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BALLOT

This ballot must be received by the Secretary no later than **February 22, 2015**.
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FOR VOTE:

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

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| A. Cindy Singleton, NC | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| B. Dawn A. Thomas, TN | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| C. Samuel S. Baker, TX | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| D. Pat & Mike Conchatre, Canada | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| E. Mike Conchatre, Canada | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| F. Angela Evers, IL | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| G. Belinda Edwards, OK | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| H. Sally Tarigo, NY | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |
| I. Ronald Tarigo, NY | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain _____ |

2. The President presents for approval the Treasurer’s Reports presented by Mike Esch, Treasurer.

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

3. The President presents for approval the following proposals from David Hansen, DVM, Health Committee chair to disburse the funds in the Canine Health Foundation account. Balance in the account is \$58,778.82. His proposals are as follows:

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| A. Distribute all the funds at this time. | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| B. Distribute part of the funds at this time. | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| C. More discussion is needed. | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |

(Select one proposal)

- ____1. The CCA can transfer the money to the account of the Collie Health Foundation and let the grants committee work on finding the qualified grants to participate in.
- ____2. Start a grants committee in the CCA to do the research and recommend to the board which grants to participate in.
- ____3. Have the CHF grant committee make recommendations for the CCA BOD to vote on.
- ____4. Still do nothing, and make the CCA look bad by not participating in research.
- ____5. Other (Your proposal.) _____

4. The President presents for approval the proposal for Breeder of the Year Committee for a new Breeder of the Year Award. (Complete proposal in previous Communique’.)

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

5. The President presents for approval Marion Johnson as new Newsletter editor and support as staff as selected by the new editor.

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| A. Marion Johnson, Editor | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| B. Isabel Ososki | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| C. Rose Hutches | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| D. George Rohde | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |

6. The President presents for selection/vote the bids from Zone 2 for CCA 2018. (Select one)

A. Atlanta GA – March 31 – April 8, 2018 A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

1. Host Show Chair, Gayle Guthman A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

2. Co-Host Show Chair, Lenell Nix A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

B. Virginia Beach, VA – March 24 – March 31, 2018 A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

1. Host Show Chair, Michelle Esch-Brooks A. Approve _____ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

7. The President presents for approval the following persons to chair committees for CCA 2017.

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| A. Invitational Co-chairs – Heather Newcomb | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| Kelly Neeley | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| B. Obedience & Rally Co-Chairs – Judy Cummings | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| Anne Robinson | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| C. Facilities Chair – Dale Heit | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| D. Agility Chair – Sue Larson | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| E. Trophy Chair – Mary Wells | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| H. Herding Chair – Jan Shields | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| G. Treasurer Chair – Mike Esch | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| H. Welcome/Reception Co-Chairs – Jennifer Weiner | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| Mary Wells | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| I. Logo – Diana Hiiesalu | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| J. Grooming Chair – Jennifer Weiner | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| K. Reserved Seating Chair – Jennifer Hull | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |
| L. Vendor Chair – Terry Hansen. | A. Approve _____ | B. Disapprove _____ | C. Abstain _____ |

8. The President presents for ratification of a vote by the Executive Committee to the CCA to participate in a “Meet the Breeds” booth in New York during (Westminister) and has asked Jackie Caruso, chair the booth with a \$500 budget.

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

9. The President presents for ratification of a vote by the Executive Committee to approve the Raffles to be hosted by the National to be held on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. They will be held during the day and will be finished each day before judging is completed. These are the fundraisers to offset expenses at this year’s National.

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

10. The Presidents presents for approval the following budget for the office of President in the amount of \$600 for the next six months.

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

11. The President presents for approval the following budget for the office of Secretary in the amount of \$ 2,000 for the next 6 months.

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

DISCUSSION:

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

- 1. The President presents for discussion the information regarding our Logo from Darci Brown and her conversations with artist, Mary Kummer.**
- 2. The President presents for discussion the Summary Report from the Constitution Committee on our present Constitution.**
- 3. The President presents for discussion the motion made 12/06/2-14 by Pam Eddy and seconded by Gayle Kaye.**
Raffles at the CCA National Specialty: As a member of the board from 2007 who voted against the restriction on host club raffles I would be happy to make a motion that we rescind this vote.
Motion: To change show rules to once again allow the host club or group to conduct a raffle or raffles during all upcoming nationals starting with 2015.

Background for Motion from Martha Ramer, National Show Committee Co-chair: The National Show Committee (NSC) would like to request that the current Show Rules regarding raffles be changed. Currently, the Host Club/Group is not allowed to have a raffle during the show. They may hold raffles before the show, but they do not raise a fraction of the money the raffles held at the show do. The CHF, CRF and a local rescue group in the area the show is held, are the only ones that can hold a raffle or auction. This ruling was passed by the Board in 2007.

The costs for holding the National have continued to rise every year. The CCA used get a donation from Precise Dog Food for \$5,000 which helped a great deal to defray expenses. That was terminated in 2008. With losing the ability to have a daily raffle and losing the dog food companies' support, the Host is very limited in raising funds to cover expenses. We have inquired with all the other pet food companies for a donation; however, they are not making donations to specialty clubs (both National and Local) any longer. All breed clubs and very few National Specialty clubs have long time relationships with some pet food companies and do receive donations. However, they are not adding any other clubs to their list.

The NSC would like to propose that the Board rescind the vote that was taken in 2007 and allow the Host Clubs/Groups doing all the work making our National Specialties 'Special'. We request that the Host be allowed to have a raffle on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the show. They will not hold silent auctions so as to interfere with the CHF silent auctions. We feel there is room for another raffle at the National. We also feel that it would not detract from the CHF and CRF raffles and auctions.

Although I'm a member of the NSC as well as a Board member, I was not a member during the time the rule was passed by the Board, therefore I request someone that was a member during 2007 make a motion and another second it to enable us to discuss this matter ASAP. We would like to see if we can get this approved so that the 2015 National can hold a raffle.

Thank you so much for your consideration in this matter. The National Specialty is your show and this change will benefit you the exhibitor and/or spectator. If you have read the 2 part article in the Bulletin this month and last month titled 'The Timeline' you will see the work and the long hours, days and years these Hosts put into your show. Won't you consider helping them out??

- 4. The President presents for discussion Theresa Uzelac as a new member to Shining Star Committee. *Bio within Communique'***
- 5. The President presents for discussion the proposal from the Shining Star Committee for changes to the award. *(Proposal within the Communique'.)***
- 6. The President presents for discussion to have Nancy McDonald produce our CCA Calendar for 2016. If we retain her now she will have it ready at Sunnybank and I feel we will be able to sell many more calendars than we did this year.**

7. The President presents for discussion the proposal presented late in 2013 to the past administration by the Realignment Committee and its chair, Lori Montero. Since this is a new administration and Board, it is felt this needs to be reviewed by our present board and input developed with the committee for changes that could impact our Club. (Proposal within this Communique')

8. Attached you will find copies of the End of the Year Reports sent to Michelle Esch-Brooks for the 2014 Yearbook. They are being provided to you only in a PDF to send to members, but will not be printed in the Communique'. A copy will be printed and kept on file with this Communique'.

9. The President presents for discussion a new challenge trophy - Breeder of Winners Bitch (Rough) - THE MEMORIAL TROPHY, "Recess" Bronze by Carol Baynton Phelps in honor of Rita Stanczik, Executive Collies. All National Challenge Trophies are donated through the Collie Club of America, Inc. through the generosity of friends unless otherwise stated. They will be awarded at its National Specialty Show only. For permanent possession they must be won three (3) times by the same owner not necessarily with the same dog or at consecutive shows. All winners of all National Challenge Trophies must sign a contract before taking possession of any trophy.

10. The President presents for discussion the following motion.

Original motion made on 1/9/2014 made by Emily Berkley and seconded by Kathy Moll.

To all:

As 2015 is an election year for the CCA and as the BOD has been informed of the need to reduce its size and comply with New York law by changing how it holds meetings, I make the following motion:

No person shall run for a position as an officer of the Collie Club of America or for a position as a member of the Board of Directors if s/he does not agree to the following:

- 1) To meet via conference call, Skype, in person or another means allowed for meetings of the club under New York law covering Not-for-Profit Corporations such as the CCA.
- 2) To miss no more than 2 meetings in a 12 month period and to accept that missing more than 2 meetings of the BOD will require a resignation from the officer position or the seat on the BOD, whichever is applicable.
- 3) To communicate with CCA members as assigned by vote of the BOD and to accept that failure to do so will require a resignation from the officer position or the seat on the BOD, whichever is applicable. I request that this motion receive a second. I also request that the motion be included in the January communique.

On 1/10/2014 the original motion was amended as follows...made by Emily Berkley and seconded by Kathy Moll.

No person shall run for a position as an officer of the Collie Club of America or for a position as a member of the Board of Directors of the Collie Club of America if s/he does not agree to the following:

To attend CCA Board meetings via conference call, Skype, in person or by any other means allowed for meetings of the club under New York law covering Not-for-Profit Corporations such as the Collie Club of America.