



**LOWCHEN CLUB OF AMERICA ONLINE BOARD  
DISCUSSION NOVEMBER 2007**

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Cecile Balizet posted an invitation from TopShowDogs.com to check out their latest online edition.

Votes on Herb Williams motion to require proof of CERF exams for listing with the Chair of Breeder referral and on the website was tabled until which dogs require a CERF is better defined.

Elimination of the Breeder of the Year award was brought by Lyle Harding. Jann Nienhaus questioned what we are rewarding. JoAllyn Beckett asked what other Breed Clubs do regarding these topics.

JoAllyn Beckett brought up the need to have a discussion of the Breed Standard Revision.

Lyle Harding made a motion to disband the Standard Revision Committee citing the Chairperson was not voted on by the Board but appointed by the past president. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jann Nienhaus.

JoAllyn Beckett declared Jon Kimes appointment null and void according to the Constitution therefore the Standards Revision Committee is dissolved.

Acknowledgment made of Diane Bernard's loss of her Lowchen in a fire and how best the LCA could extend our condolences was brought by Cecile Balizet.

Cecil Balizet requested a monthly Treasurer's report so we can all know the status of the finances of the club. She also reported receiving a request for support from the Flagstaff Kennel Club for their June 2008 show. She acknowledged we normally do not support outside requests because of limited funds. Discussion followed.

Havanese Club Breeder Referral requirements were posted by Glenda Martin at the request of JoAllyn Beckett. For a Havanese Club member the following requirements must be met to be included on their breeder referral list.

- 1) Payment of \$25.00 per litter
- 2) Provide copies of the current CERF certificate on both the Sire and Dam of the litter. "Current" applies to the date of the exam, not the date CERF processed it.
- 3) Provide copies of BAER, OFA Patellar and OFA Hips - if age appropriate - Certificates are required for both Sire and Dam of the litter.
- 4) The breeder must be an HCA member in good standing and have a signed copy of the HCA code of Ethics on file with the HCA.
- 5) Inclusion on the list will be for the period of three months following the birth date of the litter.

Website is [www.havanese.org](http://www.havanese.org)

JoAllyn Beckett made the following motion titled Guidelines for Making Litter Announcements in Headlions and LCA Website:

A Lowchen Club of America member can meet the requirements for Lowchen Litter Announcements for Headlions and the LCA Website under the following conditions:

1. Payment to the Treasurer or other designated agent of \$25.00 per litter.
2. Provide copies of the current CERF certificates or current CERF examination marked "normal" on both the Sire and Dam of the litter. "Current" applies to the date of the exam, not the date CERF processed it.
3. The Breeder must be an LCA Member in good standing which includes a signed Code of Ethics on file with the LCA.
4. The litter listing will run be for the duration of 3 months. Litters must be newborn to one month of age at the time of listing.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Herb Williams. Affirmative votes by JoAllyn Beckett, Herb Williams, Cecile Balizet, Barbara Cecil, Glenda Martin, Jann Nienhaus, passed the motion. Lyle Harding abstained, Jean Richland voted no.

Clarification on the Code of Ethics discussion started. JoAllyn Beckett stated after the Board vote it needs to go to the membership for a vote of approval. Her suggestion included a Special Code of Ethics Committee to review the code LCA members are required to sign. Committee Chair Lyle Harding, members Caren Murray and Herb Williams.

Herb Williams reported Don Roback, Gary Nordahl and Joni Weed are representing the LCA at the AKC Agility Invitational in Long Beach, CA. They would like to have "Shaved butts" shirts. Debbie King responded she had a few left.

Jean Richland resigned her position as a member of the Board and stated she would be happy to stay on the rescue committee for the West Coast. Jean has given six years of Board service to the club. With best wishes JoAllyn Beckett accepted Jean's resignation as LCA Board Pacific Director and honored her request to stay on as LCA's Western Rescue Representative.

Health Survey as submitted by Janette Swindler was voted on but did not pass receiving negative votes from Glenda Martin, Jann Nienhaus, Althea Smith, Herb Williams, Barbara Cecil, and Debbie King.

Carol Strong just back from knee surgery attempted to reopen the proposed Standard Revision discussion. JoAllyn Beckett responded the proposed Standard Revision was a dead issue.

Discussion on whether to replace Jean Richland at this time or wait for the end of the term was brought before the Board. Herb Williams submitted Section 3 of The LCA Constitution which states that vacancies occurring on the Board or among the officers during a term shall be filled until the next election by a majority vote of the members of the Board.

Barbara Cecil nominated Bobbi Mallace for the vacant Pacific Director position. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jann Nienhaus. Lyle Harding made a motion to table Barbara's motion for 3 to 4 months. Herb Williams stated the motion to table a motion must be voted on before the disputed motion is tabled. There was no vote so the motion could not be tabled.

END OF NOVEMBER 2007 LCA BOARD DISCUSSION

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