SBCC minutes from AGM 28th April 2019

In the Chair: Mr S Spendlove

Present: Mrs L Spendlove, Mr K Workman, Ms D Baines, Mrs P Sharp-Popple, Mrs S Bilyard, Miss L Pitcher

Apologies: Mrs L Earle Mitchell, Ms L Shirley, Mrs E Strachan

Lydia sent her apologies and will only be with the committee for the next 6 months as will be deployed with the army.

Chairman's Welcome: Stanley welcomed everyone to the meeting. And told the committee that he would be standing down and thanked everyone for their dedication to the club for the last 5 years.

Minutes: These had been posted on the club webpage. Dee Baines had been missed off the minutes, this was rectified. It was felt that the HOLCC needed to be expanded for others to understand. A couple of spelling mistakes were corrected. The minutes were signed off.

Matters Arising:

Dee Baines felt some of the minutes were incorrectly worded.

Correspondence: A letter had been received in response to the committee submitting for section change. The GCCF said that the club needed to wait until the review in the summer and then resubmit.

Chairman's Report: As posted on the web page

Secretary's Report: As posted on the web page Linda explained that it was time to resign and allow others the chance of secretary.

Treasurer's Report: As posted on the webpage Championship Show: The schedule is out, Linda Spendlove asked if there was anything that needed to be changed for next year. Pamela Sharp-Popple asked for a sponsorship form for classes to be added next year. The decision not to go with Angela Rixon's offer meant as yet there was no shield for overall best in show. Pamela Sharp-Popple offered two silver cups, one could be for this. The other would be the Joan Judd Breeders Cup. It was felt a few words would be needed engraved to explain a bit about Joan Judd. This would be present to Pamela's choice from the three winners in the breeders classes. Pamela offered to be Trophy secretary, and a book would be needed to record the winners. Kevin Workman was happy for his trophy from the Supreme to be reused for Best in Show Kitten. Linda would sort both the plagues for this and Best in Show Adult. Eastpoint has donated the Best in Show Neuter Crystal Bowl and all the contents for the winning cat bags, which have been donated and handmade by Pauline Salt. Sarah offered a donation which could be used where needed for the show, Kevin queried the provision for the Demonstration and after a discussion it was decided he would exhibit both his Suffolks and Jack Webster would be asked to conduct a demonstration for the cats Standard of Points and that Dee would support the talk with general information about the breed and the club.

Breeding Programme: Dee would like a steering committee to keep an eye on how the breed is doing and would like to compile a data base with all information on available active cats for the breed. This could be made available to club members to help breeders plan more effectively for future litters.

Application for Acceptance of New Colours: Linda had worked on a new standard of points for Ebony and Blue. Pamela felt that this needed to be changed to reflect the difference in body type that occurs in Oriental Black and Blue. Linda will have a looked at a variety of SOP's to see how this is portrayed with in that section of cats. A working party would be needed to work on the Reference Policy before submission to council.

Election of Committee. Stanley and Linda Spendlove had both decided to take a step back and just be on the committee from now on and Anna Spendlove had stood down completely from Vice Chairman. Tom Strachan had also resigned. Kevin Workman proposed Dee Baines for Secretary which was seconded by Pamela Sharp-Popple. The committee voted in agreement for Dee to take over as Secretary from Linda Spendlove. Several committee members put forward Lynne Shirley for Chairman and a unanimous vote was achieved. Linda would email her later for acceptance. Sarah Bilyard was voted in for Vice Chairman.

Election of Auditor: Emma Strachan is happy to continue in this roll and the committee voted to continue and would thank Emma for giving her time for free.

AOB: It was felt that illustrations needed to be added to the GCCF standard of points for the breed. It was decided to use Eastpoint Chocilac Rossetti as an example of the breed as he is the first Grand Champion. Sarah Bilyard offered to work from photographs provide by Dee. It can then be agreed at the next meeting.

Meeting ended 5.05pm