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Shared passion ... demonstrated leadership

I care deeply about Miniature Bull Terriers and the MBTCA. I have a long record of work and service to both BT and MBTs. I am retired after 42 years as a cardiology practitioner, having worked my way through school as a copywriter. I have a proven track record as a:

- leader
- person who gets things done
- skilled compromise negotiator
- tireless fund-raiser
- proponent of health testing and proper temperament
- outspoken member of our community who stands up for what I believe.

I would love to bring these skills to the MBTCA BOD as recording secretary. I believe if we do not involve more members in critical decision-making, we risk the future of our breed. We need to open a dialogue with the membership; the board needs to seek and act upon their wants and needs. We need better communication with our members and to take their opinions into account, especially when important decisions are made. We need to involve more members, so they are invested in the club.

I became owned by my first BT over 30 years ago and fell in love with her drive, loyalty, and quirky personality. Since then, I have become a student of BTs/MBTs, their histories and selective breeding. My husband and I bred several notable BTs, but our priorities in our small breeding program are: health, temperament and sound construction. I own several MBTs, three are champions and several are performance titled. I believe in a well-rounded MBT.

As an extension of my love for BTs/MBTs, I became an AKC judge fifteen years ago and take that role seriously. Those dogs who win specialties affect the health and history of the breed. You will often see me ringside, mentoring other judges and prospective judges. I have judged the MBTCA National Specialty, Parent Club Specialty, Regional Specialties and Supported Entries.

I believe my varied volunteer positions and roles will bring valuable insight and ideas to the board:

- MBTCA member for 14 years, served on committees, currently on Fundraising Committee
- Founding member of MBTCSE - *secretary*
- BTC Tampa Bay - treasurer
- BTC Philadelphia - *secretary*/show chair 1992-2017, current president and show chair
- Central NJ BTC - past *secretary*/show chair
- BTCA BARKS Editor, 2011-2016
- 2018 BTCA BAR SINISTER AWARD recipient for service to the club and the breed
- BTCA Ways & Means Chair, 2003-2011, 2013-2017, raising thousands of dollars for club, health and rescue. Organized fundraising auctions (rescue and individual members in need)
- 2018, 2021-2022 Silverwood Committee member; 1997 Centennial Silverwood, co-chair
- BTCA: member for 30 years, board member 2013-2019 (member-at-large and VP);
- Trophy Chair, 2015-2017; Silverwood Chair 2016, earning \$18,000; 2017 Silverwood Show Secretary, Silverwood Chair, 2002, this event kept the BTCA in operating funds for years; Futurity Chair, 2000-2011
- BTC of Philadelphia Silverwood chair, 2007/2012

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