mastin:** I will send it to you, but I'm trying to look for it on my cell phone while I'm multitasking here. **Calhoun:** OK. **Mastin:** James might have it possibly, but I'll keep looking for it. **Calhoun:** OK. 3,200 kittens times 20 bucks is \$64,000. **Mastin:** That's for just this year. That's correct. **Calhoun:** That's for just this year. **Mastin:** And when we did the four previous years or five previous years on the report, I think the total was over \$125,000. The number keeps growing. **Calhoun:** We invited people to participate in this committee that had varying opinions on this subject. This was very intentional. **Mastin:** Anything else? **Calhoun:** All of this waking away from significant amounts of revenue will negatively impact CFA. **Mastin:** Thank you, Kathy. **Calhoun:** I think I've had my hand up too many times.

Mastin: Darrell. **Newkirk:** I want to make a couple of points. The first one is, I don't think this matter versus what the Breed Councils did about tying the board's hands for registration issues are similar. That's just my opinion. My other opinion is that I'm on here to make a business decision. I'm not in here to line my pocket. You can ask any club that I've ever judged for. I make a donation to every club that I judge for. Sometimes I don't even charge the fee because I want the clubs to succeed. I don't want to hurt them, and especially because I don't want to deal with the tax consequences of making money in a foreign country. So, that right there is out. So, I don't charge for them. This is a business decision to bring in income and it needs to be done. That's just my opinion, and I understand that some of you want to bring this before the delegation, but if we don't pass this and this comes before the delegation, I can probably say with 80% assurity that it's not going to pass. So, the only way it's going to pass is if this board pulls up their panties and votes for it. That's just my opinion. Howard, you're not muted. **Webster:** Oh. **Newkirk:** So anyway, I feel like we should pass this. There will be a little bit of grumbling, but you know what? It's like everything else that's controversial. After the initial complaining is over with, I think it'll be accepted, especially if we tell them we have to do this so we can have the financial success of this organization. That's just my two cents worth. **Mastin:** Thank you, Darrell. Ed? **Raymond:** Just wanted to point out that your concern about a motion from the floor limiting the board's authority with show rules would be ruled out of order. The bylaws give the board the authority to establish and maintain the show rules. So if a club or clubs wanted to change that, they would have to pre-notice a bylaw amendment and that can't happen until the next annual. **Mastin:** OK, good. Thanks for clarifying that. Anything else, Ed? **Raymond:** No, that's it for this. **Mastin:** Kenny? **Currle:** Just to be sure, and this is my second time and I won't raise my hand again on this issue. Are we voting on the first presented motion? **Mastin:** Yes. **Currle:** Only that one first, right? **Raymond:** Yes. **Currle:** OK, thank you. That's what I wanted to know. **Mastin:** OK. Any further discussion? OK, I'm going to call for the vote. If you're in favor, raise your hand.

Mastin called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Altschul, Nasin, DelaBar, Huhtaniemi and Jensen voting no.

Mastin: Rachel, Russell, Kenny, Darrell, John, Janet, Marilee, Aki, Kathy, Howard and Carol. OK, lower your hand. **Mathis:** Anne is in favor. I just can't find the hand raise button. Sorry. **Mastin:** OK, thank you, Anne. OK, if you're opposed, raise your hand. Carissa, Pam, Pauli, Doreann. OK, lower your hand. And if you're in abstention, raise your hand. No abstentions. OK, Rachel, when you're ready. **Anger:** I didn't get a vote from Vicki. I see her hand up, but I don't know if that's – **Jensen:** Yeah, I wasn't able to get my screen to work. I wanted to vote no. **Mastin:** OK, thank you, Vicki. **Anger:** That's 12 yes, 5 no, zero abstentions. **Mastin:** OK, motion passes.

Mastin: OK, Darrell. **Newkirk:** I'd like to make a motion that this be in open session. **Mastin:** OK, Russell, are you seconding? Russell, are you making a second? **Webb:** Yes. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. Any objections? Seeing no objection, motion passes unanimously.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Anger: I have a question. **Mastin:** Go ahead, Rachel. **Anger:** Was Darrell's motion regarding the vote only or the discussion as well? **Mastin:** Darrell? **Newkirk:** Discussion, as well. **Anger:** Thank you.

To be withdrawn if proposal #1 passes.

2. *Add a provision to the Show Rules Addendum providing that, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens without a permanent or temporary registration number will not be included in the show count for the 2025-2026 show season.*

Addendum	Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
	<u>Effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk will NOT be included in the count for the 2025-2026 show season.</u>	
RATIONALE: If unregistered kittens are not included in the show count, it will reduce the incentive to enter them in shows to increase the kitten count.		

Mastin: Ed, the next two are withdrawn? **Raymond:** Correct. Motions #2 and #3 are withdrawn.

Withdrawn.

To be withdrawn if proposal #1 or #2 passes.

3. *Add a provision to the Show Rules Addendum providing that, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens at shows in the International Division without a permanent or temporary registration number will not be included in the show count for the 2025-2026 show season.*

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Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
	<u>Effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, kittens at shows in the International Division that are not listed with either a temporary or permanent registration number either printed in the catalog or added to the catalog in ink by the Master Clerk will NOT be included in the count for the 2025-2026 show season.</u>	
RATIONALE: If unregistered kittens are not included in the show count, it will reduce the incentive to enter them in shows in the International Division to increase the kitten count.		

Withdrawn.

4. *Amend the show license late fee exception in the Show Rules Addendum to provide that, effective September 1, 2025, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 show season shows in the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau) can be licensed up to 60 days prior to the opening day of the show without any penalty fee; shows licensed 59-30 days before the opening date of the show will incur the penalty fee listed in the current Price List.*

Addendum	Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
The show license late fee exception for Regions 8 and 9 and the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau), which allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days before the opening day of the show without any penalty fee, is extended for the 2025-2026 show season.	The show license late fee exception for Regions 8 and 9 and the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau) , which allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days before the opening day of the show without any penalty fee, is extended for the 2025-2026 show season. <u>The show license late fee exception for the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau), which allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days prior before the opening day of the show without any penalty, is extended for show license application received in Central Office prior to September 1, 2025. After that date and for the remainder of the 2025-2026 show season, shows in the International Division (excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau) can be licensed up to 60 days prior to the opening day of the show without any penalty fee; shows licensed</u>	

	<u>59-30 days before the opening date of the show will incur the penalty fee listed in the current Price List.</u>
RATIONALE: The International Division Committee believes that requiring clubs in the International Division (outside of China, Hong Kong, and Macau) that submit show license applications less than 60 days before the opening day of a show to pay a late fee will reduce the number of applications submitted after the 30-day cutoff.	

Mastin: So we're going on to the fourth motion? **Raymond:** Yes, #4. **Newkirk:** Pam's got her hand up. **Mastin:** Pam, I'm sorry. Go ahead, Pam. **DelaBar:** Of course, I will write notes upon this with your permission. Yes. **DelaBar:** Thank you. **Mastin:** Thank you, Pam. OK, Ed. **Raymond:** #4 is a proposed change to the show rule addendum for this year, which currently provides that there is a show license late fee exception for Regions 8, 9, and the International Division, excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau, that allows shows to be licensed up to 30 days in advance without a penalty. The change is to keep that exception only for Regions 8 and 9, and for the International Division, excluding China, Hong Kong, and Macau, which have a 21-day deadline per the show rules, allow them to license without penalty up to 60 days prior to the show. If they license between day 59 and day 30, they will pay the penalty that is currently provided in the price list. **Mastin:** OK. Thank you, Ed. Darrell? **Newkirk:** Do you have comments on this? **Newkirk:** No. Actually, we wanted to take Hong Kong and Macau out, but we withdrew that when I contacted Ed, because I think he said it would affect a few show rules. So, I think next year we can take them out for the exemption. **Mastin:** OK. Any further discussion? Any objections? OK, seeing no objection, motion passes unanimously.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

5. *Amend Show Rule 28.02a and Article XXXVI Show Points, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, to require cats/kittens/household pets to be present in 70% of the rings at shows in the International Division in order to be included in the count.*

Article XXVII – Obtaining Titles – Grands, amend 28.02a	Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
28.02 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows: a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each		28.02 A cat eligible for and shown in the Champion or Premier Class will compete for Grand Championship or Grand Premiership points in any type of ring, e.g. Allbreed, Longhair/Shorthair or Breed specialty as follows: a. Any Champion or Premier placing in the top ten (or fifteen, where applicable) finals awards may receive points towards Grand Championship or Grand Premiership. For each Champion/Premier in an Allbreed final, the cat will be ranked according to both its Allbreed Champion/Premier placement and Specialty Champion/Premier placement. For each

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The second highest placing Champion or Premier will receive 90% of the points awarded the highest placing Champion or Premier, third highest 80%, fourth highest 70% and 5th highest 60%, etc. In cases where 11 or more cats in a top 15 final are champions, those champions placing 11th thru 15th best champion within that final will receive 5% of the points awarded to the highest placing champion. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.

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Article XXXVI – National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program, amend Show Points		Show Rules Committee/International Division Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
SHOW POINTS		SHOW POINTS	
Official Show Count		Official Show Count	
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3. A cat/kitten/household pet handled by a judge in one ring is counted as competing in all Rings for shows held outside of China, i.e., in Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau). For cats/kittens/household pets handled by judges in China, the cat/kitten/household pet must be handled in 70 percent of the Rings held at the show, as noted in the following table, for the cat/kitten/household pet to be counted.		3. A cat/kitten/household pet handled by a judge in one ring is counted as competing in all Rings for shows held outside of <u>the International Division</u> . China, i.e., in Regions 1-9 and most of the International Division (including the special administrative areas of Hong Kong and Macau). For cats/kittens/household pets handled by judges in <u>the International Division</u> — China , the cat/kitten/household pet must be handled in 70 percent of the Rings held at the show, as noted in the following table, for the cat/kitten/household pet to be counted.	
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RATIONALE: The International Division Committee believes that requiring cats/kittens/household pets to be present in 70% of the rings at shows in the International Division in order to be included in the count will help to reduce count manipulation.			

Raymond: #5 amends show rule 28.02.a. and provision #3 in Article XXXVI – Show Points, to require a cat, kitten, or Household Pet to be present in 70% of the rings at shows throughout the International Division in order to be included in the count. Formerly, that requirement only applied to mainland China. **Mastin:** Alright. Darrell? **Newkirk:** So, this is another effort to get the cats entered in those shows to be actual competitive cats that compete in the rings. As you saw from the research I did on the shows that I sent you all, a lot of those kittens competed in one, two, or three rings. It also happened in adult classes where they came and competed in only one ring, two rings, or three rings. These were 8 and 12 ring shows that we did. So, this is needed. In my opinion, I think this will help curb the stuffing that is done, that some of those people will just say, I'm not going to enter the kitten if I have to be there in 70% of the rings. **Mastin:** OK. Thank you, Darrell.

Mastin: Kenny? **Currle:** Why are we excluding mainland USA? **Mastin:** Ed? **Raymond:** The request was only to extend the 70% requirement that applied to China to the entire International Division. The request that I received was not to extend it to all of CFA. **Currle:** Can I react, Rich? **Mastin:** Go ahead, Kenny. **Currle:** We've had a stuffing problem here. So, why should we ignore it here in the United States and just apply it to the other part of the world? That's my concern. **Mastin:** OK. Thank you, Kenny. Darrell? **Newkirk:** I believe at the end of the Central Office report, where they talk about the international shows, I don't think that there were any – well, I know that Mad Catters was mentioned at the very beginning, but the recommendation, I believe, was that this be applied to the U.S. Maybe Allene can address that. **Mastin:** Allene? **Tartaglia:** Yeah. Let me refresh my memory with the recommendation from the Show Rules Committee. Let's see. Yeah, all CFA, and at a minimum for the ID Other. **Newkirk:** So, Rich? **Mastin:** Go ahead, Darrell. **Newkirk:** So, I think we can vote on the motion that Ed just had and this can be brought up as a separate motion when we discuss the stuffing issues with those international shows. Would that be appropriate, Ed? **Raymond:** We could do that, or we could table this motion for now and while the insurance discussion is going on, I can rewrite it to apply to everybody. **Mastin:** Darrell? **Raymond:** You can bring it up later. What's your preference? **Newkirk:** Well, personally, I would like for us to pass this motion to at least get that done and we can talk about the insurance problems. If you don't mind, when we talk about the Central Office report and those shows, could we follow up? It would make this motion moot, but Kenny's concerns are about applying it to the whole of CFA. **Raymond:** OK. **Mastin:** OK. Carissa? **Altschul:** If Darrell's not going to amend his motion, then I'm not going to make a comment right now. **Mastin:** It's not Darrell's motion. It's Carol's and Kenny's. Just for clarification. Kenny? **Currle:** Yeah. My main concern about this, it's twofold. If we have a stuffing issue worldwide, this would probably lessen it to a certain extent. On the other hand, if we apply it to only one part of the world, it doesn't look good. If we're going to say we're global, I just don't like punishing, or I'm not – that's a bad word. I just don't like assigning rules to certain areas that we think are perhaps doing something against our rules. So, that's my concern, one way or the other. I'll be happy to vote. I'll vote my way. Whatever Darrell wants to do, it's fine with me. We want to bring back the others for doing it for everybody, but personally, I wouldn't implement this right now. **Mastin:** Kenny, you confuse me. You don't want to implement this right now? **Currle:** No. To me, I think it's singling out a certain part of the world. It should apply to either all of CFA or none of CFA. **Mastin:** OK. Thank you for clarifying that. Darrell? **Newkirk:** So, Kenny, I'll make you a deal. Let's get this passed. When the Central Office comes up, you and I can make the motion and second it, to all of CFA. Then, we're not singling out any one area. **Mastin:** Kenny? **Currle:** Mr. President, I need to ask your

permission to speak a third time on this. **Mastin:** Go ahead, Kenny. **Currle:** Sounds good to me, Darrell. **Mastin:** OK. I have a question for Ed. Ed, if we don't include all areas in this motion as an amended motion, does the motion that Darrell and Kenny are referring to, does that not meet the 24-hour pre-notice requirement? **Raymond:** No, it would be a new motion, so you'd have to have – **Mastin:** 2/3. **Raymond:** – 2/3. **Newkirk:** Point of order. **Mastin:** Go ahead, Darrell. **Newkirk:** So, this was pre-noticed. It was suggested in the Central Office report. They can't make a motion, but the suggestion is in the pre-noticed report from Central Office. **Mastin:** Ed, you accept that? **Raymond:** Yes, I'll accept that. Thank you, Darrell. **Mastin:** That qualifies it, Ed? **Raymond:** That qualifies it. **Mastin:** OK, good. Thank you for clarifying that. Darrell, thank you for bringing that up.

Mastin: OK. Is there any further discussion on the fifth action item here? OK, any objections? OK, seeing no objection, motion passes unanimously.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Mastin: Now, does somebody want to make a motion to bring in the fourth action item and the fifth action item into open session? Darrell? **Newkirk:** I'll make the motion. **Mastin:** OK, do we have a second? Russell? **Webb:** I'll second. **Mastin:** OK, Alright. **Newkirk:** Rich? **Mastin:** Darrell, go ahead. **Newkirk:** That's to include the discussion. **Mastin:** Right, include the discussion, yes. OK. Is there any objections? OK, seeing no objection, moving both into open session, passes unanimously.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Future Projections for Committee:

Unless an emergency arises, the Committee does not plan to bring forward any additional Show Rule changes for the 2025-2026 show season.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Raymond, Chair*

(4) INSURANCE COVERAGE REVIEW.

Seth Buckwalter, President and Principal of Whitaker Myers Insurance Group, presented an overview of the insurance coverages recommended for CFA.

Scoring Issues

(5) CENTRAL OFFICE SCORING ISSUES.

Allegations received for the 2024-2025 show season:

1. The Mad Catters (show date 4/20/25)

Entries were added to the entry clerking program after on-line entries closed that were not included in the on-line entry database (on-line count tally). A summary of the information including a response from Shirley Peet was provided to the board for an on-line discussion prior to the board meeting.

The Entry Clerking Program Enhancement Committee has addressed the issue of an entry clerk being able to add entries to the on-line database after closing by requesting that the on-line entry form used by entry clerks also be closed at 11:59 pm EDT on Monday. This has been completed and is place for shows closing Monday 12th for the show weekend of May 16-17, 2025.

No additional recommendations currently.

Dunham: OK. The first part of my report actually refers to an agenda item that you're going to be considering later, so I will skip it for the time being and come back to that when we actually talk about that particular show.

2. Count Manipulation – ID Other

Violation of Show Rules:

1.01 - Exhibitors, clubs, and show officials are expected to adhere to all regulations and requirements specific to the country in which any CFA Show is held.

1.03 - Unsportsmanlike conduct on anyone's part will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

6.34 - Any exhibitor that attempts to blatantly manipulate show counts for the benefit of their entry, such as by paying for other exhibitor's entries, may be considered to have acted in an unsportsmanlike manner and may be subject to discipline as specified in Article XV of the CFA Constitution.

Violation of By-laws:

Article XV, Section 4, paragraph f - The violation of any Show Rule.

Article XV, Section 4, paragraph g - Any act or conduct seriously and patently detrimental to the best interest and welfare of the cat or the Cat Fanciers' Association.

Definitions used to review the class.

Stuffing - entering a large number of cats with the intent to inflate a count.

Reverse Stuffing - entering a large number of cats with no intent to bring them to the show, in order to draw competition to that show.

Phantom Stuffing - large numbers of cats entered and brought to the show, but who will only appear in a ring if including them in the count will benefit a specific cat.

What gets tricky is defining “large number”. Some exhibitors will routinely enter 4-8 cats at most shows they attend. Another may enter 10-20. The only way to determine if entries are “stuffers” is to look at how the cats are shown and the intent of entering them.

A. Cat Fanciers of Thailand (3/8/25) – Kittens – Scored and posted

77 present, 35 kittens in less than 3 rings, and 9 exhibitors entered more than 5 kittens.

B. Central Breed Cat Club (3/22/25) – Kittens – Scored and posted

106 present, 48 kittens in less than 3 rings, and 4 exhibitors entered more than 5 kittens.

C. Siam Cat Fanciers’ (3/29/25) – Championship – Scored and posted

92 present, 20 cats in less than 3 rings, and 9 exhibitors entered more than 5 cats.

D. Felidae Beyond Infinity (4/13/25) – Championship – Not Scored

103 present, 35 cats in less than 3 rings, and 10 exhibitors entered more than 5 cats.

E. Persian & Exotic Cat Club (4/19/25) – Championship – Not Scored

89 present, 37 cats in less than 3 rings, and 6 exhibitors entered more than 5 cats.

F. King Cat Club (4/19/25) – Kittens – Not Scored

*134 present, 54 kittens in less than 3 rings, 10 exhibitors entered more than 5 kittens.
Darrel Newkirk also did a review for this show and provided information to the board.*

G. Ambassador Cat Club (4/26/25) – Championship – Not Scored

139 present, 27 cats in less than 3 rings, and 13 exhibitors entered more than 5 cats.

Darrell Newkirk also did a review for this show and provided information to the board.

H. Hong Kong & Macao Cat Club (4/27/25) – Championship – Not Scored

108 present, 39 cats in less than 3 rings, and 7 exhibitors entered more than 5 cats.

I. Changan Cat (4/27/25) – Kittens and Championship – Not Scored

Kittens – 72 present, 41 kittens in less than 3 rings, 3 exhibitors entered more than 5 kittens.

Cats – 90 present, 50 cats in less than 3 rings, 11 exhibitors entered more than 5 cats.

Darrel Newkirk also did a review for this show and provided information to the board.

Mr. Newkirk moved to score the ID shows. Seconded by Dr. Griswold, the motion was **ratified by unanimous consent.**

[From end of meeting] **Mastin:** I want to go back to the scoring issues on the Central Office scoring. We need a motion to bring what we did into open session, the result, so who's making the motion? Darrell, are you going to make the motion to bring scoring those shows into open session? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Mastin:** OK, and Russell, are you a second? **Webb:** Yes. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. Is there any further discussion on that? OK, any objections? Seeing no objections that is moved into open session.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Recommendation: Implement Article XXVIII Obtaining Titles-Grands, show rule 28.02.a. and Article XXXVI National/Regional/Divisional Awards Program. Show Points 3 for all of CFA or at a minimum for the ID-Other division.

By implementing these show rules, it would help reduce the effect of stuffing (entering and showing cats that are in only one maybe two rings).

Mastin: OK Darrell. **Newkirk:** So, can we scroll down to the bottom where the recommendations are? Because we got two recommendations here and that is to make them compete in the 70% rings system wide, so I will make that motion. **Mastin:** OK, what is your motion, Darrell? **Newkirk:** To require cats to compete in 70% of the rings. **Mastin:** All areas? **Newkirk:** All areas. That's what – this is Cathy's recommendation. **Mastin:** Russell are you making the second? **Webb:** Yes, I'll second. **Mastin:** OK. Ed. **Raymond:** I used my time wisely during the insurance presentation and drafted the show rule change. Allene should be able to display it.

6. *Amend Show Rule 28.02a and Article XXXVI Show Points, effective for shows opening on or after May 19, 2025, to require cats/kittens/household pets to be present in 70% of the rings in order to be included in the count.*

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Withdrawn.

Respectfully Submitted, Cathy Dunham, Grand/National/Regional Scoring

(6) **MAD CATTERS SCORING ISSUES.**

10.	DelaBar Currle	Score the Mad Catters show in total.	
	Amendment: Newkirk Altschul	The Mad Catters show will be scored in its entirety after the 4 identified erroneous championship entries have been deleted.	Motion Failed. Calhoun, Currle, Jensen and Nasin voting no. Moyer abstained with conflict

Mastin called the [amended] motion. **Motion Carried.** Currle, Jensen, Nasin and Webb voting no. Moyer abstained for conflict.

Mastin: OK, Pam DelaBar, do you want to make a motion to bring in the support on scoring the Mad Catters show, with the amendment of removing the four cats? **DelaBar:** Yes, that's no problem. **Mastin:** Darrell, are you a second? **Newkirk:** I am. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. Are there any objections? OK, seeing no objection, that motion passes unanimously.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

(7) **OTHER COMMITTEES.**

Mastin: Do we have any Other Committees under Unfinished Business?

(8) NEW BUSINESS.

Mastin: OK, is there any other New Business?

(9) **OLD BUSINESS.**

Mastin: Is there any Old Business?

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Mastin: Rachel, do we have anything else? **Anger:** I have nothing else. **Mastin:** OK, then the meeting is adjourned and I want to thank everyone. Have a good night and a good morning.

The executive session meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m. EST.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rachel Anger, Secretary*