

MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND CAT FANCY INCORPORATED EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Held via Teams Tuesday January 20
Commenced 7.30pm.

The Chair welcomed and thanked all members attending in person and via Teams.

Item 1 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGISTER

Nil reported

Item 2 ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

Executive Council: Ngaire Dixon, Sharon Jose, Diane Holtom, Janice Davey, Keryn McOmish, Sheree Russell, Christine Yeung.

Observers: Fred Haslemore, Di Hobson.

Apologies: Marie Prendergast.

Resolved: That the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Janice / Seconded: Keryn
CARRIED 5/0

Item 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS EC MEETING

25th November 2025

Resolved: That the minutes of the November 25th meeting be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Keryn / Seconded: Janice
CARRIED 5/0

Item 4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

There has been some good progress on the FIP item on the To Do List, it is hoped that a report will be ready for the next meeting.

Microsoft Forms has been trialed by the BSAC, relatively successful.

The AGM report format will be changed for 2026, rather than each portfolio producing a report, it will be encompassed into one report, with a brief synopsis of what each portfolio has achieved and what the projected plans for the coming year are. It is hoped this provide an easier more engaging read for our members.

Item 5 CORRESPONDENCE

- Inwards correspondence received, and outwards endorsed.

- Email from SH Registrar regarding a colour change on a Rex cat being able to keep its Titles under Registration Rule 15.28

15.28: When a cat has been reclassified to another breed code or colour, previous challenges awarded to the cat shall be cancelled. This includes dual registered reds and creams. However, when a cat has been reclassified because of the presence of silver or the dilute modifier ('caramel'), previous challenges awarded to the cats shall not be cancelled provided there is no change to the basic colour or pattern.

does this rule apply to breeds where colour is for registration purposes only (i.e. Not Judged on Colour). It was agreed that as this involved a cat with the presence of 'Silver or the dilute modifier', it was agreed the cat concerned could retain title points. It was also agreed that the wording of the clause needs to be tidied up.

Resolved: That inwards correspondence is received, and outwards endorsed and dealt with in detail under the Portfolios they fall into, Portfolio Manager to advise outcomes for those required.

**Moved: Keryn / Seconded: Janice
CARRIED 5/0**

Action Point: Registration Rule 15.28 rewording to be looked at.

Item 6 **PORTOLIO MANAGERS REPORTS**

6.1. FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

A. TREASURER REPORT [Diane Holtom]

Regular Reporting Items

1. Approval of Accounts for payment in retrospect

Approval for accounts paid in retrospect for the period 01/11/2025 to 31/12/25: **\$11,683.90 (incl. GST).**

Resolved: That the payment of accounts for the period 01/11/2025 to 31/12/25: \$11,683.90 (incl. GST) be approved for payment in retrospect.

**Moved: Ngaire
CARRIED 5/0**

2. Cash Position

Current bank balances as of 31 December 2025: \$208,467.81

3. Outstanding Debtors (Accounts Receivable)

Balance as of 31 December 2025: \$632.50 (all Current)

Other Financial Items

4. Final Budget 2026

Final budget was presented and approved.

Resolved: That the Treasurers report be accepted.

**Moved: Keryn / Seconded: Sheree
CARRIED 5/0**

B. SECRETARY REPORT [Sharon Jose]

- Privacy Officer email issue re no access has been resolved.
- 2026 reprints are ready to go to printer. Electronic versions will be distributed at the same time.
- Query from the Governance Documents Officer in reference to Disputes & Discipline manual being updated, which is currently in hand.

Governance Documents Officer [Jane Webster]

Report provided on work on hand.

Resolved: That the Secretary's report be accepted.

Moved: Sheree / Seconded: Janice

CARRIED 5/0

C. EC CHAIR REPORT [Ngaire Dixon]

- The membership committee had their first meeting which was just prior to Christmas, but some good suggestions have come through. A survey will be sent out to the membership to ascertain what our members want from NZCF, to gauge where we need to be looking at improving membership numbers.
- There have been several unregistered breeders contacting NZCF over the past few months who are finding the process of gaining mentors to become registered rather cumbersome. Those who have made contact have been put in touch with other breeders in the breed section or in their local region to assist. It is important to encourage these people to become registered, and mentor them to ensure they do things correctly.
- Relationship letters have gone out to the current and potential sponsorship partners. It is envisaged that these will be available to be tabled at the next meeting.
- A request has been received for the NZCF to set up a subcommittee to petition veterinary drugs to be available in New Zealand. This is managed under the Agricultural Compounds and Veterinary Medicines (ACVM) Act 1997., and the Veterinary Council of New Zealand has no say whatsoever in ACVM, meaning it is unlikely that NZCF as an organisation would have any sway, however if membership have an appetite to set up a subcommittee, we should support them in doing so.
- A concern has been received in the permanent suspension of membership being part of the Disciplinary Process, feeling that a 6-month suspension should be looked at, followed by a period of probation. This would require a constitutional remit, as the Disputes & Disciplinary Rules are now part of the constitution.

NDC Report [Ange Robinson]

Nil to report.

Privacy Report [Lyall Payne]

Nil to report.

Resolved: That the Chairs reports be accepted.

Moved: Ngaire

CARRIED 5/0

6.2. BREED STANDARDS ADVISORY COUNCIL (BSAC) [Keryn McOmish]

- Natural breeds criteria for Turkish Angora

A consultation with the breed section on the criteria for new foundation cats in the Turkish Angora under the natural breeds policy (approved SEP 2025) was carried out in DEC 2025. The breed section was 100% in favour of the suggested criteria and so the BSAC recommends:

That Registration Rules, para A.31 be amended to read as follows:

A.31 Cats from Türkiye meeting the following criteria:

- a. New foundation cats with a pet passport issued in Türkiye with the cat's microchip number recorded in the passport.**
- b. Other proof of origin may be accepted in exceptional circumstances (e.g., customs declaration, vet certificate issued in Türkiye).**
- c. Gen 2 or 3 cats descended from new foundation cats which have met the natural breeds criteria in a certifying registry recognised by NZCF are not required to provide proof of origin.**

Resolved: That Registration Rules, para A.31 be amended as stated above and that the BSAC report be accepted.

**Moved: Keryn /Marie
CARRIED 4/1/0**

Action Point: Governance Documents Officer amend RR para A.31 as shown above.

6.3. BREEDERS AND REGISTRATIONS (B&R) [Marie Prendergast]

Nil

6.4. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) [Christine Yeung]

- An envisaged timeline for swapping the website host over to MyHost, obviously communication will be sent out prior to the changeover as the website will be down for a short time. There is quite a lot of work involved in this.
- Work has been done to set the Dominant Blue Eye code into ROCAP to ensure it is set up correctly. Work has also been done on the Selkirk Longhair code.

Resolved: That the IT report be accepted.

**Moved: Christine /Janice
CARRIED 5/0**

6.5. JUDGES & SHOWS (J&S) [Sheree Russell]

- Kay McArthur has come off her Leave of Absence. Welcome back Kay.
- Two enquires regarding Tutor Judge positions, however these are appointed in October when expressions of interest are done, those who put these in were appointed, so it is hoped those enquiring will lodge their expressions of interest when they go out again this year.

- All National Show sashes have been sponsored.
- Canterbury All Breeds has asked when the NZCF contribution towards National Judges expenses is likely to be paid, this will be arranged.
- Auckland had asked to move their show date; however, they will now be keeping the original date.
- An enquiry received re Shorthair judge's school. There is a current school running, so the feasibility of joining the applicant into that school will be investigated.

Health & Safety [Christine Ryan]

Nil to report.

Resolved: That the J & S report be accepted.

**Moved: Sheree /Christine
CARRIED 5/0**

6.6. PUBLICATIONS & MARKETING (P&M) [Janice Davey]

- Advertising price increase from 2024 was never put in place, this has now been rectified and will be applied moving forward, however reverting back to 2023 prices for the rear cover and inside front and rear to entice advertisers back.
- There are a couple of previous advertisers coming back with confirmed future adverts.

Resolved: That the P&M report be accepted.

**Moved: Janice /Sheree
CARRIED 5/0**

Item 7 GENERAL BUSINESS

2026 Remits

International members acceptance.

With no further business.

Meeting Closed at 9.09pm

Next Meeting: February 24, 2026, via Teams