

BALLOT

This ballot will be tallied via phone call set up by the President on Thursday, March 30, 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 President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates (unpaid longer than one year and less than five years) from Membership. We have one reinstates this month.

1	MD	Joyce	Engle	A. Approve _____	B. Disapprove _____	C. Abstain _____
2	NY	Danielle	Major	A. Approve _____	B. Disapprove _____	C. Abstain _____
3	MI	Connie	Sutter	A. Approve _____	B. Disapprove _____	C. Abstain _____
4	TN	Susan	Abelt	A. Approve _____	B. Disapprove _____	C. Abstain _____
5	Canada	Ron	Worden	A. Approve _____	B. Disapprove _____	C. Abstain _____

2. The President presents for approval the Treasurer's Reports for the January 2017 Financials as presented by Mike Esch.

A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

3. The President presents for approval the ratification of the officer decision for the request of \$500 to the new Shining Star Committee for their presentation of the Shining Star Award at the CCA National 2017 in Sacramento, CA.

A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

4. The President presents from Michelle Brooks, CCA 2018 Host Show Chair, these additional members to the CCA 2018 National Host Show Committee. Bios within the January 2017 Communique'.

1. Leslie Butler as Co-chair Herding Committee

A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

2. Robert "Bob" Myers as announcer for the CCA 2018 show.

A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

5. The President is requesting a re-vote on the two bids submitted for the 2020 National. The winning bid was Syracuse, but two errors were caught since the original vote on February 23, 2017.

1) The requested 5 days is not allowed per show rules. Syracuse has agreed to change the number of days to 4. Secondly, it was found that the dates presented in the vote in February were in error. The dates should be March 28 – April 4, 2020. This matter is being taken directly to a vote with no discussion.

Selection one bid (both are 4 days of conformation):

A. Syracuse, NY, March 28 – April 4, 2020 A. Approve _____

B. Springfield, MA, April 4 – April 11, 2020 A. Approve _____

DISCUSSION:

1. From Jane Clymer, Secretary: I want you to consider other options for holding board meetings. Can you recommend another vendor that provides a similar service that address the issues to our FreeConferenceCall.com. Our current method is not effective. We especially need to provide the audio to all board members whether they are able to attend or not. They must have access to this information. Since we began the conference calls there has been a huge decline in discussion and questions related to current business topics before the board.

Special Note:

I'd like request an open discussion and for possible solutions. Listed below are some of the problems I've seen.

Item	Problem	Possible Solution
1	The discussion is not happening in the allotted time frame. Prior to conference to calls we sent our comments for inclusion in the Communique'. Discussion is being deferred to the conference call. Our meetings are getting longer because discussion is not occurring in the allotted time frame on the CCADD list.	Do not allow discussion in conference call unless it is an emergency.
2.	We don't have a centralized location accessible to board members to review the audio.	Ideas???
3.	Lack of structure in the conference calls.	a. Introduce yourself before speaking each time. b. Bring your ballot or be prepared on the items for vote. c. Put your phone on mute unless you are speaking. d. One person talking at a time. e. We need to record all meetings from beginning to end.
4.	Transcription service on FreeConferenceCall.com is not accurate.	Ideas??? It is imperative that we capture this information for our records.
5.	List additional problems here.	
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Hopefully this will be the beginning of discussion for a good working solution and a motion towards some solutions to the issues. Your input is vital to the functioning of the Club. Let's work toward solutions as our primary goal.
Janie Clymer

Please thoroughly read the information compiled for the Board regarding better solutions for holding our conference call meetings.

Sec. Note: Thank you Deb for collecting the information and getting us started with this process. Janie

2. Discussion is open on the topic of the CCA allowing non-licensed judges to judge independent specialties. Depending on the outcome of this decision to allow, then criterion would be established via the Judges Education, Show Rules, and National Show Committee. All information for the criterion from those committees will be sent to the Board to review, discuss, and vote.

3. 8/7/2016 Made by Nancy Anstruther and seconded by Kathy Moll. 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.

Amended – on 7/11/2016 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 term has ended change when the committees change.

Thank you for your support of this motion."

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

DD Canada