

**SUMMARY AND TRANSCRIPT OF ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
CFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AUGUST 5, 2025**

Secretary's note: This index is provided only as a courtesy to the readers and is not an official part of the CFA minutes. The numbers shown for each item in the index are keyed to similar numbers shown in the body of the minutes.

(1)	APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.....	3
(2)	RATIFICATION OF ONLINE MOTIONS.	4
(3)	SHOW HALL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT.....	7
(4)	BREEDS AND STANDARDS.	9
(5)	INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.	10
(6)	JUDGING PROGRAM.	11
(7)	SHOW RULES COMMITTEE.	17
(8)	EXHIBITOR INPUT COMMITTEE:.....	26
(9)	BREED PRESERVATION HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE.	28
(10)	CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.	29
(11)	OTHER COMMITTEES.....	31
(12)	NEW BUSINESS.....	32
(13)	OLD BUSINESS.....	33

Secretary's Note: The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, via Zoom video conference. **President Richard Mastin** called the regularly scheduled mid-quarterly 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. Aki Tamura (Japan Regional Director)
Ms. Pam DelaBar (Europe Regional Director)
Mrs. Jacqui Bennett (Director-at-Large)
Dr. Marilee Griswold (Director-at-Large)+
Mr. Pauli Huhtaniemi (Director-at-Large)
Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)
Ms. Victoria Nye (Director-at-Large)

Also Present:

Edward L. Raymond, Jr., Esq., CFA Legal Counsel
Ms. Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director
Mr. James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst

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.

[**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.]

TRANSCRIPT

(1) APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.

CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD Video Conference Meeting Agenda August 5, 2025		
Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees		
1.	Approve Orders of the Day	Mastin
2.	Ratification of Online Motions	Anger
3.	Show Hall Technology	Dunham
4.	Breeds and Standards	Wilson
5.	International Division	Newkirk
6.	Judging Program	Nye/Webb
7.	Show Rules	Raymond
8.	Exhibitor Input	Bennett
9.	Breed Preservation Health & Welfare	Bennett
10.	Central Office	Tartaglia
Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees		
	None	
Unfinished Business and General Orders		
11.	Other Committees	
12.	New Business	
13.	Old Business	
	ADJOURN OPEN SESSION	

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

(2) RATIFICATION OF ONLINE MOTIONS.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
MOTIONS THAT REQUIRE RATIFICATION			
1.	Executive Committee	For the Edelweiss Cat Club's show in Moscow, Russia on September 20-21, 2025 (Region 9), grant an exception to Show Rule 4.04 and change Gavin Cao's assignment to AB, adding Olga Ambramova as LH/SH.	Motion Failed. Calhoun voting no.
Executive Committee Comments: Raymond: I believe this requires Executive Committee approval for a number of reasons: (1) SR 4.04 (12th paragraph) requires the license application to list the type of ring to be judged by the TBD judge. The original license application listed the TBD judge as judging an AB ring. The switch to a SP ring for the TBD judge requires EC approval; (2) as Rachel noted, a change of format/judging assignment is only permitted in an emergency and this situation does meet the definition of an emergency as set forth in SR 4.04 (14th paragraph); (3) the last sentence of SR 4.04 (14th paragraph) provides that "If the change involves a change of assignment of any already-contracted judge who is not already approved allbreed, the change of assignment must also be approved by the CFA's Executive Committee prior to the change of assignment." Gavin Cao is not an Approved Allbreed judge. He was recently advanced to Approval Pending Allbreed so EC approval of his change of assignment is required. Anger: I just heard from the Region 9 director. She supports the request. This is the first show with over 4 rings in Russia since the war broke out. Mastin: I have one question, does Judging Program Co-Chairs support the request? Anger: Yes. Calhoun: I do not disagree with the need for approval by the EC in the case of an emergency. I would like the definition of an "emergency". This show is more than 70 days away. Should this not go to the full CFA Board? Mastin: Rachel, do you know if the club needs an approval asap or can they wait till the August board meeting? All, if the club needs the approval asap, I recommend we the Executive Committee handle it by email. Russell, I see you support the request. Do you know if Vicki Nye supports the request? Webb: I will check with Vicki. Anger: The show is approximately 6 weeks away. I'm sure they want to advertise, etc. This is a simple question of, is this an emergency or not? Am I taking this to the full board or not? Webb: Just spoke with Vicki and she is in favor of the motion. Mastin: Kathy, are you willing to vote on this through the Executive Committee? Calhoun: I am in support but am not willing to vote on this through the Executive Committee. Currle: Hi everyone, common sense would dictate that this would fly through a regular board meeting. Why put off today what can be accomplished or is it the aim to push everything to the board level to have another 4 AM meeting? My preference would be to have this handled through the executive committee in a timely manner. If that cannot be accomplished through the executive committee, I would recommend putting it out now for a board vote. As elected officials, we are in service to our clubs, and we have a specific request by a club that can be handled efficiently. Mastin: In reviewing Ed's comments above (highlighted in yellow), the show rule provides and allows the Executive Committee to act on this type of motion. Imo, EC should handle this now. If we are not going to handle this now, I agree with Kenny, send it to the full board asap. Webb: I'm in agreement with Kenny. Let's stop wasting time. According to the show rule the EC can vote. Let's get it done.			
1. Cont.	Anger Bennett 07.14.2025	For the Edelweiss Cat Club's show in Moscow, Russia on September 20-21, 2025 (Region 9), grant an exception to Show Rule 4.04 and change Gavin Cao's assignment to AB, adding Olga Ambramova as LH/SH.	Motion Carried.
Board of Directors Comments: DelaBar: I want to know the reason an EC member felt it necessary to vote no. I would also like to state this is the first show with over 4 rings for Russia since the war started, and the first show that has included non-Russian judges (since the war started). Anger: In the past, I have included the first motion discussion in the Summary, along with the vote.			

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
2.	Anger Bennett 07.16.2025	For shows in Indonesia, for the 2025-2026 show season, grant: (1) an exception to Show Rule 6.36.c. to allow that shows in Indonesia must close to entries no later than 9:00 p.m. China time on the Thursday before the opening of the show; and (2) an exception to Show Rule 6.36.d. to allow that show entries in Indonesia may be received via the online entry form on the CFA website or manually.	Motion Failed.
Bennett: What feedback do we have from Darrell on this? What are his thoughts? How is the population of cat fanciers in Indonesia different than Malaysia or Thailand? I haven't noticed a significant difference in demographics but perhaps I am missing something? Also if a club can assist, why can't the club utilize the tool for the exhibitor they are assisting? How is it different? Anger: I already have a request in to Darrell for a recommendation from the ID Committee. I will share it when received. Altschul: I'm not in favor of this. If they are wealthy enough to pay for other people to show their cats, they are wealthy enough to figure out how to a) understand rules b) follow rules c) figure out how to enter online (or pay someone else to figure out the rules and enter online for them.) Manipulation in these areas to the extreme is what drove the rule changes. Indonesia was not an exception to the manipulation of rules for the benefit of some exhibitors. If anything, allowing this exception would benefit the more wealthy who wait to the last minute to dump in entries and can pay people to show them for them. Those who are less wealthy probably have to take more time to plan for shows and are likely not entering at the last minute. Griswold: As we go forward, we need to attempt to bring all of CFA under the same rules. Jensen: I also have exhibitors in my region that are not "computer literate". The entry clerks just enter the cats for them through the online entry program before the close of the show. We just "deleted" cats for failure to enter through the online entry program without notice or an opportunity to be heard for the owners of those cats, so I cannot support an exception at this point. Nye: I cannot support this exception to our rules. The background provided does not justify extension of entry time. If these exhibitors can hire agents to take their cats to shows, they can certainly ask the entry clerk to assist in the online entry process or their agent if not computer literate prior to the now established closing date and time in the ID. Bennett: I agree. Without significant justifications I can't support this. Huhtaniemi: I generally take a positive view of exemption requests made by clubs, as there is usually a good reason behind them. However, I agree with the previous commenters that this is a request we should not support. Cultural and linguistic differences are certainly significant and challenging - they always are when we go outside the USA borders - but the board had reasons for tightening the rules to make sure we have a fair game everywhere. DelaBar: "A fair game" would imply all sides are somewhat equal. There has been a change in the leadership of the FIFe federation in Indonesia, a return to the former group that does whatever to stifle CFA activity in Indonesia. This group has not recognized other association pedigrees for cats born in Indonesia. Many breeders and exhibitors who want to show CFA are being told they must also show at the FIFe shows. We do have a club/clubs having in conjunction shows with WCF now in Indonesia. I do want to see what Darrell has to say on the matter and to see if there can be a temporary solution to help alleviate the current situation. Newkirk: I have polled the ID Committee and so far no one supports this. It will really create a bad precedent. Russell did not respond. Personally the people with the money and hire these agents to show their cats need to comply with our rules. Just my opinion.			
3.	Anger Bennett 07.19.2025	For the Xijing Cat Club's 4 ring (2 AB/2 SP) show on October 12, 2025 in Zhengzhou, China (ID-China), allow their show to be licensed on the same weekend as the CFA International Show.	Motion Failed.
Bennett: If I am correct this was done for a club in Singapore so a precedent has been previously established? Webb: Yes, it was done for a club in Singapore. I am also going to check with Rachel to make sure. It might have been the Annual. Nye: The show for Feline Fanciers Society of Singapore was 6/29/2024, so CFA Annual weekend. Singapore only has one or two shows a year and is in a different situation than a club show in China, that have many, many shows. I would not be supportive of approving a show anywhere in the world that is opposite the CFA International Show, which should be a single weekend set aside as a celebration of show cats, and our beautiful breeds one weekend, once a year for all together in one place for one show. Bennett: Either			

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
way it was on an otherwise blocked weekend? Anger: Just so you know I didn't miss this, Vicki answered the question. Also for the discussion, from the ID Committee Chair: <<4 yes, 4 no.>> Mastin: I asked Allene and Mark Hannon if we have permitted another show to occur on the same weekend the International/World Show occurred over the past 11 years. Mark's response – "Not that I recall. At least once we were asked and did not permit." Allene began looking into shows that were held going back to 2018 (this is when Allene returned) and she informed me there were no other shows on the same weekend when the International Show occurred. Allene stated - "Maybe the request was put in when we thought we were going to have the show in 2022 and then we didn't. There was a show in Jakarta on October 8-9, one in Thailand, Region 4 and 2. That would have been the date of CIS if we had one." I have been involved with the International/World Shows since 2012. My understanding of why this show was blocked out exclusively for this annual event was to not bring competition to CFA's largest event. The concern(s) I have for granting this request on the same weekend as CFA's International Show is other clubs may (likely will) request to have a show on the same weekend. Permitting other shows (one or multiple) on the same weekend may (likely will) have a negative impact on the event. Be this right or wrong (depends on who wants to have a show on that weekend or how people feel about the International Show), it has been for many years not permitted to have another show on the same weekend as the International Show. Griswold: If we allow a club to put on a show during the International now, how can we ever tell another club no? This is going to open the door for all clubs to put on a show during this weekend. What is the point of an International show if it's just going to be one of many on that weekend and nothing special? Mastin: I agree with Marilee. We should also hear from the our International Show Manager Linda Murphy and our Committee Chair Ed Raymond on their thoughts of allowing another show(s) to occur on the same weekend as the International Show. Krzanowski: I also agree. Once we open the door to allowing one club an exception, then it is just a matter of time before others will request the exception as well. In all fairness, we cannot allow one club an exception and then deny others, regardless of location. Once we start allowing this, our International Show will lose its premier event status and become just another show on that weekend. Bennett: The absolute only way I could support this is that if the board codifies that only shows in areas which are unable to attend the international due to quarantine restrictions would be allowed. If exhibitors in the area are capable of coming in to show then allowing this turns the international into just another cat show. Raymond: Thank you for the invitation to share my thoughts. While I don't think that a 4-ring show in China will take significant entries away from the International Show, it does have the potential to take a few entries away. Since the board has charged the committee with delivering a significant profit on this show, we are keenly focused on maximizing income and minimizing expenses while delivering a world-class experience. Losing even a few entries will impact the bottom line. Financial issues aside, my biggest concern with approving this show is the precedent it sets. If a show in China is OK, would a competing show in Eastern Europe be OK? How about one on the West Coast of the US for those who don't want to travel? It's a slippery slope and I would urge you not to start down that road. Tartaglia: On behalf of Linda Murphy, Show Manager, she is <u>not</u> in favor of allowing another show to be licensed for the same weekend as the International show for the reasons previously mentioned here. DelaBar: There is a caveat. This is the first time we have placed a lower end limit on entries (since we required cats to be qualified at qualifiers to be entered at the Invitational Show and even then we made exceptions).			
4.	Executive Committee 07.29.2025	For the Nishi Nihon Cat Club's August 3, 2025 show, due to technical difficulties with the entry clerk program: (a) grant an exception to Show Rule 6.36.b. for Central Office to extend the closing time to 11:59 p.m. EDT Monday, July 28, and (b) allow an exception to Show Rule 6.36.d. to allow the acceptance of email and fax entries for this show only.	Motion Carried (subject to ratification).

Action Item: Ratify Motion #4.

(3) SHOW HALL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT.

Committee Chair: Cathy Dunham
Liaison to Board: Janet Moyer
List of Committee Members: Sheryl Zink and Paula Noble, Darrell Newkirk, Marilee Griswold, Bethany Colilla, Gavin Cao, Rick Hoskinson, Allene Tartaglia, and James Simbro

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

1. Work on electronic version of the show catalog with a link that can be sent to exhibitors has been completed.
2. The committee would like to thank the board of directors for approving the show rules changes needed for the move to one part paper. The use of one part was discussed at the Annual during the judge's workshop. Committee members were available to answer questions. The Clerking Program Committee notified ring clerks and master clerks, and the Entry Clerking Program Committee notified the entry clerks of the updated show rules for the use of one part paper and the effective date of August 1, 2025.
3. The committee continues with Gavin Cao to develop a data file, to be used with or without Wi-Fi, so that master clerks could enter information about finals and breed summaries which would be uploaded to central office when Wi-Fi was available.

The second phase would be a high cost with a smaller impact on central office but a huge impact on the show hall. It would include the development of an entirely paperless system used in the show hall. Tablets for the judges, ring clerks, and master clerks and all information submitted directly to central office. This is something to dream about, for now.

Current Happenings of Committee:

1. Electronic Show Catalog - The Entry Clerking Program Committee has tested the link and reviewed the pages to be included in the file. Everything is in order and ready to be rolled out for shows on or after October 18, 2025. We have worked with the show rules committee on the affected show rules. Those changes will be presented for the board's approval during the show rules committee report.
2. One part paper – Project complete and implemented. Committee is still available to answer any questions for judges, clerks, and master clerks.
3. Master Clerk Data File - The project will be beta tested in August-September with a proposed roll out date of October 18, 2025. This committee has also included the Master Clerk Program Committee and the Clerking Program Committee in the discussions as both committee chairs sit on this committee as members. The committee also plans to hold zoom classes for the master clerks to see the data file and feel comfortable with it before the roll out. This will occur after the beta test and before the roll out. We have worked with the show rules committee on the affected

show rules. Those changes will be presented for the board's approval during the show rules committee report.

Future Projections for Committee:

Beta testing for project 3 and planning the zoom education classes.

Board Action Items:

None

Time Frame:

Ongoing

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Update on ongoing projects.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Dunham, Chair*

(4) BREEDS AND STANDARDS.

Committee Chair: *Annette Wilson*
Liaison to Board: *Carissa Altschul*
List of Committee Members: *Carla Bizzell, Melanie Morgan, Krista Schmitt*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Communicated with Breed Council Secretaries, prepared for BCS meeting with CFA Board, participated in Health & Wellness Committee meetings.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Reviewing 2025 ballot proposals; following up on Khao Manee breed committee

Future Projections for Committee:

Complete review of all BC ballot proposals by Sept. 15. Review ballots before voting. Prepare summary of results for February, 2026 board meeting.

Board Action Items:

Motion: *Appoint Nassha Chaimano, Mueang, Thailand, as Khao Manee Committee Chair.*

Ms. Chaimano breeds Persians and Khao Manee and recently qualified to join the Khao Manee Breed Committee. She works with other Khao Manee breeders and will encourage them to join, also. The Breeds & Standards Committee recommends this appointment.

Time Frame:

6-8 months

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Results of BC ballots and an update on Khao Manee progress.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Annette Wilson*

(5) INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.

Committee Chair: *Darrell Newkirk*
Committee Vice-Chair: *Matthew Wong*

List of Committee Members:
Subcommittee Co-Chairs China: *Russell Webb/Ellyn Honey*
Subcommittee Chair Asia East: *Robert Zenda/Dr. Marilee Griswold*
Subcommittee Chair Africa, W Asia, Middle East: *Jan Rogers*
Subcommittee Chair Central & South America: *Miguel Mariano Pina Rodrigues/Anne Mathis*

Current happenings in the International Division:

Action Item for In Conjunction shows in Indonesia:

Propose that In Conjunction CFA/WCF shows in Indonesia on September 28-29, 2025 and February 7-8, 2026 be approved. These shows will be hosted by the Cat Fanciers of Borneo with WCF Club Nusantara Cat Squad / ID-0399.

There has been long-standing cooperation and friendship between WCF and CFA in Indonesia with many people attending each other's shows, and the first CFA/WCF In Conjunction show on May 24-25 was a success with 100 entries each day. The exhibitors enjoyed having the show together in the same venue and have asked that this cooperative effort where WCF club members can join together with CFA friends to celebrate their cats be continued.

Sponsors have been confirmed, and they are keen about having both shows together in one location. The very prestigious Show Hall is : Sasana Utomo - Taman Mini Indonesia Indah,

Jakarta, Indonesia. There will be two (2) separate shows with WCF Judges officiating at the WCF Show and CFA Judges officiating at the CFA Show. The format for the show on September 28-29, 2025 will be 8 CFA AB Judges for the CFA show and 4 WCF AB Judges for the WCF show. Format for the February is anticipated to be the same.

These shows have been coordinated with the Country Coordinator for Indonesia (Indra Faisal) who believes this is a wonderful opportunity for CFA & WCF in Indonesia to demonstrate their strength and ability to cooperate against some very challenging competition, as well as and promoting the registration of WCF cats that meet CFA registration requirements. In that vein, it should be noted that Indonesia had 202 registrations in May-June, 2025 – the highest number in the International Division OTHER.

Action Item: *That the CFA Board of Directors approve the in conjunction shows between Borneo CF and Nusantara Cat Squad to be held in Jakarta, Indonesia on September 27-28, 2025 and February 7-8, 2026, on the condition that the club be informed that they must comply with the Guidelines (and enclose a copy with our approval).*

(6) JUDGING PROGRAM.

Executive Committee

Co-Chair: Vicki Nye
Board Liaison and Co-Chair: Russell Webb
Advisor/Coordinator: Rachel Anger

List of Committee Members:

Rachel Anger: Associate Program Applications Administrator
Anne Mathis: Associate Program Training Administrator, Education – Judges’ Training/Tests and Continuing Education
Nancy Dodds: File Administrator
Marilee Griswold: File Administrator
Leslie Carr: Application Administrator – Regions 1-9
Jodell Raymond: Application Administrator – International Division
Barbara Jaeger: Education – Breed Awareness & Orientation
Neil Quigley: Guest Judge Administrator
Teresa Sweeney: Recruitment, Development and Mentoring Administrator
Carla Bizzell: Ombudsperson

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Following the acceptance of three first specialty trainees, and two additional second specialty trainees at the June 26, 2025 Board Meeting, the two file administrators are now managing the training requests, training judge assignments and club permissions of 9 trainees. A grid of approvals and pending approvals was created for the file administrators and trainees to manage this process. The training of 9 would ultimately require more than 50 training sessions to monitor. To date, 6 training sessions have occurred for these trainees with 35 more sessions approved and scheduled.

Current Happenings Of Committee:

The June 26th, 2025 Judges’ Workshop was well attended in Orlando, Florida, with 65 judges present, followed by a Zoom session on July 12, 2025 attended by an additional 27. This session was also recorded and made available to our judging panel through CFAJudgeslist@groups.io.

Plans are underway for the Breed Awareness and Orientation School to be held in conjunction with the CFA International Show October 9-12, 2025 in Cleveland, Ohio. The BAOS flyer containing detailed information will be up on the CFA website by August 1, 2025 and on various social media outlets.

The Judging Program Committee met on July 29th, 2025 to discuss advancements and other business to bring before the board.

Leave of Absence:

None

Retirements/Resignations:

None

Death of previously retired CFA Judges

Cathy Dinesen – retired June 3, 2025, deceased July 13, 2025

It is with great sadness that I am sharing the passing of Cathy Dinesen. Cathy left this world last evening (July 13, 2025) after a week in hospice care. She has had numerous health issues since the COVID pandemic, including her most recent fall and subsequent stroke.

Cathy had just turned 74 years old and was a fifty plus year exhibitor of beautiful Persian and Manx cats with her husband Jim, under their cattery name of Fuzzy Foot. Cathy letter of retirement from the CFA Judging Program was received on June 3rd, 2025, after 18 years as an Allbreed Judge.

*Cards of condolence and sympathy can be sent to :
12700 NW Custer Dr
Kansas City, MO 64152*

Please keep Jim and their two children, Erika and Christopher in your thoughts and prayers.

Applications and Advancements:

Applications:

First Specialty Applications received by the June 4, 2025 deadline for October 4, 2025 Board Meeting.

- **Noelle Giddings:** First Specialty Longhair – Region 2 (Coeur D'Alene, Idaho)
- **Tuija Aaltonen:** Shorthair Associate Judge, First Specialty Shorthair – Region 9 (Kerava, Finland)
- **Carrie Feng:** First Specialty Shorthair – ID-China (Tianjin, China)

Advancements:

One (1) advancement to be presented in closed session

- **Alex Luk Chunlap:** From Shorthair Trainee to Shorthair Apprentice – ID-Other (Hong Kong)

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

- *Applications: First Specialty Applications received by the June 4, 2025 deadline, to be considered at the October 4-5, 2025 Board Meeting.*
- *Advancements*
- *Registration update for the October 9-12, 2025 BAOS in conjunction with the CFA International Show.*

Breed Awareness and Orientation School Subcommittee

Subcommittee Chair: Barbara Jaeger

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The most recent BAOS was held last spring in Thailand and by all accounts it was very successful. The next BAOS is scheduled to be held in conjunction with the International Show and Expo, October 9–12, 2025 in Cleveland, OH.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Registration for the school will begin August 1, 2025. The link for registration will be <https://catalog.cfa.org/fees.shtml#baos>. The fees remain the same and registrations will close September 22, 2025 or when 40 registrations have been received. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at barbara.jaeger911@gmail.com.

Instructors for the school will be Barbara Jaeger, Vicki Nye, Nancy Dodds and Marilee Griswold. Classroom instruction will be on Thursday and Friday at the Crown Plaza and the handling portion will be on Saturday and Sunday in the show hall at the IX Center.

Future Projections for Committee:

Planning for the Spring 2026 BAOS is underway and will tentatively be held in Japan. More information will be forthcoming.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Jaeger, BAOS Coordinator*

Continuing Education Subcommittee

Chair: Anne Mathis

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Workshop attendees Orlando 6/2025 – 65.

7/26 Zoom Workshop 7/12/2025 Attendees 27

Workshop content:

- *How to Handle the Double Mutation Show Rule for HHPs, and NA/IE. Vicki Nye*
- *Central Office Paperwork Change—I part Color Class & Breed/Final sheets--Nancy Dodds*
- *Color Class Markings: Marking MISC &Transfers —Nancy Dodds*
- *Guest Judge Approval Process by Vicki Nye*
- *Genetics for the Judging Ring– Marilee Griswold*

Current Happenings of Committee:

Judges have been reminded that, for most of them, their report cards with their continuing education activities over the last 5 years are due on 10.1.26. They may send the materials early, of course

For those due this year, reminders are being sent.

Future Projections for Committee:

We are hoping to receive the majority of the CEU report cards throughout the next year. This is also the first year of two in which rule and standard changes are turned into questions for the Judge's test that will be given next year.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Mathis, Subcommittee*

Guest Judging Report

Guest Judging Administrator: *Neil Quigley*

Current Happenings of Committee:

In addition to approving CFA Club requests to contract Guest Judges from Approved Associations, the Guest Judge Administrator also approves requests for CFA Judges to officiate for other approved Associations.

CFA Judges to Judge non-CFA Assignments or present seminars:

<i>Judge</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>Sponsor/Club</i>	<i>City/Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
--------------	-------------	---------------------	---------------------	-------------

<i>Cruvongpaiboon, Keeratiya</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>Central Breed Cat Club</i>	<i>Nonthaburi, Thailand</i>	<i>08/09/25</i>
<i>Mathis, Anne</i>	<i>ACF CCCA</i>	<i>Royal National Agriculture</i>	<i>Brisbane, Australia</i>	<i>08/09/25</i>
<i>Rattanaweerawong, I</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>Central Breed Cat Club</i>	<i>Nonthaburi, Thailand</i>	<i>08/09/25</i>
<i>Sarriff, Amir</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>RJ Cat Motel and Spa</i>	<i>Kota Bharu Kelantan, Malaysia</i>	<i>08/09/25</i>
<i>Yuenyadchai, Atcha</i>	<i>Fun Show</i>	<i>Central Breed Cat Club</i>	<i>Nonthaburi, Thailand</i>	<i>08/09/25</i>
<i>Calhoun, Kathy</i>	<i>ACF</i>	<i>Armidale & New England Cc</i>	<i>South Windsor, NSW, Australia</i>	<i>09/13/25</i>
<i>Zenda, Bob</i>	<i>ACF</i>	<i>Armidale & New England CC</i>	<i>South Windsor, NSW, Australia</i>	<i>09/13/25</i>
<i>Korotonozhkina, Olga</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Rolandus</i>	<i>Kiev, Ukraine</i>	<i>09/20/25</i>
<i>Raymond, Allan</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Philippine Feline Club</i>	<i>Manila, Philippines</i>	<i>10/04/25</i>
<i>Silva-Sanchez, Oscar</i>	<i>ENFI</i>	<i>Felino Roma</i>	<i>Rome, Italy</i>	<i>10/11/25</i>
<i>Rumyansteva, Nadejda</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Kazakhstan Felinologists Union</i>	<i>Almaty, Kazakhstan</i>	<i>10/25/25</i>
<i>Chung, Chloe</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Meowbulous Cat Club</i>	<i>Selangor, Malaysia</i>	<i>10/31/25</i>
<i>DeGolyer, Pam</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>Felin de Montreal</i>	<i>Laval Quebec, Canada</i>	<i>11/30/25</i>
<i>Newkirk, Darrell</i>	<i>ACF</i>	<i>Birman Cat Fanciers of Queensland</i>	<i>Deception Bay, Aust</i>	<i>05/09/26</i>
<i>Newkirk, Darrell</i>	<i>ACF</i>	<i>Cats New South Wales Inc</i>	<i>Sydney, Australia</i>	<i>05/10/26</i>
<i>Fung, Kit</i>	<i>CCCA</i>	<i>Birmans Ragdolls & Other Breeds</i>	<i>Melbourne, Australia</i>	<i>05/24/26</i>

CFA Club Requests to use a Guest Judge:

Judge	Assn	Sponsor/Club	City/Country	Date	Approved
<i>Calmes, Fabrice</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Hong Kong Black Cat Club/WCC</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>8/2/25</i>	<i>WCC April 2025</i>
<i>Van Rooyen, Jan</i>	<i>SACC</i>	<i>Hong Kong Black Cat Club/WCC</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>8/2/25</i>	<i>WCC April 2025</i>
<i>Hamalainen, Satu</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>Hong Kong Black Cat Club/WCC</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>8/3/25</i>	<i>WCC April 2025</i>
<i>Harrison, Vicki Jo</i>	<i>TICA</i>	<i>Hong Kong Black Cat Club/WCC</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>8/3/25</i>	<i>WCC April 2025</i>
<i>Abramova, Olga</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>9/21/25</i>	<i>app 7/04/25 NQ</i>
<i>Bielova, Natalia</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>9/21/25</i>	<i>app 6/11/25 WH</i>
<i>Pohvalina, Victoria</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>9/21/25</i>	<i>app 6/11/25 WH</i>
<i>Vorobyev, Ivan</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>9/21/25</i>	<i>app 6/11/25 WH</i>
<i>Trautmann, Jurgen</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>UK Cat Fanciers</i>	<i>Wermelskirchen, Germany</i>	<i>11/2/25</i>	<i>app 7/17/25 NQ</i>
<i>Balciuniene, Inga</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>44 Gatti Cat Club</i>	<i>Milano Malpensa, Italy</i>	<i>11/8/25</i>	<i>APP GJ</i>
<i>Kuznetsova, Olga</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Central Breed CC</i>	<i>Bangkok, Thailand</i>	<i>8/16/25</i>	<i>app 6/20/25 WH</i>
<i>Billing, Jorgen</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>44 Gatti Cat Club</i>	<i>Milano Malpensa, Italy</i>	<i>11/8/25</i>	<i>app 07/06/25 NQ</i>
<i>Mantovani, Gianfranco</i>	<i>FIFe</i>	<i>44 Gatti Cat Club</i>	<i>Milano Malpensa, Italy</i>	<i>11/8/25</i>	<i>app 7/06/25 NQ</i>
<i>Slizhevska, Tetiana</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Rolandus Cat Club</i>	<i>Kiev, Ukraine</i>	<i>11/8/25</i>	<i>app GJ</i>
<i>Trautmann, Jurgen</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>44 Gatti Cat Club</i>	<i>Milano Malpensa, Italy</i>	<i>11/8/25</i>	<i>app 6/11/25 WH</i>
<i>Trautmann, Jurgen</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>44 Gatti Cat Club</i>	<i>Padova, Italy</i>	<i>1/24/26</i>	<i>app 6/11/25 WH</i>
<i>Trautmann, Jurgen</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Purrfect Paws Catwalk</i>	<i>Riga, Latvia</i>	<i>1/31/26</i>	<i>app 7/22/25 NQ</i>

<i>Abramova, Olga</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>2/7/26</i>	<i>app 6/12/25 WH</i>
<i>Izmalkova, Anna</i>	<i>WCF</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>2/7/26</i>	<i>app 6/12/25 WH</i>
<i>Pohvalina, Victoria</i>	<i>RUI</i>	<i>Edelweiss Cat Club</i>	<i>Moscow, Russia</i>	<i>2/7/26</i>	<i>app 6/12/25 WH</i>
<i>Gleason, Elaine</i>	<i>CCA</i>	<i>Golden Triangle CF</i>	<i>Cambridge, Ont, CN</i>	<i>5/23/26</i>	<i>app 6/20/25 WH</i>

2025-2026 Season compiled guest judge listing

Guest Judge Name	# Shows
<i>Abramova, Olga</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Balciunene, Inga</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Bielova, Natalia</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Billing, Jurgen</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Calmes, Fabrice</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Gleason, Elaine</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Hamalainen, Satu</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Harrison, Vicki Jo</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Izmalkova, Anna</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Kuznetsova, Olga</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Mantovani, Gianfranco</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Slizhevska, Tetiana</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Trautmann, Jurgen</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Pohvalina, Viktoria</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Van Rooyen, Jan</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Vorobyev, Ivan</i>	<i>1</i>

Judging Program Reports
Respectfully Submitted
Vicki Nye
Co-Chair CFA Judging Program

(7) **SHOW RULES COMMITTEE.**

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

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Show Technology Committee and Entry Clerk Program Committee have been working on allowing electronic catalogs and allowing master clerks to use an electronic file to enter and submit show data. The following show rules changes are required to effectuate those changes, which will be effective for shows on or after October 18, 2025.

Board Action Item:

1. *Add Show Rule 2.07 defining Breed/Division Sheet.*

Article II: Definitions -- Add 2.07	Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
None		<u>2.07 BREED/DIVISION SHEET is the document used by judges to record best of breed, 2nd best of breed, and best champion/premier for longhair or shorthair breeds.</u> (Renumber current 2.07 – 2.14)
RATIONALE: A definition of breed/division sheet currently does not appear in the show rules. By adding the definition, it allows for the inclusion of language to allow the use of electronic files to capture and data to be submitted to central office for scoring purposes.		

2. *Add Show Rule 2.16 defining Consolidated Finals.*

Article II: Definitions -- Add 2.16		Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
None		<u>2.16 CONSOLIDATED FINALS is an electronic file used by master clerks to combine all finals for a show in one reporting format.</u> (Renumber current 2.15 – 2.31)	

RATIONALE: A definition of consolidated finals currently does not appear in the show rules. By adding the definition, it allows the inclusion of language to allow the use of an electronic file to capture data to be submitted to central office for scoring purposes.

3. *Add Show Rule 2.34 defining Show Catalog.*

Article II: Definitions -- Add 2.34		Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
None		<u>2.34 SHOW CATALOG is the catalog used by ring clerks to record the class judging, breed summary, and finals for a specific judge or by exhibitors to record class judging and finals for their cat(s) at a show. The catalog can be produced in two forms:</u> <u>a. printed format</u> <u>b. electronic format</u> <u>Please see Article VII for the specific information to be included in the show catalog.</u> (Renumber current 2.32 -- 2.39)	
RATIONALE: A definition of Show Catalog currently does not appear in the show rules. By adding the definition, it allows the inclusion of language to allow the use of electronic exhibitor catalogs.			

4. *Amend Show Rule 5.01 to provide for the requesting of a printed catalog by exhibitors.*

Article V: Announcing the Show/Show Flyer -- Amend 5.01		Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
5.01 There must be a printed show flyer published on the CFA website no less than 30 days prior to the show. Additionally, a show flyer in English must be submitted and published if the original show flyer is in a language other than English. The show flyer must include the following:		5.01 There must be a printed show flyer published on the CFA website no less than 30 days prior to the show. Additionally, a show flyer in English must be submitted and published if the original show flyer is in a language other than English. The show flyer must include the following:	

a. The name of the show hall, street address (or nearest cross streets if a numbered street address is unavailable), city, state and postal/zip code. b. The names of all judges and their assignments (e.g. allbreed or specialty). c. The specified entry fee(s). d. A statement as follows: “It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry.” e. All claws of all entries must be clipped prior to benching. f. All entries in Championship (except Novice), Premiership (except Novice), Agility (if offered), registered Kittens, registered Household Pets, and registered cats competing as Household Pets with a Household Pet color class prefix will be scored for CFA awards. g. The hours of veterinarian inspection or entry presentation to the show secretary, the hour judging will begin, and the advertised hour of closing. h. For shows with veterinarian inspection the following statement must appear: “Veterinary inspection prior to benching will be required.” i. Specific climate control facilities that will and will not be provided at the show hall (e.g., heat, fans, air conditioning, etc.) must be stated. The term “climate-controlled” or “other climate-controlled system” is NOT to be used as it is confusing and non specific. j. The size of benching space. If benching cages are not provided, the flyer must clearly state this. The club is responsible for having wire cages for rent or inexpensive pop ups for purchase in the instance an exhibitor is without a benching cage, and the flyer must state the cost for such rental or purchase. k. If available, a telephone number within the show hall should be printed in the show flyer and/or confirmation of entry. l. The CFA logo or statement that this is a CFA licensed	a. The name of the show hall, street address (or nearest cross streets if a numbered street address is unavailable), city, state and postal/zip code. b. The names of all judges and their assignments (e.g. allbreed or specialty). c. The specified entry fee(s). d. A statement as follows: “It is strongly advised that all cats or kittens entered or present in the show hall be inoculated before entry by a licensed veterinarian against feline panleukopenia (formerly known as feline distemper or feline infectious enteritis), feline rhinotracheitis, calici viruses and rabies. It is also strongly recommended that cats and kittens be tested and found negative for FeLV before entry.” e. All claws of all entries must be clipped prior to benching. f. All entries in Championship (except Novice), Premiership (except Novice), Agility (if offered), registered Kittens, registered Household Pets, and registered cats competing as Household Pets with a Household Pet color class prefix will be scored for CFA awards. g. The hours of veterinarian inspection or entry presentation to the show secretary, the hour judging will begin, and the advertised hour of closing. h. For shows with veterinarian inspection the following statement must appear: “Veterinary inspection prior to benching will be required.” i. Specific climate control facilities that will and will not be provided at the show hall (e.g., heat, fans, air conditioning, etc.) must be stated. The term “climate-controlled” or “other climate-controlled system” is NOT to be used as it is confusing and non specific. j. The size of benching space. If benching cages are not provided, the flyer must clearly state this. The club is responsible for having wire cages for rent or inexpensive pop ups for purchase in the instance an exhibitor is without a benching cage, and the flyer must state the cost for such rental or purchase. k. If available, a telephone number within the show hall should be printed in the show flyer and/or confirmation of entry. l. The CFA logo or statement that this is a CFA licensed
---	---

show must appear on the first page or panel of the show flyer. m. The specific closing date and the entry limit(s), as well as the date entries will begin to be accepted. All shows must open for entries no less than 30 days prior to the date of the show. n. If applicable, special fee or cash-only requirements for fax or email entries, paying at the door, uncollectable checks, etc. (see rule 6.21). o. The show flyer must contain a description of any special awards that may be given to entries in the Miscellaneous or Provisional classes, such as best of breed, second best of breed, and third best of breed. p. For all shows in Regions 1-7, a statement that entries may only be received through the CFA online entry form on the CFA website.	show must appear on the first page or panel of the show flyer. m. The specific closing date and the entry limit(s), as well as the date entries will begin to be accepted. All shows must open for entries no less than 30 days prior to the date of the show. n. If applicable, special fee or cash-only requirements for fax or email entries, paying at the door, uncollectable checks, etc. (see rule 6.21). o. The show flyer must contain a description of any special awards that may be given to entries in the Miscellaneous or Provisional classes, such as best of breed, second best of breed, and third best of breed. p. For all shows in Regions 1-7, a statement that entries may only be received through the CFA online entry form on the CFA website. q. <u>Clubs providing electronic catalogs to exhibitors must include a notice of that fact on their flyer and indicate if an additional fee will be charged for a printed version and how to request the printed version.</u>
RATIONALE: This adds the requirement to notify exhibitors that electronic catalogs will be used for a show and how an exhibitor can request a printed version and any costs to the exhibitor for the printed version of the catalog.	

5. *Amend Show Rule 7.05 to allow for electronic show catalogs.*

Article VII; Pre-Show Document Preparation -- Amend 7.05	Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
7.05 Show catalogs must not be smaller than approximately 8-1/2 x 11 inches.		7.05 Show catalogs must not be smaller than approximately 8-1/2 x 11 inches <u>and can be provided to exhibitors in a print and/or electronic format. Printed catalogs will still be required for trainees and judges. A club must provide a printed catalog to an exhibitor who requests one as set forth in 5.01.q.</u>
RATIONALE: By adding the above language, it allows clubs the ability to choose how they want to distribute exhibitor catalogs.		

6. *Amend Show Rule 7.09 to define the introductory material which must be included in an electronic catalog.*

Article VII: Pre-Show Document Preparation -- Amend 7.09	Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program 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 a. <u>The introductory page(s) for a printed show catalog must contain the following information:</u> a1. the full name of the club or clubs (including all specialty clubs) sponsoring the show; b2. the names of all officiating judges; e3. the names of the show committee, indicating their positions as officials of the show; d4. 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 e5. emergency telephone numbers (ambulance service, police and fire). f6. a copy of the CFA Exhibitor's Code of Ethics. b. <u>The introductory page(s) for an electronic show catalog will be included in the cover email from the entry clerk to the exhibitors and must contain the following information:</u> 1. <u>the full name of the club or clubs (including all specialty clubs) sponsoring the show;</u> 2. <u>the names of all officiating judges;</u> 3. <u>the names of the show committee, indicating their positions as officials of the show;</u> 4. <u>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</u> 5. <u>emergency telephone numbers (ambulance service, police and fire).</u>

RATIONALE: By amending the above language, it clarifies the differences between a printed and electronic show catalog. Please note that f. in the printed catalog has been omitted from the electronic introductory pages because it has been included in the electronic show catalog pdf file that will be sent to exhibitors.

7. *Amend Show Rule 7.10 to remove reference to a “printed” catalog.*

Article VII: Pre-Show Document Preparation -- Amend 7.10		Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
7.10 All entries must appear in numerical order (but not necessarily consecutive) in the printed catalog that is required at shows held under these rules. No addendum to the catalog is permitted except as provided by rule 12.06. ...		7.10 All entries must appear in numerical order (but not necessarily consecutive) in the printed catalog that is required at shows held under these rules. No addendum to the catalog is permitted except as provided by rule 12.06. ...	
RATIONALE: Removing the word “printed” clarifies that the requirement applies to all show catalogs.			

8. *Amend Show Rule 7.18 to remove reference to a “printed” catalog.*

Article VII: Pre-Show Document Preparation -- Amend 7.18	Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
7.18 Kitten, championship, premiership, and household pet (if entered) finals awards must be printed in the catalog. Forms to record kitten, championship, and premiership breed/division awards may either be printed in the catalog or made available at the master clerk’s table. All forms shall conform to an approved CFA format.	7.18 Kitten, championship, premiership, and household pet (if entered) finals awards must be printed <u>included</u> in the catalog. Forms to record kitten, championship, and premiership breed/division awards may either be printed in the catalog or made available at the master clerk’s table. All forms shall conform to an approved CFA format.	
RATIONALE: Changing the word “printed” to “included” clarifies that the requirement applies to all show catalogs.		

9. *Add Show Rule 7.22 to define when the electronic catalog may be released.*

Article VII: Pre-Show Document Preparation – Add 7.22	Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
None	<u>7.22 Entry clerks will release the electronic show catalog as follows:</u> <u>a. For all shows in Regions 1-7 which are providing an electronic show catalog to exhibitors, the catalog must be released after 6:00 p.m. Eastern time on the Thursday before the opening of the show.</u> <u>b. For all shows in Region 8 which are providing an electronic show catalog to exhibitors, the catalog must be released after 6:00 p.m. Japan time on the Thursday before the opening of the show.</u> <u>c. For all shows in the International Division which are providing an electronic show catalog to exhibitors, the catalog must be released after 6:00 p.m. China time on the Thursday before the opening of the show.</u> <u>d. For all shows in Hawaii or Region 9 which are providing an electronic show catalog to exhibitors, the catalog must be released after 6:00 p.m. local time on the Thursday before the opening of the show.</u>	
RATIONALE: This sets the day and time electronic exhibitor catalogs can be release by the entry clerk.		

10. *Amend Show Rule 12.06 to remove reference to a “printed” catalog.*

Article XII: Show Recordkeeping – Amend 12.06	Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording	
12.06 Should the show manager permit a cat/kitten whose entry information is not printed in the catalog to compete, the show manager shall provide a written statement of explanation, for the review of the CFA Central Office, which shall determine if the entry was eligible for competition. The show manager’s statement and all documents pertaining to his/her decision must be submitted with the show	12.06 Should the show manager permit a cat/kitten whose entry information is not printed <u>included</u> in the catalog to compete, the show manager shall provide a written statement of explanation, for the review of the CFA Central Office, which shall determine if the entry was eligible for competition. The show manager’s statement and all documents pertaining to his/her decision must be submitted with	

package to the Central Office. Entries deemed not eligible by the Central Office will not receive credit for any award(s) achieved at the show (see rule 7.10). ...	the show package to the Central Office. Entries deemed not eligible by the Central Office will not receive credit for any award(s) achieved at the show (see rule 7.10). ...
RATIONALE: Changing the word “printed” to “included” clarifies that the requirement applies to all show catalogs.	

11. *Amend Show Rule 12.18 to require that the master clerk populate an electronic file with certain information for submission to Central Office.*

Article XII: Show Recordkeeping – Amend 12.18		Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
12.18 The master clerk will check each judge’s finals sheets and breed sheets for mechanical accuracy and sign the documents before the judge leaves the show hall. Master clerks will sign the judges catalog including printed name, signature, and date. This signature will serve as notification that the judge has been checked out for the show.		12.18 The master clerk will check each judge’s finals sheets and breed sheets for mechanical accuracy and sign the documents before the judge leaves the show hall. <u>The master clerk will be responsible for recording the finals and breed/division sheets in an electronic file to be submitted to central office for scoring purposes.</u> Master clerks will sign the judges catalog including printed name, signature, and date. This signature will serve as notification that the judge has been checked out for the show.	
RATIONALE: This indicates that the master clerks will be submitting information from the show in an electronic format to Central Office.			

12. *Amend Show Rule 13.06 to provide that master clerks will be responsible for the submission of the digital file to Central Office and the timeframe for that submission.*

Article XIII Show Completion/Cat Removal/Late Fee Collection Amend 13.06		Show Technology Committee/Entry Clerk Program Committee	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording	
13.06 Upon completion of the show, the master clerk shall assemble, arrange, group and verify the		13.06 Upon completion of the show, the master clerk shall assemble, arrange, group and verify the	

completeness of all show records he/she is responsible for turning over to the show secretary pursuant to rules 12.16, 12.19 and 13.07 thru 13.09. The master clerk shall collate and arrange the copies of the master catalog and paperclipped forms according to the prescribed order to be sent to the Central Office. Records sent to Central Office will include the pedigrees (or CFA registration numbers of parents if allowed by rule 6.16) submitted for all cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application forms, and the associated fees, together for each associated cat. The master clerk's responsibilities for the show terminate when the assembled sets of show records are turned over to the show secretary.

completeness of all show records he/she is responsible for turning over to the show secretary pursuant to rules 12.16, 12.19 and 13.07 thru 13.09. The master clerk shall collate and arrange the copies of the master catalog, ~~and~~ paperclipped forms, and digital files according to the prescribed order to be sent to the Central Office. Records sent to Central Office will include the pedigrees (or CFA registration numbers of parents if allowed by rule 6.16) submitted for all cats competing with temporary registration numbers, the application forms, and the associated fees, together for each associated cat. The master clerk's responsibilities for the show terminate when the assembled set of show records are turned over to the show secretary and the digital file(s) are submitted to Central Office when a WIFI connection is available in the show hall, at a hotel, or at the master clerk's home. These files must be submitted no later than the second business day after the close of the show.

RATIONALE: By adding the above language this specifies that master clerks will be responsible for the submission of the digital file to central office and what the timeframe is for the submission.

Future Projections for Committee:

The Committee will be presenting its major update to the show rules at the October meeting. As a reminder to all Board Members and Committee Chairs, all requests for show rule changes (and changes/extensions to temporary show rules contained in the Addendum) are due by September 1.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Raymond, Chair*

(8) EXHIBITOR INPUT COMMITTEE:

Committee Chair: *Jacqui Bennett*

List of Committee Members:

Regions One thru Eight: Teresa Keiger; Vicki Jensen; Ellyn Honey

ID Other: *Russell Law; Pau Badia*

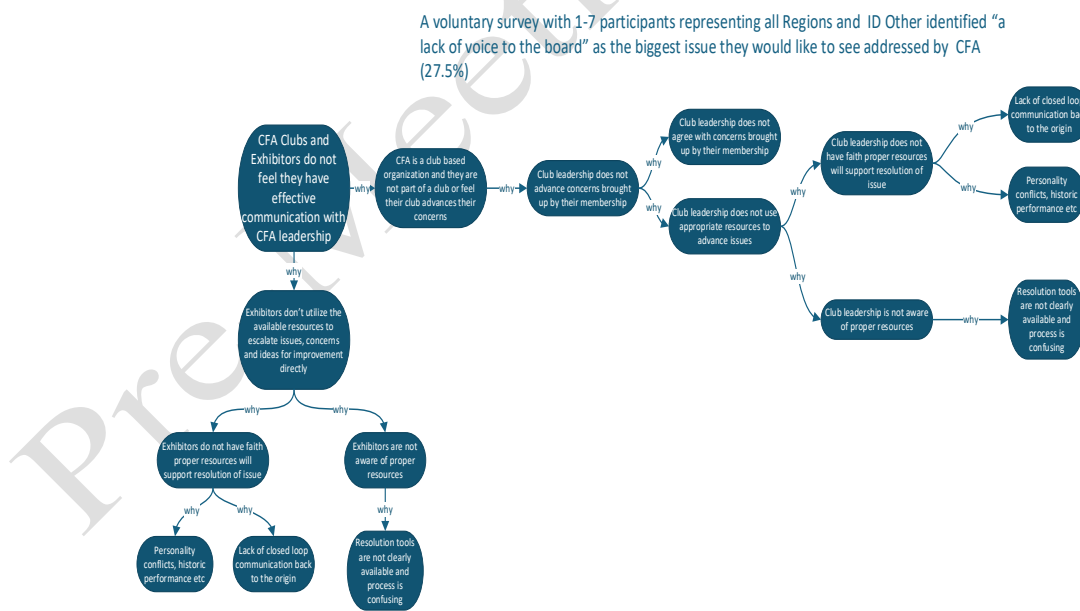
Region Nine: TBD

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Charter Statement – The Exhibitor Input Committee has been created to identify root causes of customer dissatisfaction related to exhibitor to CFA leadership communications and issue identification and propose simple tools and processes to address identified gaps.

Current Happenings of Committee:

- *Problem Statement and Root Cause Analysis :*
 - *Problem Statement - CFA members do not feel they have effective communication with CFA leadership resulting in dissatisfaction and attrition. This can contribute to lower CFA activities such as registration and show participation*
 - *Root Cause Analysis*



Future Projections for Committee:

1. *Create a simple tool which is readily available to CFA exhibitors and clubs to submit concerns, issues and opportunities for improvement*

2. *Create processes for issue routing and resolution and follow up*
3. *Identify key process metrics (for example - Response timeliness, Customer Satisfaction)*
4. *Identify key statistics to be provided to the board (for example - # of issues, Types of issues, lines, Method of resolution, effectiveness of resolution method)*
5. *Conduct BETA test of process*
6. *Adjust based upon feedback*
7. *Implement tool and process*
8. *Audit Process to assure it is being followed and identify opportunities for improvement*
9. *Evaluate metrics to determine success and provide feedback for additional actions*



What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Tool Mock Up

*Respectfully Submitted,
Jacqui Bennett, Vice Chair*

(9) **BREED PRESERVATION HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: ***Jacqui Bennett (Vice Chair)***
Liaison to Board: ***Marilee Griswold***
List of Committee Members: ***Ginger Meeker; Karen Thomas; Lynn Cooke; Beth Polstra; Katia Kingston; Cyndee Hill; Judy Bemis; Joy Yoders; Cathy Dunham; Martha Auspitz; Connie Hurley, DVM***

Current Happenings of Committee:

- *2 Subcommittees have been combined and initial meeting is scheduled for the week of 12 August*
- *2 Articles for Cat Talk are drafted and in review for Cat Talk*
 - *Preservation Breeding and the Burmese Breed*
 - *How to read a genetic test*

Future Projections for Committee:

1. *Complete assigned articles for the Breeders Tool Box*
2. *Continue to create social media content*
3. *Work to create talking points for judges with the JPC (CFA Officials Pillar of Countermeasures)*

Time Frame:

2025/2026

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Plans for “Breeder Tool Box” Page

*Respectfully Submitted,
Jacqui Bennett, Sub Committee Chair*

(10) CENTRAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.

Submitted by: Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director

Audited Financials

The firm which performs the yearly financial audit of CFA's records, Maloney+Novotny, reviews the open session minutes for the fiscal year to determine if any board motions regarding financial and legal matters occurred which should be noted in the audited financial footnotes. Maloney+Novotny is requesting access to executive session minutes relative to financial and legal matters. It is estimated less than 1% of all executive session discussion relate to financial and legal matters.

Proposed Board Motion: *Effective with the audit performed in 2026 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, provide portions of CFA's executive session minutes which relate to financial and legal matters to the audit firm contracted to perform the yearly financial audit as required by CFA's by-laws.*

*Respectfully submitted,
s/Allene Tartaglia*

Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees

None.

Pre-Meeting Reports

Unfinished Business and General Orders

(11) OTHER COMMITTEES.

Pre-Meeting Reports

(12) **NEW BUSINESS.**

Pre-Meeting Reports

(13) **OLD BUSINESS.**

* * * * *

The open session meeting was adjourned at _____ p.m. EST.

The executive session meeting was adjourned at _____ p.m. EST.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rachel Anger, Secretary*

Pre-Meeting Reports

(14) DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS.

Disciplinary Hearings And Suspensions: Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to the Board. The following case was heard, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the parties, and no appeal and/or appeal fee was filed. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

To be updated when 30 day appeal period expires.

Board-Cited Hearing: The Board may consider any protest filed by any member of a member club or in any other manner brought to the attention of the Executive Board. The Board may delegate authority to one or more persons to review, investigate, and determine if probable cause exists for the filing of a formal protest. This case was heard on direct cite by the CFA Executive Board. Timely notice was given to the party, and the matter was heard in open session, at the request of the respondent.

None.

Appeals: Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to and heard by the Board, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the party, an appeal and/or appeal fee was timely filed, and the appeal was heard by the Board of Directors. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

None.

Related Board Actions: Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following Related Board Actions were unanimously approved [vote sealed]: