a) Board meeting October 6, 2018

The CFA Board mourns the loss of Eve Russell. Her contributions to CFA, the International show, and to the local clubs will be missed.

Ratifications of previous motions. – passed

The CFA Board send our sympathies to the American Cat Association who recently lost the President of the Association.

ID Report

Judging in China

Quick solutions – change the judging statement to omit the payment of judging fees. CFA judges should not request statements for income in Indonesia, China, Russia, or any nation that requires a VISA.

CFA hired an attorney in China and he is working with the ID Chairs for compliance to Chinese laws.

It is recommended that a Class M Visa be obtained for judging in China. John Randolph will provide letters from CFA, and a letter from the club to carry with you is recommended.

Show rules will be revised to reflect this new policy of not being paid.

Show packages are costing differing amounts from Suki, discussion around this issue.

Motion – CFA to pay for judges VISA's to judge in foreign countries - Failed

Waiver of paying for change fees for those judges who did not feel comfortable judging in China after the Wuxi show. The grace period would allow that judge to cancel the show and CFA would pay the change fee. That waiver period ended as of today. Should it be extended? **Motion** not to extend the waiver period – passed

Motion - CFA will pay the change fee for any canceled China show contract that was signed before the Wuxi show and canceled prior to November 1, 2018. If you cancel are free to judge another show or exhibit. -

Passed

Judging Program

Retirements/Resignations:

- CFA Allbreed Judge Pat Jacobberger has submitted a retirement notice effective May 1, 2019. She will continue working with the educations committee and judging program. - passed
- CFA Allbreed Judge John Hiemstra has submitted a letter of resignation effective August 31, 2018 - passed

Leave of Absence:

- Frank Düker has requested a Medical Leave of Absence effective September 23rd, 2018 until January 1st, 2019, - passed

Return from Leave of Absence:

- Irina Kharchenko has requested to return from Medical Leave of Absence effective September 19, 2018. - passed

Suggestions that the Board cover some of the travel costs for judges to travel to Europe to help with the European clubs. Kathy Calhoun suggested we build that into the budget for next season. Wants structure built into it that shows be required to licensed 120 days out, or some other date listed to limit the amount CFA would have to pay. Rich will work with the budget committee to come up with a recommendation.

Currently judging program is requiring proof that no CFA judges are available before European clubs can invite guest judges for Europe. European clubs are arguing that the show rules permit the ability to have guest judges without first making every effort to hire CFA judges. Committee will work on this to move forward.

Judging program would be the ones to approve AB judges to hold seminars, but specialty judges would require Board approval. – approved

Judging program is suggesting that the clubs send a signed contract with all the information provided to the judge, and then the judge signs that completed document.

Motion to write a show rule that the judging contract will be sent by the club signed and completed to the judge. Once the judge signs, it is a binding contract. Discussed later in the day and listed below.

Motion to award Jimmy Thompson the title of Judge Emeritus. – Passed

Acceptance and Advancements:

Lynn Knight LH Trainee - Accepted

Oscar Silva Sanchez – LH Trainee - Accepted

Teo Vargus – SH – 2nd Specialty - Accepted

Gavin Cao – Shorthair Apprentice - Approved

Amanda Cheng – Approval Pending Shorthair 2nd Specialty - Advanced

Frank Düker – Approval Pending Shorthair 1st Specialty – Advanced

Show Rule Changes

1 – Make provisions to give Apprentice judges from regions 8 and 9 the opportunity to judge in 1-7, but not I.D.

SECTION 7 – APPRENTICE JUDGES	
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
7.3 Clubs may invite any apprentice judge to judge any breed or color for which the apprentice judge is authorized.	**7.3** In Regions 1-7, clubs may invite any apprentice judge from any region or division to judge any breed or color for which the apprentice judge is authorized. In Regions 8 & 9, clubs may invite any apprentice judge in their respective Region to judge any breed or color for which the apprentice judge is authorized.
RATIONALE: This should give Apprentice judges from Region 8 and 9 the opportunity to judge in their own regions, as well as Regions 1-7 where the shows are more suited to less experienced judges.	

Passed

2 – Equalize the current ruling regarding I.D. assignments so that it applies to all advancing judges.

SECTION 10 – JUDGING INVITATION CLARIFICATIONS	
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
10.2 Judging invitations to CFA Judges from International Division CFA Clubs Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered by Approved or Approval Pending judges, including those that are Approved in one specialty and at least Apprentice in the second specialty, or judges at any level that reside in Regions 8, 9 or the International Division. A Judge may judge only the specialty/specialties in which he/she is approved.	**10.2 Judging invitations to CFA Judges from International Division CFA Clubs** Invitations from CFA clubs in the International Division may be considered by Approved or Approval Pending judges, including those that are Approved in one specialty and at least Apprentice in the second specialty, or judges at any level that reside in ~~Regions 8, 9 or~~ the International Division. A Judge may judge only the specialty/specialties in which he/she is approved.
RATIONALE: This eliminates the inequities that currently exist regarding apprentice judges officiating in the International Division. The environment in the ID can be challenging even for the most seasoned judges. Because the clubs are new they often do not know or follow show rules and Judges are expected to be the authority on procedure and show rules. This can put advancing judges in a very uncomfortable situation even before the actual judging starts. The actual judging is often chaotic and clerk support is inconsistent at best. We do not want to set our newer advancing judges who are still working on developing their own routines up for failure.	

Passed

3 – Change Out of Country requirement to distance.

SECTION 8 - ADVANCEMENT PROCEDURES FOR APPRENTICE AND APPROVAL PENDING JUDGES, Paragraph 8.2	
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
c. **Judges (all) residing in Region 9 (Europe) and the International Division:** A minimum of two (2) shows must be judged outside the country of the judge's residence for each advancement consideration.	c. **Judges (all) residing in Region 9 (Europe) and the International Division:** A minimum of two (2) shows must be judged ~~outside the country of the judge's residence for each advancement consideration.~~ at least 400 kilometers away from the judge's residence in Europe or the judge's residence in the International Division, for each advancement consideration.
RATIONALE: Changing the Country requirement to distance makes the requirement more equitable.	

Passed

4 - Expand and define application options

1a. 2.6 – give alternatives to club membership requirements

1b. 2.15 – give alternatives to traditional cattery visits and define parameters more clearly

SECTION 2 – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS	
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
2.6 An applicant must present a letter from at least one CFA member club which verifies a record of not less than five (5) years of active continuous participation as a club member. The letter must carry the signature of the club's president and secretary. If the applicant holds one of these offices, another club officer must sign. (Relocation of an applicant will be considered by the Executive Board.) a. A detailed, specific resume of club activities must be provided. b. Experience as a show manager or	**2.6** An applicant has two (2) options for club membership requirements: Option One (1) An applicant must present a letter from at least one CFA member club which verifies a record of not less than five (5) years of active continuous participation as a club member. The letter must carry the signature of the club's president and secretary. If the applicant holds one of these offices, another club officer must sign. ~~(Relocation of an applicant will be considered by the Executive Board.)~~

show secretary is recommended.	a. A detailed, specific resume of club activities must be provided. b. Experience as a show manager or show secretary is recommended. Option Two 2: An applicant must be a current active member of a show producing club and been active in show production for the past three (3) consecutive years. a. A detailed resume of the past three (3) consecutive years must include the name of the club and date of the show and the duties provided. It must include if the applicant was present the entire show from beginning to end of either a one (1) day or two (2) day show. b. The resume must have the name and signature of the Regional Director, Show Manager and Show Secretary. If the applicant held one of these offices, another club officer must sign.
RATIONALE: We would like to provide options to applicants so that we do not lose qualified individuals due to requirements that may not be achievable in their area. Passed	
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
2.15 Cattery Visits: The owner of the visited cattery, must belong to the Breed Council of the breed to be evaluated, and must so verify on the Cattery Visit Form. In all cases, a variety of breeds of varying body types are recommended. Comments on all cats handled are required and one (1) or two (2) photographs showing the applicant handling the cats visited. a. Longhair applicants must submit a minimum of five (5) longhair cattery visitation reports. b. Shorthair applicants must submit a minimum of seven (7) shorthair cattery visitation	**2.15 Cattery Visits:** An applicant has two (2) options for cattery visits: Option One (1) The owner of the visited cattery, must belong to the Breed Council of the breed to be evaluated, and must so verify on the Cattery Visit Form. In all cases, a variety of breeds of varying body types are recommended. Comments, including strengths and weaknesses on all cats handled are required and one (1) or two (2) photographs showing the applicant handling the cats visited. a. Longhair applicants must submit a minimum of five (5) longhair cattery visitation

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RATIONALE: Feedback from applicants is that while they find the cattery visits beneficial, they also find that scheduling them can be difficult – many breeders do not want people coming to their homes and many more well qualified individuals are no longer Breed Council Members. We want the applicant to have the opportunity to learn from the experience and we want to encourage them to spend their time with well-qualified individuals, not spin their wheels trying to find someone who is a Breed Council Member and will let them come to their home.	

Passed

2. *Limit number of times an individual can apply.*

SECTION 5 – ACCEPTANCE TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM

Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
5.6 None,	**5.6** Any applicant whose application is denied, is able to reapply only three (3) times. If after the 3rd application, he/she may no longer apply.
RATIONALE: It takes a significant amount of time, energy and resources on the part of the applicant, the Judging Program Committee and the CFA Board of Directors to put together, review and consider each application. We understand that circumstances change, so are providing provisions for applicants to address concerns and reapply. However, to additional attempts should provide ample opportunity to address the issues.	

Amended to read is able to reapply only 2 times, if after the 3rd application, he/she may no longer apply (permanent).

Pulled for the committee to reconsider

Judging program makes the recommendation that when a club invites a judge, they club sends a completed and signed contract to the judge. The judge has 15 days to sign and return. Only once the judge signs if there a binding contract between the judge and the club. Monte to work up the new judging contract and applicable show rules for December Board meeting.

Disaster Relief Motions:

(1) CFA create a new tax exempt §501(c)(3) corporation for disaster relief activity where animals are involved.

(2) That the former "The Cat Fanciers' Association Disaster Relief Fund" be advised that they are not authorized to use that name of any other name confusingly similar to CFA or the Cat Fanciers' Association without approval from the CFA Board.

Passed

Regional Entity Tax filing status:

Recommendation to be incorporated under Ohio. Central office would handle the filling fees. Each Region would be listed as an Ohio Incorporated Region doing banking in Ohio. Under $50,000 income per year is a simple ballot for tax filing.

New Club Applications

Java Feline Society (Attachment B)

International Division - Asia; Jakarta, Indonesia
Wain Harding and Richard Kallmeyer, Co-Chairs

Accepted

Noah International Cat Club (Attachment C)
International Division - Asia; Beijing, China
Wain Harding and Richard Kallmeyer, Co-Chairs

Accepted

Saudi Cat Club (Attachment D)
International Division - ROW; Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Ken Currle, Chair

Accepted

World Lykoi Association (Attachment E)
Great Lakes Region; Port Sanilac, Michigan, USA
John Colilla, Regional Director

Accepted

Foundation Report

Will have a booth at the CIS, be sure to visit.

Mentorship

Kathy Hoos is taking over the program. There are new "show mentor" buttons that will be available at CIS.

Newbee

We have started a Facebook page, and have Regional Coordinators in each Region. There has been movement in all regions.

Agility

Motion to allow Agility scoring as two separate competitions when the show is held over two days. This does not require CFA Board approval. This is for any format (3x3, 4x4, 5x5, 6x4, 6x6) - Passed

Experimental Format – Breed Summits

Specific breed focused seminars and judging. Feedback was to limit to a single specialty ring and not a double specialty or Allbreed ring. The rings are not scored. Motion to accept Breed Summit formats without requiring Board approval. – passed

Breeds & Standards

Add the following entities to CFA's List of Associations for Registration by Pedigree, effective immediately:

- IFA – International Feline Association (MFA) – Russia (Belarus, Kazakhstan) www.mfa-ifa.ru
- WCA – World Cat Association (Nika Feline Center, one of our CFA clubs in Russia) www.nikacenter.ru
- FARUS – Union of Non-Profit Organizations, International Felinological Association "PUC" – Kazakhstan www.farus.org
- Assolux – Russia www.assolux.org

Approved

Motion – publish the list of accepted associations - Passed

Need a person in Japan to help Monique with registrations from Japan. – Kyoko said she will find someone to assist

FYEP

1. Revision of Mission Statement; addition of Vision Statement - Passed

2. Addition of 5 year old youth (and in Kindergarten) and 6 year old youth to the program. – passed

Appeal Hearing

The results of the appeal are the respondents were found guilty of violating (i) CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4(b), (c) and (e) and (ii) CFA Rules of Registration Section 9. The Board voted to (i) permanently suspend respondent Danny Tai from the CFA Judging Program, (ii) suspend Danny Tai from all CFA services for three years and (iii) impose a fine of $2,000.00, to be paid to CFA within 30 days or continue to be suspended from all CFA services until the fine is paid in full**.** The Board voted to (i) suspend respondent Chris Wong from all CFA services for one year and (ii) impose a fine of $500.00, to be paid to CFA within 30 days or continue to be suspended from all CFA services until the fine is paid in full**.** The 4 original owners of the cat will be reinstated.

Show Rules

3a – Revise Show Rule 2.19 - Clarify that a Bengal cannot be a listed cat because it requires a registration number to be considered a domestic cat

Rule # 2.19	**Kathy Black**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
LISTING is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are	LISTING is the practice of allowing unregistered cats to be entered for competition. Listed cats are

permitted at all licensed shows.	permitted at all licensed shows. Per show rules, a Bengal cannot be a listed cat as it requires a registration number to verify it qualifies as a domestic cat.
RATIONALE: The current wording of this rule does not preclude including the Bengal as a listed cat when it doesn't have a registration number. However, per show rule 2.06, only a 5-generation or more removed from Asian Leopard Cat Bengal can be considered a domestic cat. The method used in the show rules to ensure that the cat is of the appropriate generation is to require it to have a registration number. Since listed cats, by definition, don't have registration numbers, it follows that the Bengal can never be a listed cat. This change clarifies that.	

Passed

3b – Revise Rules 3.02c and 4.04 to clarify that requests for guest judging approvals MUST be submitted to the judging committee for approval at least 45 days before the show or the show will not be licensed with that guest judge listed

Rule # 3.02.c.	**Judging Program Committee**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
c. Invitations from CFA clubs for non-CFA Judges are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program Committee and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty Judges whose license from an accepted association is on file with the Judging Program Committee and who have been actively judging with their parent association for a minimum of five (5) years. A Judge may only judge the level at which they are licensed. When the show format includes a specialty ring, guest judges will serve as a specialty judge in CFA shows unless a specialty-only CFA judge would be serving as the required specialty judge.	c. Invitations from CFA clubs for non-CFA Judges are subject to the approval of the CFA Judging Program Committee and may be considered only by Approved Allbreed, Approval Pending Allbreed or Approved Specialty Judges whose license from an accepted association is on file with the Judging Program Committee and who have been actively judging with their parent association for a minimum of five (5) years. A Judge may only judge the level at which they are licensed. When the show format includes a specialty ring, guest judges will serve as a specialty judge in CFA shows unless a specialty-only CFA judge would be serving as the required specialty judge. Requests for guest judge approval must be submitted to the Judging Program Committee at least 45 days in advance of the show. Requests submitted with less than 45 days remaining until the proposed show date will not be considered.

Rule # 4.04	**Judging Program Committee**

Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
Application for license should be received in the Central Office at least 90 days prior to the opening day of the show on the official form that may be obtained from the Central Office. Applications received with a date less than 90 days from the opening day of the show will incur late filing fees, in addition to the regular show processing and show insurance fees, as specified in the CFA's current price list. No license will be granted for shows whose complete and accurate application for a show license is received in the Central Office with less than 30 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show. ... (remainder of rule unchanged)	Application for license should be received in the Central Office at least 90 days prior to the opening day of the show on the official form that may be obtained from the Central Office. Applications received with a date less than 90 days from the opening day of the show will incur late filing fees, in addition to the regular show processing and show insurance fees, as specified in the CFA's current price list. No license will be granted for shows whose complete and accurate application, including judging program committee approvals for any proposed guest judges in the application, for a show license ~~is~~ received in the Central Office with less than 30 days remaining prior to the opening day of the show. ... (remainder of rule unchanged)

RATIONALE: There have been continual problems with clubs in Europe and the ID consistently requesting approval for guest judges right at deadline of 30 days out from the show date. This suggests that they are quite possibly disregarding the need for guest judge approval PRIOR to executing a contract with the guest Judge. It also puts undo stress on the Judging Committee Guest Judge administrator. There is no way for them to do their job when they are given a day or even hours to approve so that the club can still adhere to the 30 day limit on their show. A recent example was a club that requested on August 22 at 2:24 PM approval for a guest judge for their September 22nd show. Since Central Office closes at 5PM, the administrator was given less than 3 hours to complete the approval process in order for the club to meet the deadline specified in S.R. 4.04. This is unacceptable. The proposed rule revisions will require that guest judge approval requests be submitted at least 45 days in advance of the show date, and that no show will be licensed without the approval of the judging program guest judge administrator for all guest judges proposed for the show.

Passed

3c - Show Rule 3.13 - Number of Guest Judges Allowed at a Show is Clarified

Rule # 3.13	**Judging Program Committee**

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As used above, 11 or 12 rings constitute two 5 or more ring shows at the same location on the same weekend, sponsored by one or more clubs. A ring is considered judged by a CFA judge if both longhair and shorthair specialties are judged by a CFA judge. In cases where a CFA judge only judges one specialty, the ring is not considered to have been judged by a CFA judge.
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Passed

3d – Revise Show Rule 6.09c – Clarify that a cat can be judged by a substitute judge that originally could not be judged by the advertised judge

Rule # 6.09.c.	**Board of Directors**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
c. A cat or kitten not entered in a ring because the advertised judge is the breeder may be judged by a substitute judge in that ring.	c. A cat or kitten not entered in a ring because the advertised judge is the breeder may be judged by a substitute judge in that ring; that is, if the advertised judge is unable to judge at that show, the judge that replaces them at the show may now judge cats that otherwise would have been excluded because the advertised judge was the breeder of that cat or kitten.
RATIONALE: This rule is being clarified to make it clear that the judge needs to be a replacement substitute judge for the advertised judge at the show, and not just a substitute judge just for the purpose of judging the cat(s) bred by the advertised judge.	

Passed

3e – Revise Show Rule 6.09 – Clarify that a cat bred by a member of a judge's immediate family/household cannot be shown in that judge's ring.

Rule # 6.09.d.	**Judging Program Committee**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
d. In the event an exhibitor shows a cat in a show where the presiding judge is the breeder of a cat or kitten, or the judge's cattery prefix/suffix is on the cat or kitten, or the cat or kitten is owned by a member of his/her immediate family which includes father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, step-children, stepparents, or in-laws, the cat will be mandatorily "x'd" out of that judge's ring.	d. In the event an exhibitor shows a cat in a show where the presiding judge is the breeder of a cat or kitten, or the judge's cattery prefix/suffix is on the cat or kitten, or the cat or kitten is owned or bred by a member of his/her immediate family or household, which includes father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter, step-children, stepparents, or in-laws, the cat will be mandatorily "x'd" out of that judge's ring.
RATIONALE: We have had an issue where a judge has judged (and finaled as Best Cat) a cat co-bred by a member of the judge's household. Apparently this is not the first time this has happened. While show	

rule 6.09.d. is meant to address this, in actuality it does not currently specify that a member of the household is excluded when dealing with a bred cat versus an owned cat. This is a loophole that needs to be closed.

Passed

3f - Allow Issuance of TRNs via Pedigree to Bengals

Rule # 6.16	**July 1st Board Minutes Request**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
The temporary registration number (TRN) is obtained for the exhibitor from the CFA Central Office via the Entry Clerk. Temporary Registration numbers will be issued by the entry clerk upon receipt of the appropriate TRN fee (which is in addition to the club's entry fee), application form, and a four-generation pedigree (or whatever is required for registration of that breed if fewer than four generations are required) issued either by CFA or a cat registering body recognized by CFA, with all cats on the pedigree being acceptable for that breed per current registration requirements. [NOTE: Bengals can not obtain a TRN via pedigree as it will not guarantee that the cat meets the requirements to be considered a domestic feline per show rule 2.06]. This would include longhair Exotics shown as Persians (see rule 6.08). If both parents of the entry are registered with CFA, the CFA registration numbers of the parents are acceptable in place of a pedigree.. The fee, application form, and pedigree (or CFA registration numbers, if applicable) must be provided to the entry clerk no later than the close of check-in for the show and these will be provided to Central Office in the show package. The Entry Clerk will not issue a TRN until they are in receipt of the application, fee, AND pedigree (or CFA registration numbers, if applicable). Upon review, which is done prior to the show being scored, the registration number will either remain valid for 60 days from the first day of the show, or be voided if CFA registration requirements are not met for the	The temporary registration number (TRN) is obtained for the exhibitor from the CFA Central Office via the Entry Clerk. Temporary Registration numbers will be issued by the entry clerk upon receipt of the appropriate TRN fee (which is in addition to the club's entry fee), application form, and a four-generation pedigree (or whatever is required for registration of that breed if fewer than four generations are required or a five generation pedigree if the cat/kitten is a Bengal) issued either by CFA or a cat registering body recognized by CFA, with all cats on the pedigree being acceptable for that breed per current registration requirements. ~~[NOTE: Bengals can not obtain a TRN via pedigree as it will not guarantee that the cat meets the requirements to be considered a domestic feline per show rule 2.06].~~ This would include longhair Exotics shown as Persians (see rule 6.08). If both parents of the entry are registered with CFA, the CFA registration numbers of the parents are acceptable in place of a pedigree. The fee, application form, and pedigree (or CFA registration numbers, if applicable) must be provided to the entry clerk no later than the close of check-in for the show and these will be provided to Central Office in the show package. The Entry Clerk will not issue a TRN until they are in receipt of the application, fee, AND pedigree (or CFA registration numbers, if applicable). Upon review, which is done prior to the show being scored, the registration number will either remain valid for 60 days from the first day of the show, or

breed being registered. In cases where the TRN is voided, those cats/kittens will not be included in the Official Count for the associated category (K/C/P). Central Office will notify any exhibitor whose temporary registration number is voided with the basis for such decision. Note: wins will also be voided if a cat competes in a competitive category not otherwise eligible based on its permanent registration, e.g., offspring of a "not-for-breeding" cat competing in Championship. Temporary registration numbers will be printed in the catalog as if they were permanent. Cats may compete and continue to earn points for 60 days from the first day of the first show where they have obtained a TRN. That number should be used on all subsequent entries after the first show for the 60-day period or until the cat obtains a permanent registration number within that 60-day period. At the end of this 60-day period, the cat may not be shown without a permanent registration number. For cats to receive credit for Regional, Divisional or National points earned during a specific show season with a TRN, the exhibitor must supply the associated permanent registration number to Central Office by the Monday following the completion of that show season.	be voided if CFA registration requirements are not met for the breed being registered. In cases where the TRN is voided, those cats/kittens will not be included in the Official Count for the associated category (K/C/P). Central Office will notify any exhibitor whose temporary registration number is voided with the basis for such decision. In the case of a Bengal pedigree deemed invalid because it contains an Asian Leopard Cat, the application will be forwarded to the Board for disciplinary action against the exhibitor for violating show rule 10.10 by bringing a non-domestic feline into the show hall. Note: wins will also be voided if a cat competes in a competitive category not otherwise eligible based on its permanent registration, e.g., offspring of a "not-for-breeding" cat competing in Championship. Temporary registration numbers will be printed in the catalog as if they were permanent. Cats may compete and continue to earn points for 60 days from the first day of the first show where they have obtained a TRN. That number should be used on all subsequent entries after the first show for the 60-day period or until the cat obtains a permanent registration number within that 60-day period. At the end of this 60-day period, the cat may not be shown without a permanent registration number. For cats to receive credit for Regional, Divisional or National points earned during a specific show season with a TRN, the exhibitor must supply the associated permanent registration number to Central Office by the Monday following the completion of that show season.
RATIONALE: As you know, the Bengal breed is unique in that it is only considered a domestic feline if it is F5 or beyond removed from the Asian Leopard Cat. As such, this proposal allows Bengals to obtain a TRN with a five generation pedigree, but also includes the provision that if the exhibitor brings a cat that is NOT at least F5 into the show hall, Central Office will forward that automatically to the Board for disciplinary action against that exhibitor for violating show rule 10.10 by bringing a non-domestic animal into the show hall. This provision only applies if the cat's pedigree contains an Asian Leopard Cat. If the TRN is voided for any other reason, that will not result in an automatic protest. We did not propose an immediately effective date, but the Board may change that if it so chooses necessitating Amendment 3 to the current show rules.	

Passed – Effective immediately

3g – Revise Show Rule 9.03 to allow clubs to hold an open benched show, i.e., unassigned space for most exhibitors.

Rule # 5.02.i.	**Board Request from June Meeting Minutes**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
None.	i. The show flyer shall clearly indicate if the show is an open benched show (as opposed to assigned benching for all exhibitors).
Rule # 9.03	**Board Request from June Meeting Minutes**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
Show management shall assign benching spaces for all entries. All entries of a particular exhibitor and those entries for which that exhibitor is the designated agent shall be benched together. No more than one agent may be named by an exhibitor for all cats entered in a show. No change of benching assignments shall be made without the permission of the show manager. Non-benched shows are not permitted. Benching must be provided on the second day of a one day Longhair/one day Shorthair show for cats and kittens who have qualified for the Best of the Bests judging.	Shows may be either assigned benched or open benched, as chosen by the club, according to the following requirements: a. For an assigned benching show, ~~S~~how management shall assign benching spaces for all entries. All entries of a particular exhibitor and those entries for which that exhibitor is the designated agent shall be benched together. No more than one agent may be named by an exhibitor for all cats entered in a show. No change of benching assignments shall be made without the permission of the show manager. ~~Non-benched shows are not permitted.~~ Benching must be provided on the second day of a one day Longhair/one day Shorthair show for cats and kittens who have qualified for the Best of the Bests judging. b. For an open benching show, the show flyer must include a statement that the show will be an open benched show. Although most exhibitors will then be able to choose their benching spot, reserved/assigned space shall still be apportioned to clerks near the ring in which they are clerking, and handicapped exhibitors who indicate on their entry that they are handicapped. Handicapped exhibitors will be assigned space as near to the judging rings as possible. At its discretion, the club may assign additional space based on premium payments as specified in the show flyer (end of row, grooming areas, etc.) In any case, no

	exhibitor shall take up more space than that for which the exhibitor has paid. Benching must be provided on the second day of a one day Longhair/one day Shorthair show for cats and kittens who have qualified for the Best of the Bests judging.
RATIONALE: When I originally requested guidance on this rule, I received approximately 50 different responses all requesting that this rule NOT be changed at all. They felt the Chinese should comply with assigned benching, period. Only one individual actually offered guidance, and that was that the rule be made optional and assigned benching be provided to clerks and handicapped individuals. That comment has been fully incorporated here. The purpose of the rule is to allow the Chinese to continue to do what they do at their shows, and bring them into compliance with show rules. The discussion on this is in the June board minutes (pages 47-48), where the request to draft this rule is specified.	

Failed – unanimous

3h – Revise Show Rule to RECOMMEND (not require) that clubs use a CFA Licensed Clerk in rings utilizing a Guest Judge

Rule # 9.09.b.	**Judging Program Committee**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
b. Clerks must be engaged for each judging ring and a master clerk must be engaged to consolidate and check all of the judging records of the show.	b. Clerks must be engaged for each judging ring and a master clerk must be engaged to consolidate and check all of the judging records of the show. In those cases where the judge for a ring is a guest judge or apprentice judge, the club should make every effort to use a certified licensed ring clerk for that ring.
RATIONALE: Based on the numbers of errors in judging paperwork submitted to central office for rings using guest judges, it is suggested that a licensed certified clerk, one who has been through and completed the clerk certification and licensing process, be used in those rings. This individual would be more likely to identify and catch paperwork errors before they got to the Master Clerk. This proposal is submitted as a recommendation rather than a requirement due to the potential lack of availability of a sufficient cadre of licensed certified ring clerks for that show.	

Passed

3i – New Show Rule 9.14 to require all shows be held in an area that is confined from the outside, i.e., no open access to the outdoors

Rule # 9.19	Judging Program Committee
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
None	All benching and judging areas shall be located inside a building (or secured structure) with doors that can be closed to prevent cats from getting outside. No show may be held in an outdoor venue or area with immediate access to locations where motorized vehicles operate, such as a parking garage, courtyard, or covered walkway.
RATIONALE: Although the Committee feels this is unnecessary because a show held outdoors would easily qualify as protestable as detrimental to the welfare of the cat, we understand the need to make it clear that this should never happen. As such, we are proposing this rule to make it crystal clear that any show must be benched/judged in an indoor setting.	

Passed

3j – Revise Show Rule 10.10 – To allow animals recognized by other cat registries that we would not consider domestic per our rules to be present at in-conjunction shows

Rule # 10.10	Pam DelaBar
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
No animals other than domestic felines shall be allowed in show halls with the exception of certified assistance animals which may be allowed at the discretion of show management. The show hall is any area through which domestic cats pass, are benched or judged. If applicable, any other animals must be in a room totally separate from the show hall and not be within the sight and scent of cats entered for competition in the show.	No animals other than domestic felines shall be allowed in show halls with the exception of certified assistance animals which may be allowed at the discretion of show management. At in-conjunction shows, i.e., shows held with a show from other cat registering associations, any cat registerable in the other associations may be present in the show hall, even if it is not registerable in CFA. The show hall is any area through which domestic cats pass, are benched or judged. If applicable, any other animals must be in a room totally separate from the show hall and not be within the sight and scent of cats entered for competition in the show.
RATIONALE: In-conjunction shows are shows held in a show hall with other cat registering associations. In some cases, there are breeds present at those shows, showing in the other associations' portion of the shows, that may not be registerable or considered domestic in CFA. One example would be the	

Savannah. This revision allows those cats to be present in the show hall where an in-conjunction show is being held if they are registered in the other association.

passed

3k – Revise Show Rule 20.01a on Clerking Fees to Allow Using an Entry in Lieu of Payment

Rule # 20.01.a.	**Pam DelaBar**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
a. The CFA **licensed** certified clerk performing the function of master clerk shall be compensated at the rate of eight (8) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. A CFA master clerk shall be compensated at ten (10) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. It is strongly recommended that for a six ring, one day show a club engage either two licensed master clerks or one licensed master clerk and one certified clerk who is working towards their master clerk license, assisting the licensed master clerk in charge. The minimum compensation for each person working as a master clerk shall be sixty (60) dollars per weekend or forty (40) dollars for a one day show. (A Best of the Bests ring is not considered as an additional ring requiring compensation.) Payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the date a contract is signed. If no contract exists, payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the first day of the show. CFA **licensed** certified clerks performing the chief ring clerk function shall be compensated according to entries as follows: Under 150 entries $30.00 per weekend 151-250 entries $45.00 per weekend 251-350 entries $60.00 per weekend 351-450 entries $75.00 per weekend 1 day shows with	a. The CFA **licensed** certified clerk performing the function of master clerk shall be compensated at the rate of eight (8) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. A CFA master clerk shall be compensated at ten (10) cents for each catalog entry in each judging ring. It is strongly recommended that for a six ring, one day show a club engage either two licensed master clerks or one licensed master clerk and one certified clerk who is working towards their master clerk license, assisting the licensed master clerk in charge. The minimum compensation for each person working as a master clerk shall be sixty (60) dollars per weekend or forty (40) dollars for a one day show. (A Best of the Bests ring is not considered as an additional ring requiring compensation.) Payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the date a contract is signed. If no contract exists, payment schedule shall be based on the status of the clerk on the first day of the show. CFA **licensed** certified clerks performing the chief ring clerk function shall be compensated according to entries as follows, or in lieu of compensation, the clerk may be provided a complimentary entry in the show: Under 150 entries $30.00 per weekend 151-250 entries $45.00 per weekend 251-350 entries $60.00 per weekend 351-450 entries $75.00 per weekend

1, 2, 3, 4 rings $35.00 225 back to back $40.00 per day Shows 1 day, 6 ring shows $45.00 NOTE: These are minimal compensations; more can be given per negotiated rate with clerk. **CONTRACTS ARE RECOMMENDED**	1 day shows with 1, 2, 3, 4 rings $35.00 225 back to back $40.00 per day Shows 1 day, 6 ring shows $45.00 NOTE: These are minimal compensations; more can be given per negotiated rate with clerk. **CONTRACTS ARE RECOMMENDED**
RATIONALE: Although we feel that a club can already provide a free entry in lieu of payment for clerks, this proposal clarifies that it is acceptable for a club to do that. It does not mandate that as a requirement for clubs, but makes it optional at the clubs' choice. Also, this only provides an entry, it does NOT stipulate that the club include double cage space for that entry.	

Passed

3l – New Show Rule 21.03, current 21.03 renumbered as 21.04 – Rule to Prevent Judges from Transporting Merchandise For Sale

Rule #	**Judging Program Committee**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
None.	<u>No judge may transport goods that will be sold for personal profit while traveling to and from shows where they are officiating.</u>
RATIONALE: There is a concern about judges transporting goods for profit while traveling to and from shows where they are officiating. This rule addition would preclude that.	

failed

3m – Revise Show Rule 28.01c – Eliminate need for snail mail notification if the exhibitor has an e-mail on file

Rule # 28.01.c.	**Central Office**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
c. At the end of 45 days after the last day of the show at which the cat earned its last qualifying	c. At the end of 45 days after the last day of the show at which the cat earned its last qualifying

ring, Central Office will send a notice to the owner of record for that show by both regular mail and e-mail noting that the cat has not yet been confirmed as a champion or premier. The notice will also include a statement that a late filing fee, as specified in the CFA list of fees, must also be submitted in addition to the normal claim form fee; and that if the appropriate claim form is not filed within 45 days of the date of that notice, any grand points the cat may have earned or regional/divisional/national awards points earned since the show where it got its last qualifying ring will be forfeited. Forfeited points will not be reinstated if the claim form is subsequently completed.	ring, Central Office will send a notice to the owner of record for that show by ~~both regular mail and~~ e-mail, or if no e-mail address is available by regular mail, noting that the cat has not yet been confirmed as a champion or premier. The notice will also include a statement that a late filing fee, as specified in the CFA list of fees, must also be submitted in addition to the normal claim form fee; and that if the appropriate claim form is not filed within 45 days of the date of that notice, any grand points the cat may have earned or regional/divisional/national awards points earned since the show where it got its last qualifying ring will be forfeited. Forfeited points will not be reinstated if the claim form is subsequently completed.
RATIONALE: Central Office staff were instructed to only send snail mail to those who did NOT have an e-mail address on file. The majority of notices sent are via e-mail – very few regular mail. As such, the wording should be adjusted to reflect current practices. The problem with using two approaches is that people were getting e-mail notices and then confirming online with late fee to then receive the snail mail a week later and thought they had to pay again, or they were getting upset because they already paid.	

Passed - effective immediately

3n – Guarantee a Champion Making a Final Placement Earns Some Grand Points for that Placement

Rule # 28.02.a.	**Central Office**
Existing Wording	**Proposed Wording**
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. 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	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. 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 80 percent of the Rings held at that show. A cat is considered present in China as long as no award is withheld from that cat for insufficient merit or condition, and the cat is not disqualified (see Rules 11.23, and 11.24). If the award for a cat is withheld for any reason other than wrong color, it will be considered absent for the ring in which the award was withheld. To determine the 80 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	4 Rings
5 Rings held	4 Rings
6 Rings held	5 Rings
7 Rings held	6 Rings
8 Rings held	7 Rings
9 Rings held	8 Rings
10 Rings held	8 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

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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

highest 60%, etc. In all cases, fractional points 0.5 and greater will be rounded to the next higher number.	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.
RATIONALE: We recently had a very unusual occurrence regarding Grand Scoring. As you know, grand points are earned based on the number of Champions present and competing in a show based on 10% decrements. The Best CH receives 100% of the available points in a final, 2nd Best 90% down to 10th Best with 10%. Any Champion placing beyond 10th in a Final would receive 0% of the available points. The 10% decrement scoring rule was created at a time when there were only Top 10 Finals. The intent was that any Champion/Premier placing in a Final would receive points towards a Grand title. The show rules weren't adjusted to account for Top 15 and the possibility of that many Champions being in a Final. It's taken all these years for it to happen, but it did at a show recently held in August in China. It had a sufficient number of cats entered to have Top 15 Finals AND had more than 10 Champions placing in Finals. Central Office discovered at the time of scoring that Champions beyond 10th would receive 0 points. It was brought to Central Office's attention by exhibitors inquiring as to why they didn't receive any Grand points for placing in a Final. As such, Central Office would like to ensure that any champion making a final earn at least 5% of the available points for 11th-15th Best Champion and to consider making this change retroactive to the start of the current show season, May 1, 2018.	

Passed – Retroactive back to May 1, 2018

Finance Committee Report

Balance Sheet Previous Year Comparison as of August 31, 2018

The balance sheet shows an increase in cash of $293,584 compared to last year. This represents a 11.8% increase.

Specifically, the Wells Fargo investment account reflects an overall increase of $61,295 when compared with the ending balance last August. This represents a 5% increase.

Ordinary Income – May 1 through August 31, 2018

Registration Individual and Litter:

Total registration, which includes litter registration and individual registration, delivered $380,647 which is a 11% increase when compared to the same period last year. The budgeted amount for this period was $301,162. This category is 126 % of budget.

The Bottom Line

Net income for May 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018 is -$2,513. While a loss was suffered during this review period, a loss was budgeted. This is the year of re-investment. Profits from prior year will serve CFA well as we re-invest this year

- *As of September 21, 2018, combined bank/investment accounts totaled $2,658,929.16*

Recommendations to the Board on transferring funds from low rate of return accounts to higher rate of return accounts

Passed

CFA International Show

$6400 in advanced ticket sales

Social Media advertising

Show Surcharge

Looking to change the name of this charge to better reflect how it is used. Do not recommend changing the fee structure in the middle of a budget year. This charge is used to score the shows, assist the Regions with their awards, and support the Annual. The budget committee is considering lowering the surcharge by $0.25 for next year's budget.

Central Office Report

Met with Heather Lorimer on genetics and how to structure our registration database. Goal to have the computer determine possible color for registrations than our Central Office staff.

Will start with the Devon Rex breed as it contains the most complicated list of colors. – Timeframe – approximately one year. Estimated to be 6 figures in cost, but most of that will be in next year's budget.

International Division Club Voting Eligibility: Determine the policy to be followed for the definition of "previous show season" for future voting. – For purpose of the annual meeting (delegate and meeting) be the season that ended April 30, prior to the Annual meeting. – Passed

How to determine who can vote for ID Reps. International Division clubs can vote for the ID Reps as long as they have paid their dues and sent membership lists by the deadline – Passed

Note – Be sure to list the email address of the President on the membership list, to ensure the ballots from the Secretary of the club's submitted ballot is also sent to the President of the club.

Central Office to accept faxed ballots since paper ballots will require two signatures.

Credentials Committee – **Motion** – Appoint Nancy Dodds appointed as Committee Chair – Approved

Awards Committee

Committee proposes to use the same company for 3 years. Due to the large number of duplicate awards, by keeping the same company we can have the awards premade so we will not have the

backlog getting the awards to the individual, so Central office doesn't have to pay for the shipping.

Motion - Add a "N" to the end of the Agility Title to recognize the National Agility winners – Passed

Motion - Make it retroactive – will not involve redoing awards, but will be added to the cat's title – passed

New & Old Business

New Vision Cat Club Entry Limit Request

Motion: Grant an exception to Show Rules 4.06.a.2. and 6.29.a. and allow the New Vision Cat Club to increase their entry limit from 225 to 250 at their 6 ring one-day show on November 16, 2019, in Orlando, Florida (Region 7). – Passed

For $500 of IT Time, Authorize IT cost and resources to setup process for Entry Clerk step to add printing of these pages. Make PDF's available for the entry clerk's for printing – Passed

Determine future of China Monitor. – Current person no longer wishes to continue. Motion that we continue the China Monito project and the ID Committee chairs are responsible for managing the program. – Passed

Constitution – is out of date and has gaps. Recommendation to hire an attorney to review and rewrite our Constitution to reflect the current state of our Organization and bring our constitution up to date. **Motion -** Mark suggested a committee be formed with Mary Auth as Chairperson – Passed

There are only five board members flying to Canton/Akron for the upcoming board meeting. Many are flying to Cleveland and renting cars. Unless the fares to Cleveland are significantly cheaper, renting cars can get expensive. If so many are flying to Cleveland and plan to continue doing that, it might make sense to move the meeting to an airport hotel in Cleveland. Those of us who drive can still do so.

Rachel and Allene will investigate

Motion - Allow John Webster to judge the **Winterfell Club** in Shenyang on October 20th and the show in **Tianjin Mao Yuan Love Cat Club** on October 21, 2018. – Passed

Motion - Board meet on Friday prior to the February Board meeting for Strategic Planning session – Passed

Motion to reevaluate in conjunction shows – Should cats be able to be entered in both shows – Passed with Peter Vanwonterghem as chairperson

Revised Show rules are now online in Chinese

Motion - Request the Breed Counsel secretary be permitted to review registrations for accuracy - Failed