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ATTENTION DELEGATES NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting of the Delegates will be held via video Zoom Webinar on **Tuesday, September 15, 2020**. For the sole purpose of conducting the vote for the Delegate Standing Committees, the meeting will be called to order at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (ET). The polls will remain open until 12:30 p.m. ET. The Forum will begin at 11:00 a.m. ET. The Delegate Meeting will reconvene at 12:00 p.m. ET.

DELEGATES CREDENTIALS

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Laurie Zembrzuski, Leesburg, VA,
Bedlington Terrier Club of America

NOTICE

On March 6, 2020, a Trial Board of the American Kennel Club heard charges against Ms. Linda Kepner (Hickory Corners, MI). The Trial Board sustained charges of neglect of a dog at or in connection with an event. The penalty was set at a six-month event suspension and a \$1,000 fine. (Poodles, Shetland Sheepdogs)

NOTICE

Ms. Tammy Seidlitz (Dublin, CA) Action was taken by the City of Angeles Pug Club for conduct at its January 17, 2020 event. Ms. Henderson was charged with inappropriate, abusive, or foul language. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee's report and set the penalty at a reprimand and a \$100 fine. (Chinese Cresteds)

NOTICE

Mr. Ed Sullivan (Kansas City, MO) Action was taken by the Missouri Valley Hunt Club for conduct at its June 7, 2020 event. Mr. Sullivan was charged with improper treatment in connection with an event. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee's report and set the penalty at a three-month suspension and a \$300 fine. (Labrador Retrievers, Golden Retrievers)

NOTICE

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Debora Rivera (Arcadia, FL) from all AKC privileges for ten years and imposed a \$2,000 fine, effective July 15, 2020, for conduct prejudicial to purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the best interests of the American Kennel Club based on their violation of the AKC's Judicial or Administrative Determination of Inappropriate Treatment Policy. (Great Danes)

NOTICE

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Theresa Weber (Sherwood Forest, CA) from registration privileges for three-months and imposed a \$500 fine, effective July 15, 2020, for signing an AKC document on behalf of another without filing a properly completed power of attorney form. (Pumik)

NOTICE

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended the following individuals from all AKC privileges for life and imposed a \$10,000 fine, for conduct prejudicial to purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the best interests of the American Kennel Club based on their violation of the AKC's Judicial or Administrative Determination of Inappropriate Treatment Policy:

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Effective July 15, 2020:

Mr. Carmine D'Apruzzo (Shirley, NY)

Rottweilers

Ms. Marleen Puzak (Denver, CO) French
Bulldogs

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 2, Section 10 – Making Application to Hold a Dog Show

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 2, Section 10, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee.

CHAPTER 2

SECTION 10. A specialty club that wishes to hold a futurity or sweepstakes, either in conjunction with a show or as a separate event, must apply to The American Kennel Club for permission to hold the event.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 3, Section 3 – Dog Show Classifications

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 3, Section 3, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Board of Directors.

This amendment was inadvertently omitted from the March 2020 Delegate Meeting and was to be read at the June 2020 Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting

will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 3

SECTION 3. The regular classes of The American Kennel Club shall be as follows:
Puppy (may be divided 6-9 & 9-12 months)
Twelve-to-Eighteen Month (may be divided 12-15 & 15-18 months)

Novice

Amateur-Owner-Handler

Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy (may be divided 6-9 & 9-12 months)

Bred-by-Exhibitor

American-Bred

Open

Winners

These classes shall be divided by sex.

The balance of this section is unchanged.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 3, Section 8-A – Dog Show Classifications

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 3, Section 8-A, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, initiated by a member of the Board of Directors and presented by Staff to the Board based their request. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020 Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 3

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SECTION 8-A. Clubs, at their option, may offer the Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy Class, which shall be for dogs that are:

- Six months of age and over, but under twelve months as of the first day of the show;
- Not champions on the date of closing of entries for the show;
- Individually registered with The American Kennel Club as the date of the show;
- Owned or co-owned by any of the breeders of record as of the date of the show.

The person handling the dog in this class must be a breeder of record and an owner of record of this dog. In any subsequent classes for which a dog from the Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy class becomes eligible, there are no restrictions as to who may handle. Clubs may at their option, further divide the Bred by-Exhibitor Puppy class into two age groups consisting of six months of age and under nine months, and nine months of age but under twelve months.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 3, Section 11 – Dog Show Classifications

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 3, Section 11, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Board of Directors. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020 Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be

conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 3

SECTION 11. The Winners Class shall be divided by sex and each division shall be open only to undefeated dogs of the same sex which have won first prizes in either the Puppy (may be divided by age), Twelve-to-Eighteen Month (may be divided by age), Novice, Amateur-Owner-Handler, Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy (may be divided by age), Bred-by-Exhibitor, American bred or Open Classes. There shall be no entry fee for competition in the Winners Class.

After the Winners prize has been awarded in one of the sex divisions, the second prize winning dog, if undefeated except by the dog awarded Winners, shall compete with the other eligible dogs for Reserve Winners. No eligible dog may be withheld from competition.

Winners Class shall be allowed only at shows where American-bred and Open Classes shall be given. All other regular classes are optional. A member club holding a show with restricted entries may include Winners Classes, provided the necessary regular classes are included in the classification.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 11, Section 8-A – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting

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Eligibility

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 11, Section 8-A, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, based on a request by Staff to the AKC Board. This will be voted on at the March 10, 2020 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 11

SECTION 8-A. The preceding portion of this section is unchanged.

Any dog, that in the opinion of the Event Committee attacks a person or dog at an AKC event and is believed by that Event Committee to present a hazard to persons or other dogs, shall be disqualified by the Event Committee pursuant to this section, a report shall be filed with the Executive Secretary of The American Kennel Club. The disqualified dog may not again compete at any AKC event nor be on the grounds of an AKC event unless and until, following application for reinstatement by the owner to the American Kennel Club, the owner receives official notification in writing from the AKC that the dog's eligibility has been reinstated.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE *RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS*

CHAPTER 11, Section 9 – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 11, Section 9, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This

was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020

Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled.

All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 11

SECTION 9. No dog with a communicable disease shall be on the show grounds or premises. Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to ensure that their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable disease, and have appropriate vaccinations.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE *RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS*

CHAPTER 14, Section 3 – Measuring, Weighing and Color Determinations When Factors of Disqualification in Breed Standards or Eligibility Under the Conditions of a Class or Division of a Class Cancellation of Awards

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 14, Section 3, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020

Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled.

All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 14

SECTION 3. In those breeds where certain heights are specified in the breed standard as disqualifications, or in any class specifying

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height limits, the judge has the authority to determine whether any dog measures within those limits, provided the dog has not been previously measured during any competition at that show, excluding sweepstakes, futurities, and other special attractions.

If, in the opinion of a competing exhibitor in the ring, the height of a dog in that ring appears to be outside the limits of the breed standard or the conditions of that class, such exhibitor may, before every dog has been individually examined and individually gaited, request that the judge measure the dog and the judge shall comply provided the dog has not been previously measured during any competition at that show, excluding sweepstakes, futurities, and other special attractions.

If the judge finds that the dog's height is within the breed standard or the conditions of the class, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book "Measured in." If the judge finds that the dog's height is outside the allowable limits of the breed standard, s/he shall disqualify the dog and mark and initial the judge's book "Measured out - disqualified."

A dog that has thus been disqualified by three different judges may not again be shown.

If the judge finds that the dog's height is not in accordance with the conditions of the class, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book "Measured out - ineligible." A dog thus declared ineligible for its class shall be considered entered incorrectly and cannot be transferred to any other class at that show. A dog

thus found ineligible by three different judges may not again be shown in that class. In subsequent shows, this dog may be entered in another class for which the dog meets the height limit or transferred to an eligible Open Class per Chapter 11, Section 6.

In all cases, the judge shall use a wicket that meets American Kennel Club requirements.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 14, Section 4 – Measuring, Weighing and Color Determinations When Factors of Disqualification in Breed Standards or Eligibility Under the Conditions of a Class or Division of a Class Cancellation of Awards

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 14, Section 4, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020

Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 14

SECTION 4. In those breeds where certain weights are specified in the breed standard as disqualifications, or in any class specifying weight limits, the judge has the authority to determine whether any dog weighs within those limits, provided the dog has not been previously weighed during any competition at that show, excluding sweepstakes, futurities and other spe-

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cial attractions.

If, in the opinion of a competing exhibitor in the ring, the weight of a dog in that ring appears to be outside the limits of the breed standard or the conditions of that class, such exhibitor may, before every dog has been individually examined and individually gaited, request that the judge weigh the dog, and the judge shall comply provided the dog has not been previously weighed during any competition at that show, excluding sweepstakes, futurities and other special attractions.

If the judge finds that the dog's weight is within the breed standard or the conditions of the class, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book "Weighed in." If the judge finds that the dog's weight is outside the allowable limits of the breed standard, s/he shall disqualify the dog and mark and initial the judge's book "Weighed out - disqualified."

A dog that has thus been disqualified by three different judges may not again be shown.

If the judge finds that the dog's weight is not in accordance with the conditions of the class, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book, "Weighed out - ineligible." A dog thus declared ineligible for its class or division shall be considered entered incorrectly and cannot be transferred to any other class at that show. A dog thus found ineligible by three different judges may not again be shown in that class. In subsequent shows, this dog may be entered in another class for which the dog meets the weight limit or transferred to an eligible Open

Class per Chapter 11, Section 6.

In all cases, the judge shall use a scale that meets AKC requirements including a platform of sufficient size as determined by the American Kennel Club to safely accommodate all applicable breeds.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 14, Section 6 – Measuring, Weighing and Color Determinations When Factors of Disqualification in Breed Standards or Eligibility Under the Conditions of a Class or Division of a Class Cancellation of Awards

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 14, Section 6, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows***, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020

Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 14

SECTION 6. In those breeds where certain color(s), pattern or markings are specified in the breed standard as disqualifications, or in any class or division of a class where certain color(s), pattern or markings are required, the judge shall determine if a dog is to be disqualified or declared to be ineligible for the class provided that such determination has not been previously made during competition at that show, excluding sweepstakes, futurities, and

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other special attractions.

If, in the opinion of the judge, the dog's color(s), pattern or markings require disqualification, the judge shall disqualify the dog, and mark and initial the judge's book "Disqualified - Color (or Pattern or Markings)".

If, in the opinion of the judge, the dog's color(s) pattern or markings do not meet the requirements of the class or division of a class in which the dog is competing, the judge shall declare the dog ineligible to compete in that class or division of class, and, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book, "Ineligible - Color (or Pattern or Markings)".

If, in the opinion of any competing exhibitor then in the ring, the color(s), pattern or markings of a dog in the ring are disqualifications under the breed standard or do not meet the requirements of the class or division of a class, such exhibitor may, before every dog in the ring has been individually examined and individually gaited, request that the judge render an opinion of the dog's color(s), pattern or markings, and the judge shall comply provided that such determination has not been previously made during competition at that show. If the judge finds that the dog's color(s), pattern or markings are disqualifications under the breed standard, the judge shall disqualify the dog and mark and initial the judge's book "Disqualified - Color (or Pattern or Markings)".

A dog that has thus been disqualified by three different judges may not again be shown.

If the judge finds that the color(s), pattern or

markings of the dog do not meet the requirements of the class or division specified by the breed standard, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book, "Ineligible - Color (or Pattern or Markings)".

Any dog thus declared ineligible for its class shall be considered entered incorrectly and cannot be transferred to any other class or division at that show. In subsequent shows, this dog may be entered in another class for which the dog meets the requirements or transferred to an eligible Open Class per Chapter 11, Section 6.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 14, Section 6-A – Measuring, Weighing and Color Determinations When Factors of Disqualification in Breed Standards or Eligibility Under the Conditions of a Class or Division of a Class Cancellation of Awards

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 14, Section 6-A, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows**, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020 Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 14

SECTION 6-A. In those breeds where certain physical traits (ear carriage, coat length, etc.) are specified as a condition of a class or a divi-

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sion of a class, the judge has the authority to make a determination as to whether a dog meets those requirements. If the judge finds that the dog does not meet the requirements of the class, s/he shall mark and initial the judge's book, "Excused, ineligible for class." Any dog thus declared ineligible for a class or division of a class shall be considered to have been incorrectly entered and cannot be transferred to any other class or division at that show. In subsequent shows, this dog may be entered in or transferred to another class for which the dog meets the requirements or transferred to an eligible Open Class per Chapter 11, Section 6.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 15, Section 2 – Protests Against Dogs

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 15, Section 2, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows**, proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This was to be voted on at the June 9, 2020

Delegates Meeting, which has been cancelled. All business that was to be conducted at the June 2020 Delegate Meeting will move forward to the next Delegate Meeting.

CHAPTER 15

SECTION 2. Any person who is handling a competing dog in the ring in any conformation competition may verbally protest to the judge before every dog in the class has been

individually examined and individually gaited, alleging that a dog being shown in the competition has a condition which makes it ineligible to compete under Chapter 11, Section 8, or Chapter 11, Section 8-C, of these rules or a condition requiring disqualification under the standard for the breed; except that a verbal protest alleging that the height or weight or natural color and markings of a dog requiring its disqualification under the breed standard or a determination of its ineligibility under the conditions of its class must be made under Chapter 14, Sections 3, 4, 6 or 6-A. The balance of this section is unchanged.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 16, Section 6 – Championships

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 16, Section 6, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows**, proposed by Staff and supported by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee.

CHAPTER 16

SECTION 6. The preceding portion of this section is unchanged. Grand Championship points for a dog awarded Select Dog or Select Bitch shall count all eligible dogs of their sex in Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed competition less the dog awarded Best of Breed or Variety or Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed or Variety in addition to the dogs that competed in the regular and non-regular (eligible for Best of Breed/ Variety) classes for

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their sex in calculating Grand Championship points. At independently held specialty shows for breeds divided into recognized varieties, if a dog designated Best of Variety is also awarded Best of Breed in intervariety competition, it shall receive Grand Championship points figured at the highest point rating of any variety entered at that specialty show. If a dog designated Best of Variety or Best of Opposite Sex in its variety is also awarded Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed in inter-variety competition, it shall receive Grand Championship points figured at the highest point rating of its sex in any variety entered at that specialty show. Such points shall not be in addition to, but inclusive of, any Grand Championship points previously awarded the dog in its variety competition.

The Boerboel Standard has been approved with an effective date of: September 30, 2020

OFFICIAL STANDARD OF THE BOERBOEL

General Appearance: Historically the Boerboel developed as a general farm dog for the pioneers who settled in South Africa since the seventeenth century. These dogs were often the first line of defense against predators and were valuable in tracking and holding down wounded game. Old farmers told many a tale of the strength, agility and courage of the Boerboel. The dangers and harsh conditions of southern Africa allowed only the fittest to survive. The protective character of the Boerboel is today still evident and is much sought after, as is

the calm, stable and confident composure of the breed. The origin and purpose of the Boerboel should be understood in order to preserve the unique identity and qualities of the breed as a South African developed mastiff. Type, conformation, functional efficiency and mentality are equally important in the evaluation of the Boerboel as a whole. The Boerboel is a large dog that is strong, confident and muscular in appearance with powerful, free-flowing movement. When observing a Boerboel at play or work, standing or moving, it should show strength, suppleness, nimbleness and agility. **Size, Proportion, Substance:** The preferred height for Dogs - 24 to 27 inches. Bitches - 22 to 25 inches. Balance, proportion and sound movement are of utmost importance-more so than size. The body should have a greater total length than total height and the relation between the length and height should ideally be 10:9. Length of body is measured pro-sternum to farthest point of rump. Height is measured from the top of the shoulder blade to the ground. Depth of the chest reaches down to the point of the elbow, which is approximately half the total height at the withers. Front and rear angulation should be equal for proper balance. Dogs are characteristically of larger frame and heavier bone than bitches. Bitches are feminine, but without weakness of substance or structure. Serious fault - Severely out of proportion and balance. Reversal of sex characteristics.

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Head: The *head* is an impressive and a distinctive feature of the Boerboel. It should be blocky, broad, deep, square and muscular, with well filled cheeks and in proportion to the body. Moderate wrinkling is observed over the forehead when the dog shows interest. The *skull* is square, flat and muscular. The zygomatic arch (cheek bone) is well muscled, but not too prominent. The stop is visible, gradually sloping. It should not be steep. The *muzzle* is broad, deep and narrows slightly towards the nose, straight and almost on a parallel plane with the skull. The muzzle measures slightly more than a third of the total length of the head. The nostrils are completely black, large and widely spaced, with the septum (vertical line) of the nose perpendicular to the lower jaw. The jaws are strong, deep and wide, and taper slightly to the front. The teeth are white, strong, correctly spaced with complete dentition preferred. Ideally the dog should have a scissors *bite*. An under bite of up to ¼ inch is acceptable. The upper lip is loose and fleshy. Under the nose, the end of the upper lip must touch the top of the bottom lip. Viewed in profile, the flews must not extend below the lowest level of the jaw bone. The lower lip is moderately tight without excessive jowls. The *eyes* are medium sized, neither protruding or receding, forward facing and widely spaced, with an intelligent expression. The eyelids must be tight fitting with complete pigmentation, showing no structural weakness. The color of the eye is preferably dark brown but all shades of

brown (preferably darker than the coat) are acceptable. The *ears* are medium sized, V shaped, hanging forward, medium leather, tapering to a rounded point that reaches almost down to a line extending from the mouth. They are set wide and are carried close to the head. When the dog is attentive the top of the ears and the skull give the appearance of widening. The facial expression should be intelligent and attentive. Serious fault - Yellow (bird of prey) eyes. Disqualifications - Blue eye(s), entropion or ectropion, over bite, under bite of more than ¼ inch, wry mouth, prick ears.

Neck, Topline, Body: The *neck* is powerful, of medium length, and forms a muscular arch. It flows smoothly into the sloping shoulders, gradually increasing in width from the head to the shoulders. (In the female the muscles are less accentuated but should remain in balance with the head and body). The dewlap is noticeable but disappears towards the sternum. The *topline* is firm and level, extending in a straight line from behind the withers to the croup. The back remains horizontal to the ground while the dog is moving or standing. The underline of a mature dog has a slight tuck-up. The *body* is blocky, muscular and solid, with good depth and width. The back is broad and straight, with pronounced muscles. The ribcage is well sprung and well filled behind the shoulder blades. The transitions between the chest, loin and rump are well filled and flowing. The loin

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is strong and muscular, and only slightly narrower than the ribcage and rump. The croup is broad, flat and strong, with well-defined musculature. Its height should not exceed the height at the shoulders. The *tail* is thick and set fairly high. It should be well covered with hair and without kink. The tail may be docked or left undocked, both being equivalent. If docked, tails are traditionally docked at the third or fourth caudal vertebrae. The undocked tail should reach to the hocks when the dog is standing and be carried with a slight curve upwards when excited or moving. Tail set is more important than the length.

Forequarters: The forelegs are strong boned, with well-defined muscles. Viewed from the side the forearm should be vertical from the elbow to the pastern. When viewed from the front they should be parallel to each other, not bowed or with toes turning inward. Elbows should be held close to the body. Length of the foreleg to the elbow is approximately 50 percent of the dog's height at the shoulder. The chest is broad, deep and wide with well-sprung ribs and strong developed pectoral muscles. The shoulders are moderately sloping, powerful and muscular, with no tendency to looseness. The shoulder blade is long with moderate angulation. The upper arm is equal in both length and angulation to the shoulder blade. The pastern is short, thick and strong and with a slight slope when viewed from the side. The front feet point straight forward, are large,

round, strongly boned and compact. The toes are well arched, with short, preferably black toenails and protected by hair in between. Front dewclaws may be removed. The pads are thick, tough and black.

Hindquarters: The hindquarter is sturdy and muscular. The hind legs are strong boned. The stifle should be sound, strong and moderately angulated and in balance with the forequarters, to support the powerful propulsion from the hindquarters during movement. The upper thighs are broad, deep and muscular as seen from the side and the rear. The lower thighs have well defined muscles and show substance down to the hocks. The metatarsus is broad, relatively short and perfectly upright. The hind feet point straight forward. Rear dewclaws, if any, are generally removed.

Coat and Color: The coat is short, dense, smooth and shiny. The skin is thick and loose but fits smoothly. Skin is well pigmented. The recognized colors / patterns are with or without a mask; however, the black mask is desirable. Red, Brown, Reddish Brown, Fawn, Cream, brindle in any accepted color and Irish Marked. Limited clear white patches on the legs and the fore chest are permissible. Piebald, a white dog, with colored markings, total area of white may not exceed 33 percent or is disqualified, ticking or spots within the white to be disqualified. The Boerboel is well pigmented, especially on the lips, palate, the skin and hair around the eyes, nose leather,

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paw pads, toenails, the anus and the skin and hair around the genitals. Disqualifications - Blue colored (Powder Coat) dogs, any base color not listed, long coat, and nose leather in any color other than black.

Movement: Movement is the ultimate test for correct conformation. The Boerboel is the most agile of the molosser breeds and it should be reflected in its movement. The Boerboel's movement is powerful and with purpose. The front reach should complement a strong rear drive. The legs and body should move in line front to rear. As speed increases the legs will converge under body towards a center line. The back remains firm and strong and without excess body roll.

Temperament: The Boerboel is a dominant and intelligent dog with strong protective instincts and a willingness to please. When approached is calm, stable and confident, at times displaying a self-assured aloofness. He should recognize a threat or lack thereof. He is loving with children and family. An aggressive or belligerent attitude towards other dogs should not be faulted. Boerboels that are shown in competition should be trained to allow examination.

Faults: The foregoing description is that of the ideal Boerboel. Any deviation that detracts from the above described dog must be penalized to the extent of the deviation. Severely out

of proportion and balance. Reversal of sex characteristics. Yellow (bird of prey) eyes.

Disqualifications:

Blue Eye(s).

Entropion or ectropion.

Under shot greater than ¼ inch or overshot bite.

Wry mouth.

Prick ears.

Blue colored (Powdered Coat) dogs, white exceeding more than 33 percent of the color on a dog, ticking or spots within the areas of white.

Any base color not listed.

Long coat.

Nose leather in any color other than black.

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PROPOSED AUSTRALIAN TERRIER STANDARD FOR COMMENT:

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General Appearance: A small, sturdy, medium-

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boned working terrier, rather long in proportion to height with pricked ears and docked tail. Blue and tan, solid sandy or solid red in color, with harsh-textured outer coat, a distinctive ruff and apron, and a soft, silky topknot. As befits their heritage as versatile workers, Australian Terriers are sound and free moving with good reach and drive. Their expression keen and intelligent; their manner spirited and self-assured. The following description is that of the ideal Australian Terrier. Any deviation from this description must be penalized to the extent of the deviation.

Size, Proportion, Substance: *Size* - Height 10 to 11 inches at the withers. Deviation in either direction is to be discouraged. *Proportion* - The body is long in proportion to the height of the dog. The length of back from withers to the front of the tail is approximately 1 to 1½ inches longer than from withers to the ground. *Substance* - Good working condition, medium bone, correct body proportions, symmetry and balance determine proper weight.

Head: The *head* is long and strong. The length of the muzzle is equal to the length of the skull. *Expression* - Keen and intelligent. *Eyes* - Small, dark brown to black (the darker the better), keen in expression, set well apart. Rims are black, oval in shape. *Faults* - Light-colored or protruding eyes. *Ears* - Small, erect and pointed; set high on the skull yet well apart,

carried erect without any tendency to flare obliquely off the skull. *Skull* - Viewed from the front or side is long and flat, slightly longer than it is wide and full between the eyes, with slight but definite stop. *Muzzle* - Strong and powerful with slight fill under the eyes. The jaws are powerful. *Nose* - Black. A desirable breed characteristic is an inverted V-shaped area free of hair extending from the nose up the bridge of the muzzle, varying in length in the mature dog. *Lips* - Tight and dark brown- or black-rimmed. *Bite* - Scissors with teeth of good size.

Neck, Topline, Body: *Neck* - Long, slightly arched and strong, blending smoothly into well laid back shoulders. *Topline* - Level and firm. *Body* - The body is of sturdy structure with ribs well sprung but not rounded, forming a chest reaching slightly below the elbows with a distinct keel. The loin is strong and fairly short with slight tuck-up. *Faults* - Cobbiness, too long in loin. *Tail* - Set on high and carried erect at a twelve to one o'clock position, docked in balance with the overall dog, a good hand-hold when mature, docked leaving slightly less than one half, or undocked from straight to curved forward. The tail set is of primary importance.

Forequarters: *Shoulders* - Long blades, well laid back with only slight space between the shoulder blades at the withers. The length of the upper arm is comparable to the length of

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the shoulder blade. The angle between the shoulder and the upper arm is 90 degrees. Faults - Straight, loose and loaded shoulders. Elbows - Close to the chest. Forelegs - Straight, parallel when viewed from the front; the bone is round and medium in size. They should be set well under the body, with definite body overhang (keel) before them when viewed from the side. Pasterns - Strong, with only slight slope. Fault - Down on pasterns. Dewclaws - May be removed. Feet - Small, clean, catlike; toes arched and compact, nicely padded turning neither inward nor outward. Nails - Short, black and strong.

Hindquarters: Strong; legs well angulated at the stifles and hocks, short and perpendicular from the hocks to the ground. Upper and lower thighs are well muscled. Viewed from behind the rear legs are straight from the hip joints to the ground and in the same plane as the forelegs. Faults - Lack of muscular development or excessive muscularity. Feet - (See under Forequarters.)

Coat: Outer Coat - Harsh and straight; 2½ inches all over the body except the tail, pasterns, rear legs from the hocks down, and the feet which are kept free of long hair. Hair on the ears is kept very short. Undercoat - Short and soft. Furnishings - Softer than body coat. The neck is well furnished with hair, which forms a protective ruff blending into the apron. The forelegs are slightly feathered to

the pasterns. Topknot - Covering only the top of the skull; of finer and softer texture than the rest of the coat.

Colors and markings: Colors - Blue and tan, solid sandy and solid red. Blue and tan - Blue: dark blue, steel-blue, dark gray-blue, or silver-blue. In silver-blues, each hair carries blue and silver alternating with the darker color at the tips. Tan markings (not sandy or red), as rich as possible, on face, ears, underbody, lower legs and feet, and around vent. The richer the color and more clearly defined the better. Topknot - Silver or a lighter shade than head color. Sandy or Red - Any shade of solid sandy or solid red, the clearer the better. Topknot - Silver or a lighter shade of body coat. Faults - All black body coat in the adult dog. Tan smut in the blue portion of the coat, or dark smut in sandy/red coated dogs. In any color, white markings on chest or feet are to be penalized.

Gait: As seen from the front and from the rear, the legs are straight from the shoulder and hip joints to the pads, and move in planes parallel to the centerline of travel. The rear legs move in the same planes as the front legs. As the dog moves at a faster trot, the front and rear legs and feet may tend to converge toward the centerline of travel, but the legs remain straight even as they flex or extend. Viewed from the side, the legs move in a ground-covering stride. The rear feet should meet the ground in the same prints as left by the front feet, with no

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gap between them. Topline remains firm and level, without bounce.

Temperament: The Australian Terrier is spirited, alert, courageous, and self-confident, with the natural aggressiveness of a ratter and hedge hunter; as a companion, friendly and affectionate.

Faults: Shyness or aggressiveness toward people.

PROPOSED CHINOOK STANDARD FOR COMMENT:

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General Appearance: The Chinook was developed in the United States as a sled dog whose unique function was both drafting and sled dog racing. Bred to combine the power of freighting breeds with the speed of the lighter racing sled dogs, the Chinook is an athletic, hard bodied dog showing excellent forward reach and rear extension in a seemingly tireless gait. The Chinook is an impressive dog, with an aquiline muzzle, dark almond eyes, black eye markings, a variety of ear carriages, and a dis-

tinctive tawny, close fitting coat. The saber tail is held in a graceful sickle curve. Males appear unquestionably masculine; females have a distinctly feminine look and are judged equally with the male. A dignified and affectionate family dog, Chinooks are known for their love of children. The Chinook is to be presented in a natural condition with no trimming. The following is a description of the ideal Chinook.

Size, Proportion, Substance: The Chinook is a slow maturing breed, often not reaching maturity before 4 to 5 years of age. *Size* - Ideal height at the withers: males 24 to 27 inches; females 22 to 25 inches. *Proportion* - When measuring from point of shoulder to the point of buttocks the Chinook is slightly longer than tall. Females may be somewhat longer in body. *Substance* - Muscular with moderate bone, a gender difference is easily discernible. The Chinook exemplifies a sound athlete in grace, muscle tone, movement, and carriage.

Head: The *head* is broad, wedge-shaped, and impressive but in balance with the size of the dog. Cheeks are well-developed and slightly rounded. The *expression* is intelligent, inquisitive and kind. The *eyes* are medium in size and almond in shape with black rims that accentuate the eye and give character. The eye can be any shade of brown but dark brown is preferred. Black pigment in an apostrophe shape above the inner corner of each eye is preferred. **Disqualification** - Any eye color other

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than brown. The *ears* are set slightly below the top line of the skull and are expressive. They are medium in size, V-shaped, and slightly rounded at the tip. The ear tip should be just long enough to reach the inside corner of the eye. Any ear type is allowed, including drop, prick, or propeller ears that maintain a fold when at attention. Matched ears are preferred and for historical reasons, dropped ears are desirable. Mismatched ears are not to be faulted. The *topskull* is broad and slightly arched between the ears. When viewed from above, the topskull is almost square, narrowing slightly as it approaches the eyes. The stop is moderate and marked with a central furrow extending up the top skull. The *muzzle* is aquiline, having a slight dip just before the nose leather, and shorter in length than the top skull, measuring from nose to stop as approximately 2:3 in ratio with stop to occiput. Viewed from the front, the muzzle is tapered to form a blunt wedge. Viewed from the side, the top of the muzzle and the top of the skull are almost parallel. The nose is large, prominent and the leather is solid black. The lips are black. *Bite*- The Chinook has a full complement of strong teeth meeting in a scissors or a level bite.

Neck, Topline, Body: The *neck* is strong, balanced in length, arched, and covered with fur that forms a defined ruff. The skin on the neck is pliable but not pendulous. The neck blends smoothly into the withers. *Topline*- The back is

straight, strong and level, with no sign of weakness. There is a slight arch over the loins. The *body* is well muscled and hard. The chest is moderately broad, well filled and deep, and neither too broad nor too narrow. The forechest has a prominent prosternum that extends beyond the point of shoulders when viewed from the side. The brisket reaches to or nearly to the elbows. The ribs are well sprung, oval in shape, flattening toward the lower end to allow for elbow clearance and efficient movement. The loins are muscular with a slight arch, having enough length to be athletic. The underline has a moderate tuck-up. The croup is muscular, slightly sloping, broad and without exaggeration. *Tail*- The saber tail is set just below the level of the topline and is well coated with distinct but moderate fringing. It is broad at the base, tapering to the end and reaches to the hock with a slight curve at the tip when relaxed. When alert or moving, the tail is carried in a graceful sickle curve, neither curling to the side of the body nor touching the back.

Forequarters: The shoulders are moderately laid back, with the shoulder blade and upper arm being equal in length. The forelegs are straight, well-muscled, with moderate, oval bone. When viewed from the front, the legs are parallel, and straight. The elbows turn neither in nor out. The pasterns are flexible, moderate in length, strong, and slightly sloping when viewed from the side. Dewclaws may be removed. The feet are tight, oval in shape, with

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arched toes, webbing between the toes, and with strong nails. The pads are thick, tough, and darkly pigmented. The front feet may turn slightly outward when standing allowing the dog to push off from the center toes.

Hindquarters: The hindquarters are muscular and strong, moderately angulated, and in balance with the forequarters. The upper and lower thigh muscles are well-defined. The rear pasterns are parallel to each other, and perpendicular to the ground when viewed from any angle. The rear feet point straight ahead.

Coat: The Chinook has a thick double coat lying close to the body. The outer coat is straight, strong, and coarse. The length of the outer coat is longer over the ruff, shoulder blades, withers, breeches, and along the underline and the underside of the tail but is never so long as to obscure the clean-cut outline of the dog. The undercoat is short and dense, downy in texture, providing insulation. The groin and inside of the rear legs are protected by coat. A Chinook in full coat feels soft and plush with coarser hair following the topline. A coat in seasonal shedding may be thinner, feel coarser, and should not be penalized. The tail is well-furred with feathering starting about four to five inches from the root. There is slight feathering along the back of the forelegs. The Chinook is shown naturally and trimming is not acceptable. Faults - Excessively short coat, long, rough, or shaggy coat. Trimming of

the coat, including whiskers, is to be severely penalized.

Color: Tawny coloration, ranging from honey to a deep reddish-gold, is a distinguishing characteristic of the Chinook and is preferred.

Dilute tawny, and its associated diluted pigmentation of muzzle, nose, lips, pads, and eye rims, is acceptable. It is desirable for the ears and muzzle to have darker coloring than the body. This darker ear and muzzle coloring runs from a tawny that is darker than the body to a black shading, with some black shading being the most preferred. A black mark at and just above the inner corner of each eye is desirable.

Symmetrical white or cream to pale gold markings are acceptable on the cheeks, throat, chest, breeches, and underside. Any other white markings are undesirable including blazes, socks, and scarves. Disqualification - Any color other than tawny as described.

Gait: The Chinook's gait is smooth, easy, balanced front to rear and seemingly tireless. The back is strong and level when gaiting. When viewed from the side, as speed increases, the head and neck lower, the front feet reach out strongly to a line directly below the nose, the rear drives forward with power, covering ground with minimal effort. When viewed from behind, the rear pads are fully visible. As speed increases, the feet tend to converge toward a center line of gravity.

Temperament: The Chinook is an affectionate

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and playful family companion with a special devotion toward children. The Chinook is a dignified dog; some Chinooks may be reserved with strangers but should never appear shy or aggressive. They are willing workers who are eager to please and enthusiastic to learn. Chinooks are highly trainable, adaptable, and versatile in their abilities. Gregarious with other dogs, the Chinook works well in teams and within family packs.

Faults: Variations are penalized to the extent of the deviations.

Disqualifications: *Any eye color other than brown. Any color other than tawny as described in this standard.*

PROPOSED SIBERIAN HUSKY STANDARD FOR COMMENT:

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General Appearance: The Siberian Husky is a medium-sized working dog, quick and light on his feet and free and graceful in action. His

moderately compact and well furred body, erect ears and brush tail suggest his Northern heritage. His characteristic gait is smooth and seemingly effortless. He performs his original function in harness most capably, carrying a light load at a moderate speed over great distances. His body proportions and form reflect this basic balance of power, speed and endurance. The males of the Siberian Husky breed are masculine but never coarse; the bitches are feminine but without weakness of structure. In proper condition, with muscle firm and well developed, the Siberian Husky does not carry excess weight.

Size, Proportion, Substance: *Height* - Dogs, 21 to 23½ inches at the withers. Bitches, 20 to 22 inches at the withers. *Weight* - Dogs, 45 to 60 pounds. Bitches, 35 to 50 pounds. Weight is in proportion to height. The measurements mentioned above represent the extreme height and weight limits with no preference given to either extreme. Any appearance of excessive bone or weight should be penalized. In profile, the length of the body from the point of the shoulder to the rear point of the croup is slightly longer than the height of the body from the ground to the top of the withers. **Disqualification** - Dogs over 23½ inches and bitches over 22 inches.

Head: *Expression* is keen, but friendly; interested and even mischievous. *Eyes* almond

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shaped, moderately spaced and set a trifle obliquely. Eyes may be brown or blue in color; one of each or parti-colored are acceptable. Faults - Eyes set too obliquely; set too close together. *Ears* of medium size, triangular in shape, close fitting and set high on the head. They are thick, well furred, slightly arched at the back, and strongly erect, with slightly rounded tips pointing straight up. Faults - Ears too large in proportion to the head; too wide set; not strongly erect. *Skull* of medium size and in proportion to the body; slightly rounded on top and tapering from the widest point to the eyes. Faults - Head clumsy or heavy; head too finely chiseled. *Stop* - The stop is well-defined and the bridge of the nose is straight from the stop to the tip. Fault - Insufficient stop. *Muzzle* of medium length; that is, the distance from the tip of the nose to the stop is equal to the distance from the stop to the occiput. The muzzle is of medium width, tapering gradually to the nose, with the tip neither pointed nor square. Faults - Muzzle either too snipy or too coarse; muzzle too short or too long. *Nose*: Black in black, gray, sable, or agouti dogs; liver in red dogs, black, liver or flesh-colored in white dogs. The lighter-streaked "snow nose" is equally acceptable. Lips are well pigmented and close fitting. Teeth closing in a scissors *bite*. Fault - Any bite other than scissors.

Neck, Topline, Body: *Neck* medium in length, arched and carried proudly erect when dog is standing. When moving at a trot, the neck is

extended so that the head is carried slightly forward. Faults - Neck too short and thick; neck too long. Chest deep and strong, but not too broad, with the deepest point being just behind and level with the elbows. The ribs are well sprung from the spine but flattened on the sides to allow for freedom of action. Faults - Chest too broad; "barrel ribs"; ribs too flat or weak. *Back* - The back is straight and strong, with a level *topline* from withers to croup. It is of medium length, neither cobby nor slack from excessive length. The loin is taut and lean, narrower than the rib cage, and with a slight tuck-up. The croup slopes away from the spine at an angle, but never so steeply as to restrict the rearward thrust of the hind legs. Faults - Weak or slack back; roached back; sloping topline. *Tail* - The well furred tail of fox-brush shape is set on just below the level of the topline, and is usually carried over the back in a graceful sickle curve when the dog is at attention. When carried up, the tail does not curl to either side of the body, nor does it snap flat against the back. A trailing tail is normal for the dog when in repose. Hair on the tail is of medium length and approximately the same length on top, sides and bottom, giving the appearance of a round brush. Faults - A snapped or tightly curled tail; highly plumed tail; tail set too low or too high.

Forequarters: *Shoulders* - The shoulder blade is well laid back. The upper arm angles slightly backward from point of shoulder to elbow, and

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is never perpendicular to the ground. The muscles and ligaments holding the shoulder to the rib cage are firm and well developed.

Faults - Straight shoulders; loose shoulders.

Forelegs - When standing and viewed from the front, the legs are moderately spaced, parallel and straight, with the elbows close to the body and turned neither in nor out. Viewed from the side, pasterns are slightly slanted, with the pastern joint strong, but flexible. Bone is substantial but never heavy. Length of the leg from elbow to ground is slightly more than the distance from the elbow to the top of withers.

Dewclaws on forelegs may be removed. **Faults** -

Weak pasterns; too heavy bone; too narrow or too wide in the front; out at the elbows. Feet oval in shape but not long. The paws are

medium in size, compact and well furred between the toes and pads. The pads are tough and thickly cushioned. The paws neither turn in nor out when the dog is in natural stance.

Faults - Soft or splayed toes; paws too large and clumsy; paws too small and delicate; toeing in or out.

Hindquarters: When standing and viewed from the rear, the hind legs are moderately spaced and parallel. The upper thighs are well muscled and powerful, the stifles well bent, the hock joint well-defined and set low to the ground. Dewclaws, if any, are to be removed.

Faults - Straight stifles, cow-hocks, too narrow or too wide in the rear.

Coat: The coat of the Siberian Husky is double

and medium in length, giving a well furred appearance, but is never so long as to obscure the clean-cut outline of the dog. The undercoat is soft and dense and of sufficient length to support the outer coat. The guard hairs of the outer coat are straight and somewhat smooth lying, never harsh nor standing straight off from the body. It should be noted that the absence of the undercoat during the shedding season is normal. Trimming of whiskers and fur between the toes and around the feet to present a neater appearance is permissible. Trimming the fur on any other part of the dog is not to be condoned and should be severely penalized. **Faults** - Long, rough, or shaggy coat; texture too harsh or too silky; trimming of the coat, except as permitted above.

Color, Patterns and Markings: All ranges of the allowable colors which are black, gray, agouti, sable, red and white. May be solid colored. May have multiple shades. May have white markings. A variety of symmetrical or asymmetrical markings and patterns are common, including piebald. No preference should be given to any allowable color, marking or pattern. Merle or Brindle patterns are not allowable and are to be disqualified. Merle is defined as a marbling effect of dark patches against a lighter background of the same color and is not to be confused with a color patch of banded guard hairs amid white, as is seen in dogs with allowable piebald. Brindle is defined

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as darker and lighter single-colored guard hairs producing a vertical tiger striping, not to be confused with banded guard hairs and a different color undercoat, which may produce some apparent horizontal striping.

Gait: The Siberian Husky's characteristic gait is smooth and seemingly effortless. He is quick and light on his feet, and when in the show ring should be gaited on a loose lead at a moderately fast trot, exhibiting good reach in the forequarters and good drive in the hindquarters. When viewed from the front to rear while moving at a walk the Siberian Husky does not single-track, but as the speed increases the legs gradually angle inward until the pads are falling on a line directly under the longitudinal center of the body. As the pad marks converge, the forelegs and hind legs are carried straightforward, with neither elbows nor stifles turned in or out. Each hind leg moves in the path of the foreleg on the same side. While the dog is gaiting, the topline remains firm and level. Faults - Short, prancing or choppy gait, lumbering or rolling gait; crossing or crabbing.

Temperament: The characteristic temperament of the Siberian Husky is friendly and gentle, but also alert and outgoing. He does not display the possessive qualities of the guard dog, nor is he overly suspicious of strangers or aggressive with other dogs. Some measure of reserve and dignity may be expected in the

mature dog. His intelligence, tractability, and eager disposition make him an agreeable companion and willing worker.

Summary: The most important breed characteristics of the Siberian Husky are medium size, moderate bone, well balanced proportions, ease and freedom of movement, proper coat, pleasing head and ears, correct tail, and good disposition. Any appearance of excessive bone or weight, constricted or clumsy gait, or long, rough coat should be penalized. The Siberian Husky never appears so heavy or coarse as to suggest a freighting animal; nor is he so light and fragile as to suggest a sprint-racing animal. In both sexes the Siberian Husky gives the appearance of being capable of great endurance. In addition to the faults already noted, the obvious structural faults common to all breeds are as undesirable in the Siberian Husky as in any other breed, even though they are not specifically mentioned herein.

Disqualification: Dogs over 23½ inches and bitches over 22 inches, merle, and brindle.

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The American Kennel Club will, at the request of a judge or judge applicant, provide that individual with copies of letters received regarding their judging qualifications. As a result, it should be understood that any such correspondence will be made available, upon request, to the judge or judge applicant.

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The following persons have been approved on a **Permit** basis for the designated breeds in accordance with the current judging approval process. *They may now accept assignments* and the fancy may still offer comments to Judging Operations.

NEW BREED PERMIT JUDGES

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Balance of Hound Group (Azawakh, Cirneco dell'Etna, Grand Bassets Griffons Vendeens, Harriers, Ibizan Hounds, Irish Wolfhounds, Otterhounds, Pharaoh Hounds, Portuguese Podengo Pequenos, Sloughis)

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Balance of Hound Group (Azawakhs, Ibizan Hounds, Pharaoh Hounds, Sloughis), Lagotti Romagnoli, Nederlandse Kooikerhondjes, Great Pyrenees

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DECEASED CONFORMATION JUDGE

Ms. Nancy J. Perrell

REGISTERED HANDLERS

Letters concerning registered handlers and handler applicants should be addressed to the Handlers Department at 8051 Arco Corporate

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Drive, Raleigh, NC 27617.

The American Kennel Club will at the request of a registered handler applicant, provide that individual with copies of letters received regarding their handling qualifications. As a result, it should be understood that any such correspondence will be made available upon request, to the registered handler or handler applicant.

It is the responsibility of all registered handlers to notify the Handlers Department of any changes or corrections to their address, phone, fax or emails. These changes are very important because they affect your handlers record, the Web site and the Handlers Directory. Please notify the Handlers Department at (919) 816 - 3884 or Email handlers@akc.org

NEW REGISTERED HANDLER APPLICANTS

The following persons have submitted an application for the Registered Handler Program.

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Bowie, MD 20721

PROVISIONAL OBEDIENCE/RALLY/TRACKING JUDGES COMPLETED

The following persons have completed their Provisional Judging assignments and their names have been added to the list of regular approved judges.

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Obedience – Open

PROVISIONAL OBEDIENCE/RALLY/TRACKING JUDGES

The following persons have been approved as a judge on a Provisional basis for the class/test indicated in accordance with the Provisional judging system. They may now accept assignments.

None

APPLICATION FOR BREED-SPECIFIC REGISTERED NAME PREFIX

The following applications for a breed-specific Registered Name Prefix have been submitted to The American Kennel Club. Letters in regard to these applications should be addressed to Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary:

ASPEN HILL - Lakeland Terriers - Susan K Munson

BELLESHADE - German Shepherds - Isabel Lopez

BRIARWOOD – Vizslas - Beth McNeish

BRUSHY RUN – Basenjis - Beverly A Bland

CARIBBEAN MIST - Belgian Malinois - Elaine Antonmattei

CHIC CHOIX - Lhasa Apsos - Juha O Kares & Clifton J Kenon, Jr.

COUNTRIDOX – Dachshunds - Tamila L Smith & Joe M Smith

CZECH MATE - German Shepherds - Sarah R Atlas

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FLASHY LABS - Labrador Retrievers - Jill Smith
FOREVR FARM - Australian Shepherds - Kathleen Sumner & Evans Sumner
HARLEQUIN-Dachshunds- Karen R. Scheiner
KAREMY - Labrador Retrievers - Kathy J. Jackson & Jeremy P. Jackson
LAKE KATHYRN - Bernese Mountain Dogs - Andera C. Bracikowski
LONGDOGIA - Dachshunds - Heather Ackby
LOST HERITAGE - Treeing Walker Coonhounds - Cole M. Vanover & Kristin B. Lawless
LOST HERITAGE - Redbone Coonhounds - Cole M. Vanover & Kristin B. Lawless
OUT WEST - Australian Shepherds - Kelly Cooke
PRISTINE – Boxers – Audrey D Kamphenkel & David N Kamphenkel
REMEDY - Australian Shepherds - Katie L Knudtson
RIM COUNTRY - Labrador Retrievers - Darnell M. Ghidotti
SANCTUARY – Bloodhound - Deirdre Rahn & Timothy Rahn
SILVERSHOT'S – Weimaraners - Judy L. Balog & Gerald Gertiser
SIRIUS - English Toy Spaniels - Patricia A. Cox & Beverly H Maurer
SIXX - Australian Shepherds - Angelica L DeMont
STELLAR - Miniature American Shepherds - Lauren Brown
THOROUGHbred - Cane Corso - Jerome Powell Williams

VONBREMEN'S - Rottweilers - Colleen R. Winslow
VON OSTENBERG – Rottweilers - Allison Camper Ostenberg
WILDRIVER – Boxers - Lisa Gottwait
WILLYNWOOD - American Staffordshire Terriers-William F. Peterson

REGISTERED NAME PREFIXES GRANTED

The following applications for a breed-specific Registered Name Prefix have been granted:
AGRA – Australian Shepherds – Jenna M. Crans
ARNAULT – Great Pyrenees – Linda M. Whisenhunt
BELLE SHAIN – Labrador Retrievers & Spinoni Italiani – Frank L. Leatherbury
CRESCENTMOON – Labrador Retrievers – Joe Ricupero
ELEVE – Boxers – Bryce Bonet
ELOQUENT – Papillons – Wendy D. Queiros
FREEDOM PAWS – Golden Retrievers & Shetland Sheepdogs – Tera T. Jurens
KENTFIELD ANNUAL – Labrador Retrievers – Laurie M. Soloski
MIBRE – BASENJIS – Michelle Smith-Barbour & Orestos Rios
NACHES RIVER – Labrador Retrievers – Brandon D. Orser
ONTHEBALL – Australian Shepherds – Lene Whitt
RONARA – Labrador Retrievers – Roni Lao
TRIAD – Pembroke Welsh Corgis – Patty Gailey
VANIER – Pekingese – Laurie L. Lindeman
XINGFU – Chinese Shar-Pei – Jeffrey D. Holton

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**AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB, INC.
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AKC OFFICES AT 101 PARK AVENUE,
NEW YORK, NY AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
JULY 14, 2020**

The Board convened via Video Conference on Monday, July 14, 2020 at 11:02 a.m.

Mr. Sprung was present in the NY Office. All other Directors participated in the meeting by telephone or video conference. The Executive Secretary also participated by video conference.

The May 11, 2020 Board meeting minutes, copies of which had been provided to all Directors, were reviewed.

Upon a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Ms. McAteer, the May 11, 2020 Board meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Mr. Sprung reported that Management continues daily meetings to collaborate between areas of responsibility and plan alternatives for the short and long term. Multiple departments are working together analyzing individ-

ual state regulations and their effect on staff's ability to travel to events and inspections.

There has been very positive feedback from our core constituency on the President's ongoing communications which provides updated information on AKC's efforts on every front.

Departments are running efficiently; some highlights among many others are, increases in each facet of the registration department which will be addressed today by a presentation from Mark Dunn. Public Education has offered 72 breed webinars with 20,875 live attendees and additionally the recordings have been viewed 4,504 times. AKC.org garnered more than 10 million unique people visiting in June which is a 53% year over year increase. Marketplace continues to assist breeders with puppy sales and last month 2 million people went to these pages, a gain of 54% over last year. AKC's Instagram and TikTok accounts entertained additional followers.

Throughout the pandemic AKC.TV produced 42 new episodes. Live coverage is scheduled for the July 25th conformation dog show in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania and the Diving Dogs event in Rock Falls, Illinois on August 2nd.

Virtual events are increasing in popularity as they engage the core constituency and are welcoming of those new to AKC. The first virtual

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conformation show did well; thanks to each Judge including Board members Red Tatro, Rita Biddle and Dr. Charles Garvin. As a result of the show AKC donated \$7,000 from entries to Take the Lead. The next virtual show is in the planning stages for August and a donation will be made to “AKC Reunite Adopt A Canine Program” which will be matched by AKC Reunite.

Finally, Mr. Sprung was happy to announce that a number of former employees were re-hired and positions have been offered to other former staff.

In this challenging environment, AKC is proud and grateful to provide quality services to the fancy as well as those individuals who are new to the dog world.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was an EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss sensitive business matters. Nothing was reported out of this session.

Legal Update:

The Board reviewed a legal update as of June 2020.

FINANCE

Ted Phillips, Chief Financial Officer, provided a financial update for the five months ended May 31, 2020:

YTD Net Operating Income is \$4.637 million which is \$2.05 million higher than the same period in 2019. This is primarily due to higher

revenues from litter and dog registrations, merchandise sales, admissions to Meet the Breeds held in January 2020 and cost containment measures which kept overall costs similar to the same period in 2019. Revenue increases were offset by lower revenue from Recording & Service Fees in 2020.

Comparison to 2020 YTD Budget as of May 31, 2020: Total Revenues were lower than the 2020 budget by \$(879k) or (2.5%). This is primarily driven by declines in event revenues of \$(2.134M) and offset by increased revenue from Registrations & Pedigrees of \$1.584M and Merchandise Sales of \$755k.

Total Expenses were lower than the 2020 budget by \$(4.556M) or (13%). Total Revenues were lower than the 2020 budget by \$(879k) or (2.5%). Increased activity in Registration led to the best May in both Litters and Dogs since 2009 and 2007, respectively.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Mari-Beth O'Neill, Vice President, Sport Services participated in this portion of the meeting.

Australian Terrier Proposed Breed Standard Revision

The Board reviewed the proposed revision to the Tail section of the Australian Terrier Breed Standard as submitted by The Australian Terrier Club of America, Inc. (ATCA). The current standard was approved August 9, 1988.

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Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the proposed standard revision for publication for comment on the Secretary's page of the *AKC GAZETTE*.

Belgian Malinois Proposed Breed Standard Revision

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to the Belgian Malinois Breed Standard as submitted by the American Belgian Malinois Club, Inc. (ABMC). The Board asked staff to go back to the Parent Club for clarification on the proposed changes to the Size, Proportion, Substance; Neck, Topline, Body and Head sections of the Standard. This will be discussed further at a future Board meeting.

Chinook Breed Standard Revision

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to the Chinook breed standard as submitted by the Chinook Club of America (CCA). The current standard was approved November 11, 2009.

Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the proposed standard revisions for publication for comment on the Secretary's page of the *AKC Gazette*.

Siberian Husky Breed Standard Revision

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to the Nose and Color, Patterns and Markings sections of Siberian Husky breed standard as

submitted by the Siberian Husky Club of America (SHCA).

Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the proposed standard revisions for publication for comment on the Secretary's page of the *AKC Gazette*.

Proposed Amendment to Article VIII, Section 7 of the AKC Bylaws

The Board reviewed a proposed amendment to Article VIII, Section 7 of the Bylaws of the American Kennel Club, Inc. which was submitted by the Beaumont Kennel Club in accordance with Article XX, Sections 1 and 3 of the Bylaws.

Article VIII of AKC Bylaws addresses the Nominating Committee and Elections. Currently Section 7 of Article VIII reads: SECTION 7. All elections shall be by ballot.

The wording of the current Bylaw, strictly interpreted, requires AKC to hold an election for Board members even if there are no candidates running in opposition to the Nominating Committee's Slate. The Beaumont Kennel Club is proposing an amendment that will add wording into the Bylaws so that if no valid additional nominations are received by the Executive Secretary; no balloting will be required, and the Nominating Committee's slate shall be declared elected.

This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

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Nominating Committee

The Executive Secretary informed the Board that the Nominating Committee for the March 2021 election of AKC Directors must be appointed by August 15, 2020 and its report must be received no later than October 15, 2020.

Following discussion, the Board elected the Nominating Committee, which is to select candidates for vacancies on the Board of Directors, which are to be filled at the March 2021 meeting. There are four (4) vacancies for the Class of 2025.

Nominating Committee

Ms. Nancy Fisk, Chair, Hockamock KC

Viola Burgos, Naugatuck Valley KC

Eduardo Toshio Fugiwara, Fort Lauderdale
Dog Club

Doug Johnson, Colorado Springs Kennel Club

Harold Miller, American Foxhound Club

Alternates:

Marge B Calltharp, Chinese Shar-Pei Club of
America

Melanie Steele, Abilene Kennel Club

COMPANION and PERFORMANCE

Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events; Dr. Mary Burch, Director, AKC Family Dog Program; Carrie DeYoung, Director, Agility; Pamela Manaton, Director, Obedience, Rally, Tracking; and Caroline Mur-

phy, Director, Performance Events participated in this portion of the meeting via video conference.

Basset Hound Field Trials – Request to Hold Four Trials Per Year

The Board reviewed recommendations from the Basset Hound Club of America to modify the Basset Hound Field Trial Rules to allow a Basset Hound club to hold up to four trials per year, and to modify the Basset Hound Field Trial Regulations to allow dogs running in Small Pack and Large Pack trials to wear different colored collars rather than have a number painted on their sides.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mr. Hamblin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Hamblin, seconded by Dr. Battaglia, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend Chapter 3, Section 1 of Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Basset Hounds to allow each club to hold up to four trials per year.

Chapter 3, Section 1 of *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Basset Hounds*

Chapter 3 Making Application to Hold a Field Trial

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SECTION 1. A club which wishes to hold a licensed or member field trial must apply to The American Kennel Club on a form which will be supplied on request to clubs that meet the requirements of The American Kennel Club. This application will be referred to the Board of Directors of The American Kennel Club which will consider it and notify the club of its approval or disapproval. A licensed or member club is allowed to hold up to four field trials per calendar year.

This will be read at the September Delegates meeting for a vote at the December Delegates meeting.

The Board also VOTED to modify the Field Trial Regulations – Procedures 7B and 8A to allow dogs running in Small Pack and Large Pack trials to wear different colored collars rather than have a number painted on their sides. This change is effective as of communication to the fancy of the change.

Additional Standard Procedures for the Basset Hound Field Trials Run in Small Packs on Rabbit or Hare

Procedure 7-B. The Hounds shall be numbered consecutively as entered, starting with the number “1.” Each Hound shall have its number painted on both its sides with a durable paint, the figures to be at least 3 ½ inches high and clearly visible. The Field Trial Secretary and his assistant, if any, shall be the

only persons to record each number against the name of the corresponding Hound. These numbers shall be used in the drawing and running of the packs and the names of the Hounds must not be used. Alternatively, hounds may wear color coded collars. The colors to be used are Red, White, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange, Pink, Silver or Black.

Procedure 8-A. The Hounds shall be numbered as entered, starting with the number “1.” Each Hound shall have its number painted on both its sides with a durable paint, the figures to be at least 3 ½ inches high and clearly visible. The Field Trial Secretary and his assistant, if any, shall be the only persons to record each number against the name of the corresponding Hound. These numbers shall be used in any drawing and in the running of the packs and the names of the Hounds must not be used. Alternatively, hounds may wear color coded collars. The colors to be used are Red, White, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange, Pink, Silver or Black.

Dachshund Field Trials – Dachshund Club of America Request

The Board reviewed a request from the Dachshund Club of America to make two changes to the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Dachshunds* to permit the use of tracking collars at the option of the host club, and to require one of the two judges of a stake to have the experience of judging at least ten Dachs-

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hund field trials.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the two changes to the Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Dachshunds – Procedure 3. Judging 3-D Collars to permit the use of tracking collars at the option of the host club, and Chapter 5, Section 1 Qualifications to Judge to require one of the two judges of a stake to have the experience of judging at least ten Dachshund field trials.

The changes will become effective December 1, 2020.

PROCEDURE 3. JUDGING

3-D Collars. If a Dachshund under judgment wears a collar, it shall be a well-fitting collar with nothing hanging from it and with no attachments other than tags for identification purposes.

Dachshunds may wear tracking collars at the option of the club. The premium list and event advertising must state that tracking collars are allowed, otherwise they will not be allowed. The collar surface against the dog's neck shall be flat (no protrusions). While the Dachshunds are under judgment, hand-held devices must be turned off. Handheld devices may be turned on only after the Dachshund has been

eliminated from competition by the judges or judgment has ceased.

CHAPTER 5 JUDGES AND THEIR DECISIONS SECTION 1. Qualifications to Judge.

For all regular classes, a judge who has judged less than 10 AKC licensed or member Dachshund field trials must be paired with a judge who has judged 10 or more AKC licensed or member Dachshund field trials.

Assisting Companion Event Clubs and Exhibitors – Waive “Two-Judge” Requirement for 2020

The Board reviewed a recommendation from Staff to waive the “two-judge” requirement in agility, obedience and rally for the remainder of 2020. Many titles in these sports require three passes under at least two different judges. The coronavirus has made it difficult to find judges from outside the club's area, thus limiting the pool of judges available for their events. In some cases, exhibitors are having trouble achieving their titles.

The two-judge requirement applies to the beginning to mid-level titles in agility, obedience and rally – 18 agility titles, 10 obedience titles and four rally titles. Waiving this requirement for the remainder of 2020 when some judges are reluctant to travel will provide exhibitors more opportunities to earn their titles, enabling them to continue their growth in the sport by moving up to the next higher level.

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Following a motion by Dr. Davies, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Carota, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to waive the “two-judge” requirement in agility, obedience and rally for the remainder of 2020. This change is effective retroactively back to events held on or after July 1, 2020.

Agility – Allowing Dogs with Coloring to Participate

The Board reviewed a recommendation to make permanent the current “Pilot Program” regulation that permits Dogs with artificial coloring in their coats to participate in AKC agility trials and ACT tests.

In July 2019 the Board approved a regulation allowing dogs that have been colored to participate in AKC agility events on a one-year trial basis. The Regulations included qualifications meant to prevent extreme cases of coloring. The purpose of allowing dogs that have been colored is to add an element of fun to events through allowing clubs to adopt themes or to encourage dog to “run for the cause” in support of a local activity. During the one-year trial period there have been no issues regarding coloring.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded

by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (In favor: Ms. Biddle, Dr. Battaglia, Mr. Carota, Dr. Davies, Mr. Hamblin, Dr. Knight, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Powers, Mr. Sweetwood, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Tatro, Mrs. Wallin; against: Dr. Garvin) to approve Chapter 4, New Section 12 of *Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Tests*.

CHAPTER 4

New Section 12. Dogs with Coloring.

Dogs with artificial coloring in their coats may participate in AKC agility trials and ACT tests. The coloring must not cover more than one-third of the dog’s coat. Coloring below the hocks and elbows may not be yellow. Colored markings on a dog must not be in poor taste and cannot contain profanity or conflict with a sponsor of a trial. It is the responsibility of the judge to decide if the coloring is acceptable.

North America Diving Dogs Premier Title

The Board reviewed a request from North American Diving Dogs (NADD) that the AKC recognize the new NADD Premier title. This is a title for the dogs that jump over 28 feet. Currently the highest title recognizes dogs that jump over 24 feet. With the increasing number of dogs participating in the sport and the

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growth in private facilities where dogs can practice, dogs are jumping further. NADD would like to acknowledge dogs that jump over 28 feet on five plus occasions by awarding a new Premier title to dogs:

DP title Dock Premier – for dogs that jump over 28 feet on five occasions.

DPA title – Dock Premier Advanced – over 28 feet on 30 occasions.

DPX title – Dock Premier Excellent – over 28 feet on 55 occasions.

DPX# - Every additional 25 jumps over 28 feet will result in a number after the Excellent title. Higher level titles will supersede lower titles on the dog's pedigree.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Ms. McAteer, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED to recognize the new NADD Premier titles. This is an addition to the Title Recognition Program and AKC will start processing NADD Premier titles on October 16, 2020.

Dr. Mary Burch – International Journal of Comparative Psychology

The Board was advised of a research paper by

Dr. Mary Burch which is to be published in the *International Journal of Comparative Psychology*. During the development of the AKC Temperament Test, Dr. Burch conducted research on the history of canine temperament testing. She became fascinated with the question of whether temperament is something that can be modified. If temperament cannot be modified, then a test is predictive. If temperament can be modified, then a test could be prescriptive. She wrote a paper on her research, which has now been accepted for publication in the *International Journal of Comparative Psychology*.

The abstract follows:

Assessment of Canine Temperament: Predictive or Prescriptive?

Mary R. Burch American Kennel Club

Abstract: Canine temperament testing has historically been linked to the predictability of future behavior. A predictive model of canine temperament testing assumes that a dog's behavior in one situation will likely be similar to its behavior in a variety of other situations. An alternative model is proposed for a canine temperament test that could identify areas in which a dog might fail to perform certain test items, but by using modern behavior analysis techniques, behaviors could be modified through a prescriptive approach. This article describes the AKC Temperament Test (ATT), which is the first prescriptive ca-

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nine temperament test. The ATT is designed to provide pet dog owners with information about potential problem areas that can be modified through training.

Dr. Mary Burch – Serving on a National Academy of Sciences Study Review Committee

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (often shorted to the National Academy of Sciences or the National Academies) is a private, nonprofit, nongovernmental institution to advise the nation on issues related to science and technology. It was established in 1863 by an Act of Congress, signed by President Lincoln. The purpose of the National Academy of Sciences is to contribute to the welfare of the nation by providing evidence-based counsel on complex questions in science, engineering, and health. The results of the study process are intended to inform government decision making and increase public understanding.

The Board was advised that The National Academy of Sciences has invited Dr. Burch to participate on the committee to review the Department of Veterans Affairs research study on the “Potential Therapeutic Effects of Service and Emotional Support Dogs on Veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.” The AKC Board extended its congratulations and appreciation to Dr. Burch for her excellent work on behalf of AKC and dogs.

CONFORMATION

Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events; Mari-Beth O’Neill, Vice President, Sport Services; Tim Thomas, Vice President of Dog Show Judges; Glenn Lycan, Director, Event Operations Support; and Alan Slay, Director, Event Programs participated in this portion of the meeting via video conference.

Additional Actions to Assist Conformation Clubs and Exhibitors in 2020

In April and May the Board approved 16 modifications to event policies/procedure for 2020 to provide clubs greater flexibility to hold events and provide increased opportunities for exhibitors.

The Board reviewed three additional modifications recommended by staff that would pertain to conformation events.

1. Allow up to three events offering Championship points at the same site on the same day. At least one of the three competitions must be held by a specialty club.
2. Allow clubs to request an exception to hold their conformation show more than 200 miles outside their territory.
3. Allow clubs to publish in their premium list that the location of the rings, indoors or outdoors, will be determined on the day of the event. Refunds will not be granted based on

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the final location.

Following a motion by Mrs. Wallin, seconded by Dr. Garvin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to separate these matters and consider each recommendation separately.

Number of opportunities to compete in a single day

Many Specialty clubs are seeking to reschedule their shows later in the year in conjunction with all-breed shows. In some cases, this creates a situation where a breed could be shown three times in a day. A number of AKC policies limit the number of events per day offering Championship points to two. Specialty clubs and exhibitors would benefit if the policies were modified to allow up to three events offering Championship points at the same site on the same day.

The Board reviewed a staff recommendation to allow up to three events offering Championship points at the same site on the same day during the 2020 calendar year. At least one of the three competitions must be held by a specialty club.

Following a motion by Mrs. Wallin, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED

(In favor: Ms. Biddle, Mr. Carota, Dr. Davies, Mr. Hamblin, Mr. Powers, Mr. Sweetwood, Mr. Smyth, Mrs. Wallin; against: Dr. Battaglia, Dr. Garvin, Dr. Knight, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Tatro,) to allow up to three events offering Championship points at the same site on the same day during the 2020 calendar year. At least one of the three competitions must be held by a specialty club.

Distance a club may travel outside of its territory to hold an event

In April, the Board approved the following adjustment for 2020: Extend the distance conformation clubs may hold a show outside their territory from 125 miles to 200 miles. This applies to all types of conformation clubs – Specialty clubs, Group clubs and All-breed clubs.

This has allowed some clubs to consider sites and clusters to hold their events in less restrictive areas. The AKC has received requests from clubs where their best or only opportunity is over the 200-mile exception, often by a few miles. Staff recommends allowing clubs to request an exception to hold their conformation show more than 200 miles outside their territory for the rest of 2020.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mrs. Wallin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded

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by Mrs. Wallin the Board VOTED (unanimously) to permit Clubs to request an exception to hold their conformation show no more than 300 miles outside their territory. Staff will review and approve provided the request is reasonable.

AKC Show Manual indoor/outdoor requirement

The AKC Show Manual states that when a combination indoor/outdoor site is used, the breeds and/or classes to be judged outdoors must be specified in the premium list. This allows exhibitors to determine if they want to compete in the situation provided, indoors or outdoors. If a change in location has to be made, exhibitors are entitled to a refund if requested.

COVID regulations continue to change regarding indoor venues. Clubs are requesting they be allowed to state on the premium list that the determination of ring location, indoors or outdoors, will be made on the day of the event and not risk exhibitors cancelling their entries based on a change in location. This provides clubs some flexibility to move forward with their events if they have space for outdoor judging and the restrictions for indoor gatherings have not eased. This also provides exhibitors with the information needed to enter or not, knowing the exact location they will be competing has not been determined.

Following a motion by Mrs. Wallin, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Tatro the Board VOTED (In favor: Dr. Battaglia, Ms. Biddle, Mr. Carota, Dr. Davies, Dr. Garvin, Dr. Knight, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Powers, Mr. Sweetwood, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Tatro, Mrs. Wallin; abstained: Mr. Hamblin) to approve the following policy:

During the calendar year 2020, clubs may publish in their premium list that the location of the rings, indoors or outdoors, will be determined on the day of the event. Refunds will not be granted based on the final location.

Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 16, Section 8 New Paragraph

Dennis Sprung reviewed the recommended changes to Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 16, Section 8. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic occurring in the United States in 2020 many Parent Clubs have been forced to cancel or postpone their 2020 National Specialty.

Staff is recommending an amendment to Rules Applying to Dog Shows, Chapter 16, Section 1, via the incorporation of a new paragraph 8 to permit a 2020 National Specialty to be held in 2021 in addition to a 2021 National

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Specialty.

At the June Dog Show Rules Committee zoom meeting, the Committee voted to request that the Board make an exception to the rules to permit this in 2021. A rule change is required per our Bylaws in order to allow two National Specialties in one year and the offering of reserve majors at each if desired.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting, waiving the normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Carota, seconded by Ms. Biddle the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve an amendment to *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, Chapter 16, Section 1, new paragraph 8 to permit a 2020 National Specialty to be held in 2021 in addition to a 2021 National Specialty.

New Paragraph 8 – A 2020 National Specialty may be held in 2021 in addition to a 2021 National Specialty. If a Parent Club chooses to hold either one or two National Specialties in the 2021 calendar year, the Parent Club may exercise an option with its application to exclude the Reserve Winners three-point major from one or both National Specialties. This paragraph is applicable to 2021 only and will self-eliminate on December 31, 2021.

If approved, Field Trial National Championships held by the Parent Club would also be allowed to hold a 2020 National in 2021 in addition to a 2021 event. (*Pointing Breed Field Trial Rules*, Chapter 14, Sections 8 – 35; *Spaniel Field Trial Rules*, Chapter 15, Sections 23-26; *Lure Coursing Trial Rules*, Chapter 14)

These proposed Rule changes will be read to the Delegates at the September meeting for a Vote at the December meeting and would be effective January 1, 2021 for the 2021 calendar year.

Publishing of the Premium List and the Acceptance of Entries

The Board discussed the situation where premium lists were being published and events were closing in a matter of minutes/hours. Many exhibitors were not aware of the opportunity to enter until after the event had closed due to the entry limit being reached. Staff recommended an additional 2020 Action to help the sport policy to require a minimum delay between the publishing of the premium list and the acceptance of entries.

Publishing of the Premium List and the Acceptance of Entries

In order to provide fair opportunity for all exhibitors to enter upcoming events, premium lists are required to be published at least 72 hours prior to the acceptance of entries. Events whose entries are limited must

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have a defined Date and Time for the opening of entries which is to be prominently displayed in the premium list.

There was no objection to this recommendation.

Standing Approval of Special Attractions

The Board reviewed a Staff recommendation to add UpDog Disc Dog events to the list of Special Attractions with standing approval.

The AKC Board of Directors has established standing approval for common Special Attractions. The AKC has partnered with the UpDog organization in the sport of Disc Dog. The recommendation is that Disc Dog events held under the guidelines of the UpDog organization be added to the list of Special Attractions with standing Board approval.

Without objection, the Sports & Events Department will grant standing approval for Disc Dog

Special Attractions held according to the guidelines of the UpDog organization.

There was no objection to this recommendation.

JUDGING OPERATIONS

Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events; and Tim Thomas, Vice President, Dog Show Judges, participated in this portion of the meeting via video conference.

Conformation Judging Statistics

Judging Operations provides to the Board statistics related to conformation judging applications considered by the Judges Review Committee in the previous three months. The Board reviewed the list of New Breed (NB) and Additional Breed applicants presented for final approval during the months of April - June 2020, and the year-to-date summary statistics for 2020.

FINAL REVIEW ACTION SUMMARY

2020 NEW BREED JUDGING APPLICANTS

	APPLICATIONS						BREEDS		
	Total	Fully Appr.	Limited	Denied	Wthdrn	Held	Req.	Appr.	Pend.
January	4	4	0	0	0	1	6	6	0
February	7	7	0	0	0	1	7	7	0
March	7	6	1	0	0	0	11	9	0
April	5	5	0	0	0	0	7	7	0
May	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
June	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
AB TOTAL	28	27	1	0	0	2	37	35	0

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FINAL REVIEW ACTION SUMMARY

2020 ADDITIONAL BREED JUDGING APPLICANTS

	APPLICATIONS						BREEDS		
	Total	Fully Appr.	Limited	Denied	Wthdrn	Held	Req.	Appr.	Pend.
January	33	30	2	1	0	0	207	195	0
February	18	15	3	0	0	0	98	94	0
March	30	28	2	0	0	1	215	213	0
April	27	23	3	1	0	1	140	131	0
May	24	20	4	0	0	0	133	121	6
June	16	13	3	0	0	0	106	99	3
AB TOTAL	148	129	17	2	0	2	899	853	9

2020 YEAR-TO-DATE

	APPLICATIONS						BREEDS		
	Total	Fully Appr.	Limited	Denied	Wthdrn	Held	Req.	Appr.	Pend.
NB	28	27	1	0	0	2	37	35	0
AB	148	129	17	2	0	2	899	853	9
TOTAL	176	156	18	2	0	4	936	888	9

CLUBS

Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events; and Lisa Cecin, Director, Club Relations, participated in this portion of the meeting via video conference.

Delegates and Member Clubs

The Board reviewed a report on the prospective Delegate credentials to be published in two issues of the AKC Gazette, requests for AKC membership applications,

a report on Member Club Bylaws approved and newly licensed clubs.

Report on Member Clubs Bylaws Approved in May and June 2020

Great Dane Club of America (1893)

Report on Newly Licensed Clubs approved in May and June 2020

Big Apple Working Group Club, greater New York, NY (including communities in

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Long Island and New Jersey, northeast to Manorville, NY, southwest to Stockton, NJ, northwest to New Milford, NJ and southwest to Robbinsville, NJ), 30 total households, 27 local.

Lone Star Dog Obedience Club, greater Dallas, TX (including communities west of I-45/Rte75, east to Rockwall and north to McKinney), 40 total households, 24 local.

Sample Bylaws Committee Update

The Sample Bylaws Study Committee sent a letter via email blast on June 5, 2020 to all member club Delegates, Presidents and Secretaries requesting their input on the club bylaw review and approval process, as well as potential content revisions to the local club sample bylaws and parent club sample bylaws.

AKC's email support team determined that while the email was delivered to all Delegates, some may not have received it possibly due to promotional links and "junk" folders.

The Sample Bylaws Study Committee will resend the letter, include it on the Delegate List, and extend the deadline for input submissions from August 1, 2020 to August 15, 2020.

COMPLIANCE

The following AKC Management actions were reported:

(Final Board Disciplinary actions are reported on the Secretary's Page)

REGISTRATION UPDATE

Mark Dunn, Executive Vice President, presented May YTD Registration data and analysis, including the following:

- May Year-to-Date (YTD) Litter Registration is now 5% better than projected and 7% better than last year.
- May YTD Dog Registration is now 10% better than projected and 12% better than last year.
- May YTD Total Revenue from Registration and related products and services, including DNA, AKC Canine Partners and AKC GoodDog Helpline is \$21.9M, which is 8% better than projected and \$2.8M better than the same period last year.
- Analysis of recent dog registration activity revealed that US households that registered an AKC dog in May were 20% more likely to be new to AKC than during the same month in 2019
- The AKC Call Center has experienced a 15% to 25% increase in daily contact volume during the COVID pandemic driven by increased interest in dog acquisition and dog registration

CONSENT

Following a motion by Dr. Garvin, seconded

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by Mr. Powers it was VOTED (unanimously) to approve the following Consent items:

- Delegate and Club Approvals
- Boerboel Proposed Breed Standard Revision
- Parent Club Request to retire Hetherbull (Bulldog)

Delegate Approvals

The Board VOTED to approve the following individuals to serve as Delegates:

Kathleen C. Gottschalk, East Greenbush, NY
To represent Albany Kennel Club

Debra Jo Ferguson-Jones, Renton, WA,
To represent Richmond Dog Fanciers Club

Dr. Brenda Jean (BJ) Parsons, DVM,
Zirconia, NC
To represent English Setter Association of America

Melissa A. Robison, Sacramento, CA
To represent Santa Cruz Kennel Club

Susan M. Weigel, Allwood, NJ
To represent Saint Bernard Club of America

Request for AKC Membership Approval

The Board VOTED to approve the credentials of the following club which will be VOTED on by the Delegates:

Sherwood Dog Training Club
Focal Point: Sherwood, OR
First License Trial: August 28, 2010
92 Households, 37 Local

Boerboel Proposed Breed Standard Revision

The Board VOTED to approve the proposed revision to the Boerboel standard with an effective date of September 30, 2020. ([see page 62 of this issue for details](#))

Parent Club Request to retire Hetherbull (Bulldog)

The Board VOTED to grant the request from the Bulldog Club of America, Inc., to retire the kennel name "Hetherbull" for Bulldogs.

NEW BUSINESS

September Delegate Meeting

Following a motion by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Ms. McAteer, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to hold the quarterly September Delegate Meeting as a virtual meeting via Zoom technology on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Voting for all planned and published proposed Rule changes will take place in the meeting. Delegate Committee Meetings will be held the week of September 8-11, 2020. Meetings will follow the same format as the June 2020 Committee meetings.

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Vote for Standing Committees in September

Following a motion by Mrs. Wallin, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) that the vote for Standing Committees should be held at the September Delegates meeting in accordance with AKC's Bylaws and the Delegate Committee Standing Rule.

It was VOTED to adjourn Tuesday, July 14 at 5:12 p.m.

Adjourned

Attest:

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary.