BALLOT

This ballot will be tallied via phone call set up by the President on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, and will count as our meeting, if a quorum is reached.

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All discussion comments are to be returned via email to be printed in the next Communique’. Do not send in your comments written by hand. Send discussion comments to E-mail to ccasec@tctelco.net.

FOR VOTE:
1. The Presents for approval the minutes of the previous meeting held on September 13, 2017.
   A. Approve _______ B. Disapprove _______ C. Abstain _______

2. The President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates (unpaid longer than one year and less than five years) from Membership.

   District | First name     | Last name   | A. Approve | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           |                |             |            |               |            |
           | CA-N           | Andrea M.   | Hajek      | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | CA-N           | Terry M.    | Hajek      | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | CA-N           | Bobbie      | Perry      | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | CA-N           | Douglas C.  | Riley      | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | OR             | Tamara      | Kuntz      | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | OR             | Bonnie      | Laing-Malcomson | A. Approve | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | PA             | Heather     | Donely     | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | PA             | Dee         | Gross      | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | PA             | Haylee-Siegrist | Gross | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | VA             | Heidi       | Connelly   | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |
           | VA             | Sandra      | Getz       | A. Approve   | B. Disapprove | C. Abstain |

3. The President presents for approval the Treasurer’s Reports from June - July 2017 Financials and August – September Financials as presented by Mike Esch.
   A. Approve _______ B. Disapprove _______ C. Abstain _______

3. Ratification of a vote by the Executive Committee for the expenditure of $1,000 to AKC ReUnite Program for money to assist disaster after hurricane, “Harvey”.
   A. Approve _______ B. Disapprove _______ C. Abstain _______

4. 8/3 &7/2016 Motion made by Nancy Anstruther and seconded by Kathy Moll with changes and explanations. I have the full backing and support of the Junior Showmanship committee for the following motion, the purpose of which is to have the proposed Junior Interns learn how the CCA runs and thus encourage them to continue on with Collies and the Collie Club of America.
   I move that we add one Junior Intern to each CCA committee. The Junior Interns would be former CCA Junior
Showmanship handlers who have aged out of the Juniors program. The Junior Interns would shadow the committee members as the committees meet to conduct their CCA business.
The potential Junior Interns would inform the CCA of their interest in the program. Every two years, when committees change, all names of interested potential Junior Interns would be placed in a "hat"; committee names would be treated similarly. One Junior Intern name would be drawn as would one committee name and the two would be paired. If there are not enough Junior Interns to be matched with all committees, the Junior Showmanship committee would select which committees would be available to host a Junior Intern and only those committee names would be used during the draw. Only one Junior Intern would serve on a committee.

**MOTION AMENDED** – on 8/11/2016 received a note from Nancy Anstruther that she and Kathy Moll have reworked their motion to reflect the input from other district directors. Therefore, she is amending her above motion to read as follows:

"With the backing of the Junior Showmanship committee, I move to adopt an Ex-Junior Intern program. Our youth is our future, and in that vein our aged out Juniors will learn how the CCA runs, and thus encourage them to continue on with our breed and the Collie Club of America.
We will add one ex-Junior intern to each CCA committee - ex Juniors who have aged out of our excellent program. They would shadow the committee members as the committees meet and conduct CCA business. The Junior Showmanship committee would administer the program and facilitate the pairing of ex-Junior interns with the committees. The ex-Juniors would be presented with a list of all CCA committees, and would indicate their interest in by picking their top five preferences and rank them in their order of interest. Even though a certain committee may be ranked as the number one choice, it is not a guaranteed assignment. The committee will attempt to give each ex-junior their highest ranked choice as possible.
Only one ex-Junior intern would serve on each committee, and no ex-junior intern would serve on more than one committee. Ex Junior's would stay on the committee for the entire two year term, and change when the committees change.
Thank you for your support of this motion."

11/19/2016 Clarification on the above motion – Junior Interns

To clarify the questions that have been asked - we would limit the program to those who have aged out of Juniors, up to ten years post-Junior. The Ex-Junior Intern is there to learn how the CCA and its committees work, and the amount of involvement on the committee is solely up to the committee itself. People have suggested that they not be assigned to Ethics or Treasurer, and while I certainly understand your points, I would prefer to see the Intern have the opportunity to learn how the committee works, without having to become involved in the actual ethics cases or in the numbers. That being said, any committee may opt out of this program if they desire.

Again, our youth are the future. Marjorie Tuff and her committee have turned out not only excellent Juniors, but all round good people, and these people would be an asset to the running of the CCA. We need to encourage them to become involved with the CCA. I hope you will approve this motion and let the Junior committee try this program out. Nothing is set in stone, things can be tweaked and modified, but we need to start moving forward with this club.
Nancy

A. Approve _______ B. Disapprove _______ C. Abstain _______

**DISCUSSION:**
1. **MOTION** made on April 14, by Nadine Beckwith-Olson and seconded by Linda Mabus.
After our local club meeting the CCA members stayed to discuss potential dues increases and eliminating or going to an on-line Bulletin. Although we have several new CCA members the majority of our members are either close to or over 25 year members.

The major theme to come out of the discussion was what are we getting for our dues? All favor a financial committee to examine budgets and allocation of monies. The Bulletin (and Yearbook) is an item that every
CCA member receives. Not everyone goes to the National and it seems that the Rules are not easily adaptable to the changing times of fewer entries. Breed education occurs once a year at the National and has a very low attendance in comparison to the show. Performance has 2 obedience trials, 2 agility trials and 2 herding trials. Also there are 2 - 3 herding regional events each year. It was mentioned that we have given great financial assistance to rescues which have contributed to the decline in our monies. We spend a great deal of money to assist a small number, but are looking to eliminate an item that all receive.

Members are not asking that we eliminate these things but that we more closely examine the expenditures we are making.

In addition, if we were to elect to go to an on-line Bulletin, who would the editors be? Karen and Gary have a business, will we be competing against them? Most of us have noticed that Colliesonline is not receiving a great deal of advertising. Most people are advertising on Facebook and the internet. We know it will not be an easy task to turn the Bulletin around. We do have a committee that is suppose to be looking into reducing Bulletin costs and we think they should be given a chance.

**MOTION:** As requested by the Iowa members, **I am making a motion that a committee be appointed to review our budgets and money allocations to make suggestions on how we can best spend our monies to the benefit of our breed and members.**

2. The National Trophy Committee has submitted the bio of Judy Pitt to join the committee.

3. The Shining Star Committee has submitted the bio of Ace Mask to join the committee.

4. Notice has come from the AKC regarding participation in the Meet the Breeds which is now being listed as “Meet & Compete” event during the AKC and the Westminster KC show Saturday, February 10, 2018. Electricity costs are $110. Parking Passes are $60 per pass volunteer. To be listed in the “Event Guide” you must submit payment by January 4, 2018. Will need a budget and especially a chair? See attached PDF for more detailed information.

5. Treasurer, Mike Esch, has submitted the annual Tax Set Aside letter. Please read carefully. He has made the following motions and I will second both of them, Jane Clymer.

   1. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to declare and approve the tax set aside treatment of approximately $3,250 in income for 2017.
   2. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to approve giving the Officers the authority to adjust this figure of $3,250 if there is any unforeseen last minute non-member donation as required to meet our 2017 tax requirements.

6. 10/12/2017 Motion made by Linda Mabus and seconded by Jan Storm. I make a motion that a Committee is formed to explore the benefits and workings of a not for profit CCA Education Fund. We also need to look at its chartered formation in a not for profit friendly state.

7. Notice to all Committee Chairs, your “End of the Year Reports” are due to the Secretary, ccasec@tctelco.net by January 15, 2018.

8. The President is asking for continued discussion on the issue of a dues increase for the CCA.

9. The President presents for discussion the Eastern and Western Herding Regionals as submitted by Jeanine Blaner, Working Collie Committee Chair. Bids are attached in PDF.