ATTENTION DELEGATES
NOTICE OF MEETING
The next meeting of the Delegates will be held at the Doubletree Newark Airport Hotel on Monday, September 12, 2016, beginning no earlier than 10:00 a.m. It will follow the 9:00 a.m. Delegates Forum.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
Hendersonville Kennel Club

DELEGATES CREDENTIALS
Erica J. Behnke, Middletown, OH, Queen City Dog Training Club
Mary-Helene (Mimi) Brown, MD, Phoenix, AZ, Scottsdale Dog Fanciers Association
Barbara L. Burns, Freeport, IL, Rockford-Freeport Kennel Club
Bob Calltharp, East Haddam, CT, South County Kennel Club
Debra Duncan, Lawrence, KS, Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club
James G. Phinizy, Acworth, New Hampshire, Scottish Deerhound Club of America
Sherry Harmon, Roseland, VA, James River Kennel Club
James P. Henshaw, Petersburgh, OH, Mahoning-Shenango Kennel Club
Teresa Vila, Louisburg, NC, Fayetteville Kennel Club
Rhonda Ann Walker, Terre Haute, IN, Terre Haute Kennel Club
NOTICE

As a result of an Event Committee determination the following individuals stand suspended of AKC privileges. It should be noted that this determination may still be appealed and may be reversed. Upon expiration of the appeal process, an appropriate notice describing the status of the individuals’ suspension, if any, will appear in this column:

Ms. Monica Monroe (Haysville, KS)
Ms. Cortney Corral (Wellington, OH)
Ms. Lynette Stewart (Ponchatoula, LA)

NOTICE

Ms. Kathy Hardisty (Jamestown, CA) Action was taken by the Golden Gate Kennel Club for conduct at its January 31, 2016 event. Ms. Hardisty was charged with physical altercation, benching violations, and disregard of published club regulations (e.g., parking, ex-pens, crates in aisle, unauthorized concessions, selling puppies, etc.). The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a two month suspension from AKC event privileges and a $300 fine, effective June 27, 2016. (German Shepherd Dog, St. Bernard)

NOTICE

Ms. Beverly Strange (Savannah, GA) Action was taken by the St. Petersburg Dog Fanciers Association, Inc. for conduct at its June 19, 2016 trial. Ms. Strange was charged with abusive or foul language/verbal altercation. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a reprimand and a $100 fine. (Brussels Griffon)

NOTICE

Ms. Carla Sanchez (Upland, CA) Action was taken by the Mastiff Club of America for conduct at its April 22, 2016 event. Ms. Sanchez was charged with abusive or foul language/verbal altercation. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a one month suspension from AKC event privileges and a $500 fine, effective June 12, 2016. (Multiple Breeds)

NOTICE

Mr. Joseph “Joe” Sanchez (Upland, CA) Action was taken by the Mastiff Club of America for conduct at its April 22, 2016 event. Mr. Sanchez was charged with abusive or foul language/verbal altercation. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a one month suspension from AKC event privileges and a $500 fine, effective June 12, 2016. (Mastiff)

NOTICE

The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Melinda Hicks (Cave Spring, GA) from all AKC privileges for six months and imposed a $500 fine, effective July 11, 2016, for refusal to make her dogs and records available for inspection when requested (Shetland Sheepdog, West Highland
White Terrier)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Deborah Moniz (Westport, MA) from all AKC privileges for five years and imposed a $1000 fine, effective July 11, 2016, for refusal to make her dogs and records available for inspection when requested (Pomeranian)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has reprimanded Ms. Kristina Hedrick (Purcell, OK) and imposed a $100 fine, for her submission of two online dog registration applications without written permission from the co-litter owner. (Australian Cattle Dog)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Catherine Gallihue (Grayson, KY) from all AKC privileges for one year and imposed a $1000 fine, effective August 8, 2016, for non-compliance with AKC’s record keeping and dog identification requirements, and the AKC’s Care and Conditions Policy (unacceptable conditions, dogs and/or facility). (Chihuahua, Yorkshire Terrier)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Amy Davison (Indian Harbour Beach, FL) from AKC registration privileges for one month and imposed a $300 fine, effective August 8, 2016, for her submission of a registration certificate of transfer without written permission from the co-owner. (Bullmastiff)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has reprimanded Ms. Lydia Hovanski-Overman (Saratoga Springs, UT) for submitting or causing to be submitted eight online dog registration applications without written permission of the co-litter owner. (Doberman Pinscher, Smooth Fox Terrier)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has reprimanded Ms. Cynthia Thaxton (Hesperia, CA) for submitting or causing to be submitted three online dog registration applications without written permission of the co-litter owner. (Multiple Breeds)

NOTICE
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Elaine Kmiec (Tomball, TX) from all AKC privileges for ten years and imposed a $2000 fine, effective July 11, 2016, for conduct prejudicial to purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or to the best interests of The American Kennel Club based on her violation of the AKC’s Judicial or Administrative Determination of Inappropriate Treatment Policy. (Collie)
NOTICE

The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Lindsay Sanders (aka Lindsay Tyus) (Youngstown, FL) from all AKC privileges for fifteen years and imposed a $3000 fine, effective July 11, 2016, for conduct prejudicial to purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or to the best interests of The American Kennel Club based on her violation of the AKC’s Judicial or Administrative Determination of Inappropriate Treatment Policy. (Great Dane)

NOTICE

REPRIMANDS AND FINES

Notiﬁcation of reprimands and/or ﬁnes imposed on clubs for late submission of applications, Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 2, Sections 4 and 9.
Mississippi Gulf Coast Toy Breed Club..................
........................................................................$60

Notiﬁcation of reprimands and ﬁnes imposed on clubs for late submission of judges’ panel, Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 4, Section 1.
Monroe Kennel Club ..................................$60
Border Collie Society of America ....................$90
Mississippi Gulf Coast Toy Breed Club.........$60
Crab Orchard Kennel Club .........................$120

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 3 – SECTIONS 4, 5, 7, 17 AND 19 – DOG SHOW CLASSIFICATIONS

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment which was proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee to CHAPTER 3 – SECTIONS 4, 5, 7, 17 and 19, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, to be voted on at the September 12, 2016 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 3

SECTION 4. The Puppy Class shall be for dogs that are six months of age and over, but under twelve months, that are not champions. Clubs may further divide the 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. The age of a dog shall be calculated up to and inclusive of the first day of a show. For example, a dog whelped on January 1st is eligible to compete in a puppy class at a show the first day of which is July 1st of the same year and may continue to compete in puppy classes at shows up to and including a show the first day of which is the 31st day of December of the same year, but is not eligible to compete in a puppy class at a show the first day of which is January 1st of the following year.

In a single show with multiple days of judging, the first day of a show is considered to be the first day on which there is regular conformation judging in accordance with Section 3 of this chapter. (Sweepstakes and Futurities are not considered regular conformation classes.)
SECTION 5. The Twelve-to-Eighteen Month Class shall be for dogs that are twelve months of age and over, but under eighteen months, that are not champions. Clubs may further divide the Twelve-to-Eighteen Month Class into two age groups consisting of twelve months of age and under fifteen months, and fifteen months of age but under eighteen months. The age of a dog shall be calculated up to and inclusive of the first day of a show. For example, a dog whelped on January 1st is eligible to compete in the class at a show the first day of which January 1st of the following year and may continue to compete in this class at shows up to and including a show the first day of which is the 30th day of June of that year, but is not eligible to compete in this class at a show the first day of which is July 1st of that year.

In a single show with multiple days of judging, the first day of a show is considered to be the first day on which there is regular conformation judging in accordance with Section 3 of this chapter. (Sweepstakes and Futurities are not considered regular conformation classes.)

SECTION 7. The Amateur-Owner-Handler class shall be for dogs that are at least six months of age that are not champions. Dogs must be handled in the class by the registered owner of the dog. This class is restricted to exhibitors who have not, at any point in time, been a professional dog handler, AKC approved conformation judge, or employed as an assistant to a professional handler. Additionally, members of the immediate family or household of a current professional handler are ineligible for this class (as defined in Chapter 11, Section 13).

Professional handlers are defined as any person who belongs or has belonged to a professional handlers’ organization, distributed rate cards, or otherwise advertised or represented themselves as handling dogs for pay.

SECTION 17. A club or association holding a show, if it gives brace classes in the several breeds and recognized varieties of breeds, may also give seven brace group classes, not divided by sex; such groups to be arranged in the same order and to comprise the same breeds and recognized varieties of breeds as herein before set forth in Chapter 3, Section 1. All braces of dogs designated by their respective breed judges as Best of Breed or Best of Variety as the case may be at shows at which these brace group classes shall be given, shall be eligible to compete in the brace group classes to which they belong according to this grouping. All entries for these brace group classes shall be made after the judging of the regular classes of The American Kennel Club has been finished and no entry fee shall be charged. In the event that the owner of a brace of dogs designated Best of Breed or Best of Variety shall not exhibit the brace of dogs in the group class to which it is eligible, no other brace of dogs of the same breed or variety of breed shall be allowed to compete.
A brace is defined as two dogs of the same recognized breed or variety that are similar in appearance, performing in unison, and presented by a maximum of two handlers. Both dogs competing in brace competition must have at least one common owner.

**SECTION 19.** A club or association holding a show, if it gives team classes in the several breeds and recognized varieties of breeds, may also give seven team group classes not divided by sex, such groups to be arranged in the same order and to comprise the same breeds and recognized varieties of breeds as herein before set forth in Chapter 3, Section 1. All teams of dogs designated by their respective breed judges as Best of Breed or Best of Variety as the case may be at shows at which these team group classes shall be given, shall be eligible to compete in the team group classes to which they belong according to this grouping. All entries for these team group classes shall be made after the judging of the regular classes of The American Kennel Club has been finished and no entry fee shall be charged. In the event that the owner of a team of dogs designated Best of Breed or Best of Variety shall not exhibit the team of dogs in the group class to which it is eligible, no other team of dogs of the same breed or variety of breed shall be allowed to compete.

A team is defined as four dogs of the same recognized breed or variety that are similar in appearance, performing in unison, and presented by a maximum of four handlers. All dogs competing in team competition must have at least one common owner.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS CHAPTER 6, SECTION 9 – PREMIUM LISTS AND CLOSING OF ENTRIES**

Based upon a Staff recommendation, the AKC Board endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 6, SECTION 9**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, to be voted on at the September 12, 2016 Delegates Meeting.

**CHAPTER 6**

**SECTION 9.** Every premium list shall specify the date and time at which entries for a show shall close. The premium list shall also specify the name and address of the Superintendent or Show Secretary who is to receive the entries. For all shows other than specialty shows, the specified closing date and time must be no later than as outlined in the following schedule: For a show which opens on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, or Monday, entries accepted not later than noon on the third Wednesday prior to the show.

For a show which opens on Tuesday, entries accepted not later than noon on the third Thursday prior to the show.

For a show which opens on Wednesday, entries accepted not later than noon the third Friday prior to the show.
For a show which opens on Thursday, entries accepted not later than noon on the third Wednesday prior to the show.

Clubs in a cluster of no more than five consecutive days have the option of closing no later than noon on the third Wednesday prior to the last show in the cluster.

Whenever the closing day noted above falls on a postal holiday, entries received in any form up to 24 hours from the published closing date and time may be accepted.

**PROPOSED DACHSHUND STANDARD FOR COMMENT**

In accordance with the Guidelines for Breed Standard Revisions this is being published to receive any comments prior to the balloting of the club membership. Any comments may be forwarded directly to:

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**GENERAL APPEARANCE**

Low to ground, long in body and short of leg, with robust muscular development; the skin is elastic and pliable without excessive wrinkling. Appearing neither crippled, awkward, nor cramped in his capacity for movement, the Dachshund is well-balanced with bold and confident head carriage and intelligent, alert facial expression. His hunting spirit, good nose, loud tongue and distinctive build make him well-suited for below-ground work and for beating the bush. His keen nose gives him an advantage over most other breeds for trailing. NOTE: Inasmuch as the Dachshund is a hunting dog, scars from honorable wounds shall not be considered a fault.

**SIZE, PROPORTION, SUBSTANCE**

Bred and shown in two sizes, standard and miniature; miniatures are not a separate classification but compete in a class division for “11 pounds and under at 12 months of age and older.” Weight of the standard size is usually between 16 and 32 pounds.

**HEAD**

Viewed from above or from the side, the head tapers uniformly to the tip of the nose. The eyes are of medium size, almond-shaped and dark-rimmed, with an energetic, pleasant expression; not piercing; very dark in color. The bridge bones over the eyes are strongly prominent. Wall eyes, except in the case of dappled dogs, are a serious fault. The ears are set near the top of the head, not too far forward, of moderate length, rounded, not narrow, pointed, or folded. Their carriage, when animated, is with the forward edge just touching the cheek so that the ears frame the face. The skull is slightly arched, neither too broad nor too narrow, and slopes gradually with little perceptible stop into the finely-formed, slightly arched muzzle, giving a Roman appearance. Lips are tightly stretched, well covering the lower jaw. Nostrils well open. Jaws opening
wide and hinged well back of the eyes, with strongly developed bones and teeth. Teeth—Powerful canine teeth; teeth fit closely together in a scissors bite. An even bite is a minor fault. Any other deviation is a serious fault.

NECK
Long, muscular, clean-cut, without dewlap, slightly arched in the nape, flowing gracefully into the shoulders without creating the impression of a right angle.

TRUNK
The trunk is long and fully muscled. When viewed in profile, the back lies in the straightest possible line between the withers and the short, very slightly arched loin. A body that hangs loosely between the shoulders is a serious fault. Abdomen - Slightly drawn up.

FOREQUARTERS
For effective underground work, the front must be strong, deep, long and cleanly muscled. Forequarters in detail: Chest - The breast-bone is strongly prominent in front so that on either side a depression or dimple appears. When viewed from the front, the thorax appears oval and extends downward to the mid-point of the forearm. The enclosing structure of the well-sprung ribs appears full and oval to allow, by its ample capacity, complete development of heart and lungs. The keel merges gradually into the line of the abdomen and extends well beyond the front legs. Viewed in profile, the lowest point of the breast line is covered by the front leg. Shoulder blades – long, broad, well-laid back and firmly placed upon the fully developed thorax, closely fitted at the withers, furnished with hard yet pliable muscles. Upper Arm - Ideally the same length as the shoulder blade and at right angles to the latter, strong of bone and hard of muscle, lying close to the ribs, with elbows close to the body, yet capable of free movement. Forearm - Short; supplied with hard yet pliable muscles on the front and outside, with tightly stretched tendons on the inside and at the back, slightly curved inwards. The joints between the forearms and the feet (wrists) are closer together than the shoulder joints, so that the front does not appear absolutely straight. The inclined shoulder blades, upper arms and curved forearms form parentheses that enclose the ribcage, creating the correct "wraparound front." Knuckling over is a disqualifying fault. Feet - Front paws are full, tight, compact, with well-arched toes and tough, thick pads. They may be equally inclined a trifle outward. There are five toes, four in use, close together with a pronounced arch and strong, short nails. Front dewclaws may be removed.

HINDQUARTERS
Strong and cleanly muscled. The pelvis, the thigh, the second thigh, and the rear pastern are ideally the same length and give the ap-
pearance of a series of right angles. From the rear, the thighs are strong and powerful. The legs turn neither in nor out. Rear pasterns - Short and strong, perpendicular to the second thigh bone. When viewed from behind, they are upright and parallel. Feet - Hind Paws - Smaller than the front paws with four compactly closed and arched toes with tough, thick pads. The entire foot points straight ahead and is balanced equally on the ball and not merely on the toes. Rear dewclaws should be removed. Croup - Long, rounded and full, sinking slightly toward the tail. Tail - Set in continuation of the spine, extending without kinks, twists, or pronounced curvature, and not carried too gaily.

GAIT
Fluid and smooth. Forelegs reach well forward, without much lift, in unison with the driving action of hind legs. The correct shoulder assembly and well-fitted elbows allow the long, free stride in front. Viewed from the front, the legs do not move in exact parallel planes, but incline slightly inward. Hind legs drive on a line with the forelegs, with hock joints and rear pasterns (metatarsus) turning neither in nor out. The propulsion of the hind leg depends on the dog’s ability to carry the hind leg to complete extension. Viewed in profile, the forward reach of the hind leg equals the rear extension. The thrust of correct movement is seen when the rear pads are clearly exposed during rear extension. Rear feet do not reach upward toward the abdomen and there is no appearance of walking on the rear pasterns. Feet must travel parallel to the line of motion with no tendency to swing out, cross over, or interfere with each other. Short, choppy movement, rolling or high-stepping gait, close or overly wide coming or going are incorrect. The Dachshund must have agility, freedom of movement, and endurance to do the work for which he was developed.

TEMPERAMENT
The Dachshund is clever, lively and courageous to the point of rashness, persevering in above- and below-ground work, with all the senses well-developed. Any display of shyness is a serious fault.

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE THREE COAT VARIETIES
The Dachshund is bred with three varieties of coat: (1) Smooth; (2) Wirehaired; (3) Longhaired and is shown in two sizes, standard and miniature. All three varieties and both sizes must conform to the characteristics already specified. The following features are applicable for each variety:

**Smooth Dachshund:** Coat - Short, smooth and shining. Should be neither too long nor too thick. Ears not leathery. Tail - Gradually tapered to a point, well but not too richly haired. Long sleek bristles on the underside are considered a patch of strong-growing
hair, not a fault. A brush tail is a fault, as is also a partly or wholly hairless tail. Color of Hair - Although base color is immaterial, certain patterns and basic colors predominate. One-colored Dachshunds include red and cream, with or without a shading of inter-spersed dark hairs. A small amount of white on the chest is acceptable, but not desirable. Nose and nails-black. Two-colored Dachshunds include black, chocolate, wild boar, gray (blue) and fawn (Isabella), each with deep, rich tan or cream markings over the eyes, on the sides of the jaw and underlip, on the inner edge of the ear, front, breast, sometimes on the throat, inside and behind the front legs, on the paws and around the anus, and from there to about one-third to one-half of the length of the tail on the underside. Undue prominence of tan or cream markings is undesirable. A small amount of white on the chest is acceptable but not desirable. Nose and nails-in the case of black dogs, black; for chocolate and all other colors, dark brown, but self-colored is acceptable.

Dappled Dachshunds - The dapple (merle) pattern is expressed as lighter-colored areas contrasting with the darker base color, which may be any acceptable color. Neither the light nor the dark color should predominate. Nose and nails are the same as for one- and two-colored Dachshunds. Partial or wholly blue (wall) eyes are as acceptable as dark eyes. A large area of white on the chest of a dapple is permissible.

Brindle is a pattern (as opposed to a color) in which black or dark stripes occur over the entire body although in some specimens the pattern may be visible only in the tan points.

Piebald is a pattern (as opposed to a color) with clearly defined areas and/or patches of white on any allowed one-colored or two-colored dogs. Two-colored piebald patterned dogs must show tan markings on the face and around the anus. Absence of tan markings on the face and around the anus is a disqualification. There are no patches of lighter shad-ings within the colored areas as in the dapple pattern. Ticking in the white areas is acceptable. Eye color, eye rims, nose and lips are well pigmented and in accordance with the base color; eyes are never partially or wholly blue as in the dapple pattern. Head must not be more than 50 percent white and color(s) other than white must cover both ears, back and front, and extend without interruption from the ears over both eyes. A head of more than 50 percent white; or white on any portion of the ears, back or front, or around the eyes is a disqualification. Pure white dogs with no body spots except on the head are to be disqualified. Nails may be partially or wholly white.

Sable - the sable pattern consists of a uniform dark overlay on red dogs. The overlay hairs are double-pigmented, with the tip of each hair much darker than the base color. The pattern usually displays a widow's peak on the head. Nose, nails and eye rims are
black. Eyes are dark, the darker the better.

Colors or patterns other than those specified above are a disqualification.

**Wirehaired Dachshund:** Coat - With the exception of jaw, eyebrows, and ears, the whole body is covered with a uniform tight, short, thick, rough, hard outer coat but with finer, somewhat softer, shorter hairs (undercoat) everywhere distributed between the coarser hairs. The absence of an undercoat is a fault. The distinctive facial furnishings include a beard and eyebrows. On the ears the hair is shorter than on the body, almost smooth. The general arrangement of the hair is such that the wirehaired Dachshund, when viewed from a distance, resembles the smooth. Any sort of soft hair in the outercoat, wherever found on the body, especially on the top of the head, is a fault. The same is true of long, curly, or wavy hair, or hair that sticks out irregularly in all directions. Tail - Robust, thickly haired, gradually tapering to a point. A flag tail is a fault. Color of Hair - While the most common colors are wild boar, black and tan, and various shades of red, all colors and patterns listed above are admissible.

Wild boar (agouti) appears as banding of the individual hairs and imparts an overall grizzled effect which is most often seen on wirehaired Dachshunds, but may also appear on other coats. Tan points may or may not be evident. Variations include red boar and chocolate-and-tan boar. Nose, nails, and eye rims are black on wild-boar and red-boar Dachshunds. On chocolate-and-tan-boar Dachshunds, nose, nails, eye rims and eyes are self-colored, the darker the better.

A small amount of white on the chest, although acceptable, is not desirable. Nose and nails-same as for the smooth variety.

**Longhaired Dachshund:** Coat - The sleek, glistening, often slightly wavy hair is longer under the neck and on forechest, the underside of the body, the ears and behind the legs. The coat gives the dog an elegant appearance. Short hair on the ear is not desirable. Too profuse a coat which masks type, equally long hair over the whole body, a curly coat, or a pronounced parting on the back are faults. Tail - Carried gracefully in prolongation of the spine; the hair attains its greatest length here and forms a veritable flag. Color of Hair - Same as for the smooth Dachshund. Nose and nails - same as for the smooth.

The foregoing description is that of the ideal Dachshund. Any deviation from the above described dog must be penalized to the extent of the deviation keeping in mind the importance of the contribution of the various features toward the basic original purpose of the breed.

**DISQUALIFICATIONS**

Knuckling over of front legs.

In the piebald pattern; absence of tan markings on the face and around the anus, a head of more than 50 percent white, white covering both ears, back
front, or around the eyes, and pure white with no body spots except on the head.

Colors or patterns other than those specified above.

CONFORMATION JUDGES

Letters concerning judges and provisional judges should be addressed to the Judging Operations Department at PO Box 900062, Raleigh, NC 27675-9062. Letters concerning Agility, Obedience, Rally, Tracking, and VST applicants should be addressed to the Companion Events Department in North Carolina.

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.

It is the responsibility of all Conformation and Junior Showmanship judges to notify the Judging Operations Department of any changes or corrections to their address, phone, fax or emails. These changes are very important because they affect your judges’ record, the web site and the Judges Directory. Please notify Judging Operations by email at judgingops@akc.org.

APPLICANTS

The following persons applications have been submitted for the breed(s) specified but they are NOT eligible to accept assignments.

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ASGARD – Shetland Sheepdogs – Kade K. Paasch  
BRIAR RIDGE – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Jacob A. Denuit & Alyssa M. Denuit  
FALCONEER – Whippets – Lesley A. Potts & Calley A. Rupp  
HASHTAG – Beagles – Bryan W. Phillips & Joey R. Fondaw  
HICKORY CREEK – Chesapeake Bay Retrievers – Leah M. Spradlin  
LINGER LONGER – Giant Schnauzers – Zondra Cawein  
RUBYGLEN – Collies & Boxers – Cheryl Matlock  
RUBYHILL – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Lisa G. Bottoms  
SYNERGY – Weimaraners – Cynthia E. Hodges  
UPLANDER – Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retrievers – Michael H. Acker  
WILDROSE LE – Poodles – Linda C. Wildman  
WILDWIND – Belgian Sheepdogs – Larry J. Machovec, Jr., MD  
WOODWIN – Australian Shepherds – Terri K. Collins & Karen M. Mallory  
YKNOT – Boxers – Matthew L. Kaminkow
The Board convened on Monday July 11, 2016 at 8:03 a.m. All Directors were present, as were the Executive Secretary, the Assistant Executive Secretary, the Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel, as well as the Executive Vice President and Chief Growth Officer.
The May 2016 Board minutes, copies of which were made available to all Directors, were discussed. Upon a motion by Mr. Arnold, seconded by Dr. Battaglia, the May 2016 minutes were unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
There was an Executive Session to discuss sensitive business matters.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Board Action Items - Status Report
Mr. Sprung reviewed Action Items, and reported on staff initiatives.

Action by the China Kennel Union
The Board discussed the policy adopted by the China Kennel Union (CKU), an FCI member club, suspending and cancelling the registrations of any registrant with CKU or participant in CKU activities who participate in any activity organized by AKC, including events held in the United States. This will be discussed further.

FIDO TV
Tad Walden, the CEO of FIDO TV, gave the Board an update. He outlined the platforms for FIDO, which is television, web and mobile. Current providers include: DISH TV, Google Fiber, Century AT&T, and Link Prism. FIDO is currently in negotiations to add such providers as Verizon Fios, Direct TV, Charter, and has already added Amazon Prime (a $3.99 monthly subscription fee).
Mr. Walden reported on the various negotiations in progress with content carriers (including Comcast, Direct TV, Charter, Cox and others), it is his belief that by this fall 2016, Fido TV will have turned a corner in generating revenues.
Current programing plans include shows on:
• The Breed For You
• Training Rescue Dogs
• Pick a Puppy
• Bark Tank (a contest related to dog products)
• Wolf Daddy
• Dogs of the Secret Service
• Dog’s Best Friend
• Best of Dog Videos

Legal Status Report
Ms. McManus, Deputy General Counsel,
presented a status report on pending litigation and other Legal activities for the months of May and June 2016.

Arbitration and Mediation Program

The Board has asked for an arbitration procedure that could address disputes the AKC encounters in all sectors, whether AKC is a party to the dispute or not. The full range of such disputes is extensive and, in most cases, the parties have not sought AKC assistance. At the July 7-8, 2003 AKC Board meeting, the Board voted to insert specific mandatory arbitration language in all official AKC entry forms and the registration applications. The Board subsequently allowed clubs to opt-out of arbitration in its premium lists. The Board discussed the various options proposed by staff to address other disputes.

Staff explained that it always wants AKC to be out front in helping clubs and club members to resolve their non-AKC disputes, i.e., disputes in which AKC is not a direct party and do not involve AKC disciplinary matters. In this connection, staff recommended an option that would address specifically two types of non-AKC disputes – (i) internal arguments over club bylaw provisions, parliamentary and policy matters; and (ii) private arguments over ownership – because these are the only non-AKC disputes that occasionally are raised with AKC staff.

Following a motion by Mr. Feeney, seconded by Mr. Gladstone, it was VOTED (unanimously) to adopt the following staff recommendations with an implementation date to be determined when staff has finalized the details:

AKC Informal Steps, Followed By CPR Institute’s Dog-Dispute Specific Med-Arb Processes.

As an initial step, AKC staff should continue its efforts to resolve informally these two categories of non-AKC disputes – (i) internal arguments over club bylaw provisions, parliamentary and policy matters; and (ii) private arguments over ownership. For those (difficult) disputes that remain unresolved, AKC should offer and encourage post-dispute (voluntary) binding arbitration (and non-binding mediation preceding arbitration) through an outside, expert provider of neutral dispute resolution services. The post-dispute mediation and arbitration processes should be tailored to club and dog-related disputes and not be administered through costly, generic processes available through the American Arbitration Association.

The General Counsel has had considerable experience (over 40 years) in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution (including mediation, arbitration and other forms of private resolution processes outside of court) (“ADR”) and sits on the Board of Directors of the International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (“CPR Institute”) that is headquartered in New York City (30 East 33rd Street; www.cpradr.org). CPR Institute is an independent, nonprofit ADR
provider offering innovative, practical arbitration, mediation and other dispute resolution processes as well as the services of neutrals. CPR Institute has the advantages of flexibility and cost and has offered to administer a voluntary mediation and arbitration program that is tailored to the needs of the AKC community. CPR is willing to help design and administer processes that would meet AKC’s specific needs.

A voluntary mediation and arbitration program that is tailored to club- and dog-related disputes will be beneficial to all parties. Having a prestigious third-party provider administer such a program, among others things, would enhance the credibility of the program, especially if the party disappointed with the result should decide to second-guess the process. Moreover, as a consequence of AKC’s earlier efforts to resolve these disputes, AKC staff should not formally arbitrate these disputes because that alternative may give the appearance of a conflict that should be avoided – in other words, the AKC staff may not be seen as being a perfectly neutral arbitor of the same dispute once one party believes that AKC staff has been positioned by the other party to informally advise on or resolve that dispute (and regardless of what AKC staff has or has not actually done).

The AKC-designed program the Board is adopting would operate, in broad scope, as follows:

- If informal attempts to resolve either club or registration matters fail within the AKC, the parties would be advised of AKC’s reliance upon the CPR Institute and the ability of the parties to mediate or arbitrate their dispute through the CPR Institute’s dog-related procedures.
- The AKC would provide a link from its website to CPR so visitors to our site could go directly to CPR without previously contacting AKC. CPR would set aside a dedicated page for dog-related disputes, as well; and we would work with CPR to design that dedicated page, including its name.
- AKC would create a simplified set of procedures for expedited mediation and arbitration parallel to CPR’s currently published Fast Track Rules. These procedures would be administered by CPR.
- The mediators and arbitrators would be the AKC Trial Board Chairs as well as former employees of AKC’s Legal department, (and possibly others who are qualified) if they agree. Over time, other former AKC employees of stature and experience could be added.

The benefits of CPR’s administration of the mediation or arbitration program, by contrast to the possibility of going to a three-person Trial Board or the more cumbersome AAA,
would be as follows:

- the ability to have mediators and arbitrators with backgrounds in the sport and with AKC;
- the lower cost to the AKC-related user;
- the flexibility that CPR has shown in offering to administer a system we will jointly design;
- maintaining the impartiality of a program administered by a truly neutral and accomplished third-party provider;
- CPR’s standing and experience in administering arbitrations;
- the deference courts would give to the outcome of a mediation or arbitration administered by an experienced, neutral third-party organization; and
- the lower cost to the participants, versus AAA.

The programs, once implemented, would be purely voluntary. Although AKC would undertake the initial cost of establishing the program with CPR, the parties themselves would split the cost of the mediator or arbitrator and for CPR’s administration of the individual case.

AKC should not attempt to compel mediation or arbitration of the larger variety of disputes in which the AKC is not a party (i.e., the types of disputes summarized under the heading of “Broad Categories of Dog-Related Disputes to Which AKC is Not a Party” in the memo presented by staff). Court challenges are a distinct possibility, if not inevitable, inasmuch as the AKC is not a direct party to these disputes. Moreover, there has been little, if any, regular interest in having AKC intervene (especially by contrast to garden-variety disputes over internal club and dog ownership matters).

AKC should monitor further the subject of whether there are other dog-related disputes for which mediation and arbitration would be advisable and enforceable. In addition, Legal should assess any experience under the AKC’s CPR Institute program. Legal will report back to the Board after a year of experience following implementation.

AKC will update and reissue its eight-year-old pamphlet entitled, “Working It Out – AKC Guidelines for Resolving Dog Club Issues,” after implementation of the new CPR program. The revised pamphlet should recommend the mediation and arbitration of co-ownership disputes, as well.

**Board Tracking Report**

The Board reviewed a tracking report of high impact staff projects that have been Board approved.

**FINANCE**

Joseph Baffuto, CFO, presented unaudited financial results through the six-month period
ending June 30, 2016. Total revenues for the period were $32.4 million, which represented a 4.2% increase over budget and 7.5% greater than the previous year. Registration-related revenues along with Royalties & Sponsorship represent the largest revenue areas of positive performance through the first half of the fiscal year. Total operating expenses of $28.9 million were 5.6% below budget, but 10.9% above the preceding year’s expenses. Operating income as of June 30, 2016 was $3.4 million which was favorable compared to the budget for the period, but slightly below the prior year.

**AKC CANINE HEALTH FOUNDATION**

Mr. Sprung brought up a request from the AKC Canine Health Foundation to address the terms of the current MOU, item 12 (“The AKC contribution shall be used exclusively for grants except that an annual, mutually agreed portion of the contribution may be used for grant administration expense”) on the 2016 AKC contribution.

Following a motion by Mr. Ashby, seconded by Mr. Feeney, it was VOTED (unanimously) to permit the AKC Canine Health Foundation to allocate 5% of AKC’s 2016 new/lapsed donor match donation to grant administrative costs rather than to grants.

**PUBLIC EDUCATION**

Brandi Hunter, Vice President Public Relations, and Davis Alexis, Public Education Administrator, participated in this portion of the meeting.

There was an update on a number of new programs, including:

- Kid’s Corner
- Vet’s Corner
- The donation of books to school libraries
- The Girl Scout patch program
- The development of dog-related lesson plans for teachers
- An AKC online video library

There have also been enhancements to existing programs, including:

- A better organization of available printed publications for download
- A separate listing for available Spanish language publications
- Updating the Canine Ambassador Program
- Meet the Breeds

**BUSINESS UPDATE**

Alexandra Aleskovsky, Executive Vice President and Chief Growth Officer gave the Board an update.

Revenues for the first six months of 2016 compared to the same period in 2015 are up by 10.8%. Web traffic is up by 65% as compared to 2015 and Marketplace sessions are up by 67% year over year.

**Registration**

Year to Date litter registrations are up 7% and
dog registrations are up 9% over 2015. Pedigree revenues are 10% higher than in 2015. This continued upward trend suggests we may be at a tipping point for purebred dogs returning as the dog of choice for family companions and a demonstration that many of our initiatives are having a positive impact on achieving our mission.

**Marketing**
For Marketplace, litter opt-ins increased to 12% for June and 2016 revenue is up by 44% compared to 2015. AKC’s E-newsletters achieved the highest ever open rate and click thru rate of 43% and 22% for June.

**Social**
AKC has been continuously expanding its reach. Total Social followers are up 22% to 3.7MM from 2015. A video on fruits and vegetables that are healthy for dogs reached over 9 million people. AKC did a Facebook interactive live stream with a veterinarian on summer safety tips and additional live stream concepts are being developed. The success and continued growth of our social media efforts is extending our brand and thus awareness of The American Kennel Club to an entire new group of followers.

**AKC.ORG**
AKC has engaged Com Score, a leader in measuring digital audiences, to assist in measuring the penetration of AKC.org and to use this data to both inform our akc.org development efforts and to provide the value proposition advertisers are looking for when they make ad placement decisions on akc.org. Currently AKC.ORG is currently ranked #3 among dog sites and #8 among all pet sites. And, most importantly, AKC.org ranks #1 in engagement metrics.

**E-commerce**
The AKC Store has expanded to include additional grooming, accessories, and jewelry products. E-Commerce revenue for 2016 is up by 93% for the same period in 2015. By offering a well curated selection of products the intent is to continue to grow this important part of our revenue streams.

**Business Development**
A number of corporate sponsorships have been expanded and additional opportunities are being evaluated. AKC Pet Care LLC is moving forward on schedule with architectural and engineering plans completed and selection of General Contractor in-progress.

**Technology Services**
Critical hires and projects to facilitate strategic cloud migration are underway. A Business Intelligence project with the goal of enhancing and personalizing relationships with our growing customer base by developing full view of the customer and is under development.

**TECHNOLOGY UPDATE**
Aiden Colie, Senior Vice President, Technology, gave the Board an update.

**Goals**
The goals of the AKC Technology Services are:

• Build a team and create processes that support the AKC vision
• Develop a business environment which supports career and technical growth of staff
• Transform AKC technologies to provide more business value.

Mr. Colie comes to AKC with a track record of reducing the costs of technology services while at the same time expanding their impact on the business in a way that improves overall business performance. Significant cost avoidance has already been achieved. There is a focus also on minimizing risk to ongoing business operations. The Board was pleased with the direction and asked for periodic updates on progress. The Board adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Meeting reconvened on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 8:00 am.

Real Estate Report
Representatives of CBRE, the Gensler Architect Company, and Aequitas were present for this portion of the meeting which was conducted in EXECUTIVE SESSION.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Doug Ljungren, AKC Vice President Sports, Events, Mari-Beth O’Neill, Vice President Sport Services, and Lisa Cecin, Director of Club Relations were present for this portion of this meeting. Sheila Goffe, Vice President Government Relations, participated by video conference.

Nominating Committee
The Executive Secretary informed the Board that the Nominating Committee for the March 2017 election of AKC Directors must be appointed by August 15, and its report must be received no later than October 15, 2016. Following discussion, the Board elected the Nominating Committee, which is to select candidates for positions on the Board of Directors, Class of 2021, which are to be filled at the March, 2017 Delegate Meeting:

Nominating Committee
Patti L. Strand, Chair
Robert Amen
Karen Burgess
John Lyons
William B. Tabler, Jr.,

Alternates
James Efron
Betty M. Winthers

Dachshund Proposed Breed Standard Revision
The Dachshund Club of America (DCA) submitted the proposed revisions to the Color and Disqualifications sections of the Smooth Dachshund breed standard. The current standard was approved by the AKC Board January 9, 2007. Following a motion by Mr.
Dok, seconded by Mr. Menaker, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to publish these revisions on the Secretary’s Page for comment, in accordance with the procedures for a breed standard revision.

**German Shorthaired Pointer Proposed Breed Standard Revision**

The Secretary of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America, Inc (GSPCA), received a petition on May 17, 2016 signed by 198 members of the club, which requests a change in the breed standard to include the color black as an allowed color and that a black dog would have black nose pigment. This petition meets the GSPCA bylaw requirement that amendments to the Breed Conformation Standard may be proposed by the Board of Directors or by written petition addressed to the Recording Secretary signed by ten percent (10%) of the membership in good standing.

Following a motion by Dr. Davies, seconded by Mr. Menaker, the Board VOTED unanimously to allow the GSPCA to proceed to ballot the membership on the proposed standard revisions to the Head, Color, and Disqualifications sections of the breed standard.

**Lagotto Romagnolo Club of America - Application for Member Status**

The Board reviewed the application for Membership status which was submitted by the Lagotto Romagnolo Club of America. The member club application has been published in two issues of the AKC Gazette. Following a motion by Mr. Wooding, seconded by Ms. Cruz, the Board VOTED (affirmative: Mr. Wooding, Ms. Cruz, Ms. McAteer, Dr. Davies, Dr. Battaglia, Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Feeney, Mr. Dok, Mr. Ashby, Mr. Menaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Kalter; opposed: Dr. Garvin) to deny approval of the application for Member Club status at this time. The Lagotto Romagnolo Club of America must first, hold a proper election in accordance with the club’s bylaws, which shall be reported to AKC. The Board would then reconsider the membership application.

**Canine Legislation Position Statement on Pet Choice**

The Board reviewed a memo which provided recommendations for a new canine legislation position statement on “Pet Choice” stating AKC support for individual freedom of choice in selecting a pet, and opposition to legislation that seeks to ban the sale of pets from USDA-compliant licensed professional breeders at retail pet shops. This position statement is important because it provides a foundation for AKC GR to advocate clearly and strongly for responsible pet choice regardless of where the prospective pet owner chooses to obtain a pet (including breeders, retailers, responsible rescues or other sources).

The underlying position is important because it demonstrates AKC’s commitment to protecting the future of purebred dogs as small breeders continue to come under regulatory pressure. This will be discussed
further at the August meeting.

Proposed Bylaw Amendment (Parent Club Membership)
The Board reviewed a proposed amendment to ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP, Sections 1 and 7, of the Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club which was submitted by the Catoctin Kennel Club which intends to facilitate the election of Parent Clubs to membership. The amendment would add wording such that concurrent with breed recognition by the AKC Board of Directors, that breed’s parent Specialty Club shall become a member club, subject only to the requirements of ARTICLE IV, Sections 2 and 3.

It would also require that when a Parent Club is not approved for membership by the Board, a reason would need to be given and provides an appeal process to Parent Clubs only. This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

New Breed for Foundation Stock Service® - Braque Francais Pyrenean
The Board was advised that the Staff Foundation Stock Service (FSS) Committee recently approved a petition for the Braque Francais Pyrenean to be accepted into the FSS program.

New Breed for Foundation Stock Service® - Pudelpointer
The Board was advised that the Staff Foundation Stock Service (FSS) Committee recently approved a petition for the Pudelpointer to be accepted into the FSS program.

Parent Club Designation for Russian Toy
The Board was advised that the Russian Toy Club of America has submitted a request to be designated as the Parent Club for the breed, allowing them to hold Open Shows. The Russian Toy Club of America has an active membership participating in Companion Events and FSS Open Shows when available. The club provides regular updates on club activities and Board Meetings.

In March of 2013, the AKC Board was presented with a request to select a Parent Club for the Breed between the Russian Toy Club of America and the Russian Toy Dog Club of America.

There was no objection and the Russian Toy Club of America shall be designated as the Parent Club representing the Russian Toy with the AKC.

COMPANION & PERFORMANCE

Doug Ljungren, Vice President Sports and Events and Carrie DeYoung, Director of Agility participated in this portion of the meeting. Pamela Manaton, Director of Obedience, Rally and Tracking, participated by video conference.

Formation of Rally Clubs
The Board reviewed a recommendation to amend the current Rally regulations to allow for the accreditation of clubs formed for the purpose of holding Rally trials. Given that Rally is now a stand-alone sport, it should be
clearly stated in the regulations that AKC is welcoming of new clubs if their desire is to hold Rally trials. This action is part of the larger Sports and Events initiative to make it easier for clubs to join the AKC and hold AKC events. Staff was to determine the impact this would have on existing Obedience Clubs, which also hold Rally events and to report back to the Board.

**Formation of Coursing Ability Clubs**
The Board reviewed a recommendation to allow for the accreditation of clubs formed for the purpose of holding licensed Coursing Ability Test (CAT) events. The current CAT Regulations do not specifically state that AKC will accredit clubs that are solely formed to hold CAT events. All CAT events are currently held by clubs formed primarily for another purpose. The sport has grown to the point to justify the formation of CAT clubs. This will be discussed with the Delegate All-Breed Club and Herding, Earthdog, and Coursing Events Committees.

**Poodles Eligible to Participate in the Spaniel Hunting Tests**
The Board reviewed a recommendation to permit miniature and standard size Poodles to be eligible to enter the Spaniel Hunting Test program. Titles earned in Spaniel Hunting Tests will be designated with a “U” to differentiate the title from those earned in Retriever Hunting Tests (example: JHU). Poodle clubs with documented experience in upland hunting activities can apply to become licensed to hold Spaniel Hunting Tests for tests held after the effective date of this recommendation.

This will be discussed further at the August meeting. If approved the recommendation would become effective with the Spaniel Hunting Test held in conjunction with the PCA National Specialty in April 2017.

**Agility - Participant Comments**
The Board reviewed a document that shared Agility participants’ opinions about the different organizations that offer agility competitions including AKC.

**JUDGING OPERATIONS**
Doug Ljungren, Vice President Sports and Events, participated in this portion of the meeting. Tim Thomas, Director Dog Show Judges, and Leslie Fetzer, Education Project Manager, participated by video conference.

**The Grading of Online Breed Standard Examinations**
The Board reviewed a staff proposal to modify the criteria used to determine the requirement to pass the open book breed standard request. The tests have already been modified to remove all leading “none of the above” or “all of the above” answers. Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Kalter, the revised recommendation below was VOTED (unanimously; absent: Mr. Feeney).

Following a motion by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Mr. Gladstone, it was VOTED (unanimously
to keep it as two missed questions being considered a failure.

**RECOMMENDATION**

As a result of this review, Staff is requesting the Judges Review Committee endorse the following recommendation to revise the section related to Breed examinations included current Judging Approval Process (page 6 of 13) to the following. **Effective date of the revision is to coincide with the launch of the AKC Canine College.**

**Breed Examinations**

Currently reads:
Successful completion of an open book breed examination shall be required of each applicant for each breed for which Permit status is requested or for which group approval is requested without breed approval. An application fee of $25 per breed shall be required of each application. In the event that Permit status for a breed is not granted, any fee paid shall be a credit for any future breed application.

The examination answer sheet and fee shall be submitted with each application for each breed or Group. Link to breed exams: [http://www.akc.org/judges/guides/](http://www.akc.org/judges/guides/)

Two or more missed questions or missing one DQ question is considered failing an exam. The judge will be advised to retake the breed exam. If the exam is not passed on the second attempt it will result in the denial of the breed application for six months. Judges may apply for approval of affected breed(s) after six months and a realistic effort to educate themselves.

**Recommended Revision:**

Successful completion of an open book breed examination shall be required of each applicant for each breed for which Permit status is requested or for which group approval is requested without breed approval. An application fee of $25 per breed shall be required of each application. In the event that Permit status for a breed is not granted, any fee paid shall be a credit for any future breed application.

The examination and applicable fee shall be completed online in AKC’s Canine College as required with each application for each breed or Group. Link to AKC Canine College: [http://www.caninecollege.akc.org](http://www.caninecollege.akc.org). Breed exams not yet available in the Canine College are available on the AKC website or upon request from Judging Operations.

Two or more missed questions or missing one DQ question is considered failing an exam. The judge will be advised to retake the breed exam. If the exam is not passed
Rules, Policies & Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges

The *Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges* is a handbook for all judges and aspiring judges that summarizes Rules, Policies and Guidelines as they relate to procedure and conduct. The Judging Operations Department reviewed the current booklet and is recommending modifications to provide greater clarity as far as AKC’s expectations of its judges in the areas of procedure and conduct and to be consistent with current policy. The Board reviewed the memorandum which contained recommended revisions to specific sections of the Rules, Policies and Guidelines for

### 2016 Year to Date Approval Statistics

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Conformation Dog Show Judges. This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

**Conformation Judging Statistics**
The Board reviewed statistics related to conformation judging applications considered by the Judges Review Committee in the previous three months. They were presented with the list of New Breed (NB) and Additional Breed applicants presented for final approval during the months of April - June, 2016.

**CONFORMATION**
Doug Ljungren, Vice President Sports and Events, Mari-Beth O’Neill, Vice President Sport Services, Glenn Lycan, Director Operation Support, Alan Slay, Director Event Programs, and Bri Tesarz, Manager Dog Show Rules, participated in this portion of the meeting via teleconference.

**Reinstatement Procedures**
There was a discussion on procedures for the reinstatement of a dog disqualified for attacking. At the June 2016 Delegate Meeting, it was reported that the following steps have been taken:

- AKC took out an accident insurance policy to cover all judges at AKC events.
- Criteria was established for proof of insurance by the owner of the dog being considered for reinstatement.
- A disqualified dog must immediately leave the grounds. The same is true for a reinstatement examination.

- A club will be notified two weeks in advance of a reinstatement procedure at its show, and the club may agree or disagree to it.

The Board considered a requirement that a DNA swab be taken of any dog disqualified for attacking at a show. The dog would also be DNA swabbed at the time of the reinstatement procedure. The fee for reinstatement would be raised to $500 to cover all costs of the reinstatement procedure. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

**Non-Regular Classes**
The Board considered a proposal to permit spayed bitches and neutered dogs to compete in all Non-Regular Classes for single dog entries at independent Specialty Shows. The proposal had been discussed at the Delegate Parent Clubs Committee in June and Board input was being sought.

Currently, spayed bitches and neutered dogs may only compete in the Veterans Class and as the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch in the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch Classes. Extending this to other Non-Regular Classes would thus entail a rule change. Staff was directed to explore the idea and to report back to the Board.

Government Relations was to be consulted to determine what if any impact this might have on our legislative position on mandatory spay/neuter.

**All-Breed Show Judging Procedures**
Staff was directed to look into developing a
proposal to address the perception that current scheduling in judging programs results in unnecessary delays in judging and in events ending unnecessarily late. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

**Closing Date for Conformation Entries**

Following a motion by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Mr. Gladstone, the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent Mr. Feeney) to amend *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* Chapter 6, Section 9 – Premium Lists and Closing of Entries, to change the time of closing for entries to “no later than 11:59PM”. The Board discussed the fact that entries received past the current closing time were few and the ability to provide more flexibility was important to our Club’s exhibitors (customers). In addition, it was noted this will have a positive impact on the sport by adjusting the closing time to benefit the trend in entries towards electronic submission.

This rule change will be read at the September Delegates meeting and voted at the December Delegates meeting. If approved, it will become effective on January 1, 2017.

**Limited Number of Events Policy**

In May 2016, the Board approved an addition to the Limited Number of Events Policy to include optional criteria of road mileage between show sites. In order to balance with the existing policy of 75 straight-line miles between territories the optional criteria for isolated status would be 100 driving miles between show sites.

Following the May meeting a request was made to further reduce the driving mileage between show sites to 75 miles. This change will provide additional clubs the opportunity to apply for isolated status. In an analysis of potential shows sites it was determined that 47 sites/clubs may be allowed to hold additional shows at their show sites by decreasing the driving mile threshold to 75. (This includes 21 clubs currently considered isolated in the continental US). When compared to the 100 mile driving distance this is an increase from 9 additional potential isolated sites to 26 additional potential isolated sites (in addition to the clubs determined isolated, based on 75 straight-line miles between territories).

Following a motion by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Mr. Dok, it was VOTED (affirmative: Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Dok, Ms. Cruz, Mr. Wooding, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Menaker, Mr. Kalter, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Ashby, Dr. Battaglia, Dr. Davies, opposed Dr. Garvin; absent: Mr. Feeney) to further reduce the 100 driving mile option to 75 miles, the updated policy follows:

**Limited Number of Events Policy** (April 2009 Board meeting. Amended March 2015 Board meeting, Amended July 2016 Board meeting)

A local all-breed or limited-breed club has the option to hold two shows in a calendar
year. Local specialty clubs have the option to hold shows on two days per year. Local specialty clubs holding two days of shows per year have the option to hold one additional show in conjunction with their breed’s national specialty. There is no limit on national clubs. All-breed clubs in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and geographically isolated clubs and or show sites have the option to hold up to four shows. Show or obedience clubs have the option to hold any number of obedience trials.

Geographically isolated clubs are determined by: no AKC club within 75 straight-line miles between territories unless the clubs show site is greater than 75 driving miles from the nearest show site. Google maps will be used to consider the show site to show site option.

**AKC NOHS Program Enhancements**

The AKC National Owner-Handled Series (NOHS) continues to gain popularity with exhibitors, resulting in an increasing number of clubs offering the NOHS at their events. Based on feedback from participants and Executive Field Representatives (EFR), staff recommends the following changes to be effective January 1, 2017:

1. Convert the NOHS Policies & Best Practices into NOHS Regulations. By converting the policies and best practices into regulations, there will be more consistency in how clubs administer the NOHS.

2. Add more structure to the NOHS judging panel requirements. Staff is recommending the following changes to the NOHS judging panel requirements which will be programmatically enforced:
   a. Require a different judge to be assigned to the same NOHS group for each day of a weekend/cluster/circuit (approved by the Board at the April 2016 meeting).
   b. Require a different judge to be assigned to the regular and NOHS group/BIS at an event.
   c. Judges will not be approved to judge a breed, the NOHS Variety Group of which the breed is a part and NOHS Best in Show at the same show.

The Board also felt that there should be a limit on the number of NOHS groups that a judge could do at a show and staff was asked to include a proposal on this matter in August. This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

**Conformation Junior Showmanship, Canine Partner**

The Board reviewed a staff recommendation that proposes to increase the participation in the current AKC National Junior Organization by allowing Juniors with AKC Canine Partners listed dogs to compete in Conformation Junior Showmanship. The implementation of allowing Juniors to handle an AKC Canine Partners-listed dogs will bring new young
people, enhanced our ability to work with 4H Clubs as well as their families into the AKC, which will support the future of clubs and events. If this were adopted the Junior would disclose to the Judge which purebred dog they associate with their dog and it would be presented to the judge as that breed. If approved, this would become effective January 1, 2017. This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

**Junior Showmanship Regulations Minimum Age**
The Board reviewed a Staff recommendation to revise the Regulations for Junior Showmanship, Section 5, to reduce the minimum age to 8-years old. Additionally, Staff recommends the approval of a revision to the Junior Showmanship Judging Guidelines, Section 6, Judging Routine, to state that, at the judge’s discretion, a ramp may be used instead of a table for all dogs normally judged on a table. If adopted the PeeWee special attraction would end at seven years of age. This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

**Growth Strategy for the AKC National Junior Organization**
The Sport Services Staff proposes to increase the participation in the current AKC National Junior Organization by researching a number of new initiatives and launching those that will have the most positive impact. Some of these initiatives are:

1. Survey current Junior participants to gain additional knowledge about current participants.
2. Reduce minimum age of participants in Junior Showmanship to 8.
3. Allow Juniors to handle a Canine Partner in Conformation Junior Showmanship.
4. Research current camps for youth and dogs, which will result in a program.
5. Research and develop a Team Competition for Juniors.
6. Create a new program to maintain the involvement of the 18–25-year-old age group, which may include reinstituting the intern program.
7. Develop outreach to families that have participated in the Pee Wee Competition.
8. Extend outreach to other youth organizations or activities to introduce information about AKC Events and incorporate AKC programs into their programs.
9. Develop new educational materials for all age groups for use by youth organizations.

This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

**Two All-Breed Shows Spread Over Two Days**
The Board asked Event Operations staff to look into the possibility of a club(s) holding two shows over two days with the format being the same four groups for both shows the first day, and the remaining three groups and Best in Show for both shows the second day. This option is allowed under the current rules and
could provide a benefit to both exhibitors and clubs. Exhibitors would be able to shorten their show weekend and thereby reduce their costs. With fewer unique dogs participating on each show day, this option would position clubs to explore the use of smaller, less-expensive venues for their show. Staff will notify clubs that this option is available for them and ask them to contact AKC if they are interested in holding shows in this format.

**COMPLIANCE**

Heather McManus, Deputy General Counsel, and Michael Liosis, Director of Compliance, participated in this portion of the meeting.

**Revised Disciplinary Guidelines**

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Arnold the Board VOTED unanimously (absent: Mr. Feeney, Mr. Gladstone) to approve the staff recommended revisions to the Disciplinary Guidelines. (Attachment A) The AKC Discipline Guidelines are set by the Board of Directors pursuant to Article XV, Section 3 of *The AKC Disciplinary Guidelines*, which have been in effect since 1992. The Revised AKC Disciplinary Guidelines are effective July 12, 2016.

**Article XII Complaints**

The Board reviewed a Staff recommendation to better define the process for receiving and reviewing Article XII complaints. Complaints which allege conduct prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events or The American Kennel Club are filed pursuant to Article XII, Section 1 of the Charter and Bylaws of the American Kennel Club. Such complaints must be signed and sworn and accompanied by a deposit, the amount to be established annually by AKC’s Board of Directors (see Filing Fee Increase memo). The Board determines whether AKC shall entertain jurisdiction. The desire is to set a policy to allow these Charter and Bylaw Complaints to be handled in a more consistent and efficient manner. Staff recommends the following policy be adopted:

The AKC Board of Directors will review Charter and Bylaw Complaints that are submitted with the following information and in the following form:

1) Short complete description of the steps the complainant has taken to resolve the matter. If a club matter, an affirmation that the complainant has read and taken the steps set forth in the brochure Working it Out- AKC Guidelines for Resolving Dog Club Issues;

2) A concise statement of the facts;

3) A concise statement of how the facts alleged are conduct prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events or the AKC;

4) The entire complaint should not exceed ten pages in length and be at least in 9 font size, with 1 inch margins;

5) Must be sworn to before a notary; and

6) A deposit in the amount of $500 must
be submitted with the complaint.

Complaints submitted without all this information and in this form will not be presented to the AKC Board of Directors until the complainant has met these criteria. The Director of Compliance will review each complaint submitted and within ten (10) business days of submission and will provide the complainant(s) with a notice that either the above criteria have been met or a detailed response as to what is missing or if matters need to be clarified will ask for the additional information.

Staff also recommends that the AKC Board of Directors establish a policy regarding matters that would not generally be considered conduct prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the AKC:

The AKC Board of Directors generally does not consider the following to be conduct prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the AKC:

1) Differing personalities; politics; philosophies in running or operating clubs;
2) The application of parliamentary principles, parliamentary authority or procedure; or interpretations of bylaws supported by the opinion of a Parliamentarian who is a member of The National Association of Parliamentarians and adopted by the club’s Board of Directors.

This will be discussed further in August.

**Dogue de Bordeaux Society of America**

At its May meeting the Board directed that the Dogue de Bordeaux Society of America (DdBSA) be advised that unless an agreement was reached between the parties or arbitration agreed to by July 1, 2016 and The AKC notified by July 6, 2016, the Board would revoke the DdBSA’s status as the AKC Parent Club. Both parties in this dispute have agreed to arbitration.

The following AKC Management actions were reported:

*(Final Board Disciplinary actions are reported on the Secretary’s Page.)*

**CLUBS**

A written report was provided on requests for AKC Membership (to be published in the July and August AKC Gazette):

- Hendersonville Kennel Club

A written report was provided on Member Club Bylaws approved in May and June:

- American Pomeranian Club (1900)
- Dalmatian Club of America (1905)
- Dayton Dog Training Club, Dayton, OH (1972)
- Greenville Kennel Club, Greenville County, SC (1950)
- Leonberger Club of America (2012)
• Providence County Kennel Club, Providence County, RI (1919)
• Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club, Anaheim, CA (1953)

A written report was provided on new clubs licensed in May and June:

• Carolina Irish Setter Club
• Hungarian Pumi Club of America

CONSENT
Following discussion, there was a motion by Mr. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Ashby, it was VOTED (unanimously) to approve the following Consent Items:

Delegate and Club Approvals

Maria Arechaederra, Orange, CA
To represent Kuvasz Club of America

Jane Bjork, Hopkinton, NH
To represent American Brittany Club

Victoria Dovellos, Valparaiso, IN
To represent Japanese Chin Club of America
Blaine Grove, Thomasville, PA
To represent New England Beagle Club

Cathleen Rubens, Apex, NC
To represent Butler County Kennel Club

Grace Louise Schmidt, Wadmalaw Island, SC
To represent German Pinscher Club of America

Request for AKC Membership

Approved:

Berger Picard Club of America
99 Households
First license show: September 11, 2015
Published in May and June Gazettes.

Irish Red and White Setter Association of America
95 Households
First License Show: February 7, 2009
Published in May and June Gazettes.

Retired Kennel Name Request for De Strathcona
The Board VOTED to approve the request of the Briard Club of America, Inc to retire the “De Strathcona” kennel name.

Bulldog Proposed Breed Standard Revision
The Board VOTED to approve the proposed revisions to the Head: Eyes, Color of Coat and Disqualifications sections of the Bulldog standard with an effective date of August 31, 2016.

Bulldog Standard Sections with Revisions(underlined):
Head: Eyes and Eyelids - The eyes, seen
from the front, should be situated low down in the skull, as far from the ears as possible, and their corners should be in a straight line at right angles with the stop. They should be quite in front of the head, as wide apart as possible, provided their outer corners are within the outline of the cheeks when viewed from the front. They should be quite round in form, of moderate size, neither sunken nor bulging, and in color should be very dark. Blue or green eye(s) or parti-colored eyes are a disqualification. The lids should cover the white of the eyeball, when the dog is looking directly forward, and the lid should show no "haw." Ears - The ears should be set high in the head, the front inner edge of each ear joining the outline of the skull at the top back corner of skull, so as to place them as wide apart, and as high, and as far from the eyes as possible. In size they should be small and thin. The shape termed "rose ear" is the most desirable. The rose ear folds inward at its back lower edge, the upper front edge curving over, outward and backward, showing part of the inside of the burr. (The ears should not be carried erect or prick-eared or buttoned and should never be cropped.) Skull - The skull should be very large, and in circumference, in front of the ears, should measure at least the height of the dog at the shoulders. Viewed from the front, it should appear very high from the corner of the lower jaw to the apex of the skull, and also very broad and square. Viewed at the side, the head should appear very high, and very short from the point of the nose to occiput. The forehead should be flat (not rounded or domed), neither too prominent nor overhanging the face. Cheeks - The cheeks should be well rounded, protruding sideways and outward beyond the eyes. Stop - The temples or frontal bones should be very well defined, broad, square and high, causing a hollow or groove between the eyes. This indentation, or stop, should be both broad and deep and extend up the middle of the forehead, dividing the head vertically, being traceable to the top of the skull. Face and Muzzle - The face, measured from the front of the cheekbone to the tip of the nose, should be extremely short, the muzzle being very short, broad, turned upward and very deep from the corner of the eye to the corner of the mouth. Nose - The nose should be large, broad and black, its tip set back deeply between the eyes. The distance from bottom of stop, between the eyes, to the tip of nose should be as short as possible and not exceed the length from the tip of nose to the edge of underlip. The nostrils should be wide, large and black, with a well-defined line between them. Any nose other than black is objectionable and a brown or liver-colored nose shall disqualify. Lips - The chops or "flews" should be thick, broad, pendant and very deep, completely overhanging the lower jaw at each side. They
GENERAL APPEARANCE
The Leonberger is a large, sociable working dog, muscular yet elegant, with a proud head carriage. The breed is distinguished by its black mask, substantial bone, balanced build, and double coat. Adult males are particularly powerful and strong and carry a lion-like mane on the neck and chest. Bitches are unmistakably feminine. The Leonberger is a dimorphic breed; a dog or a bitch easily discernible as such. Although imposing in size, the Leonberger is graceful in motion. Natural appearance is essential to Leonberger type. The breed is to be shown with no trimming, sculpting or other alterations. True to the breed’s origins as a multipurpose family, farm and draft dog, today’s Leonberger excels as a versatile working dog and devoted family companion. Intelligent and lively, friendly yet vigilant, the Leonberger is attentive and self-assured in all situations.

SIZE, PROPORTION, SUBSTANCE
Size: An adult male is 28 to 31½ inches in height (30 inches preferred). An adult female is 25½ inches to 29½ inches, (27½ inches preferred). Weight is in proportion to the overall size and structure. When proportion, substance, and balance are present, a slight deviation above standard is tolerated. Proportion: Height to length of body

Leonberger Proposed Breed Standard Revision
The Board VOTED to approve the proposed revisions to Leonberger standard with an effective date of August 31, 2016. Leonberger Standard with Revisions
is 9:10. Height is measured at the withers; body length is measured from point of shoulder to point of buttock. The depth of chest is 50 percent of the height; brisket reaches to elbow. The angulation of front and rear quarters is in balance. Overall balance and proportion are as important as height. Substance: Strong bone in proportion to size of the body, well-muscled.

HEAD
The head, in its entirety, is deeper than it is broad, rectangular shaped, with no wrinkles. The length of muzzle to length of backskull is equal. Cheeks are only slightly developed. The male head is strong and masculine, while the female head always expresses femininity. Mask: Face is covered with a full black mask that extends from the nose up to and over the eyes. A lesser mask is acceptable, but not desirable. Expression: Good-natured, soft, and intelligent expression. Eyes: Dark brown is preferred over light brown. Eyes are medium size, oval to almond shaped, neither deep-set nor protruding. Eyelids are close fitting, not showing any haw or sclera. Ears: When alert, ears are level with top of skull and set slightly forward. They are of medium size, triangular, fleshy, hanging flat and close to the head. Tips are level with corners of the mouth. Skull: As seen from the front and in profile, backskull is slightly arched. Skull is slightly longer than wide and the width of backskull is only slightly broader than it is at the eyes. Stop: Clearly recognizable and moderately defined. Muzzle: Nasal bridge of even breadth, never running to a point, level or slightly arched (Roman nose); never dipped. The jaw remains broad and strong between the canines. Planes: As seen from the side, the planes of muzzle and backskull are parallel. Nose: Large with clearly outlined nostrils, always black. Lips: Tight, corners closed and dry, outer lips black in color. Some de-pigmentation due to aging is acceptable. Teeth/Bite: Complete dentition of 42 teeth (20 upper, 22 lower), strong, meeting in a correct scissors bite, lower incisors touching inside of upper incisors. A level bite is accepted. Serious Fault - Lips - Drooling or wet mouth. Disqualification – Expression/Mask: Complete lack of mask. Teeth/Bite: More than one missing tooth other than M3s.

NECK, TOPLINE, BODY, TAIL
Neck: Muscular, well set on shoulders, blends smoothly into withers, of sufficient length to allow for proud head carriage. No dewlap. Topline: Withers set above a firm level back that flows into a gently sloping croup. Rump not higher than withers. Body: Chest is broad, roomy, and deep, reaching at least to the level of the elbows, pronounced pro-sternum. Ribs: Well-sprung, oval. Underline: Only slightly tucked up. Loin: Broad, compact, strong, well-muscled.
Croup: Broad, relatively long, gently sloped, flowing smoothly into root of tail. Tail: While standing relaxed, tail hangs straight down with the last vertebrae reaching to or below the hock. In movement, tail is carried no higher than the level of the back, with a curve up at the end permitted. An exuberant tail carriage, though higher than ideal, should not be confused with a high, incorrectly placed tail. Serious Fault - High tail carriage with tail curled over back at all times, whether standing or in motion.

FOREQUARTERS
Shoulder: Well laid-back and well-muscled. Angulation: The shoulder meets the upper arm at slightly greater than a right angle. Shoulder and upper arm about equal in length. Elbows: Close to body, neither in nor out. Forelegs: Substantial bone, muscular, straight and parallel to each other. Pasterns: Strong, firm and straight when viewed from front, slightly sloping when viewed from side. Dewclaws: Usually present. Feet: Turn neither in nor out, rounded, tight, toes well arched (cat foot).

HINDQUARTERS
Rear Assembly: Powerful, muscular with substantial bone. Angulation: In balance with forequarters. Legs: Viewed from the rear, the legs are straight and parallel, with stifles and paws turned neither in nor out, placed widely enough apart to match a properly built body. Thighs: Upper and lower of equal length, slanting and strongly muscled. Stifles: Angle clearly defined. Hocks: Substantial bone with a distinct angle between lower thigh and rear pastern; well let down. Dewclaws: Rear dewclaws may be present. Feet: Turned neither in nor out, and may be slightly elongated. Toes arched.

COAT
Leonbergers have a medium to long, water resistant, double coat on the body and short fine hair on the muzzle and front of limbs. Outer coat is medium-soft to coarse and lies flat. It is straight, with some generalized wave permitted. Mature males carry a mane, which extends over neck and chest. The male coat is typically longer than the female coat. The undercoat is soft and dense, although it may be less so in summer months or warmer climates. In spite of the double coat, the outline of the body is always recognizable. Leonbergers have some ear feathering and ample feathering on fore and rear legs. Tail is very well furnished. Leonbergers are to be presented with no sculpting, scissoring, trimming of whiskers, or any other alterations whatsoever, except for neatening of the feet. Fault: Parted or curly coat.

COLOR
Coat colors are lion-yellow, golden to red.
and red-brown, sand colored (cream, pale yellow) and all combinations thereof, always with a black mask. All colors may have black tips (some with long black tips) on the outer coat, but black must not be the basic color. Dark coat colors are accompanied by a lighter colored undercoat and feathering of front and hind legs, that blend harmoniously with the basic body coloring. A small, unobtrusive stripe or white patch on the chest and some white hairs on toes is tolerated. Disqualification: Any coat color other than those listed. White hair on chest that exceeds 5 inches in width; white extending beyond toes.

GAIT
The Leonberger has a ground-covering, even and balanced gait. The stride is powerful, free and fluid, with good reach and strong drive, giving the impression of effortless power. In motion, the Leonberger maintains a level topline. Viewed from the front and from behind, forelegs and hind legs travel straight. As the dog’s speed increases, the legs tend to converge toward the centerline.

TEMPERAMENT
The gentle character and even temperament of the Leonberger is of utmost importance for fulfilling their role as a family companion. The Leonberger is confident, with a steady, playful demeanor. The breed is willing to please and possesses a good capacity for learning. Serious fault - Quarrelsomeness or hostility towards people or dogs in normal situations; unwarranted show of timidity or nervousness.

FAULTS
Any deviation from these specifications is a fault. In determining whether a fault is minor, serious, or major, these two factors should be used as a guide: Deviation - The extent to which it deviates from the standard; and Impact - The extent to which such deviation would actually affect the Leonberger’s phenotype or ability to fulfill its role as a family companion, and working dog.

DISQUALIFICATIONS
Mask - Complete lack of mask
Teeth - More than one missing tooth other than M3s.
Color - Any coat color other than those listed. White hair on chest exceeding 5 inches in width, white extending beyond toes.

Agility – Change in Required Wearing of Identifying Numbers
The Board VOTED to amend Chapter 1, Section 19 of the Regulations for Agility Trials to eliminate the mandatory use of identifying stickers/armbands worn by agility exhibitors. Clubs may, at their option, still issue stickers/armbands if they desire. This is
effective August 1, 2016.

**Section 19. Running Order**

**Paragraph 4**

Exhibitors may be provided stickers (or armbands) indicating their dog’s catalog number for that trial. These may be mailed with the judging schedule or available for pick up at the trial. The exhibitor must wear the sticker (or armband) if provided by the club.

**Allow Junior Only Trials in Agility, Obedience and Rally**

The Board VOTED to allow clubs licensed for obedience, rally and agility to hold Junior Only Trials. The purpose of a Junior Only Trial is to provide for camaraderie and mentoring available in a relaxed atmosphere. A Junior Only Trial must be open to all breeds, including dogs listed with AKC Canine Partners and dogs must be eligible for the classes in which they are entered. All regular classes held at Junior Only Trials will count toward titles. Junior Only Trials may be held in conjunction with a club’s regular event or may be a stand-alone event. This change is effective February 1, 2017.

**TSA Working Dogs**

The shortage of working dogs both for detector and patrol work in the United States has been highly reported in the news media. At Dr. Battaglia’s suggestion, AKC is currently exploring ways in which we can help develop a reliable source of dogs for use by TSA and other groups. A brief report on two trips to TSA facilities were given, with more discussion planned at the August 2016 meeting.

It was VOTED to adjourn Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 3:00 pm.

Adjourned

Attest:

James P. Crowley, Executive Secretary
ATTACHMENT A

AKC DISCIPLINE GUIDELINES - EFFECTIVE JULY 12, 2016

Explanatory Notes

- Articles XII and XIV allow for discipline for “conduct alleged to have been prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the AKC.”
- Discipline in excess of the Aggravated term, or less than the Mitigated term, must be approved by the AKC Board of Directors (“Board”). Discipline imposed for cases not covered by the Guidelines must be approved by the Board.
- Circumstances that could, but would not necessarily result in an act of misconduct being Mitigated would include, but not be limited to:
  1. The lack of any prior offense.
  2. The lack of experience as a participant in events.
  3. The minimal nature of the offense.
  4. Recognition of wrongdoing.
  5. The recommendation of the Events Committee.
- Circumstances that could, but that would not necessarily result in an act of misconduct being Aggravated would include, but not be limited to:
  1. A record of prior offense(s).
  2. Extensive experience as a participant in events.
  3. The seriousness of the offense.
  4. Refusal to acknowledge wrongdoing prior to formal issuance of Charges.
  5. The recommendation of the Events Committee
  6. The action(s) of the individual resulted in the death of dog(s)
- An especially egregious offense will result in a more severe length of suspension and/or fine than suggested in the Guidelines.
- Multiple serious offenses may result in a lifetime suspension of all AKC privileges.
- These Guidelines will be reviewed from time to time.
- Event Suspension is a suspension of event privileges for the individual and applies to dogs registered or co-registered at the time of suspension, or subsequently obtained during the term of suspension, which may not be entered or compete in events during the term of suspension unless they are transferred to another individual.
- Registration Suspension is a suspension of registration privileges, which means AKC will not accord registration of any litter, or individual dog or transfer ownership of a dog solely or in part by the suspended individual. In addition, AKC will not register any litter of dogs if the sire of the litter was owned solely or in part by a person who is suspended on the date the mating occurred.
- Suspension of all privileges would include both event suspension and registration suspension.
- When discipline guidelines become less punitive, the new penalty (suspension period and conditions and fine, if applicable) will be applied to persons currently under suspension for that offense.
- For violations denoted with an asterisk (*), reinstatement is contingent on passing an AKC kennel inspection, which will be scheduled only after the associated fine has been paid.
- The classification of an offense(s) within these Guidelines will be made by either the Management Disciplinary Committee (“MDC”) or the Staff Event Committee (“SEC”). SEC will base the classification on the wording in the complaint and may determine that multiple offenses apply. The penalties for multiple offenses will run concurrently unless MDC or SEC determine that based on the severity of the offenses or record of prior offenses consecutive penalties are warranted.

IN THOSE CASES WHERE AN EVENT OR REGISTRATION SUSPENSION IS CALLED FOR, THE AKC MANAGEMENT DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND THE SUSPENSION OF ALL PRIVILEGES, WHEN WARRANTED BY THE SEVERITY OF THE CASE.

SUSPENSION OF ALL AKC PRIVILEGES
## OFFENSES
### I. Inappropriate Treatment of Animals

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<td>d. Neglect at or in connection with an event by individual</td>
<td>3mo/$500</td>
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<td>e. Neglect at or in connection with an event by club</td>
<td>Rep/$100</td>
<td>Loss of next event/$300</td>
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<td>f. Improper Treatment in connection with an event</td>
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<td>g. Judicial or administrative determination of cruelty or neglect to any animal where cruelty to dogs was a part of the charge*</td>
<td>5 yr/$1000</td>
<td>10 yr/$2000</td>
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<td>h. Unacceptable conditions, dogs and/or facility*</td>
<td>3 mo/$500</td>
<td>1 yr/$1000</td>
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<td>i. Whelping dogs at event site</td>
<td>Rep/$200</td>
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## OFFENSES
### II. Registration Violations

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<td>a. Submission of a false application to register or transfer (not signature forgeries), which affect the Stud Book *</td>
<td>3 yr/$500</td>
<td>5 yr/$1000</td>
<td>Life/$5000</td>
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<td>b. Selling or buying AKC registration papers *</td>
<td>5 yr/$500</td>
<td>10 yr/$1000</td>
<td>Life/$5000</td>
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<td>c. Refusing to produce dogs or records*</td>
<td>6 mo/$500</td>
<td>5 yr/$1000</td>
<td>Life/$3000</td>
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<td>d. Non-compliance with AKC’s Rules and Regulations on Record Keeping and Identification</td>
<td>Rep/up to $50</td>
<td>6 mo/up to $50</td>
<td>Up to Life/$3000</td>
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<td>e. Submission of an AKC litter application which the individual should have known contained a false certification as to the sire and/or dam of the litter (DNA exclusion)*</td>
<td>6 mo/$500</td>
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## OFFENSES
### III. Misconduct Against a Club

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<td>a. Judicial or administrative determination of, or a signed admission or, unauthorized use of club funds.</td>
<td>1 yr/$1000</td>
<td>5 yr/$2000</td>
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## SUSPENSION OF EVENT PRIVILEGES
### OFFENSES

## IV. Misconduct By or Directed Against a Judge

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<td>a. Physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature</td>
<td>Rep/$100</td>
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<td>b. Inappropriate, abusive or foul language directed personally to a judge</td>
<td>2 mo/$100</td>
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<td>c. Inappropriate public criticism of a judge,</td>
<td>Rep/$50</td>
<td>1 mo/$200</td>
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1 If reinstated, must start with a new colony, or in lieu thereof, bring back dogs from the old colony for which a DNA profile is recorded with the AKC and is positively identified via microchip or tattoo.

2 The actual fine assessed shall be sufficient to cover all reinstatement costs, but in no instance shall it exceed the maximum amount indicated.

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#### V. Disorderly Conduct

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<td>c. Personal property damage</td>
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<td>d. Impairing a club’s ability to retain site</td>
<td>3 mo/$100</td>
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<td>e. Failure to properly control a dog at an event</td>
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<td>f. Harassment</td>
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<td>g. Disruptive behavior at an event</td>
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#### VI. Violation of AKC Rules/Regulation or Club Regulations

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<td>a. Showing the wrong dog without voluntary correction</td>
<td>Rep/$300</td>
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<td>2 yr/$1000</td>
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<td>c. Judging improprieties (the judge himself/herself or complicity with a judge)</td>
<td>1 yr/$500</td>
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<td>d. Benching violations</td>
<td>Rep</td>
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<td>e. Disregard of published club regulations (e.g., parking, ex-pens, crates in aisle, unauthorized concessions, selling puppies, etc.)</td>
<td>Rep/$100</td>
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<td>f. Entering/exhibiting altered dog (temporary alteration)</td>
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<td>g. Entering exhibiting altered dog (permanent alteration)</td>
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<td>h. Willful refusal to return ribbon or prize</td>
<td>Rep/$100</td>
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after award disallowed

i. Gun safety violation (by gunner) Rep 1 yr/$500 2 yr/$1000
j. Gun safety violation (by club) Rep/$100 Loss of next event/$300 Loss of next event/$500

k. Providing fraudulent information on an entry to show an ineligible dog 3 mo/$500 6 mo/$1000 1 yr/$2000
l. Misuse of a tracking device in connection with a Field Event 6 mo/$500 1 yr/$1000 2 yr/$2500
m. Entering/Exhibiting dog that the entrant knew or should have known is ineligible to compete in the event Rep/$200 1 yr/$1000 5 yr/$5000

SUSPENSION OF REGISTRATION PRIVILEGES

OFFENSES MITIGATED STANDARD AGGRAVATED

VII. Registration Violations

a. Submission of a false application to register or transfer (not signature forgeries), which do not affect the Stud Books online or paper 1 yr/$200 3 yr/$300 5 yr/$500

b. Signing AKC applications to register or transfer in blank; failure to properly complete an AKC document to show the name and address of the individual to whom the dog was directly transferred and the date of the transfer* Rep/$300 3 mo/$500 1 yr/$2000

c. Failure to complete supplemental (i.e., jumping transfers). Failure to complete proper chain of registration on an AKC registered or registerable dog* Rep/$300 3 mo/$500 1 yr/$2000

d. Submission of application containing a false certification as to the signature of one of the owners (this includes making false complaints) 1 mo/$300 6 mo/$500 1 yr/$1000

e. Submission of an online application without written permission from the co-owner or co-litter owner Rep 3 mo/$500 1 yr/$1000

f. Signing AKC documents on behalf of another without filing a properly completed Power of Attorney Form Rep 3 mo/$500 1 yr/$1000

g. Attempting to register a litter whelped outside of the U.S. 3 Rep/$200 6 mo/$500 1 yr/$1000

OFFENSES MITIGATED STANDARD AGGRAVATED
Definitions of Offenses

**Abuse:** Improper treatment which could cause serious injury to an animal.

**Cruelty:** Consciously or inaction that may endanger life or cause serious health consequences to animals.

**Harassment:** Inappropriate comments and/or conduct regarding but not limited to another individual’s, race, color, religion, disability, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or gender.

**Improper Treatment:** Inappropriate treatment or handling of an animal not likely to cause serious injury, e.g. excessive or harsh discipline/training.

**Neglect:** Inadequate care or voluntary inattention to basic needs, ignoring the safety and well-being of animals because of haste or ignorance.

3. If now living within the U.S., six months; if residents are still outside of the U.S., indefinite, with an application for reinstatement upon return of the U.S.