



FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE FELINE FIFe



DECISION MINUTES

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY
26+27.05.2022**

**Park Hotel
Plzeň
Czech Republic**

1. Welcome speech of the President

The President, Mrs Annette Sjödin, opened the Meeting at 09.00 am and welcomed those present. She expressed the wish of the Board that this Assembly, as always, would be a meeting where participants showed mutual respect, were able to compromise and make decisions for the benefit of the cat. She said that it was her sad duty to inform the Assembly that the FIFe Judges Mrs Lili Anciau from Belgium and Mr Hristo Simeonov from Bulgaria had died and she asked all those present to observe a minute of silence. She then declared the GA 2022 officially opened.

The President said that if anyone wanted matters to be taken to the minutes, this should be explicitly requested and all changes or rewording of proposals (including the page number) should be submitted in writing and sent by email to the General Secretary, in English, German and French.

She stated that Lux Cat Club-FFL (LU) submitted a written request to vote by secret ballot for the duration of the entire General Assembly; this request is attached to these Minutes as **Annex 1**.

With reference to article 4.6 of the Statutes, the President confirmed that the Vice President, Mr Veikko Saarela and the General Secretary, Mr Eric Reijers would assist her in chairing the meeting. She informed the Assembly that the Disciplinary Commission (DC) would be represented by Mrs Paula van de Wijngaart, the Judges & Standards Commission (JSC) by Mrs Donatella Mastrangelo, the Show Commission (SC) by Mrs Thea Friškovec-Keller, the Breeding & Registration Commission (BRC) by Mrs Maria Myrland, the Health & Welfare Commission (HWC) by Mrs Jurgita Gustaitiene and the Breed Councils by Mrs Nathalie Smits-Peelen (BCA). Then, she stated that the Controllers, Mrs Marie-France Pohl and Mr Jürg Keller-Friškovec and also, the Cattery names administrator (CNA), Mrs Eva Wiéland-Schilla, and the Show calendar administrator (SCA) Mrs Dorte Kaae, were present.

Finally, she said that the coffee, tea and lunch breaks would take place according to schedule and she asked all present to switch off their mobile phones or put them on silent mode.

She gave the floor to the General Secretary, Mr Eric Reijers, who called the Roll of the Delegates.

2. Roll call of the Delegates

Country	Member	Delegate	Advisor
AR	AFA	Mrs Belina Muicey	
AT	KKÖ	Mrs Sandra Mayrhofer	
AT	ÖVEK	Mr Herbert Steinhauser	Mrs Marina Renner
BE	FBE	Mr Joeri Vanrusselt	Mr Kristof Van Roy
BR	FFB	Mr Rodrigo Araújo	Mr Gerson Alves Pereira
BY	Felinolog	Mrs Alisa Gritzfeld	
CH	FFH	Mr Alfred Wittich Soojarit	Mrs Stéphanie Feyfar
CN	CCU	not represented	
CO	ACFEC	not represented	
CZ	ČSCH-SCHK	Mr Martin Šanda	Mr Martin Urban
DE	1. DEKZV e.V.	Mrs Manuela Schneble	Mr Reinhard Strahl
DK	FD	Mrs Bette Lind	Mrs Inge Nord
EE	EKL-Felix	Mrs Marina Vinkel	
ES	ASFE	Mrs Nieves Alonso León	Mrs Elena Francioli
FI	SK	Mrs Riikka Turpeinen	Mrs Pia Nyman
FR	FFF	Mr Robert Lubrano	Mr Nicolas Revenant
GB	FB	Mrs Debbie Downham	Mrs Sharon Armstrong-Taylor
GR	FFG	Mr George Dorgiakis	
HR	SFDH	Mrs Amelija Leopoldović	Mrs Petra Dimić
HU	FH	Mrs Claudia Haslinger	Mrs Nicole Haslinger
ID	ICA	not represented	
IS	Kynjakettír	Mr Marteinn Tausen	
IT	ANFI	Mrs Diana di Natale (Thursday) Mr Francesco Cinque (Friday)	Mrs Diana di Natale
LI	Aristocat	not represented	
LT	LFA-Bubaste	Mrs Jurgita Kazokaitiene	
LU	LCC-FFL	Mrs Marie-France Pohl	Mrs Jenny Siebenborn
LV	CFCA	Mrs Anžela Fomičeva	
MD	FM	Mrs Irina Bokova	Mrs Tatiana Motoc
MX	FFM	Mrs Ivonne Hernandez Parizot	
MY	KKM	Mr Khalid Rashid	Mr Muhammad Hasbullah
NL	Felikat	Mrs Gabrielle Amsterdam	Mr Erwin Moll
NL	Mundikat	Mr Marcel Frank	
NO	NRR	Mrs Anne Veland	Mrs Katrine Lie Strandos
PL	FPL	Mr Sebastian Pruchniak	Mr Krzysztof Czyżkowski
PT	CPF	Mr João Noronha Carvalho da Silva	Mr José Carlos Paula Gomes

RO	FAF-FR	Mr Adrian Alexandru Dragota	Mrs Anda Porumb
RU	FRU	not represented	
SE	SVERAK	Mrs Eva Porat	Mrs Britta Kjellin
SI	ZFDS	Mr Božidar Grigić	Mrs Vanja Knez
SK	FFS	Mr Michal Adamec	
UA	UFU	Proxy to FAF-FR (RO)	

The General Secretary announced that there were now **35 (thirty-five) Members** present and **1 (one)** proxy. The total number of votes will be **36 (thirty-six)**, the absolute majority was established at **19 (nineteen)** and the qualified majority ($\frac{3}{4}$) at **27 (twenty-seven)**.

3. Election of two Scrutineers and three Supervisors for the Minutes of the GA 2022

CPF (PT) proposed Mr Jürg Keller and Mr Jose Carlos Gomes as scrutineers. There were no other suggestions after Mr Preiss had explained the voting system, they were duly elected with **33 yes votes, 2 abstentions and 1 missing vote**.

Then Mr Noronha proposed Mrs Bette Lind as supervisor for the English version, Mr Robert Lubrano for the French version and Mr Herbert Steinhauser for the German version of the 2022 GA Minutes. There were no other suggestions and Mrs. Lind, Mr. Lubrano and Mr. Steinhauser were duly elected with **34 yes votes and 2 abstentions**.

4. Drafting of the Minutes

The President stated that article 4.6 of the Statutes indicated that the minutes of the meeting were made by the General Secretary, Mr Eric Reijers. There was no need for a vote and the GA agreed.

5. Approval of the Agenda

The President informed the Assembly that the proposals where cats would be presented, would take place on Friday morning. She then stated that in line with article 4.8 of the Statutes she and the Board decided that an agenda item would be added as 21h, which would be dealt with on Friday. There were no speakers so everyone agreed and with these changes the agenda was approved.

6. Approval of the Minutes of the General Assembly 2021 in Riga (LV)

These Minutes were approved with **35 yes votes and 1 missing votes**.

7. Report of the PresidentAnnex 2

The President referred to her report.

8. Report of the General SecretaryAnnex 3

The General Secretary referred to his report.

9. Report of the TreasurerAnnex 4

The Treasurer referred to his report.

10. Reports of the two ControllersAnnex 5

The President referred to the report of the two Controllers.

11. Discussion on the reports of the Treasurer and the two Controllers

There were no speakers.

12. Discharge of responsibility:

- a) **of the Executive Board:** the Board was discharged with **32 yes votes, 2 no votes and 2 missing votes**.
- b) **of the Treasurer:** the Treasurer was discharged unanimously, with **36 yes votes**.

13. **Reports of the Commissions** page 5
- a) **Breeding & Registration Commission (BRC)***Annex 6*
The Chairman of the BRC, Mrs Myrland referred to their report.
- b) **Disciplinary Commission (DC)**.....*Annex 7*
The Chairman of the DC, Mrs Van de Wijngaart, referred to their report.
- c) **Health & Welfare Commission (HWC)***Annex 8*
The Chairman of the HWC, Mrs Gustaitiene, referred to their report.
- d) **Judges & Standards Commission (JSC)***Annex 9*
The representative of the JSC, Mrs Donatella Mastrangelo, referred to their report.
- e) **Show Commission (SC)***Annex 10*
The Secretary of the SC, Mrs Friškovec-Keller, referred to their report.

14. **Other reports**

- a) **Breeding Council Administrator (BCA)**.....*Annex 11*
The Breed Council Administrator, Mrs Nathalie Smits-Peelen, referred to her report.
- b) **Report on cats bred/imported/registered in FIFe (2021)***Annex 12*
The Chairman of the BRC, Mrs Myrland, referred to the report and pointed out some matters.

15. **Elections** (*Members, who supported candidates, appear behind or below their names*)

a) **Election of a President for a period of 3 years**

Candidate:

- **Mrs Annette Sjödin (SE)** proposed for this function by SVERAK (SE), KKÖ (AT), ÖVEK (AT), Felis Belgica (BE), ČSCH-SCHK (CZ), 1. DEKZV (DE), EKL-Felix (EE), ASFE (ES), FFF (FR), Felis Britannica (GB), FGR (GR), SFDH (HR), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), CFCA (LV), KKM (MY), Mundikat (NL), NRR (NO), CPF (PT) and FAF-FR (RO).

The result was **35 yes votes and 1 abstention** and thus, **Mrs Annette Sjödin** was duly elected as President for a period of three years.

b) **Election of a General Secretary for a period of 3 years**

Candidate:

- **Mr Eric Reijers (CZ)** proposed for this function by ČSCH-SCHK (CZ), KKÖ (AT), ÖVEK (AT), Felis Belgica (BE), 1. DEKZV (DE), EKL-Felix (EE), ASFE (ES), FFF (FR), Felis Britannica (GB), FGR (GR), SFDH (HR), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), CFCA (LV), KKM (MY), Mundikat (NL), NRR (NO), CPF (PT), FAF-FR (RO) and SVERAK (SE).

The result was **34 yes votes and 2 abstentions** and thus, **Mr Eric Reijers** was duly elected as General Secretary for a period of three years.

c) **Election of 3 Members of the Breeding & Registration Commission for a period of 3 years**

Candidates in alphabetical order:

- **Mrs Sarah Johnson (GB)** nominated by Felis Britannica (GB), Felis Belgica (BE), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mrs Katja Kinnunen (FI)** nominated by SK (FI) and NRR (NO)
- **Mrs Maria Myrland (NO)** nominated by NRR (NO), KKÖ (AT), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), CPF (PT) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mrs Cecilia Wennergren (SE)** nominated by SVERAK (SE) and ANFI (IT)

The result was **31 votes** for Mrs Johnson, **11 votes** for Mrs Kinnunen, **23 votes** for Mrs Myrland, **25 votes** for Mrs Wennergren and **18 abstentions**.

Thus, **Mrs Johnson, Mrs Myrland and Mrs Wennergren** were duly elected as members of the Breeding & Registration Commission for a period of three years.

d) **Election of 5 Members of the Disciplinary Commission for a period of 3 years**

Candidates in alphabetical order:

- **Mr Adrian Alexandru Dragota (RO)** nominated by FAF-FR (RO), KKÖ (AT), FFB (BR), FFH (CH), EKL-Felix (EE), ASFE (ES), FFF (FR), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT), CFCA (LV), Felis Moldova (MD), Mundikat (NL), Felis Polonia (PL), CPF (PT), ZFDS (SI) and UFU (UA)

- **Mrs Anne Paloluoma (FI)** nominated by Suomen Kissaliitto (FI), Felis Belgica (BE), Felis Britannica (GB), ANFI (IT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mr Herbert Steinhauser (AT-ÖVEK)** nominated by ÖVEK (AT), Felis Belgica (BE), ČSCH-SCHK (CZ), 1. DEKZV e.V. (DE), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), NRR (NO) and CPF (PT)
- **Mr Marteinn Tausen (IS)** nominated by KKÍ - Kynjakettir (IS) and NRR (NO)
- **Mr Joeri Vanrusselt (BE)** nominated by Felis Belgica (BE), 1.DEKZV e.V. (DE), Felix (EE), Felis Britannica (GB), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT), SVERAK (SE) and UFU (UA)
- **Mrs Marina Vinkel (EE)** nominated by Felix (EE), Felis Belgica (BE), Felis Britannica (GB), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), KKM (MY), NRR (NO), CPF (PT), FAF-FR (RO), ZFDS (SI) and UFU (UA)

Mr Marteinn Tausen (IS) had informed the Board that he wished to withdraw his candidature. The result was **22 votes** for Mr Dragota, **29 votes** for Mrs Paloluoma, **22 votes** for Mr Steinhauser, **25 votes** for Mr Vanrusselt, **22 votes** for Mrs Vinkel and **53 abstentions** and **7 invalid votes**. Thus, **Mr Dragota, Mrs Paloluoma, Mr Steinhauser, Mr Vanrusselt** and **Mrs Vinkel** were duly elected as members of the Disciplinary Commission for a period of three years.

e) Election of 6 Members of the Judges & Standards Commission for a period of 3 years

Candidates in alphabetical order:

- **Mrs Satu Hämäläinen (FI)** nominated by Suomen Kissaliitto (FI), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), NRR (NO) and CPF (PT)
- **Mr Steven L. Jones (NO)** nominated by NRR (NO), KKÖ (AT), Felis Belgica (BE), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), CPF (PT) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mrs Donatella Mastrangelo (IT)** nominated by Felis Belgica (BE), Felis Britannica (GB), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mr Aliosha Romero (IS)** nominated by KKÍ - Kynjakettir (IS) and ANFI (IT)
- **Mrs Yulia Skabovska (UA)** nominated by UFU (UA), EKL-Felix (EE) and LFA-Bubaste (LT)
- **Mrs Marie Westerlund (SE)** nominated by Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT) and NRR (NO)

The result was **27 votes** for Mrs Hämäläinen, **26 votes** for Mr Jones, **20 votes** for Mrs Mastrangelo, **21 votes** for Mr Romero, **23 votes** for Mrs Skabovska, **24 votes** for Mrs Westerlund and **75 abstentions**.

Thus, **Mrs Hämäläinen, Mr Jones, Mrs Mastrangelo, Mr Romero, Mrs Skabovska** and **Mrs Westerlund** were duly elected as members of the Judges & Standards Commission for a period of three years.

f) Election of 5 Members of the Show Commission for a period of 3 years

Candidates in alphabetical order:

- **Mr Marcel Frank (NL-Mundikat)** nominated by Mundikat (NL), AFA (AR), KKÖ (AT), 1. DEKZV e.V. (DE), FFF (FR), ANFI (IT) and FAF-FR (RO)
- **Mrs Thea Friškovec-Keller (CH)** nominated by ZFDS (SI), FFH (CH), EKL-Felix (EE), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), Felis Hungarica (HU), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mr João Noronha Carvalho da Silva (PT)** nominated by CPF (PT), EKL-Felix (EE), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), LFA-Bubaste (LT), NRR (NO) and SVERAK (SE)
- **Mrs Waltraut Sattler (DE)** nominated by SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT), ZFDS (SI)
- **Mrs Riikka Turpeinen (FI)** nominated by Suomen Kissaliitto (FI), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), NRR (NO), CPF (PT), SVERAK (SE) and ZFDS (SI)
- **Mr Kristof Van Roy (BE)** nominated by Felis Belgica (BE)
- **Mrs Gøran Vinje (NO)** nominated by NRR (NO), KKÖ (AT), Felis Britannica (GB), SFDH (HR), ANFI (IT), CPF (PT) SVERAK (SE) and ZFDS (SI)

The candidates presented themselves. Mrs Waltraut Sattler (DE) addressed the Assembly and informed them that she wished to withdraw her candidature.

The result was **20 votes** for Mr Frank, **29 votes** for Mrs Friškovec-Keller, **23 votes** for Mr Noronha, **21 votes** for Mrs Turpeinen, **19 votes** for Mr Van Roy, **22 votes** for Mrs Vinje, **35 abstentions** and **11 invalid votes**. Thus, **Mr Frank, Mrs Friškovec-Keller, Mr Noronha, Mrs Turpeinen** and **Mrs Vinje** were duly elected as members of the Show Commission for a period of three years.

g) Election of 1 Assistant Controller for a period of 2 years

Candidates in alphabetical order:

- **Mr Hans Boskär (SE)** nominated by SVERAK (SE)
- **Mrs Jaana Heikanen (FI)** nominated by Suomen Kissaliitto (FI)
- **Mr Timo Kanninen (NL-Felikat)** nominated by Felikat (NL)

The result of the first round was **12 votes** for Mr Boskär, **5 votes** for Mrs Heikanen, **19 votes** for Mr Kanninen and **0 abstentions**.

Thus, **Mr Kanninen** was duly elected as Assistant Controller for a period of two years.

16. Financial matters – Financial Report

a) Determination of the fees - 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023

There were no changes to the fees for 2023. and the determination of the fees for 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023 was accepted with **35 yes votes, 1 no vote, and 0 abstentions**.

b) Determination of the monthly allowance General Secretary - 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023

The determination of the monthly allowance for the General Secretary 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023 was accepted with **31 yes votes, 2 no votes and 3 abstentions**.

17. Presentation of the budget for the year 2023, discussion and vote.....Annex 13

The budget for 2023 was accepted with **36 yes votes and 0 abstentions**.

18. Applications for patronage membership (qualified - $\frac{3}{4}$ majority)

Bulgaria (BG) – Federation of Felinology Bulgaria (FFBg)

Mentor: FAF-FR - Felis Romania (RO) **Annex 14**

The President of FFBg, Mrs Gabriela Dimova, presented their federation.

The application of FFBg (BG) to become a new FIFe patronage Member was accepted with **33 yes votes, 1 no vote and 2 abstentions**.

19. Reports on Members under patronage (no voting)

No Members under patronage

20. Applications for full membership (qualified - $\frac{3}{4}$ majority)

No applications submitted

21. Proposals page 7

At this General Assembly, **42** (forty-two) proposals were submitted. Of these, **28** (twenty-eight) proposals were accepted (■), **4** (four) were rejected (■) and **10** (ten) were withdrawn (■).

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22. **Information on the World Cat Congress (WCC)**
The next WCC Meeting was planned to take place in 2023 in Tasmania organised by ACF.
23. **Miscellaneous**
The President informed the Assembly about the Mission Statement composed by the commissions and the Board; a copy of this statement was handed out to the delegates. Then the president went to Mrs Paula van de Wijngaart and thanked her for all the work she had done in FIFe over the last 25 years in different functions and gave her a present. Next, the president asked Mrs Waltraut Sattler to step forward. As a long year member of the FIFe Show Commission, she was appointed an honorary judge and also got a present.
24. **Close of the General Assembly**
The President asked Mr Martin Šanda, Mr Joao Noronha and Mr Jose Gomes, the representatives of the Czech and Portuguese Members, to come forward to hand over the FIFe flag. The 2023 General Assembly will be organised on Thursday 25th and Friday 26th of May in Monte Gordo, Portugal. The President thanked everyone for the good atmosphere and good comments and then declared the 2022 General Assembly in Plzeň, Czechia, officially closed at 15:45.

By order of the Board,

Annette Sjödin - President

Eric Reijers - General Secretary

Bette Lind - Supervisor of the English version of the Minutes

PROPOSALS

Abbreviations used	
BC	Breed Council
BRC	Breeding & Registration Commission
DC	Disciplinary Commission
HWC	Health & Welfare Commission
JSC	Judges & Standards Commission
SC	Show Commission

Legend	
Additions	in bold and <i>italics</i>
Deletions	strikethrough
Moved text	in <i>italics</i> only
Unchanged text	in normal print
Additions decided at the General Assembly	in bold and <i>italics</i> and <u>double underlined</u>
Deletions decided at the General Assembly	double-strikethrough

Proposals regarding the Statutes (qualified - 3/4 majority)

BE	FBE	Proposal 1	Statutes	§ 6.2.6 & 6.3
New Commission – Commission for Public Relations				

6.2 – add new paragraph 6

6. The Commission for Public Relations shall be responsible for:
- Developing a communication strategy to promote FIFe worldwide as a leading organization in the cat fancy
 - Supporting the board and the other commissions of FIFe in their external communication and writing/editing texts
 - Maintaining press contacts
 - Developing and managing FIFe's communication tools, such as website, leaflets, communication magazines and newsletters
 - The development and management of social media channels
 - Developing and providing presentations / marketing material for the promotion of FIFe
 - Supporting FIFe members in their national communication policy

The Commission shall consist of three (3) members who must be able and willing to fulfil its tasks in close cooperation with the FIFe board, the other FIFe commissions and external partners. To this end, they must have the necessary language skills in at least one of the official FIFe languages.

6.3

The aforementioned Commissions (Judges & Standards, Breeding & Registration, Show, Disciplinary, ~~and~~ Health & Welfare **and Public Relations**) shall be free to express their opinions.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	29	6	1	-

GB	FB	Proposal 1	Statutes	§ 2.6
Deletion of the word “functionary”				

Members of the FIFe undertake not to allow their members to:

- take part, directly or indirectly in shows organised by non-FIFe associations; exceptions with respect to participation at shows are listed in Article 8.2 of the show rules
- to be actively involved in non-FIFe associations as ~~a functionary or~~ a judge.

Special exceptions may be granted by the Executive Board of FIFe.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REJECTED	10	21	5	-

Proposals regarding the General Rules

NO	NRR	Proposal 1	General Rules	§ 4.15
Cease simultaneous translations (New article)				(reworded)

~~Simultaneous translation during the FIFe GA held in English will be ceased and amounts will be used for research on the cat's health.~~

Simultaneous translation during the FIFe general assembly, shall be ceased.

If this proposal is accepted, article 3.3.d will be amended as follows:

3.3. d) The General Assembly shall be held in the three official languages. ~~and shall be served by simultaneous translators.~~ Proposals to the General Assembly shall be submitted in the three official languages.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	21	15	-	-

SI	ZFDS	Proposal 1	General Rules	§ 4.15
Travel and accommodation costs for FIFe officials				(New article)

If the representative/s of a Member (a Delegate and/or its Assistant to the General Assembly) is also an official of FIFe, the travel costs and the accommodation costs for days of the General Assembly (3 days) are to be split equally between both parties involved, the FIFe and a Member.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	21	12	3	-

FIFe	Board	Proposal 1	General Rules	§ 2.5
Accepting individual members living abroad				

A Member of the FIFe may accept as members, individuals from other countries ~~(no matter if there is a FIFe Member in that country or not):-~~

1. ***where there is no FIFe Member***
2. ***where there is a FIFe Member under the following conditions:***
 - a) The new FIFe Member must always contact the current FIFe Member to get confirmation about non-membership status or membership status.
 - b) In both cases the current FIFe Member must confirm, within one month from the request, that the applicant has no administrative or disciplinary issues pending.
 - c) The new FIFe Member will inform the current FIFe Member ~~and the FIFe Board~~ if the application is accepted or not.
 - d) Any existing sanctions on the individual member by the current FIFe Member must be respected by the new FIFe Member. In case the new FIFe Member does not agree then he may send this application to the FIFe Board for consideration.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	34	1	1	-

FIFe	Board	Proposal 2	General Rules	§ 4.9
General Assembly – agenda				

FIFe Members shall receive the agenda in which the proposals ~~of Members~~ are set out by e-mail. ~~Members wishing to receive the agenda by regular mail must send a written request to the Secretariat which will be respected until it is formally revoked.~~ [rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	35	1	-	-

Proposals regarding the Standards, General Part & the EMS List

LU	LCC-FFL	Proposal 1	Standards
Change of name of Breed; European to European Cat			

We propose to change the name from the breed 'European' to 'European Cat'

Remarks

In some written correspondences, the name of 'European' could be confused. The definition 'European' is used for the people from Europe. For the Norwegian Forest Cat, the FIFe already had this denomination.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

SE	SVERAK	Proposal 1	Breed Standard for NEM
Recognised colour varieties - regrouping of the colours of the Neva Masquerade			

GROUP I:	EMS-Code
<i>Seal/Blue</i>	<i>NEM n/a</i>
<i>Seal/Blue tabby</i>	<i>NEM n/a 21</i>
<i>Seal/Blue smoke</i>	<i>NEM n/a s</i>
<i>Seal/Blue silver tabby</i>	<i>NEM n/a s 21</i>
<i>Seal/Blue golden tabby</i>	<i>NEM n/a y 21</i>
GROUP II:	EMS-Code
<i>Seal/Blue with white</i>	<i>NEM n/a 01/02/03/09</i>
<i>Seal/Blue tabby with white</i>	<i>NEM n/a 01/02/03/09 21</i>
<i>Seal/Blue smoke with white</i>	<i>NEM n/a s 01/02/03/09</i>
<i>Seal/Blue silver tabby with white</i>	<i>NEM n/a s 01/02/03/09 21</i>
<i>Seal/Blue golden tabby with white</i>	<i>NEM n/a y 01/02/03/09 21</i>
GROUP III:	
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie tabby</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g 21</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie smoke</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g s</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie silver tabby</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g s 21</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie golden tabby</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g y 21</i>
GROUP IV:	EMS-Code
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie with white</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g 01/02/03/09</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie tabby with white</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g 01/02/03/09 21</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie smoke with white</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g s 01/02/03/09</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie silver tabby with white</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g s 01/02/03/09 21</i>
<i>Red/Cream/Seal tortie/Blue tortie golden tabby with white</i>	<i>NEM d/e/f/g y 01/02/03/09 21</i>

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
ACCEPTED	35	-	1	-

FIFe	BRC	Proposal 1	Standards, General Part & EMS list	03
Eye colour codes (61-67) for all bicolour (03) cats of group judged breeds				


For the cats of group judged breeds, bicoloured cats (03), the code for eye colour must be included in the full EMS code of the cat. The following breeds will be affected:

ACL/ACS	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67
LPS/LPL	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67
MCO/NFO/SIB/TUA	* 03 61/62/63/64
JBS	* 03 61/62/63/64
KBL/KBS	* 03 61/62/63/64
MAN/CYM	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67
SRS/SRL	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67
CRX/DRX/GRX	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67
SPH/DSP	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67
PEB	* 03 61/62/63/64/65/66/67

Remarks:

If this proposal is accepted:


- the standards and the EMS list for these breeds must be updated accordingly
- this change is valid for cats registered from 01.01.2023. Cats registered before 01.01.2023 may keep their EMS code without a code for eye colour without being downgraded to an x-variety.
- Cats registered before 01.01.2023 may have eye colour code but there is no obligation to do so.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FIFe BRC Proposal 2 Standards, General Part & EMS list EMS list	Blue eyes in non-white/white-spotted cats	page 8 (reworded)
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The code for eye colour must be used if:

- the cat is white (w) **or**
- the cat is non-pointed and has an amount of white (01, 02) **or**
- **the cat is blue-eyed without Siamese-point and non-pointed.**

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	20	14	2	-

FIFe JSC Proposal 1 Standards, General Part & EMS list	BSH/BLH silver/golden agouti pointed
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The FIFe JSC proposes to split the registration/judging of BSH/BLH silver/golden agouti point as follows.


Current

Colour	EMS code	Remark
Silver agouti pointed	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r s 21 33	F
Golden agouti pointed	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r y 21 33	F
Silver agouti pointed with white	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r s 01/02/03 21 33	F
Golden agouti pointed with white	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r y 01/02/03 21 33	F

Change To

Colour	EMS code	Remark
Silver tipped pointed	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r s 11 33	F
Silver tabby pointed	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r s 21 33	F
Golden tipped pointed	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r y 11 33	F
Golden tabby pointed	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r y 21 33	F
Silver tipped pointed with white	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r s 01/02/03 11 33	F
Silver tabby pointed with white	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r s 01/02/03 21 33	F
Golden tipped pointed with white	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r y 01/02/03 11 33	F
Golden tabby pointed with white	BLH/BSH n/a/b/c/d/e/f/g/h/j/o/p/q/r y 01/02/03 21 33	F

The General Part of the FIFe Standard, pages 93/94 will be updated for a better description of the colour series (11 and 21)

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	29	5	2	-

Proposals regarding the Breeding & Registration Rules

BE	FBE	Proposal 2	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 9.1.1
Crossbreeding – deletion of last lines				

In order to obtain re-registration in the target breed, one or more cats participating in a breeding programme can be shown in the Control class (class 13b, → § 9.1.3) at any generation ~~after the F1 generation crossbreeding. Cats of F1-generation resulting from individual case of allowed crossbreeding cannot be presented in class 13b for re-registration; this does not apply to breeds with permitted outcross: PEB/SRL/SRS (→ § 6).~~

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	32	3	1	-

BR	FFB	Proposal 1	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 4.1
The pedigree – addition of digital version				

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A printout *and/or a digital version* of the pedigree book regarding an individual cat and its ancestry is the pedigree (→ §4.5). Ancestry is considered four generations prior to the cat.

... Rest of the article is unchanged

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	26	9	1	-

CH	FFH	Proposal 1	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 5.2.2, § 5.2.5
Transfer of a cattery name				(reworded)

The cattery name is a private and personal property of a breeder and cannot, after registration, be changed, ~~passed or transferred~~, except in the circumstances listed in § 5.2.5.

A cattery name may be inherited or transferred during the lifetime of the owner, within the family or relatives, to a person who is a member of ~~the same association/club~~ a FIFe Member.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	34	2	-	-

DK	FD	Proposal 1	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 2.3.4
Rehoming of cats with health issues				(new article)

It is not allowed to sell or rehome a cat with health issues unless the rehoming is approved by an authorized veterinarian, and cat is accompanied by a veterinary certificate stating the nature of the health issue and necessary treatment protocols, if applicable.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-


DK	FD	Proposal 2	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 6.7
EUR – recommended outcrosses				(reworded)

In case of outcross, it is ~~recommended~~ only allowed to use HCS domestic shorthair cats. The HCS domestic shorthair cats in question should be DNA tested so that longhair gene and chocolate colour and gene for colourpoint is ruled out. ~~Any offspring from such a breeding is exempt from BRR § 9.1.1 and may be re-registered and shown as F1, after being approved in class 13b.~~

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	23	10	3	-

DK	FD	Proposal 3	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 11.3
Consequences of recognitions of new varieties				(new article)


When one or more new varieties have been fully recognized, it is the responsibility of the BRC to ensure that all the genetically possible varieties within the breed in question is listed in the EMS list. Any variety in this list that is not already recognized must be marked "for registration purposes only"

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FI	SK	Proposal 1	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 5.3.2
Changes to DM requirements				

The FIFe title of "Distinguished Merit (DM)" shall be awarded to a cat according to the following rules:


- The required number of offspring to gain the titles of IC/IP or higher, alternatively DSM, DVM, JW or DM should be a minimum of 5 for **both** a female cat and ~~a minimum of 10 for~~ a male cat.
Among the offspring of the male at least one of the above titles or higher must have been achieved after 1.1.2023.
- Only FIFe registered titles are valid.
- ...

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	25	9	2	-

LU	LCC-FFL	Proposal 2	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 3.4
Removal of tattoo as identifying code				


3.4 Microchip ~~and tattoo~~

All breeding cats must be identified by ~~either~~ microchip (~~preferred~~) ~~or tattoo~~ and the identifying code shall be documented in the pedigree.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	34	2	-	-


LU	LCC-FFL	Proposal 3	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 4.5
FIFe logo and Member's name on pedigrees				

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Pedigrees issued by a FIFe Member must carry the FIFe logo and the name of the FIFe Member *on the page where are listed the details of the cat and the ancestors and* must be signed and authorised by the FIFe member.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	28	5	3	-

NL	Mundikat	Proposal 1	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 2.3.3
All kittens must have micro chips				(reworded)

Kittens must not go to a new owner (home) before they are 12 weeks old and have been fully vaccinated against feline panleucopenia, feline calici virus and feline herpes virus, unless otherwise advised by a veterinarian. *All kittens must be identified by microchip and the identifying code shall be documented in or on the pedigree.*

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	27	8	1	-

NL	Mundikat	Proposal 2	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 9.1.1
Crossbreeding				


...

In order to obtain re-registration in the target breed, one or more cats participating in a breeding programme can be shown in the Control class (class 13b, → § 9.1.3) at any generation ~~–after the F1 generation after the crossbreeding–~~

~~Cats of F1 generation resulting from an individual case of allowed crossbreeding cannot be presented in class 13b for re-registration; this does not apply to breeds with permitted outcross: PEB and SRL/SRS (§ 6).~~


...

Rest of article remains unchanged

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-


NO	NRR	Proposal 2	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 2.3.3
Addition to article				

Kittens must not *be weaned, separated from their mother, or* go to a new owner (home) before they are 12 weeks old and have been fully vaccinated against feline panleucopenia, feline calici virus and feline herpes virus, unless otherwise advised by a veterinarian.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 REJECTED	9	26	1	-


PL	FPL	Proposal 1	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 2.3.3
Change age kittens				

Kittens must not go to a new owner (home) before they are ~~12~~ **14** weeks old and have been fully vaccinated against feline panleucopenia, feline calici virus and feline herpes virus, unless otherwise advised by a veterinarian.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	22	13	1	-


FIFe	BRC	Proposal 3	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 5.1.2.4
Eye colours				(new article)

Eye colour must be indicated for every cat registered in FIFe. It need only be included on the pedigree if the variety demands this.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FIFe	BRC	Proposal 4	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 5.2.5
Changes of a cattery name				

After the death of the owner of a cattery name, it cannot be used for the next 20 years, unless it is transferred to a lawful heir who is a member of *a FIFe Member* ~~the same Federation or Club.~~
[rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	32	2	2	-

FIFe	BRC	Proposal 5	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 5.2.6
Deletion of a cattery name				

Cattery names in the BCN of FIFe will be deleted at the request of the FIFe Member where the name is registered and may be re-allocated if one of the following conditions applies:

- The owner of the cattery name has been excluded by the FIFe Member
- The owner of the cattery name died **without the name being claimed by a lawful heir within 5 years bequeathing the name further.**
- The owner of the cattery name left the FIFe Member and is breeding in a non-FIFe organisation
- A period of 25 years has elapsed since the last litter registration
- The cattery name has never been used within a period of 10 years since its registration in the BCN.

If a FIFe Member is obliged to expel an individual member, the name of the latter and that of his cattery shall be reported to the FIFe General Secretary.

voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	31	2	3	-

FIFe	BRC	Proposal 6	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 6.5
BUR (Burmese)				

The FIFe shall only recognise the following EMS-codes in Burmese: n, a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j.

The FIFe will not encourage any person or federation to produce Burmese in any other colour varieties than those listed above.

Allowed outcross is XSH * 31 [BOM].

[rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FIFe	BRC	Proposal 7	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 6.14
MCO (Maine Coon)				

When there is an indication of polydactyly in a MCO cat's ancestry it will be registered as MCO with the annotation PP as an affix to the cat's name.

[rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FIFe	BRC/HWC/JSC	Proposal 8	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 10.2.3
Preliminary recognition of a new breed: Bombay (BOM)				(reworded)

We propose the preliminary recognition of Bombay.

According to § 10.2.3 the proposal for preliminary recognition must include:

1. the preliminary breed standard including the scale of points, the table of varieties (EMS codes) and the category to which the breed belongs; all and only varieties (EMS codes) which are genetically possible according to the presented pedigrees can be included in the proposal
2. the description of varieties which are not yet recognised in any other breed and/or not described in the General Part to the Standards (if any)
3. the specific breeding restrictions and registration rules (if any)
4. the report of the BRC (pedigree information on cats bred/owned)
5. the report of the JSC (introduction of the breed, history, colours, etc.)
6. the report of the HWC (health issues)
7. the recommendation from each commission for the preliminary recognition of the breed.

1. BOM Standard including the scale of points, the varieties and the category

Standard and Scale of Points	–	sent as Annex I of the Agenda
Table of Varieties	–	to be delivered by the JSC
Category	–	3

2. Description of varieties in BOM not yet recognised or not described in the General Part

Not applicable

3. Breeding restrictions and registration rules for BOM

Bombay (BOM) is a solid black cat. No other colour nor any pattern shall be recognised by the FIFe.

Permitted outcross is Burmese brown (BUR n). ~~and XSH n 31 [BOM].~~

All colours of Burmese (BUR) are permitted in the ancestry.

American Shorthair (AMS non) is permitted in the third and previous generations of the ancestry during the preliminary recognition phase, after full recognition AMS are not permitted in the ancestry.

Appearances of offspring and how these must be registered

when mating BOM x BOM or when mating BOM x BUR n/XSH n 31 [BOM]:

Appearance	EMS code	Breeding and registration restrictions
n - black	BOM	None
n 31 - brown burmese pointed	XSH n 31 [BOM]	Can only be used for breeding BOM and BUR , cannot be re-registered
a - blue b - chocolate e - lilac	BOM x a BOM x b BOM x e	Cannot be used for breeding BOM
Any other variety	XSH * <BOM>	Cannot be used for breeding BOM, cannot be re-registered

* means additional information following the EMS system, i.e., lower case basic colour letter etc.

When breeding BOM:

- All cats used in breeding BOM must have a DNA-test for Burmese Head Defect (BHD), unless both parents are proven to be free from BHD
- These breeding principles are to be followed:
 - BHD-free x BHD-free
 - BHD-free x BHD-carrier
- Test results must be registered and published in accordance with § 3.5.1
- The breeder must inform buyers of Bombay cats about the BHD-disease and the registration policy, when selling a BHD-carrier.

It is highly recommended to test breeding cats for pointed, chocolate and dilute to avoid non-recognised colours in the offspring.

4. Report of the Breeding & Registration Commission on BOM

The Breeding and Registration Commission (BRC) has checked the pedigrees submitted by the Breed Council in support of its application. For cats to be considered in the number of cats registered for this application each, their pedigrees must meet the criteria in BRR § 10.2.2.

The BRC have received pedigrees of 47 cats. We have checked the validity of these accordance with the conditions in BRR 10.2.2, and have found:

- All the 47 pedigrees fulfil the requirement of BRR 10.2.2 (3 cats with a full pedigree or according to the suggested breeding restrictions and registration rules for the breed)
- All the 47 pedigrees fulfil the requirement of BRR 10.2.2 (15 cats with 3 generations of the breed, or according to the suggested breeding restrictions and registration rules for the breed.

In addition, we have noted that:

- There are cats registered in 4 different countries
- There are cats bred by 5 different breeders, in 4 different FIFe Members,
- There are cats from 11 different litters, 6 litters from the last 2 years by 4 breeders.

The preliminary conclusion from the BRC is:

according to our rules the pedigrees that are presented for the commission fulfil all the requirements to support a proposal for preliminary recognition.

On behalf of the Breeding & Registration Commission, Maria Myrland, chairman

5. Report of the Judges & Standards Commission on BOM

The history of the Bombay Breed

The Bombay is an example of a hybrid breed, combining characteristics of established domestic breeds to create and maintain a specific, third look. The goal was to produce cats who look like wild panthers. Ms. Horner began her effort in 1953 with the selective breeding of a black American Shorthair with rich eye

colour, bred to a brown Burmese female. Through a long, selective process of line breeding and outcross breeding, she was able to consistently produce a black cat unlike any other. The Bombay achieved CFA championship status in 1976. Black American Shorthairs and brown Burmese are still allowable breed outcrosses. TICA accepted the Bombay for championship competition in June 1979 and they “took over” the CFA standard.

BOM Standard

Attached is the Standard and Scale of Points for the BOM agreed by the Breed Council and the JSC. The breed shall be judged in Category 3.

Conclusions

In compliance with art.10.2.3 of the Breeding and Registration Rules, the JSC recommends the preliminary recognition of the Bombay from 01.01.2023.

Steven L. Jones, FIFe JSC Secretary

6. Report of the Health & Welfare Commission on BOM

The HWC received data from Bombay (BOM non) litters and adults owned by catteries registered in FIFe.

Adults

Information of 48 adult cats was submitted. All cats were between 10 months and 5 years old. In addition, information of 7 kittens between 3-10 months was submitted.

50 cats were tested for GM2, BHK all were negative.

37 cats were tested for BHD - 28 negative, 9 carrier of BHD

25 cats were tested for PKD: 17 of 25 cats where only one of the parents was tested had as result PKD negative, 8 of them where both parents were tested, both had a negative result

Kittens

Information of 7 kittens (1 female, 6 males) was submitted.

All kittens were tested for GM2, BHK, BHD. GMD2, BHK all were negative.

BHD - 3 negative, 4 carrier of BHD. No other health problems were reported.

Litters

Information of 13 litters, in total 48 kittens, bred by catteries from 4 different FIFe members was submitted.

The litters were born between February 2019 and December 2021. 60,4 % of the kittens were male and 39,6 % were female.

The gestation times were within normal range, 62-67 days, and the average weight of the kittens was (80-110 g) in all litters.

According to data all females gave fast and easy birth. All new-borns had placentas (amniotic sac) accounted for. Most of them started sucking milk within 10 min from birth. Mothers were in good health after the birth and very attentive to the kittens. 47 kittens (from 48) were born in a physiological position (front legs first), only 1 kitten born hind legs first.

Congenital defects were reported in 1 litter (from 13 litters) for 3 kittens (4 kittens in litter) they got cherry eye and underwent surgery. Two kittens died later:

1 kitten tragically died at the age of 2 weeks due to a falling accident; mother tried to carry the kitten upstairs.

1 kitten died one day old due to pneumonia. Had probably amniotic fluid in the lungs as it was breathing heavily and made rustling sounds.

According to data from 13 litters (total 48 kittens) in 13 kittens it was noticed by testing that they were BHD carriers. Only two of these carriers are used in breeding. The other carriers were sold as pets, and most are neutered.

In one litter of 4 kittens, 3 tested as BHD carriers and got cherry eyes. They underwent surgery. None of the kittens in this litter will be used for breeding.

Summary BOM health information

The breed is generally very healthy, having very few known problems all over.

The biggest issue are BHD-carriers which are hard to avoid as there are no restrictions regarding this in other organisations. Till now only two carriers of BHD are used in breeding of BOM non in FIFe.

BHD is a lethal gene if doubled. The HWC supports the breeder's suggestion to have BHD as a mandatory test in the BOM non. This mandatory BHD testing will protect both the breed and the breeders. With this testing we will provide a solid foundation for healthy cats in FIFe. We do not see the necessity for any other mandatory testing (i.e., Burmese GM2) as this is not a problem in BOM non.

Conclusion

The submitted health data shows that cats introduced as a new breed in FIFe are healthy and well cared for. The smaller the breed population is, the more careful the choice of cats for breeding must be. Only a few carriers can have a significant impact on the development of the breed.

The data of Bombay submitted to the HWC, shows that breeders carefully test their breeding stock for problems which have been found in the breed. The born litters were of a normal size. The survival rate of kittens was normal. We gladly recommend the Bombay for preliminary recognition in FIFe.

Kaunas, 23rd March 2022, On behalf of the FIFe HWC, Jurgita Gustaitiene, chairman

7. Recommendation from the commissions

Based on the presented documentation and information, the 3 commissions recommend the preliminary recognition of Bombay.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	35	1	-	-

For the next proposal the BRC, HWC and JSC briefly indicated their support for the preliminary recognition request of the Lykoi. Before the proposal was discussed in detail and cats were shown a lengthy discussion took place if a vote needed to be taken enabling the Assembly to vote on the preliminary recognition of this breed. This with reference to article 3.5.2 of the BRR, which states that FIFe will not accept any new preliminary recognition applications for hairless varieties or partially hairless breeds.

The president gave the floor to Mr. Preiss who formulated the proposal, which was to agree on an exception to article 3.5.2 of the BRR so the next proposal, the preliminary recognition of the Lykoi could be dealt with

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	31	4	1	-

FIFe BRC/HWC/JSC Proposal 9	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 10.2.3
Preliminary recognition of a new breed: Lykoi (LYO)		

We propose the preliminary recognition of Lykoi.

According to § 10.2.3 the proposal for preliminary recognition must include:

1. the preliminary breed standard including the scale of points, the table of varieties (EMS codes) and the category to which the breed belongs; all and only varieties (EMS codes) which are genetically possible according to the presented pedigrees can be included in the proposal
2. the description of varieties which are not yet recognised in any other breed and/or not described in the General Part to the Standards (if any)
3. the specific breeding restrictions and registration rules (if any)
4. the report of the BRC (pedigree information on cats bred/owned)
5. the report of the JSC (introduction of the breed, history, colours, etc.)
6. the report of the HWC (health issues)
7. the recommendation from each commission for the preliminary recognition of the breed.

1. LYO Standard including the scale of points, the varieties and the category

Standard and Scale of Points	-	sent as Annex II of the Agenda
Table of Varieties	-	to be delivered by the JSC
Category	-	4

2. Description of varieties in LYO not yet recognised or not described in the General Part

Lykoi is a cat with a specific amelanistic (roan) appearance. The description of roan is included in the coat section of the LYO Standard (see Annex II of the Agenda).

3. Breeding restrictions and registration rules for LYO

Lykoi is a cat with a specific amelanistic (roan) appearance. The breed will be recognised in all colours, including white and tabby. Permitted outcross in the preliminary phase is HCS. Non-roan offspring of this outcross must be registered as LYO x * 84.

Appearances of LYO * roan and HCS offspring and how these must be registered:

Appearance	EMS code	Breeding and registration restrictions
roan	LYO *	can only be used for breeding LYO
non roan	LYO x * 84	can only be used for breeding LYO

* means additional information following the EMS system, i.e., lower case basic colour letter etc.

4. Report of the Breeding & Registration Commission on LYO

The Breeding and Registration Commission (BRC) checked the pedigrees submitted by the Breed Council in support of its application. For cats to be considered in the number of cats registered for this application each, their pedigrees must meet the following criteria:

- There must be a minimum of 3 breeders in 3 different countries (BRR 10.2.1)
- Each breeder must register at least 1 litter in the last two years (BRR 10.2.1)
- Each pedigree must be genetically correct and registered in the RX register (only fully recognised breed can be registered in the LO register)
- There must be a minimum of 3 cats registered as a pure-bred cat in all generations (BRR 10.2.2 - 3)
- There must be a further 15 cats registered with at least 3 compliant generations (BRR 10.2.2 - 4).

The BRC have received pedigrees of 70 cats: 67 LYO non x n roan, 2 LYO non x a and 1 LYO non x n 33, and these are listed in the spreadsheet. In considering the pedigrees, we find that BRR 10.2.2 does not fit with a new breed based on a trait from housecats. As housecats are used as crossbreed in the development of the Lykoi breed, the pedigrees cannot be "complete" - it is impossible. To demand full pedigrees from the start simply makes it impossible to build a new breed with these criteria.

Because of the HCS in the pedigrees there is not any full pedigrees yet.

6 pedigrees fulfil the requirement of BRR 10.2.2 (15 cats with 3 generations of the breed, or according to the suggested breeding restrictions and registration rules for the breed).

Twenty-nine of the pedigrees have two generations of LYO, with LYO also in the third generation. Six of these pedigrees have three full generations registered, with XSH in the third generation. In addition, we have noted that:

- There are cats registered in 5 different countries
- There are cats bred by 5 different breeders, in 5 different FIFe members
- There are cats from more than 13 different litters.

The preliminary conclusion from the BRC is:

According to our rules the pedigrees that are presented for the commission do not fulfil the requirements to support a proposal for preliminary recognition if we only look at the pedigrees and FIFe Rule 10.2.2.

However, the Lykoi is a new breed based on a trait that appeared in a housecat and breeders use housecats for outcrossing when they work to develop the breed. Because a housecat has no ancestry, a full pedigree is not yet easily achievable. FIFe breeders want to participate in the development of this breed within FIFe, and not just leave this formative and crucial time to other registries, and simply register the breed in FIFe when the work is done!

With this forefront in our minds, the BRC wishes to support this application, present the Lykoi breed for preliminary recognition and let the FIFe General Assembly decide if it is possible to make an exception to our rules with these comments in mind. BRC sincerely hopes that the GA will give the FIFe breeders an opportunity to work with their breed in our organisation.

Given our statement above, the BRC wishes to make it clear, and to have it recorded, that our stance in this instance in no way sets a precedent for any further application. We will expect this situation regarding the generations within a pedigree to be resolved at the point of Full Recognition.

On behalf of the Breeding & Registration Commission, Maria Myrland, chairman

5. Report of the Judges & Standards Commission on LYO

The history of the Lykoi breed

The Lykoi Cat is a natural mutation from a domestic shorthair that has the appearance of a werewolf. The mutation has occurred in domestic cats over the last 30 years. Foundation cats came from two unrelated litters born in 2010 in the USA. DNA testing was completed by UC Davis to confirm that the cats did not carry the Sphynx/Devon gene (all results came back proving that NONE of the foundation cats have the Sphynx/Devon gene). Dermatological/cardiological testing also found that the cats were healthy and the hair pattern was from any known disease or disorder. It was determined that it was indeed a true natural mutation and the Lykoi breeding program began on 2011

The name "Lykoi Cat" roughly means "Wolf Cat" in Greek. After the name was agreed upon, all the necessary documentation was sent to TICA to have the Lykoi breed listed as "experimental" (basically letting TICA know that breeders we were beginning the process of establishing a new breed).

As black coloured cats express the pattern of the werewolf cat more dramatically so, at the beginning, the focus was producing solid black cats that have the gene. Since their parentage is domestic shorthair (no known pedigreed cats have been involved) outcrossing using only black domestics was done to broaden the gene pool and ensure healthy kittens.

Since the original breeding, natural mutation Lykoi have been located in the feral cat population from every continent excluding Antarctica. These places include various places in the USA, Australia, France, Italy,

Poland as well as a couple others. Dr. Leslie Lyons and her team has published 2 studies about the breed to include locating 6 variants in which cause the unique Lykoi Coat and roan pattern. The Lykoi breed achieved full recognition in TICA in 2017 and in WCF in 2020. The breed was preliminary recognised in CFA from 2022.

LYO Standard

Attached is the Standard and Scale of Points for the LYO agreed by the Breed Council and the JSC. The breed shall be judged in Category 4.

Conclusions

In compliance with art.10.2.3 of the Breeding and Registration Rules, the JSC recommends the preliminary recognition of the Lykoi from 01.01.2023.

Steven L. Jones, FIFe JSC Secretary

6. Report of the Health & Welfare Commission on LYO

The Health and Welfare Commission received information about litters and adults of Lykoi (LYO non) breed cats owned by catteries registered in FIFe.

According to information received from the LYO non BC, 13 litters, in total 52 kittens were registered in FIFe in the years 2018, 2019 and 2020 in 5 FIFe members.

4 litters were registered in Brasil

3 litters were registered in Spain

3 litters were registered in Poland

2 litters were registered in Romania

1 litter was registered in Italy

The litter size was 1, 3, 4, 5, 10 kittens and birth processes were reported as easy; females usually do not need any kind of human help. Five (5) FIFe members registered Lykoi (BE, BR, IT, PL, RO) and we received information that 14 LYO non cats were imported to FIFe. According to information, all LYO non tested for FIV and FeLV, were negative. The HWC did not receive any information about congenital defects, health or genetic testing.

Lykoi history and health

The Lykoi Cat is a natural mutation from a domestic shorthair that has the appearance of a werewolf. Mutation occurred in domestic cats over the last 30 years. Foundation cats came from two unrelated litters. The first litter was born July 2010 in Virginia and initially thought to be a possible Sphynx mutation. The mother appeared as a normal black domestic shorthair. Dr. Leslie Lyons did a complimentary DNA test for kittens to confirm they were not Sphynx or Devon.

Testing was done to ensure that we are not dealing with disease or disorders causing the hair coat appearance. Infectious disease tests were performed first and DNA testing was done by UC Davis to confirm that these cats did not carry the SPH/DRX gene. All results proved that none of the foundation cats had the SPH/DRX gene. Also, DNA testing for genetic disease, colour and blood type were performed on all the foundation cats.

At the University of Tennessee, dermatologists examined them for any skin abnormalities. Along with biopsy samples of the skin, the dermatologists could find no reason for the coat pattern. They noticed that some hair follicles lacked all the necessary components required to create hair (which is why Lykoi lacks an undercoat). They also found that the follicles that were able to produce hair, lacked the proper balance of these components to maintain the hair (which is why Lykoi do moult and can become almost completely bald from time to time). A cardiologist also performed cardiac scans to look for any structural problems with hearts. In the end, it was found that cats are healthy and hair pattern is not from any known disease or disorder. It was determined that it was indeed a true natural mutation and the Lykoi breeding program began. The first kitten from a Lykoi to Lykoi cat breeding born 14 09 2011 (Gobbles).

Some cats were born with coat, losing it all during the first weeks of life and then new coat was grown with an amelanistic typical characteristic of the Lykoi. This amelanistic feature is different in quantity in every cat. Lack of undercoat gives the cat an impression of being half-naked, being different in every cat; and also, hairless "mask" on the face, from where they get the werewolf face that gives them the name Lykoi, which means "Wolf Cat" and it comes from Greek.

Conclusion

Because of the small gene pool, outcross with domestic shorthair is allowed.

No signs of HCM or PKD has been found.

No health restrictions are made for LYO non in other federations.

Genetical testing, proving that the Lykoi is not related to SPH or DRX is recommended.

As the breed is relatively new, no health issues have been discovered. Even if most Lykoi cats have no undercoat, they have no health problems related with this issue. They also have whiskers. We gladly recommend the Lykoi for preliminary recognition in FIFe.

Kaunas, 23rd March 2022, on behalf of the FIFe HWC, Jurgita Gustaitiene, chairperson

7. Recommendation from the commissions

Based on the presented documentation and information, the 3 commissions recommend the preliminary recognition of Lykoi.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	33	1	2	-

FIFe Board	Proposal 3	Breeding & Registration Rules	§ 5.2.2
Cattery names			

A cattery name:

- is the private and personal property of a breeder,
- **may be registered in the name of two individuals, provided and as long as they are living at the same address** and
- cannot be changed, passed, transferred, except under circumstances listed in § 5.2.5.

[rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REJECTED	18	15	3	-

Proposals regarding the Breed Council Rules

No proposals submitted

Proposals regarding the Rules for Judges & Student Judges

BE	FBE	Proposal 3	Rules for Judges & Student Judges	§ 3.7
Deletion of paragraph				

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Delete the last paragraph: ~~Regardless the show type, each FIFe judge may be permitted by the FIFe Board a maximum of 3 times a year to officiate at non-FIFe shows in countries where a FIFe Member exists.~~

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	25	11	-	-

FIFe Board	Proposal 4	Rules for judges & student judges	§ 2.2.1.a
Judges training seminar in conjunction with the General Assembly			

Normally FIFe will organize a Training Seminar for Judges in conjunction with the General Assembly. The Seminar will be organised on the Saturday after the General Assembly. If a Judge, or a Student Judge, proposes to attend the seminar, he must inform the FIFe General Secretary at least **four two** weeks before the date of the seminar. The FIFe GS will hold a roll call to check the Judges and Student Judges attending the Training Seminar. A Certificate of Attendance will be issued ~~at the end of~~ **by email within two weeks after** the Seminar to each Judge **and Student Judge** who has remained in attendance for the whole seminar. *[rest of article remains unchanged]*

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	34	1	1	-

FIFe Board	Proposal 5	Rules for judges & student judges	§ 3.1 / 2.1.2
Judges List / Student Judges List			

§ 3.1 Recognised judges

The FIFe recognises as FIFe Judges those persons who appear on the official FIFe Judges List (→ § 3.3).

~~To be considered an active Judge in a category means that the individual has carried out at least three judging engagements per category per year (→ § 3.4).~~

FIFe Judges shall notify the Secretariat of any changes in their home address, telephone number and email address, as well as of changes in their membership of FIFe Member, as soon as these occur.

§ 2.12 Responsibility of the FIFe Member for its Student Judges

The FIFe Member shall inform the FIFe Secretariat of the termination of membership of its Student Judges. [rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	32	2	2	-

Proposals regarding the Show Rules

AT/	HU/	KKÖ	FH	Show Rules	§ 2.6.6
CZ	SK	ČSCH	FFS		§ 4.1.1
Joint proposal of KKÖ (AT), ČSCH (CZ), FH (HU) and FFS (SK)					(reworded)

group of FIFe Members to Art. 2.6.6 of the show rules.

<i>Central European Winner Show</i>	<i>Austria (KKÖ), Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia</i>
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Add a new title to article 4.1.1

<i>Central European Winner</i>	<i>CEW</i>
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Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	30	6	-	-

EE	Felix	Proposal 1	Show Rules	§ 1.4
Distance between shows				

If several shows (national or international) are planned for the same day by different FIFe Members, there must be no less than 400 km ~~by road~~ between the different locations. *The distance indicated by Google Maps after entering the postal codes of the locations is decisive.*

Rest of article remains unchanged

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FIFe	SC	Proposal 1	Show Rules	§ 1.1.d.
Number of shows per week				

Shows can be held on any day of the week. ~~Two shows within a week can take place.~~

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	34	2	-	-

FIFe	SC	Proposal 2	Show Rules	§ 2.6.2
Announcement time for Winners Shows				

2.6.2

Winner Shows shall be organised in the period from February up to and including June and must appear clearly at least ~~2~~ 1 years prior to their date in the official FIFe show calendar.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	33	1	2	-

FIFe	SC	Proposal 3	Show Rules	§ 2.7
Specific rules for World Show and Winner Shows				


Reorganize the article by paragraphs:

- a. During the World Show....
- b. FIFe Members...
- c. Certificates ...

Add in the article:

d. FIFe Member conducting a show as outlined in this chapter have to issue a special diploma to all the Winners, with the minimum information:

- *FIFe logo and the winner show logo of the organizer,*
- *the name of the cat,*
- *the title achieved written in words and a year (e.g., World Winner 2022),*
- *full name of the owner of the cat,*
- *date and place,*
- *and signed by the President of a hosting Member and by FIFe President.*

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 WITHDRAWN	-	-	-	-

FIFe	Board	Proposal 6	Show Rules	§ 4.3
Obtaining the titles International Champion or International Premior				

In order to obtain the title **International Champion** or **Premior**, a cat must have been awarded:


- a.
 - 3 (three) CACIB respectively CAPIB
 - by 3 (three) different judges
 - in at least 2 (two) different countries
 - during 3 (three) international FIFe shows.

OR

- b.
 - *5 (five) CACIB respectively CAPIB*
 - *by at least 3 (three) different judges*
 - *in 1 (one) country*
 - *during 5 (five) international FIFe shows.*

~~A maximum of 2 (two) CACIB respectively CAPIB could be obtained in the same country.~~

Exceptions are made for individual members residing in countries as outlined in Annexes ~~2, 2A, 3, 3A~~ und 4.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 REJECTED	12	22	2	-

FIFe	Board	Proposal 7	Show Rules	§ 6.1.9
Reimbursement of expenses and judges' allowance				(reworded)


Judges officiating at a show are entitled to:

- reimbursement of travel expenses (1st class train fare or economy class air fare)
- the provision of food and accommodation for the duration of the show
- if necessary, an additional night's meal and accommodation before returning home
- ~~an allowance fixed by the FIFe General Assembly: the current minimum net amounts are listed in Annex 1 of the FIFe General Rules~~
- *an allowance, which is a compensation for lost time and not a salary or wage*
- reimbursement of expenses and allowance in euro currency, unless otherwise agreed with the show organiser
- *their preferred payment method for reimbursement, unless otherwise agreed with the show organiser*
- *payment of reimbursement or proof there-of at the latest on the last day of the show at which the judge officiates.*

The amount of the judges' allowance is set by the FIFe General Assembly. The current amounts are listed in Annex 1 of the FIFe General Rules.

A show organiser is free to grant a further allowance above this amount.

[rest of article remains unchanged]

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
 ACCEPTED	34	2	-	-

The President informed the Assembly that in line with article 4.8 of the Statutes, she, or rather, the Board, wished to add an agenda item. She asked the Assembly for their opinion.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	28	6	2	-

The Assembly approved the addition of an agenda item, which would be:

21 h. Question of the Board to the 2022 GA

The restrictions regarding Russia were in place since 01.03.2022 and would be valid until 31.05.2022. The Board considered extending these restrictions until the 31.05.2023, they were:

- *FIFe Members outside Russia may not import any cat bred in Russia in their pedigree books, regardless of, which organization issued its pedigree.*
- *Exhibitors living in Russia may not enter their cats at any FIFe show outside Russia, regardless of, which organization these exhibitors hold their membership in.*

The President asked the Assembly if the existing restrictions should be extended until the 31.05.2023.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	26	10	-	-

The extension of the existing restrictions until the 31.05.2023 was accepted by the General Assembly.

There was a discussion and several delegates wanted to bring additional restrictions. Again, in line with article 4.8 of the Statutes, the President asked the opinion of the Assembly if an agenda item could be added to enable bringing additional restrictions.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	27	9	-	-

The Assembly approved the addition of an agenda item enabling bringing additional restrictions.

It was proposed to prohibit the organisation of FIFe shows in Russia with immediate effect.

Voting result	Yes	No	Abstentions	Missing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED	26	8	2	-

The proposal to prohibit the organization of FIFe shows in Russia was accepted. This prohibition was effective immediately, i.e., as of the 27.05.2023 until the 31.05.2023. These restrictions would be reviewed as and when necessary