# 2017 TICA MA Regional Meeting 12 Noon, January 8, 2017 at Central Jersey Cat Fanciers Meeting Led by Anthony Hutcherson

#### **Standing Items**

Appreciation – Susan Adler, Lisa Dickie & Connie Webb

Central Jersey CF, Christmas City CF, Capital Cat Club, Karousel Cat Club, Keestone Katz, PACE,

TICA Board of Directors, TICA Officials, TREND Editor

# **Office Holders**

Elected - Regional Director, Anthony Hutcherson

Appointed- Deputy Regional Director, Cheryl Chamberlin for IT & Deputy Regional Director, Gladys Dinunzio for Membership Treasurer, Lisa Dickie Junior Exhibitors, Megan Gallagher

# **Treasury** - \$411

Regional Budgeting (Ring rebates, TICA Meeting Attendance expenses, Regional Awards)

# Regional Show & Banquet – Keestone Katz, August 2017

# **Discussion Items**

Winter Board Meeting - Jan. 25-27, 2017 Portland, OR (see Agenda)

Fiduciary Judging Program – Code of Ethics (added by A. Hutcherson) Standing Rules Show Rules

By-Laws Discussion Items Breed Advancements Breed Committee Appointments

# 2 Prong Incentive Program

<u>Rewards for Participation in TICA</u> (show attendance, club member, steward, clerk, master clerk, entry clerk, show manager, rescue coordination, rescue assistance deputy regional director, regional director, TICA officer). "TICA points" assigned for use in discounts on TICA services (for ex. \$1 annual membership renewal if you attend 10 TICA shows per year earning 10 TICA points or 1 point per show, \$5 website breeder listing for 7 TICA points per year.)

<u>Rewards for Engaging, Sharing, Educating</u> about TICA or <u>Representing TICA</u>, Feline Genetics and Feline Welfare. Tiered title system for people to recognize and reward enthusiasts improving the organization in ways not related to confirmation evaluation, based on acquisition & sharing of knowledge. For ex.

*TICA Guide* – min.3 TICA show attendance, passing "Paradigms of TICA" test *TICA Envoy* – above plus passing "Basic Feline Behavior, Health & Welfare" test, club member, licensed clerk, RW title

*TICA Ambassador* – above plus, min. 5 year membership in TICA, attend CEU or feline genetics/welfare or political action conference activity

*TICA Diplomat* – above plus IW, min. 7 year membership in TICA, present seminar for CEU or at feline genetics, health, welfare or history conference made available to members of TICA

Benefits of personal reward program is that it allows individuals who don't show to engage with TICA, provides a format for ongoing education of membership and rewards and recognize people for remaining invested in organization.

*Recognizes knowledge and experience of membership of organization beyond standard conformational adherence* 

**Education "Exhibitor Only" Shows** – ½ day alternative format show in AM (or two rings in the AM, two in the PM) with ½ the day dedicated to seminars and sessions on feline genetics, health, welfare, breed conformation and TICA paradigms subsidized by TICA and sponsors in exchange for strict adherence to learning format.

#### **Action Items**

# AKC Meet & Compete – Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017

Breed booths Agility Competition Fashion Show Media Outreach

#### **Community Animal Involvement**

State & Local Animal Matters Community & Advisory Boards

# More Clubs, More Members for MA Region?

How do we encourage all those who register litters/cats with TICA to be involved in the region and association? Richmond, Western Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware, Western Pennsylvania

#### **Instant Poll of the Present**

# TICA Communication Coordinator – What do you want to see articles about?

# Additional Discussion and/or questions