

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FIFE BOARD 02/24

6th April 2024 - Vienna, Austria

Present

Mrs. Annette Sjödin - President Mr. Veikko Saarela - Vice-President Mr. Leo v/d Haterd - Treasurer Mr. Karl Preiss - Vice-Treasurer Mr. Charles Spijker - Vice-Secretary Mr. Eric Reijers - General-Secretary

Abbreviations used

- BCA Breed Council Administrator
- BRC Breeding & Reg. Commission
- BRR Breeding & Registration Rules
- DC Disciplinary Commission
- FIFeF FIFe Feline Fund
- GA General Assembly
- GS General-Secretary
- HWC Health & Welfare Commission

- JSC Judges & Standard Commission
- JR Judges Rules
- PRC Public Relations Commission
- SC Show Commission
- SR Show Rules
- SCA Show Calendar Administrator
- VCM Video Conference Meeting
- WCC World Cat Congress

1. Opening of the Meeting

The President opened the meeting at 09.00 hours.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The Board approved the agenda for this meeting.

3. Approval of previous Minutes

The Minutes 01/24 had been approved and were sent to the Members on 09.02.2024.

4. Matters arising from or omitted in previous Minutes

Mistake in Minutes 01/24, item 9.2. The date of the category 2 exam of Mrs. Ksenia Karpinska (SE) was 23.03.2024.

Financial

5.1 Members' and Patronage Members' Payments

The Treasurer presented a list of outstanding payments. In line with article 9.2 of the Statutes, the Board granted an exception to KKM (MY).

5.2 Judges Exams

Four new judges' exam applications were received since the last board meeting.

5.3 Other Financial Matters

- a. The Treasurer presented the slightly amended budget for 2025.
- b. The Board decided it needed a separate account to administer the FIFe Feline Fund (FIFeF). The Treasurer would open a separate account, in line with article 9.2 of the General Rules.

6. Members' Matters

6.1 Correspondence

- a. Members informed the GS of the following changes: details listed on the FIFe website.
 - * FFS (SK) new secretary and new address
 - * Mundikat (NL) delete part of name, new email and mobile phone
 - * FB (GB) new secretary
 - * SVERAK new President
- b. FRU (RU) sent a question. They found conflicting information how to register National Winners. In article 4.17.5 of the SR it was written that it should be placed with the year but according to article 5.3.1 of the BRR, it should be registered without the year. The GS thanked FRU for this information and stated that the new way to register the NW title, which was including the year, was not correctly changed in article 5.3.1 of the BRR. This would be corrected on the BRR on the website. He repeated that the correct way to register the NW title was listed in table 4.1.1 and article 4.17.5 of the Show Rules, as FRU could also read in the GA minutes, proposal 10 of the SC on page 22.
- UFU (UA) sent an email, in copy to all DC members, questioning the legitimacy of Felis C. Russica (FRU), the FIFe Member in Russia. They stated it was a different organization from ARCCA, the association accepted by FIFe in 1992. To prove this, UFU attached an extract from the Register of Legal Entities of Russia. This extract showed that ARCCA was dissolved by decision of the Court on 31.05.2021.UFU claimed that, as happened in Poland and Bulgaria, the old organization in the respective country was not automatically replaced by a newly established one and these new Members were required to follow the procedure for admission of a new Member in line with valid FIFe Statutes and General Rules. The Board discussed this matter and the GS answered UFU that already in 2017 and 2018, it became clear that there were 2 or 3 organisations registered in Russia with the name "ARCCA". The then Vice-President, Mr. Dietmar Sagurski, recommended the rightfully and legally elected Board of ARCCA to change their name, which they did, to Felis Russica, FRU. This can be read in Board minutes 04/2017 and 05/2017 and in Board minutes 01/2018 it was stated that the Member ARCCA changed their name to Felis Russica of which the Members were informed. The GS stated that it was a bit late to protest now against a decision taken 6 years ago and also impossible. The Board received discharge of responsibility from the 2018 GA for all their decisions in between GA's.
 - The GS indicated several changes of the names of Members over the years, which were all accepted because the people behind the organisations were the same. The comparison with Poland and Bulgaria was not valid since these were different situations and different groups of people starting a new FIFe Member. The Board trusted this matter was now clarified.
- d. FFH (CH) sent a question how to register an imported BSH a cat with blue eyes and if it was allowed to breed with this cat. If this was allowed, how should the kittens be registered? FFH realised there was no EMS code for eye colour in solid coloured BSH but stated that this dominant blue eye gene had the same origin as in the MCO and therefore the same genetic background. Should these BSH also be registered as XSH? The Board decided to send this matter to the BRC for a recommendation (see item 8.5.b).

7. Show matters:

7.1 General

- a. FAF-FR (RO) sent an email stating to have problems with the show hall and asked to change the venue and date for the first BSW from 20+21 July 2024 to 28+29 September 2024. They forwarded consent from the other 2 BSW group members, FM and UFU and the Board granted permission.
- b. FFM (MX) requested an exception to article 6.2.f of the SR. At their show in Querétaro, they would have one TICA judge officiating and 2 FIFe judges, so they would not respect the rule that 75% of officiating judges must be FIFe judges, but this percentage would now be 66%. The Board agreed to grant this exception.
- c. The Board received recommendations of the SC and the HWC (see items 8.4.a and 8.6.a) regarding the request of SK (FI) for an exception for one of their clubs, to organize a show on the 20.-21.04.2024 in Ylöjärvi, without veterinary control (see Minutes 01/24, item 7.1.d). The Board discussed these recommendations by email and the GS answered SK, stating that the SC agreed with the request and the HWC was divided in their opinion and he attached these recommendations. He added that it was not clear to the Board if the club only wanted permission to perform the entrance check without a veterinarian or if they did not want a

veterinarian present at all? SK informed the Board that a vet would be available when needed; but would this be only during the vet check period or was this valid for the entire day? The Board also missed a reasoning or motivation for this request.

The Board concluded that it would send a wrong signal to the public/outside world not to have a veterinarian present at the show. In view of this and considering the fact that a random check was possible with one veterinarian present, the Board decided not to grant this exception. The Vice-President did not take part in the discussion or decision on this matter.

- d. FD (DK) asked the Board for an exception to article 4.3 of the SR, allowing them the possibility as described in Annex 2 of the SR until 31.12.2024, for cats to get the titles IP/IC, by obtaining 5x CACIB/CAPIB, in 1 country, with min. 3 different judges. The Board discussed this request and decided to grant this until 01.07.2024, as it had done with similar requests.
- e. LFA-Bubaste (LT) asked the Board for an exception to article 4.3 of the SR, allowing them the possibility as described in Annex 2 of the SR until 31.12.2024, for cats to get the titles IP/IC, by obtaining 5x CACIB/CAPIB, in 1 country, with min. 3 different judges. The Board discussed this request and decided to grant this until 01.07.2024, as it had done with similar requests.

7.2 Ratification of dispensation to the Show Rules regarding the number of cats.

- a. FFF (FR) shows in Pontorson, 10+11.02.2024, as International with less than 150 cats.
- b. CPF (PT) shows in Torres Vedras, 09+10.03.2024, as International with less than 150 cats.
- c. FM (MD) shows in Chisinau, 09+10.12.2024, as International with less than 150 cats.
- d. SFDH (HR) shows in Zagreb, 09+10.12.2024, as International with less than 150 cats.
- e. FFH (CZ) shows in La Chaux-de-Fonds, 23+24.03.2024, as Int. with less than 150 cats.
- f. FFF (FR) shows in St. Jean de Maurienne, 30+31.03.2024, as Int. with less than 150 cats.
- g. ASFE (ES) shows in Moraleja de Enmedio, 06+07.04.2024, as Int. with less than 150 cats.

7.3 Ratification of permission granted to a FIFe Member to invite a non-FIFe Judge:

- a. SK (FI) to have Mrs Pam DelaBar, CFA All Breed Judge from Finland, officiating at the shows in Nakkila, on the 25+26.05.2024.
- b. FFM (MX) to have Mrs Ana Maria Sosa, TICA All Breed Judge from Mexico, officiating at the show in Queretaro, on the 21.07.2024.
- c. ČSCH-SCHK (CZ) to have Mrs Pam DelaBar, CFA All Breed Judge from Finland, officiating at the shows in Olomouc, on the 08+09.12.2024.

7.4 Ratification of permission not granted to FIFe Members to invite non-FIFe Judges: *Nothing to report*

7A World Shows

7A.1. General

Nothing to report

7A.2. The complete World Show List (only the first 10 years are published on the Show List):

•	2024	- Sandefjord	- NRR (NO)	•	2030	- tba	- SFDH (HR)
•	2025	- Bucharest	- FAF-FR (RO)	•	2031	- tba	- FD (DK)
•	2026	 Amsterdam 	- Mundikat (NL)	•	2032	- tba	- KKÖ (AT)
•	2027	- Prague	- ČSCH (CZ)	•	2033	- tba	- Suomen K. (FI)
•	2028	- tba	- FPL (PL)	•	2034	- tba	
•	2029	- tba	- SVERAK (SE	•	2035	- tba	- FFH (CH)

8. Commission Matters

General

Two joint online commission meetings had taken place in February and March. Also members of the Board had participated. At one of these meetings it was decided to establish an EU working group aiming to harmonise answers to the EU proposals EC COM (2023) 769. This group, of 7 members, spread out over Europe, was established.

8.1 Statutes, Rules, Standards, EMS System and forms

The Vice-Secretary updated the 2024 EMS list in Excel, which had been an enormous job because in all the breeds the codes 22/23/24/25 as well as 11/12, if applicable, had to be added for the 01+02 varieties. Members interested in receiving this list, should contact the GS. The Board thanked the Vice-Secretary for his work.

8.2 Seminars

On the 11.03.2024, the chairman of the JSC sent the agenda for the 2024 Judges Seminar in Parndorf (AT), which would be published on the website and Facebook.

8.3 Judges and Standards Commission

- a. The JSC secretary sent minutes of their VCMs held on 16.11.2023 and 18.01.2024.
- b. The JSC asked the Board's advice on how to present their proposals to the upcoming GA. After they contacted the BCs for the deletion of unnecessary faults in the standards, they started to work with these BCs, and some decided to use this chance to also adjust, change or update their standards. The JSC helped them to do this. However, this resulted in 11 proposals for standard changes for 13 breeds, worked on and agreed by the BCs and JSC and less than 10 proposals from the JSC itself. The JSC now asked how to present these 11 proposals and if they could be considered as coming directly from the BC, presented by the JSC on their behalf. The board discussed this question and invoking article 4.6 of the General Rules, agreed that the JSC could bring all proposals, which they needed or wanted to bring, The GS added it was ok for the JSC to bring these proposals on behalf of the BCs, but not directly from the BCs. The BC formally did not have right to send proposals directly to the GA.
- c. Minutes 01/24, Item 9.1.g The Board discussed the increased number of dormant judges and ask the JSC for a recommendation how long judges should remain listed as dormant. The JSC answered that they considered it correct that, as long as a judge paid his yearly fee, he should stay on the list. In fact, Judges are in this position for life, until they resign. To change this, we would need a specific proposal to the GA. The Board agreed and decided to bring a proposal regarding this matter.
- d. The Secretary of the JSC sent a discussion document composed by the JSC on the CORIN mutation to the BRC and the Board and asked for a meeting if all could agree about a joint BRC/JSC proposal. He asked all parties to carefully check this document.
- e. Mundikat (NL) requested direct contact with the JSC and BRC regarding the registration of Japanese Bobtails, which was established.

8.4 Show Commission

The GS sent the SC and the HWC the request from SK for one of their clubs to have a show without veterinary control in the morning (see Minutes 01/24, item 7.1.d) and the SC agreed with the request.

8.5 Breeding & Registration Commission

- a. Mundikat (NL) requested direct contact with the BRC and JSC regarding the registration of Japanese Bobtails, which was established.
- b. The GS forwarded the question from FFH (CH) how to register a BSH a cat with blue eyes and if it was allowed to breed with this cat to the BRC for a recommendation (see item 7.1.d).
- c. The GS stated that 15 Members had not yet sent the 2023 Breeding & Registration Statistics. They would get a reminder.

8.6 Health & Welfare Commission

- a. The GS sent the HWC and the SC the request from SK for one of their clubs to have a show without veterinary control in the morning (see Minutes 01/24, item 7.1.d). The HWC voted 2 in favour of granting the exception, for this show, under the condition of a veterinarian being present for the entire duration of the show, in case of any concern. One member was of the opinion that to grant cats access without a vet check would only be possible if cats would bring a veterinarian certificate, not older than 3 days.
- b. On 30.01.2024, the chairman of the HWC, Mrs. Sara Moroni sent feedback (a report) of the animal welfare event she participated in, organised in Brussels (BE) on 29.01.2024, which was also attended by EU officials. This feedback is attached to these Minutes as Annex 1.

8.7 Disciplinary Commission

Nothing to report

8.8 Public Relations Commission

The Board established that the PRC had not yet send their annual report. Since this was a very new Commission, the GS would send them a reminder. The Board would ask the PRC to consider how to promote the FIFeF, in cooperation with the HWC at a meeting that would take place in Parndorf.

9. Judges' Matters

Obituary - Mrs. Nurit Pahl

The FIFe Board was informed that the International All Breed Judge, Mrs. Nurit Pahl (IL) passed away peacefully, at home, surrounded by her loved ones, on Thursday night the 21st of March 2024. Nurit had been bravely fighting cancer but ultimately lost this unfair battle.

Unready in the nineties, Nurit was active in the, then Israeli Member, AMIL in various Board positions and she was founder and president of the former Israeli FIFe Member Sabra Cat. Nurit bred Persians in the colours chinchilla, silver shaded, colourpoint and solid colours, mainly white under the cattery name "Sunny Sabra.". Nurit passed her judge's exam in category I in 1999, in category II in 2000, in category III in 2003 and in category IV in 2005 and since that time, she judged all over the world as an International All Breed Judge. Nurit was a popular and colourful judge always elegantly dressed who greeted you with a big smile. We will all miss Nurit, and the Board of FIFe extends its sincere condolences to her husband, daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren and family and friends and the Romanian FIFe Member FAF-FR.

9.1 General

- a. Mrs. Barbara Bazzotti, International category 1 & 2 judge from Italy changed her membership from 1.DEKZV e.V. (DE) to ANFI (IT). The judges lists were amended.
- b. Felis Danica informed the GS that Mrs. Kirsten Foldager, dormant BG D judge from Denmark, decided to tender her resignation as a judge. The Board wished her good luck for the future.
- c. Mr. Robert Lubrano, International judge categories 1,2 and 4 from France changed his membership to a club under FFB (BR). The judges lists were amended.
- d. Mrs. Cornelia Waller, dormant International judge categories 1 and 2 from Germany resigned for personal reasons. The Board thanked her for her years of service to FIFe and wished her the best of luck with her health and future endeavours.
- e. Mrs. Janet Green informed the GS that the GCCF show, for which he had permission to judge at, on the 02.03.2024 in Belfast (GB) had been cancelled.
- f. SK (FI) sent a complaint with attached photograph, about the appearance and actions (rough handling of cats) of the International Allbreed judge, Mr. Kai Ruonala (FI). The GS forwarded this complaint to him, asking for his reply or comments.
- g. Mr. Mario Ottino, International judge categories 1 and 2 from Italy changed his membership to CPF of Portugal. The judges lists were amended.
- h. The GS would contact the probational category 1 judge, Mr. Guillermo Telefanko, when he would do his stages. He sat his exam on 22.09.2018.

9.2 Permission to sit the FIFe Judges' Exam

- a. Mrs. Sara Moroni (IT) to sit the exam in category 3, in Schiedam (NL) on the 09.03.2024 in English with Mr. Francesco Cinque (IT) and Bobby Funk (DE).
- b. Mrs. Susanna Piispanen (FI) to sit the exam in category 2, in Leppävirta (FI) on the 04.05.2024 in English with Mrs. Minna Krogh (DK) and Mrs. Anna Wilczek (PL).
- c. Mrs. Alena Opatrná (CZ) to sit the exam in category 4, in Prague (CZ) on the 04.05.2024 in English with Mrs. Petra Černá (US) and Mr. Fabio Brambilla (IT).

9.2.1 Theoretical Part

9.2.2 Practical Part

For the above items there was nothing to report

9.3 FIFe Judges' Examinations passed:

- a. Mrs. Katja Patrikainen (FI) passed the category 4 exam in Helsinki (FI) on the 27.01.2024 in English with Mrs. Anna Wilczek (PL) and Mrs. Sara Ojaniemi (FI).
- b. Mr. Francesco Cinque (IT) category 1 exam in in Genoa (IT) on the 10.02.2024 in English with Mrs. Donatella Mastrangelo (IT) and Mr. Mirek Skotarczyk (PL).
- c. Mrs. Wioletta Buss (PL) passed the category 1 exam in Porsgrunn (NO) on the 10.02.2024 in English with Bobby Funk (DE) and Mr. Vladimir Isakov (BY).
- d. Mrs. Brigita Guobe (LT) passed the category 3 exam, at a show in Riga (LV) on the 11.02.2024 in English with Mr. Marcin Biernaczyk (PL) and Mr. Alexey Shchukin (NL).
- e. Mrs. Petra Černá (US) passed the category 2 exam, at a show in Novegro (IT) on the 02.03.2024 in English with Mr. Alessandro Ghibaudo and Mr. Fabio Brambilla (both IT).
- f. Mrs. Ksenia Karpinska (SE) passed the category 2 exam, at a show in Trondheim (NO) on the 23.03.2024 in English with Mrs. Mira Fonsén (FI) and Mrs. Anna Wilczek (PL).

9.4 Judges Appointments – 1st category

After passing the required stages at a show in St. Jean de Maurienne (FR) on 31.03.2024, Mrs. Belina Muicey (AR) was appointed an International FIFe judge in category 2.

9.5 Judges Appointments – 2nd, 3rd and 4th categories

- a. After passing the category 4 exam at the show in Helsinki (FI) on the 27.01.2024, Mrs. Katja Patrikainen (FI) was appointed an international FIFe category 4 Judge.
- b. After passing the category 1 exam at the show in Genoa (IT) on the 10.02.2024, Mr. Francesco Cinque (IT) was appointed an international FIFe category 1 Judge.
- c. After passing the category 1 exam at the show in Porsgrunn (NO) on the 10.02.2024, Mrs. Wioletta Buss (PL) was appointed an international FIFe category 1 Judge.
- d. After passing the category 3 exam at the show in Riga (LV) on the 11.02.2024, Mrs. Brigita Guobe (LT) was appointed an international FIFe category 3 Judge.
- e. After passing the category 2 exam at the show in Novegro (IT) on the 02.03.2024, Mrs. Petra Černá (US) was appointed an international category 2 and a FIFe All-Breed Judge.
- f. After passing the category 2 exam at the show in Trondheim (NO) on the 23.03.2024, Mrs. Ksenia Karpinska (SE) was appointed an international FIFe category 2 Judge.

9.6 Mentor Judge application

Nothing to report

9.7 Ratification of permission granted to FIFe Judges to officiate at a non-FIFe shows to:

- a. Mrs. Satu Hämäläinen (FI) CFA shows in Liaocheng (CN), 16+17.03.2024
- b. Mr. Jørgen Billing (DK) CFA shows in Liaocheng (CN), 16+17.03.2024
- c. Mrs. Sarah Johnson (GB) GCCF show in Ware (GB), 30.03.2024
- d. Mrs. Sarah Johnson (GB) GCCF show in Wootton (GB), 20.04.2024
- e. Mrs. Satu Hämäläinen (FI) CFA shows in Shanghai (CN), 27+28.04.2024
- f Mrs. Sarah Johnson (GB) GCCF show in Dundee (GB), 11.05.2024
- g. Mr. Alexey Shchukin (NL) LOOF+TICA shows in Nogent-sur-Marne (FR), 15+16.06.2024
- h. Mrs. Helene Lis (SE) NZCF show in Palmerstone North (NZ), 16.06.2024
- i. Mr. Marteinn Tausen (IS) ACF show in Melbourne (AU), 23.06.2024
- j. Mr. Marteinn Tausen (IS) ACF show in Sydney (AU), 29.06.2024
- k. Mrs. Sarah Johnson (GB) GCCF show in Thornbury (GB), 06.07.2024
- I. Mr. Marteinn Tausen (IS) ACF show in Brisbane (AU), 07.07.2024
- m. Mrs. Janet Green (GB) GCCF show in Coventry (GB), 20.07.2024
- n. Mrs. Satu Hämäläinen (FI) CFA shows in Orange (FR), 08+09.03.2025

9.8 Permission denied to a FIFe Judge to officiate at non-FIFe shows to:

Nothing to report

10. Student Judges' matters

10.1 General

- a. SVERAK (SE) informed the GS that their pupil in categories 3 & 4, Mrs. Päivi Palokangas, decided to resign as a student judge. Her name was removed from the student judges list
- b. FPL (PL) requested that three of their student judges, Mrs. Anna Duraj (categories 3+4), Mrs. Marlena Kepinska (categories 1+2) and Mrs. Aneta Makowska (category 2) be deleted from the student judges list due to inactivity. The student judges list was amended.
- c. 1.DEKZV e.V. (DE) informed the GS that their pupil in categories 3 & 4, Mr. Andreas Woelm decided to resign as a student judge. His name was removed from the student judges list.

10.2 Request for a preliminary student judges' examination:

- a. FPL (PL) for their member Mrs. Margaret Tomanek in category 1 on 13.04.2024 in Bialystok (PL) with Mr. Sebastian Pruchniak and Mr. Ireneusz Pruchniak (both PL).
- b. FH (HU) for their member Mrs. Katarína Michalova in category 3 on 28.04.2024 in Žilina (SK) with Mr. Vladimir Isakov (BY) and Mrs. Katarína Báliková (both SK).

10.3 Notification of the pass of a preliminary student judge's exam:

KKM (MY) that Mr. Yuen Wai Cheong passed the preliminary student judges' exam in category 3 on the 04.02.2024 in Kuala Lumpur. Mrs. Nathalie Smits-Peelen would be his mentor.

10.4 Notification of new student judges in an additional category or breed group:

- a. KKM (MY) to include Mr. Yuen Wai Cheong as a student judge in category 4.
- b. SK (FI) to include Sanna-Leena Santapakka as a student judge in category 2.
- c. CPF (PT) to include Mr. João Jerónimo as a student judge in category 2.

11. Cattery Name Business

- a. The Cattery Name Administrator, Mrs. Eva Wiéland-Schilla decided to resign per 01.03.2024. The Board thanked Mrs. Wiéland-Schilla for her long-year service to FIFe and for starting to create a database for cattery names.
- b. A new system to apply for cattery names was launched on the website. Members needed to apply to be allowed to request cattery names. They would be informed if their request was received and if the name was approved, by email. The Board thanked the Vice-Treasurer for making all of this possible in only 1 months' time.
- c. The cattery names were, for now, administered by the Vice-Treasurer and the Vice-Secretary.

12. General Assemblies

- a. Mrs. Yulia Skabovska, member of the JSC, contacted the Treasurer regarding the upcoming GA. She could not attend the GA sooner than 31st of May because of work commitments. In line with earlier precedents, the Board informed her that her hotel and travel costs would not be reimbursed, since she could not be present at the OCM and GA.
- b. The agenda of the GA seminar was published on the website. The GS would send this agenda to the Members, pointing out that the lecture of Dr. Kornilia Zafeiropoulou, a Health Officer of the European Commission, would probably be of interest to them, and recommended the Members to attend this seminar.
- c. The Board decided to compose an annex to the agenda of the upcoming GA to include the standard changes suggested by the BCs and proposed by the JSC and the JSC proposal about the CORIN colour. Regarding the CORIN colour, the Vice-Secretary would contact the JSC to discuss some aspects of the proposal.
- d. The JSC Secretary asked if they could invite breeders to bring CORIN cats to the GA and the seminar and gave a general estimate of costs. The Board did not wish the cats to be present during the GA because this usually ended in a chaos and there was a very full agenda. The Board agreed these cats could be present at the seminar and would reimburse travel and hotel costs for 1 night. The JSC should contact the Vice-Treasurer for hotel reservations.
- e. The Board discussed live streaming of the GA and seminar.
- f. The Treasurer visited the hotel in Spain where the 2025 GA could take place.

13. The FIFe website and social media

- a. The President once again thanked the Vice-Treasurer, Vice-Secretary and Vice-President for all the work they did regarding the new website.
- b. The webmaster for the new website would be the Vice-Treasurer and the Vice-Secretary would be responsible for the contents. All functional databases could be operated by both.
- c. The Board thanked the JSC and the BCA, for providing breed presentations for the website.
- d. The idea to have direct access to donate money to the FIFeF via the website was discussed. The webmaster would investigate the possibilities.

14. World Cat Congress

- a. The 2024 WCC, held in Bangkok, organised by WCF, went well. Mr. Jan van Rooyen (SACC-SA) was elected Vice-President, Mr. Robbie Walker (ACF-AU) was appointed Secretary and Mrs. Penny Bydlinski (FIFe-AU) was appointed Treasurer until 01.01.2025. After that date, Mr. Robbie Walker would fill this function. The 2025 WCC meeting would be held in the USA, organised by CFA and the 2026 meeting in the UK, organised by GCCF.
- b. The Board discussed to what extent FIFe had benefit from being a WCC member and decided to ask the GA if FIFe membership should continue.

15. FIFe Breed Councils

The BCA sent a request to set up a new BC for the NEM and to appoint Mrs. Joanna Lorentzon as its Secretary. The Board discussed this request and agreed. It was added on the list of Breed Councils on the website.

16. GDPR – General Data Protection Regulation

FIFe follows the GDPR regulations with regard to the storage of personal data.

17. Membership change

Nothing to report

18. Any Other Business

The Vice-President tabled the subject of a FIFe-wide database information system. He thought there would be a need for this in the future in all member countries. It was decided to deal with this matter at the next meeting.

19. Next Board meetings

- Tuesday 28.05.2024 Parndorf (AT), in connection with the GA
- August 2024, VCM
- Saturday 23.11.2024 Vienna (AT)
- January 2025, VCM

20. Close of the Meeting

The meeting closed at 18.00 hours

Annette Sjödin - President

Eric Reijers - General-Secretary