Please respond in full to the questions stated below. By completion of this questionnaire, you agree to the distribution of this information to the entire membership of the Briard Club of America by insertion into Club publications or otherwise. By agreeing to become a candidate for the Board of Directors of the Briard Club of America you further agree that if elected you (i) will perform the duties of the position to which you are elected with diligence and in good faith and will make decisions that are in the best interest of the Breed and the Briard Club of America, (ii) will use your best effort to attend and participate in all regular meetings which include National Specialties, any Special Meetings, and any conference calls during your term and (iii) in the event you cannot, for any reason, fulfill the duties of the office to which you are elected for an extended period of time that you will voluntarily resign your position.

Name-address-profession Best method members can use to contact you (phone, email, and fax).

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How long have you owned Briards? 25 years

When did you join the BCA? 1998

What positions have you held in the BCA and when (office, chairs, committee)? Vendor Chairman for the 2014 National/Rassemblement in Sturbridge.

What dog related activities do you participate in with your dog? (Conformation, obedience, agility, tracking, herding, therapy, flyball, etc)

Currently, I am most involved in Conformation with my 2 Briards. I have also done obedience, scent work, and beginner C Course training with them.

Have you bred any litters? If so, how many? n/a

Are you active in any other dog organizations? In what capacity?

As much as work and family obligations allow, I like to spend time at the Blackstone Valley Herding Group Association site: Creepy Hollow Farm (C course, Spencer, MA) helping with projects and/or occasionally scribing for judges if needed.

What specific skills, areas of expertise or qualifications could you contribute as a board member? The combination of my skills as a Graphic Artist for 25 years, and a Library Information Specialist for the last 10 years, affords me a unique accumulation of design and computer-related skills (résumé attached). I have been responsible for advertising and social media campaigns, print projects, purchasing, and library patron fact-finding interviews. Most recently, I am the Library Media Specialist for an Elementary School which comes with its own set of specific skills. Organization is one of my fortés.

What issues do you see facing the Briard that you would like to see the BCA address in the next 2 years? How do you suggest addressing these issues?

As with many of the historic breeds whose populations are smaller in size, I feel that it is especially important to pay close attention to health clearances and breeding practices from a Preservation standpoint that will successfully grow and not limit our breeding pool. Possibly by extolling the virtues of the objectives of the Club as stated in our Constitution we can, "do all possible to bring the natural qualities of the Briard to perfection."

What issues do you see facing the BCA that you would like to see the Board address in the next 2 years? I would like to see the BCA membership come together as a group for the cause of the Briard in order to build the strength of the Club.

How would you suggest addressing these issues?

Regional Representatives of the Club (4-6 of them around the country) who check in with other members at shows and events, possibly organizing walks or picnics so that members can discuss their dogs and the concerns they have, while also sharing information from (and back to) the Board. This might also increase membership if local, non-member Briard owners are invited.

How much time can you devote to Board activities?

During the school year, I will have 3-4 hours a week to devote to Board activities. However, I would have a limited number of days off for Club events such as Nationals if they occur during this time. Of course, in the summer I will have much more time available.

Is there anything else you would like to say to the membership?

I would consider myself an outgoing and task-oriented person. I am not likely to make a decision without hearing or researching all of the supporting information. Please contact me directly if you have any specific questions.

I hereby certify that I am a member in good standing of the Briard Club of America and have agreed to abide by the BCA Code of Ethics, and that the information provided herein is true and correct.

Signature: polly CH Currier Date: 16 april 2023

Note: The policy of the BCA requires that all members employ complete honesty and accuracy in all Club business, particularly in written communications. This applies to applications for membership, resumes for office or Board positions in the Club, and applications to chair or serve on committees and/or as editors of Club publications and advertising. Even in issues not specifically covered by the Code of Ethics, honesty and accuracy are expected and valued.

3/21/2022