



KATHY BLACK

Candidate for CFA Director - at - Large

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I have declared my candidacy for Director-at-Large, I ask for your support to serve CFA and it's member clubs.

CFA Experience

I started in CFA in 1990 with an alter Maine Coon. I successfully campaigned a Somali the next year to a National Win in Premiership. I served as Breed Council Secretary for the Somali breed and maintain current breed council membership for Somali, Maine Coon, Chartreux and Oriental. After attending four shows, I started clerking. I wanted to give back to the organization which I so enjoyed. I recognized the need for a club in Southwest Oklahoma and founded Texoma Cat Fanciers, which actively hosted shows for 10 years, and has stayed active in the community. I joined the CFA judging panel in 2001 and am currently an Allbreed judge. I currently serve as CFA Judges Association Treasurer and Newsletter editor.

Check-in

At work, we start each meeting with a check in. At Check-in you state if you are mad, sad, glad or afraid. I am checking in:

Glad - I am glad to be part of this family that has a large number of very talented individuals. We need to tap those willing to serve and bring their talents and ideas to light. I am glad for our wonderful breeds of cats, and the exhibitors and breeders who care for them, show them so beautifully, and support their local clubs. We need to support each breed and listen to their concerns.

Mad - I am angry with animal legislation targeting our breeders and exhibitors. I am mad when I hear of a visitor at a show who was treated poorly and without respect. We need to encourage new people, welcome and educate them. New breeders and exhibitors are the lifeblood of our organization and we need to be increasing the number of people in our cat fancy. Now is not a time for elitism or selfishness.

Afraid - I am fearful the difficult decisions that are necessary to keep our registry and organization profitable will not be made. In my private life, I am a project manager, and make difficult decisions based on risk, reward, and timeliness. I will bring those same qualities to the Board and make the decisions that best serve our organization.

Sad - I am sad when someone tells me they never heard of a cat show before. They are not aware of CFA, of our services, or our shows. I want raise the awareness of our organization, our shows, and our registry.

Pledge

I will represent you in making decisions with honesty, ethics, and integrity. I believe in a team effort. As a team, we will defeat our opponents, be successful, and maintain our status as the world's largest and best cat organization.

Thank you for your support,

Kathy Black