Quarterly Meeting Of The Delegates

The American Kennel Club September 10, 2007

Dennis B. Sprung, President PRESENT 369

Abilene Kennel Club-Neil A. Bates

Afghan Hound Club of America, Inc.-Ms. Constance Butherus

Airedale Terrier Club of America-Aletta L. Moore Akita Club of America—Sherry E. Wallis

Alaskan Malamute Club of America, Inc.—Mrs. Virginia P. Grefe

American Belgian Malinois Club-Ms. Nancy L. Bennett

American Belgian Tervuren Club, Inc.—Ms. Janina K. Laurin

American Black & Tan Coonhound Club, Inc.-Chervl Speed

American Bouvier des Flandres Club, Inc.—Patte Klecan

American Boxer Club, Inc.-Mrs. Stephanie Abraham

American Brussels Griffon Association-Mark Gri-

American Bullmastiff Association, Inc.—Alan

American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club. Inc.—John D. Gammon

American Chesapeake Club, Inc.—Dyane Baldwin

American Fox Terrier Club—Connie Clark American Foxhound Club, Inc-Harold Miller

American Lhasa Apso Club, Inc.—Mr. Edmund R. Sledzik

American Maltese Association, Inc.—Mr. Richard W. Glenn

American Manchester Terrier Club-Roberta Berman

American Miniature Schnauzer Club, Inc.—Don Farley, II

American Rottweiler Club-Mr. Peter G. Piusz American Sealyham Terrier Club-Kenneth W. Mader

American Shetland Sheepdog Association-Marjorie Tuff

American Water Spaniel Club—Beth Lagimoniere Anderson Kennel Club—Phillip D. Sample Anderson Obedience Training Club, Inc.—Ms.

Patricia A. Sample Antelope Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—William Daniels

Arkansas Kennel Club, Inc.—Barbara A. Finch Asheville Kennel Club, Inc.—Jaimie Mulvey Atlanta Kennel Club, Inc.—Ann Wallin

Atlanta Obedience Club, Inc.—Ms. Virginia M. Mayhall

Australian Terrier Club of America, Inc.—Kim Occhiuti

Back Mountain Kennel Club, Inc.-Mrs. Nina Schaefer

Baltimore County Kennel Club-Mrs. Lucy Campbell-Gracie

Basset Hound Club of America, Inc.—Mrs. Barbara Wicklund

Battle Creek Kennel Club, Inc.-Mr. John A. Studebaker

Bayou Kennel Club, Inc.—Wayne Boyd Bayshore Companion Dog Club, Inc.—Robin

Beaumont Kennel Club, Inc.-Mr. Carl E. Holder Beaver County Kennel Club, Inc.—Chris Gaburri Belgian Sheepdog Club of America, Inc.—Barbara Swisher

Berks County Kennel Club. Inc.—Frank S. Piehl Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.-Denise Dean

Bichon Frise Club of America, Inc.—George Sikes Border Collie Society of America—Claudia Frank Border Terrier Club of America, Inc.—Mrs. Ruth

Borzoi Club of America. Inc.—Jon T. Steele Boston Terrier Club of America, Inc. - Mrs. Kathleen M. Kelly

Briard Club of America, Inc.—Tommy Millner Bronx County Kennel Club—Ms. Alexa Samarotto Bryn Mawr Kennel Club-Sam H. McDonald Buckeye Beagle Club—*Mrs. Joyce Klamut*Bucks County Kennel Club, Inc.—*Helma Weeks* Bulldog Club of New England, Inc.—Francesca J. Castaneda

Bulldog Club of Philadelphia—Mrs. Lynn E. Smith Burlington County Kennel Club, Inc. — Daniel J. Smyth, Esq.

Butler County Kennel Club, Inc.—John W. Towns,

Cairn Terrier Club of America—Mrs. Molly D. Wilder

Cambridge Minnesota Kennel Club—Mr. Wayne F. Harmon

Canaan Dog Club of America—Pamela S. Rosman Canada Del Oro Kennel Club—Dr. Sophia Kaluzni-

Capital Dog Training Club of Washington, D.C., Inc.—Dr. Joyce A. Dandridge

Cardigan Welsh Corgi Club of America, Inc.—Ms. Eugenia B. Bishop

Carolina Kennel Club, Inc.—Jaimie Ashby Catoctin Kennel Club—Whitney Coombs Catonsville Kennel Club—Gary Sarvinas

Cedar Rapids Kennel Association, Inc.—J Richard Seelbach Central Beagle Club—David S. Bagaley

Central Florida Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Diane J.

Central Ohio Kennel Club—Roberta K. Brady Charleston Kennel Club—*Sylvia Arrowwood*Chattanooga Kennel Club—*David Gilstrap* Chihuahua Club of America, Inc.—Rey Burgos Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America, Inc.—Marge B.

Chintimini Kennel Club, Inc.—Nick Pisias Chow Chow Club, Inc.—Mrs. Ginny Atkinson Cincinnati Kennel Club, Inc.—Dr. Patricia H. Haines

Clarksville Kennel Club-Robert A. Schroll Classic Toy Dog Club of Western Massachusetts—Dr. Stephen Lawrence

Clearwater Kennel Club-Daniel T. Stolz Cleveland All-Breed Training Club, Inc.—Mrs. Maureen R. Setter

Clumber Spaniel Club of America, Inc.—Ricky Blackman

Cocker Spaniel Breeders Club of New England, Inc.—Amanda W. Toner

Collie Club of America, Inc.-Mr. Harold W. Sund-

Colorado Kennel Club-Louise Leone Colorado Springs Kennel Club—Mrs. Andre B. Schoen

Columbia Kennel Club, Inc.—H. M. Anderson Columbia Terrier Association of Maryland—Norma J. Ryan

Conyers Kennel Club of Georgia-Michael Houchard

Corpus Christi Kennel Club, Inc.—Joan Urban Cudahy Kennel Club-Don H. Adams

Dachshund Club of America, Inc.-Mr. Charles A. Baris

Dalmatian Club of America, Inc.—James W. Smith Dayton Dog Training Club, Inc.—Barbara L. Mann Del Monte Kennel Club, Inc.—Merlyn A. Green,

Del Sur Kennel Club, Inc.—Andrew G. Mills Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore-Stuart F. Eck-

Delaware County Kennel Club, Inc.—Lindy Miller Des Moines Kennel Club, Inc.—John D. Hughes Des Moines Obedience Training Club—Lee Slorah Detroit Kennel Club-Mr. Erik Bergishagen Doberman Pinscher Club of America—Jeffrey P. Helsdon

Dog Fanciers Association of Oregon, Inc.—Mrs. Patti L. Strand

Dog Owner's Training Club of Maryland—Kathrynann Sarvinas

Duluth Kennel Club-Hon. David C. Merriam Durham Kennel Club Inc-Linda C. Wozniak East Tennessee Retriever Club-Catherine Bell Eastern Dog Club-Charles J. Foley

Eastern German Shorthaired Pointer Club, Inc.-Mrs. Joan Tabor

Elm City Kennel Club-Joan Caspersen Empire Beagle Club, Inc.—Christopher Keenan English Setter Association of America, Inc.—Mr. John P. Nielsen

English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Association, Inc.—Mrs. Alice E. Berd

English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois—David H. Hopkins

English Toy Spaniel Club of America-Vanessa N.

Evansville Kennel Club, Inc.—Kay Collins Farmington Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—Terrie Breen Fayetteville Kennel Club, Inc.—Arlene R. Harris Field Spaniel Society of America-Katherine Sulli-

Finger Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.—Ms. Margaret B.

Finnish Spitz Club of America—Kim Raleigh Flat-Coated Retriever Society of America, Inc.— Kurt Anderson

Forsyth Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Almira B. Dallas Fort Worth Kennel Club—Mr. Harry G. Ottmann Framingham District Kennel Club, Inc.—Lynda Kenney

French Bulldog Club of America—Mrs. Ann M. Hubbard

Genesee County Kennel Club, Inc.—Connie S.

Genesee Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—Ann Barbash German Shepherd Dog Club of America-Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America-Mr. Kenneth A. Marden

German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America. Inc.-Ms. Patricia W. Laurans

Giant Schnauzer Club of America, Inc.—Robin Greenslade

Glens Falls Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Bonnie Lapham

Gloucester County Kennel Club, Inc.—Carole Richards

Golden Retriever Club of America-Mr. Howard Falbera

Gordon Setter Club of America, Inc.—Nance O. Skoglund

Great Barrington Kennel Club, Inc.—Suzanne D.

- Great Pyrenees Club of America, Inc.—Dr. Robert M. Brown
- Great Western Terrier Association of Southern California—Jack Smith
- Greater Clark County Kennel Club Inc—Ms. Karen J. Burgess
- Greater Collin Kennel Club, Inc.—*Barbara Shaw* Greater Lowell Kennel Club, Inc.—*Virginia M.* O'Connell
- Greater Philadelphia Dog Fanciers Association— Marlene Steinberg
- Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.—Clifford A. Dahl
- Greenwich Kennel Club—*Dr. Stephen Blau* Greyhound Club of America—*Mrs. Melanie S. Steele*
- Harrisburg Kennel Club, Inc.—*Ms. Cynthia A. Miller*
- Hatboro Dog Club, Inc.—*Mr. Robert D. Black*Havanese Club of America—*Jane F. Ruthford*Hawaiian Kennel Club—*Norman B. Kenney*Heart of the Plains Kennel Club—*Patricia M. Cruz*Hockamock Kennel Club, Inc.—*Nancy Fisk*Holyoke Kennel Club, Inc.—*Leonard Abraham*Houston Kennel Club, Inc.—*Ms. Carol A. Williamson*
- Huntingdon Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—*Dick Blair* Huntington Kennel Club, Inc.—*Gwen McCullagh* Hutchinson Kennel Club, Inc.—*David A. Helming* Ibizan Hound Club of the United States—*Luane V. Williams*
- Ingham County Kennel Club, Inc.—*Rita J. Biddle* Irish Setter Club of America, Inc.—*Mrs. Constance B. Vanacore*
- Irish Terrier Club of America—*Peggy E. Gill*Irish Water Spaniel Club of America—*Susan Tapp*Irish Wolfhound Club of America—*Eugenia Hunter*Italian Greyhound Club of America, Inc.—*Carole*Wilson
- James River Kennel Club, Inc.—Mallory C. Driskill Japanese Chin Club of America—Vincent Adams Jaxon Kennel Club, Inc.—Dr. Kenneth R. Morrison K-9 Obedience Training Club of Essex County, NJ, Inc.—Mrs. Pam Goldman
- Kachina Kennel Club—*Mrs. Marilyn R. Vinson* Kanadasaga Kennel Club—*Mrs. Beverly M. Nosiglia*
- Keeshond Club of America, Inc.—Mr. John D. Sawicki
- Kenilworth Kennel Club of Connecticut, Inc.—Mrs. Gwen Wexler
- Kennel Club of Buffalo, Inc.—*Carole Plesur* Kennel Club of Niagara Falls—*Mrs. Florence L. Prawel*
- Kennel Club of Pasadena—*Jarratt Brunson* Kennel Club of Philadelphia, Inc.—*Charles H.* Schaefer
- Kennel Club of Riverside—*Sylvia Thomas*Kettle Moraine Kennel Club, Inc.—*Paulann Phelan*Key City Kennel Club, Inc.—*Dr. Fred C. Bock, II*Kuvasz Club of America—*R K. Barnes*Labrador Retriever Club, Inc.—*Mr. A. N. Sills*Lackawanna Kennel Club, Inc.—*Ms. Virginia Van*
- Ladies' Dog Club, Inc.—Ms. Virginia T. Rowland Ladies' Kennel Association of America—Ruth Winston
- Lake Shore Kennel Club, Inc.—Frank Majocha Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club—Sylvia Meisels
- Lakes Region Kennel Club, Inc.—Ms. Crecia C. Closson
- Lancaster Kennel Club, Inc.—Ms. Cynthia L. Garman

- Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.—Jan Croft
 Langley Kennel Club—Ms. Dianne E. Franck
 Lawrenceville Kennel Club, Inc.—Robert LaBerge
 Lewiston-Auburn Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Sue
 Goldberg
- Lexington Kennel Club Inc—Anne Kemp Long Island Kennel Club—Mr. William B. Tabler, Ir
- Los Encinos Kennel Club, Inc.—David M. Powers Louisiana Kennel Club, Inc.—Luis F. Sosa Louisville Kennel Club, Inc.—Judy R. Melear Macon Kennel Club—Nell Stumpff
- Mad River Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Betty J. Miller
- Manitowoc County Kennel Club, Inc.—*Romana Arnold*
- Marion Ohio Kennel Club, Inc.—*Dr. J. C. Garvin*Mastiff Club of America, Inc.—*Dr. William R.*Newman
- McKinley Kennel Club—*Herman H. Tietjen*Medina Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Pat Dresser*Mid-Hudson Kennel Association, Inc.—*Gayle Bontecou*
- Middle Tennessee Amateur Retriever Club—John Russell
- Midwest Field Trial Club, Inc.—Mr. Marshall Simonds
- Miniature Bull Terrier Club of America—*Giselle Simonds*
- Miniature Pinscher Club of America, Inc.— Thomas W. Baldwin
- Mispillion Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Blackie H. Nygood*
- Mississippi Valley Retriever Club—Robert H. McKowen
- Mohawk Valley Kennel Club—*Mrs. Sandra Haber* Monmouth County Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Helmi* Konderock
- Montgomery County Kennel Club—*Ms. Ida E. Weinstock*
- Monticello New York Kennel Club, Inc.—James M. Burns
- Mount Vernon Dog Training Club—Mrs. Ruth W. Grumb
- Mountain States Dog Training Club, Inc.—John D. Landis
- Mountaineer Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Rebecca S. Stanevich*
- Mt. Baker Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Judith V. Daniels*
- Nashville Kennel Club—*James Efron*National Capital Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Catherine*R. Naleon
- Naugatuck Valley Kennel Club—*Mrs. Viola Burgos*Nebraska Kennel Club —*Marvin Crawford*New England Dog Training Club, Inc.—*Liz Sullivan*New Jersey Beagle Club, Inc.—*Louis Schmitt*Newton Kennel Club—*Catherine H. Murch*Newtown Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Diane F. Taylor*Nisqually Kennel Club—*R. H. Hachtel*North Shore Kennel Club—*Richard F. Coletti*Northern Ohio Beagle Club, Inc.—*Richard C.*
- Scranton
 Northwestern Connecticut Dog Club, Inc.—Billie
- Norwegian Elkhound Association of America, Inc.—Sherry Falk

Ponton

- Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club—*Marjorie McTernan*
- Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)— Marile A. Waterstraat
- Oakland Dog Training Club, Inc.—Lynette J. Saltzman

- Obedience Training Club of Hawaii, Inc.—Ms. Patricia C. Scully
- Obedience Training Club of Rhode Island—*James M. Ashton*
- Ohio Valley Beagle Club, Inc.—*Dr. J. A. Humphrey*Old Dominion Kennel Club of Northern Virginia,
 Inc.—*Robert Nazak*
- Olympic Kennel Club, Inc.—Harvey A. Mueller Orange Empire Dog Club, Inc.—Burton J. Yamada Orlando Dog Training Club—Rodney L. Russell Otterhound Club of America—Mark J. Hawley Ox Ridge Kennel Club—Jack P. De Witt
- Pacific Coast Boston Terrier Club—*Mr. Carl E. Gomes*
- Pacific Coast Bulldog Club, Inc.—*Link Newcomb*Panhandle Kennel Club of Texas, Inc.—*Mrs. Geraldine M. Shastid*
- Papillon Club of America, Inc.—Ms. Arlene A. Czech
- Pasanita Obedience Club Inc.—Sheila Miller Pasco Florida Kennel Club—Patricia J. Lombardi Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of America, Inc.— Judy A. Hart
- Penn Ridge Kennel Club, Inc.—Marieann Gladstone
- Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen Club of America— Anne Gallant, Ph.D.
- Pharaoh Hound Club of America—*Mr. Gary A. Reed*
- Piedmont Kennel Club, Inc.—*Joachim Blutreich*Pioneer Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Margaret*Vohr
- Plainfield Kennel Club—*John McCullagh*Plum Creek Kennel Club of Colorado—*Charles McWilliams*
- Pocono Mountain Kennel Club, Inc.—Michele Rit-
- Port Chester Obedience Training Club, Inc.— Robert A. Amen
- Portland Dog Obedience Club, Inc.—James Primmer
- Portland Kennel Club, Inc.—*Mrs. Joan Savage* Portuguese Water Dog Club of America, Inc.— *Karen Arends*
- Progressive Dog Club—*William H. Blair*Providence County Kennel Club, Inc.—*Kerstin T. Ottmar*
- Pug Dog Club of America, Inc.—Michelle R. Anderson
- Puli Club of America, Inc.—*Barbara Edwards*Putnam Kennel Club, Inc.—*Florence R. Laicher*Puyallup Valley Dog Fanciers, Inc.—*Mrs. Anne M. Rappaport*
- Ramapo Kennel Club—*Mrs. Rose J. Radel*Reno Kennel Club—*Mr. Steven D. Gladstone*Rhode Island Kennel Club, Inc.—*Gerard Baudet*Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States,
 Inc.—*Mr. George D. Sexton*
- Richland County Kennel Club, Inc.—Ms. Shirley L. Boyer
- Richland Kennel Club, Inc.—Donald B. Harris Richmond Dog Fanciers Club, Inc.—Jan M. Ritchie
- Rio Grande Kennel Club—*Mr. William H. Green*Riverhead Kennel Club, Inc.—*Catherine D. Farrell*Rockford-Freeport Illinois Kennel Club—*Ronald H. Menaker*
- Rockingham County Kennel Club, Inc.—Janice S. Gardner
- Rockland County Kennel Club, Inc.—Karen Justin Sahuaro State Kennel Club—Rita Mather Saluki Club of America—Monica H. Stoner Sammamish Kennel Club—Robert Gloster

- Samoyed Club of America, Inc.—Mr. John L.
- San Francisco Dog Training Club, Inc.—Stanley S. Saltzman
- San Mateo Kennel Club. Inc.—Diane Angeli Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—Tom Brown Santa Barbara Kennel Club, Inc.—Abbe R. Shaw Santa Clara Dog Training Club, Inc.—Barbara L.
- Santa Clara Valley Kennel Club, INC.—James R.
- Santa Maria Kennel Club, Inc.—Laurence J. Libeu Saratoga New York Kennel Club—Jessica Eggle-
- Saw Mill River Kennel Club, Inc.—Dr. Ralph
- Schipperke Club of America, Inc.—Betty J. Patrick Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc.—Sally
- Scottish Terrier Club of America—John McNabney Scottsdale Dog Fanciers Association, Inc.—Nancy
- Seattle Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Lynne M. Myall Shenandoah Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—Patricia Anders
- Shoreline Dog Fanciers Association of Orange County—Susan L. Hamil
- Shreveport Kennel Club, Inc.—LuAnn Moore Siberian Husky Club of America, Inc.—Ms. Donna Beckman
- Silver Bay Kennel Club of San Diego-Nancy Dan-
- Sir Francis Drake Kennel Club, Inc—William J. Feeney
- Skye Terrier Club of America—Mr. Walter F. Goodman
- Skyline Kennel Club, Inc.—Gloria Shaver Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of America-Cindy Vogels
- Somerset Hills Kennel Club—Billie McFadden South Hills Kennel Club—Mrs. Kathleen R. Parks South Shore Kennel Club, Inc.—Linda C. Flynn South Texas Obedience Club, Inc.—Mrs. Gerry Dalakian
- South Windsor Kennel Club—Margarette (Peggy) Wampold
- Southern Adirondack Dog Club, Inc.—Dr. John V.
- Southern Colorado Kennel Club, Inc.—Lee Arnold Southern Oregon Kennel Club—Susan Fuller Spokane Kennel Club—Tina Truesdale
- Springfield Kennel Club, Inc.—Dr. Thomas M. Davies
- St. Bernard Club of America, Inc.—Linda Baker
- St. Louis Beagle Club, Inc.—*Charles M. Rowe* St. Louis Collie Club, Inc.—*Barbara L. Schwartz*
- St. Petersburg Dog Fanciers Association—Dr. Gerry Meisels
- Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of America—Ms. Ann Lettis
- Staffordshire Terrier Club of America-1. L. Brisbin, Ph.D.
- Standard Schnauzer Club of America—Kathy A. Donovan
- Staten Island Kennel Club, Inc.—Dr. Bernard E. McGivern, Jr.
- Suffolk County Kennel Club. Inc.—Mr. Robert
- Sun Maid Kennel Club of Fresno, Inc.—Paullet De
- Sussex Hills Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Florence Duggan
- Sussex Spaniel Club of America—Mr. John R. Lewis, Jr.

- Talbot Kennel Club-Ms. Barbara J. Paul Tampa Bay Kennel Club-Mary Manning Texas Kennel Club, Inc.—Steve Schmidt Tibetan Spaniel Club of America—Mr. Herbert H. Rosen
- Town and Country Kennel Club, Inc.—Toni Doake Toy Dog Breeders Association of Southern California-John Shoemaker
- Trenton Kennel Club, Inc.—Joseph Martyn Troy Kennel Club, Inc.—John J. Cadalso, Jr. Tualatin Kennel Club, Inc.—James S. Corbett Twin Brooks Kennel Club, Inc.—Joan Confort United States Australian Shepherd Association— Leon Goetz
- United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club, Inc.—Mr. Carl C. Ashby, III
- United States Lakeland Terrier Club-Alfred J. Ferruggiaro
- Upper Potomac Valley Kennel Club-J. M. Haderer Vacationland Dog Club, Inc.—Iris K. Frankel Valley Forge Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Carol Fisher Ventura County Dog Fanciers Association—Mr. William F. Dumas
- Vizsla Club of America, Inc.—Ms. Lynn Worth Wachusett Kennel Club, Inc.—Suzanne Gray Wampanoag Kennel Club, Inc.—Ms. Naida L. Parker
- Washington State Obedience Training Club, Inc.— Mr. Donald Rennick
- Waterloo Kennel Club, Inc.-Mrs. Anita A. Lustenberger
- Waukesha Kennel Club, Inc.—Mrs. Mary A. **Fschweiler**
- Weimaraner Club of America-Ms. Judy Colan Welsh Terrier Club of America, Inc.—Peter J. See West Highland White Terrier Club of America-Thomas Barrie
- West Volusia Kennel Club—Ferdinand Reinlieb Western Fox Terrier Breeders Association—Torie Steele
- Western Reserve Kennel Club, Inc.-Mr. William A. Russett
- Westminster Kennel Club-William F. Stifel Whidbey Island Kennel Club Inc-Clare L. Lincoln Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.—Mildred L. Dold Wilmington Kennel Club, Inc.—Candace Mogavero Windham County Kennel Club, Inc.—Frederick R. Vogel
- Windward Hawaiian Dog Fanciers Association-Mrs. Karen Mays
- Wisconsin Amateur Field Trial Club, Inc.—Fred T. Kampo
- Wolverine Beagle Club-Art Boger Woodstock Dog Club, Inc.—Mrs. Jan Marshall Yorkshire Terrier Club of America, Inc.—Patricia D. Reynolds
- Dennis B. Sprung, President in the Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.
- Mr. Sprung called the meeting to order solely for the purpose of conducting votes for the Delegate Standing Committees. After the ballots were cast by the Delegates, there was a luncheon recess.

The meeting was reconvened following lunch. On the dais were Mr. Sprung, AKC Board Chairman Ronald H. Menaker, AKC Board Vice Chair David C. Merriam, Executive Secretary James P. Crowley, Professional Registered Parliamentarian Doris Abbate, and Court Reporter Sandra Bybel.

James Crowley, Executive Secretary, reported that going forward, minutes of the Delegate meeting would be published rather than a transcript. The transcript of each meeting would still be available on the Delegate Portal of the AKC web site. The Delegates will be sent instruction regarding how to access these pages.

James Crowley, Executive Secretary reported the names of Delegates seated since the last meeting.

Larry Abbott, McKinney, TX, to represent Trinity Valley Kennel Club

Art Boger, Candler, NC, to represent Wolverine Beagle Club

- Robert E. Bostrom, Overbrook, KS, to represent Topeka Kennel Club
- Barry D. Cavanna, Pleasant Hill, CA, Contra Costa County Kennel Club
- Cheryl Crompton, Mishawaka, IN, to represent Michiana Kennel Club
- Mary Alice Eschweiler, Hartland, WI, to represent Waukesha Kennel
- John J. Gangloff, Greensboro, NC. to represent Carolina Dog Training
- Mark Grigalunas, New York, NY, to represent American Brussels Griffon Association
- Michael E. Harman, Roseland, VA, to represent Komondor Club of America
- Dr. J. A. Humphrey, Leicester, NC, to represent Ohio Valley Beagle Club
- Dr. Stephen Lawrence, Stafford Springs, CT, to represent Classic Toy Dog Club of Western Massachusetts
- Scott A. Rohrbach, Boyertown, PA, to represent Pocono Beagle Club
- Barbara Shaw, Denison, TX, to represent Greater Collin Kennel Club
- Jack G. Smith, Fallbrook, CA, to represent Great Western Terrier Association of Southern California
- Henderson Monica Stoner, Edgewood NM, to represent Saluki Club of America
- Sally Vilas, San Lorenzo, CA, to represent American Shih Tzu Club

Sherry E. Wallis, Houston, TX, to represent Akita Club of America

Linda D. Witouski, Conway, SC, to represent Myrtle Beach Kennel Club

The following Delegates, who were attending their first meeting since approval were introduced from the floor:

Patricia A. Anders, Staunton, VA, to represent Shenandoah Valley Kennel Club

Roberta L. Berman, Staten Island, NY, to represent American Manchester Terrier Club

Art Boger, Candler, NC, to represent Wolverine Beagle Club

Mary Alice Eschweiler, Hartland, WI, to represent Waukesha Kennel Club

Mark Grigalunas, New York ,NY, to represent American Brussels Griffon Association

Dr. J. A. Humphrey, Leicester, NC, to represent Ohio Valley Beagle Club

Dr. Stephen Lawrence, Strafford Springs, CT, to represent Classic Toy Dog Club of Western Massachusetts

LuAnn Moore, Shreveport, LA, to represent Shreveport Kennel Club

Scott A. Rohrbach, Boyertown, PA, to represent Pocono Beagle Club

Charles M. Rowe, Port Murray, NI to represent St. Louis Beagle Club

Barbara L. Schwartz, Hollis, NH, to represent St. Louis Collie Club

Richard Chris Scranton, Seville, OH, Northern Ohio Beagle Club

Jack G. Smith, Fallbrook, CA Great Western Reserve Terrier Association

Henderson Stoner, Monica Edgewood, NM, Saluki Club of America

W. Amanda Toner, Longmeadow, MA, to represent Cocker Spaniel Breeders' Club of New England

Sherry E. Wallis, Houston, TX, to represent Akita Club of America

The minutes of the June 11, 2007 Delegate meeting were approved.

Following a motion made and seconded, the Delegates elected the Central Indiana Kennel Club as a member of The American Kennel Club.

Ronald H. Menaker, Board Chairman, gave the following report: Good afternoon. It is sometimes ben-

eficial in both our personal and our professional lives to step back and take a longer perspective of what we have achieved and what we seek. Our natural inclination is to focus on just today and tomorrow.

Today I want to share with you some longer range evaluation of just how AKC is doing and more specifically, how we are doing financially.

In the year 1995 our annual report recorded a total income, both realized and unrealized, of \$32.4 million dollars. Our 2006 figure was \$70 million dollars. In this period we have never reported a net annual loss.

We have a legal and fiduciary duty to maintain a pension fund sufficient to meet our employees' retirement rights. While many U.S. corporations, both profit and non-profit, are facing serious deficits in their pensions funds, I am proud to say that our AKC pension fund is well over 100% funded.

For many years AKC produced very adequate income to fund its basic programs; however, we failed to prepare for the uncertainties of the future. In 1995 we had no Operating Reserve although our auditors advised that an organization such as ours should have an operating reserve of at least fifty

per cent of its annual budget. Today, in 2007, we have an operating reserve of \$32 million dollars.

As the nature of our revenue has shifted, it becomes increasingly clear that it is wise for us to develop an endowment reserve. In 1995 we had no endowment reserve. Today our endowment reserve stands at \$22 million dollars.

In the past eleven years we have seen a modernization of our administration and our financial operations. There has been major investment in the IT capability of our organization. The AKC of today is far different from the "Mom and Pop" operations of the AKC of years past.

In this eleven-year period it is useful to note the new and improved programs and expenditures:

- 1. We created the AKC Canine Health Foundation and have contributed almost \$16 million to it.
- 2. We have contributed \$1.7 million to the AKC Museum of the Dog.
- 3. Through AKC/CAR, we have funded grants totaling \$1.5 million for Canine Support & Relief.

- 4. We have increased our PR advertising almost \$10 million.
- 5. We have almost doubled our capital expenditures for information technology resulting in a 20% reduction of headcount.
- 6. Online registration of dogs now has reached over 60% of litter registra-
- 7. We have added a full-time archivist and have created a Breeders Newsletter.
- 8. AKC and AKC/CAR have contributed \$400,000 to the

Parent Club conferences.

- 9. The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship was created and is now considered among the three most prestigious dog shows in the world. Forty percent of our entries are bred-byexhibitor.
- 10. AKC now is considered a "first call" for disaster relief for dogs.
- 11. We have awarded hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships.
- 12. We have created a "Breeder of the Year" program and have established significant online breeder services.

These only highlight what is a very long list of AKC achievements. We have consciously strived to increase the quality and scope of our sport, and to do so, in a financially responsible man-

I have spoken thus far of AKC's record of progress. We are proud of its financial stability and have every reason to believe that under enlightened management it will continue.

However as useful as it is to evaluate an organization in grand terms, it is also necessary to cast a discerning eye on the distinct parts of our club which help make up the whole. In this regard I have two areas of caution.

We are all aware of the serious decline in AKC registrations from 1990 to today. Serious efforts have been made, and must continue to be made, to address this problem. While some of the decline surely can be attributed to the development of more competitive registries, the full explanation is yet to be understood. Business and social patterns change and we must be aware of those changes and develop a positive response. The revenue experience of 1990 is not that of 2007 and we can expect that there will

be a changing revenue experience ten years from now.

The second area of my concern is the gap which continues in the cost of our Event Department and the income which it generates. While we have never expected this department to generate excess income, I am concerned that it continues to cost so much.

The fees that are assessed in this department impact clubs exhibitors alike. Yet, when analyzed over the years and compared with annual inflation figures, we find that these fees have failed to keep up. Most employees of an organization would be very unhappy if their annual wages did not at least keep up with inflation. The same standard must be applied to company costs.

Part of the shift in revenue has required that those who participate in our sport share a larger portion of its cost. The days when 100% of the cost of our sport was paid by others are over. This does not mean that your board and management will not continue to vigorously seek new revenues to support AKC. It does mean that those of us who involve ourselves in AKC activities will have a greater responsibility for "pay to play."

In the past eleven years we have met some very serious challenges and it is likely that in the next eleven years we will face unknown challenges. We may be required to spend large sums of money to meet those challenges. Our revenue sources may change even more dramatically than they have since 1995.

While the future is unknown, our commitment to facing it squarely and creatively is known. I am convinced that your board and your management are making decisions today which will bear the scrutiny of time and will ensure that the AKC of tomorrow will be as vigorous and dynamic as it is today.

Thank you.

Mr. Sprung gave the following report:

Many of the tenets in AKC's mission statement, promoting the sport of purebred dogs, responsible dog ownership and protecting the rights of all dog owners, are furthered by public education. We have two such educational programs this month, one for the pet owning public and one for future fanciers.

This Saturday we will hold our annual AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day flagship events in Raleigh and New York City, along with 370 plus events this month nationwide. I'd like to invite you to join us and also to thank the many parent club members who will be volunteering their time to participate in the popular Meet The Breeds booths.

Also, the New York staff will be holding an AKC Educational Match on September 29th at the Hunterdon Developmental Center in Clinton, New Jersey to help educate first time exhibitors so they too can experience the joys and rewards of competing in AKC-sanctioned events.

But as a registry, governing body, and a "club of clubs", our reach to influence canine culture in this country can only go so far. One of AKC's main hurdles has been our inability to raise funds through tax-deductible donations to help causes close to our hearts.

AKC has had successful cause related campaigns with such initiatives as DOGNY, which raised more than \$3 Million in contributions for AKC/CAR Canine Support and Relief for search and rescue organizations after the 9/11 tragedies.

In 2005, following Hurricane Katrina, more than \$1 Million was raised to help the canine victims of the Gulf disaster. These public outreach efforts not only garnered significant PR for the AKC but, importantly, proved that our organization could benefit from an ongoing charitable fund to address dog lovers' desires to give not only in times of disaster, but in times of celebration.

Over the years, the sport has missed out on some very impressive gifts and donations because AKC's structure would not allow a tax incentive to the donors, leaving some - who only wanted to support and give - no place to go. That scenario is about to change.

I'm happy to make the first public announcement at the Delegates meeting today that we're in the process of establishing a new and distinct not for profit organization, separate from AKC, to present educational programs, give to charitable foundations, and accept tax-deductible donations. This

new entity will also be able to apply for

The name of the new organization is: the AKC Humane Fund. As we all know, humane means marked by compassion, sympathy, or consideration for humans or animals. You and your club members' compassion for animals is second to none, and the AKC Humane Fund will embody our emotional conviction to the animals we love.

The Fund's mission is "to unite a broad spectrum of animal lovers in promoting the joy and value of responsible and productive pet ownership through education, outreach and grantmaking". The AKC Humane Fund will be proactive and reach out to dog lovers, as well as broaden its constituent base and our relationship with those who do not go on to breed or

Many times you hear people say they are "members of the AKC" because they own a registered dog. While we know this is technically not true, we also know that people have a yearning to belong to something bigger than themselves that reflects their values when it comes to their best friend.

This new independent entity, with anticipated federal recognition of exemption from federal income taxes, will allow the Fund to solicit taxdeductible donations in order to champion specific causes, as well as offer "membership" in the Fund to those who donate.

Membership will be like other charities, such as a public radio station or an environmental charity, where a donation is considered "membership" - a way of saying "I belong", "I agree", or "I support your mission". The Fund gives one an emotional connection to their core beliefs.

To give you an idea of how contributions from individuals and organizations might be used, I'll give you some examples.

We expect the Fund to: Provide support to the AKC Canine Health Foundation; Companion Animal Recovery; and the Museum of the

Rest assured, this new Fund will not be competing with any of our affiliates. This Fund is not a registry or event-giving entity in any way.

The Fund will be able to sponsor educational programs and provide grants to other like minded non-profit organizations, including Parent Club Breed Rescue Groups.

The AKC Humane Fund plans to establish a Hall of Fame for fanciers, including breeders, owners, Delegates, judges and handlers.

A successful Fund will enable implementation of these programs. I invite your input, cooperation and support. Please contact Daphna Straus, who authored this plan, or myself at your convenience. We welcome your clubs' ideas as this program develops.

We have already completed all of the ground work and are optimistic that in the near-term we will obtain recognition of the Fund's tax-exempt 501(c)3 status.

However, as part of the launch, we are now beginning to accept inaugural membership pledges by inviting clubs, individual fanciers, and others to be founding members of this important organization to bring its mission to life. In recognition of founding member contributions, we will create a Wall of Honor. The Wall will feature the names of the first founding members.

I invite you and your membership to join in this new opportunity. This is a first step, which will take years to mature, but I believe it is time for us to walk down this road together.

Thank you.

James Stevens, Chief Financial Officer, gave a financial overview, summarized below:

Total revenues for the first seven months of 2007 were slightly higher than last year and operating expenses were 3% higher than 2006. This resulted in an operating surplus of \$2.3 million for this year.

Year-to-date unrealized investments gains of \$3.8 million were significantly higher than the previous year.

The net surplus exceeded \$6 million, which was over \$1 million greater than 2006

The number of dog and litter registrations continued to decline from the previous year.

There was discussion on a proposed

amendment to ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 1 and 3 of the AKC Bylaws. The intent of the amendment was to enable an elected AKC Board member to retain that position even if removed as Delegate by his or her club. Following a motion made and seconded, it was voted to postpone consideration of the amendment until the December meeting. The purpose of the postponement was to allow time for revisions to address concerns with the present amendment raised by Delegates.

Following a motion made and seconded, it was voted to amend Chapter 8, Section 12, of AKC's Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Retrievers. The amendment, submitted by the Retriever Advisory Committee and approved by the AKC Board. The approved amendment concerning the withdrawal of entries, appears below:

Chapter 8, Section 12: Any dog entered and present at a field trial may be withdrawn from Competition by its handler upon notification to the stake marshal without loss of the dog's eligibility to compete in any other stake in which the dog was entered. The entry fee for the stake entered and withdrawn shall be forfeit.

Following a motion made and seconded, it was voted to amend Chapter 14, Section 5, of AKC's Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Retrievers. The amendment, submitted by the Retriever Advisory Committee and approved by the AKC Board, concerning game birds used in minor stakes, appears below:

Chapter 14, Section 5: Only stakes which are run on game birds and on both land and water shall be permitted in licensed retriever field trials. Premium lists should specify the kind of game to be used in each stake and, unless otherwise specified in the premium list, only pheasants and/or ducks may be used.

Following a motion made and seconded, it was voted to amend Chapter 9, Section 2, 6, and 7 of the Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Basset Hounds. The amendments were submitted by the Basset Hound Club of America and approved by the AKC Board of Directors. The amendments concerning Basset Hound Field

Championship requirements appear below:

Chapter 9

Section 2: At a licensed or member Basset Hound Field Trial the regular classes shall be Open All-Age Dogs and Open All-Age Bitches. If however, when entries are closed there are less than six (6) entries in one of the classes, the class shall be combined if possible and run with both sexes in a single class.

Section 6: Field Championship points for Basset Hounds shall be awarded only to Hounds placing in a licensed or member field trial in Open All-Age Classes in which there are six (6) or more starters and shall be awarded on the following basis:

Section 7: To be recorded a Field Champion, a Basset Hound must have won Championship points in Open All-Age Classes at eight (8) or more licensed or member Basset Hound Field Trials and must have won at least two (2) first places and sixty (60) points in such classes with not less than six (6) starters.

There was discussion on a proposal rescinding of the Delegate Standing Rule that provides for three minute speeches by Board candidates at the March meeting. The intent was to substitute a more interactive format for the Delegate to get to know the Board candidates at the Forum before the December/January meeting. After discussion, and following a motion made and seconded, it was voted to amend the Delegate Standing Rule as follows:

Delegate Standing Rule:

At the meeting next preceding the annual meeting, each candidate for Director shall be allowed one speech for three minutes.

A proposed amendment to ARTI-CLE VI of the AKC Bylaws was read, and will be voted on at the December Delegate meeting. The amendment follows:

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 5 – Two additional paragraphs:

No person may become or remain a Delegate if convicted of a misdemeanor or felony involving the theft, embezzlement, or misappropriation of funds from an AKC-sanctioned

licensed or member club within the previous 10 years. The same would apply to a person found liable for the theft, embezzlement or misappropriation of funds from an AKC-sanctioned, licensed, or member club in a civil court action within the previous ten years.

A conviction or admission of guilt or finding of liability in a court of competent jurisdiction involving theft, embezzlement or misappropriation of funds from an AKC-sanctioned, licensed, or member club within the last ten years, shall be deemed conclusive proof and shall be grounds for the disapproval of a Delegate candidate or the removal of a seated Delegate.

A proposed amendment to ARTI-CLE VII of the AKC Bylaws to remove term limits, was read, and will be voted on at the December Delegate meeting. The amendment follows:

ARTICLE VII, SECTION 1:

The AKC shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of thirteen (13) voting members, all of whom must be Delegates. The Board shall be elected as follows:

At each annual meeting the Delegates shall elect Directors from the list of candidates nominated as provided in Article VIII of these Bylaws. The thirteen voting Directors shall be divided into four classes of three (3), three (3), three (3), and four (4) members. Such Directors to hold office for four (4) years or until their successors are elected. At each annual meeting the Delegates shall elect such other Director or Directors as shall be required to fill the place of any Director who has died or resigned before the expiration of the term for which he or she was elected.

No person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms on the Board. A Board member who has served more than half a term on the Board is considered to have served a full term. This section does not preclude reelection of any delegate to the Board of Directors after a one year (or greater) hiatus from Directorship.

Excluding the President, who serves as a non-voting member, no member

of the Board of Directors may be employed by the AKC nor may they receive remuneration from the AKC on a consulting or contract basis.

Excluding the President, no members of the Board of Directors are eligible for employment by the AKC or any AKC division or subsidiary for a period of twelve months from the date when they last served on the Board, nor may they receive remuneration from the AKC on a contract or consulting basis for a period of twelve months from the date when they last served on the Board.

The President shall serve on the Board as an ex officio non-voting member during his/her tenure as President.

A proposed amendment to Chapter 3, Section 6, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, which would eliminate the Novice Class and substitute an Amateur-Owner-Handler Class, was read, and will be voted on at the December Delegate meeting. The amendment follows:

Chapter 3, Section 6: 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.

The Chair of the Tellers Committee, Michael Leoni of Ernst & Young, reported on the result of the Delegate Standing Committee:

All-Breed Clubs Committee Three -year terms:

Robert D. Black Crécia C. Closson John L. Ronald Ann Wallin

Bylaws Committee Three-year terms: Judith V. Daniels William J. Feeney Dr. John V. Ioia, M.C., Ph.D. Harry G. Ottmann One-year term: Pamela Stacey Rosman

Canine Health Committee Three-year terms: Lee Arnold Catherine Bell Dr. Sophia Kaluzniacki John A. Studebaker

Delegate Advocacy and Advancement Committee Three-year terms: I. Lehr Brisbin, Jr., Ph.D. William R. Daniels Iames R. Dok Daniel J. Smyth, Esq.

Dog Show Rules Committee Three-year terms: Linda C. Flynn Sue Goldberg Nancy J. Perrell David M. Powers

Field Trial and Hunting Test Events Committee

Three-year terms: David H. Hopkins Jesse A. Pfeiffer, Jr. Marshall Simonds Lynn Worth Two-year term: Beth Lagimoniere

Herding, Earthdog, and Coursing **Events Committee** Three-year terms:

Karen Arends Eugenia B. Bishop Kathryn A. Hamilton John C. McNabney Two-year term: Bonnie Lapham

Obedience, Tracking and Agility Committee

Three-year terms: John D. Landis

Patricia A. Sample Kathrynann N. Sarvinas Maureen R. Setter One-year term: Robert C. Amen

Parent Clubs Committee Three-year terms: William H. Blair Constance Butherus Patte Klecan John P. Nielsen

There was no election for the Perspective Editorial Staff, and the following delegates were elected for twoyear terms:

Sylvia Arrowwood Janice Sparhawk Gardner Daniel J. Smyth, Esq. Barbara Wicklund

Keith Frazier, Assistant Vice President for Audit and Control, gave a report on a customer satisfaction survey conducted by AKC's Business Excellence Department.

The Nominating Committee, which is to nominate candidates for vacancies on the AKC Board that are to be filled at the March 2008 Annual meeting were introduced as follows:

Chair, Andrew G. Mills, Del Sur Kennel Club

Karen J. Burgess, Greater Clark County Kennel Club

Viola Burgos, Naugatuck Valley Kennel Club

John Shoemaker, Toy Dog Breeders Association of Southern California

Helma N. Weeks, Bucks County Kennel Club

The alternates are:

Arlene A. Czech, Papillon Club of America

Margaret L. Wampold, South Windsor Kennel Club.

Those interested in seeking nomination were requested to send resumes to Mr. Mills via e-mail (agamdme@cox.net) by September 30, 2007, stipulating whether they wished to be considered for the vacancy in the Class of 2010 or the vacancies in the Class of 2012. If the latter, it should also be indicated whether a nomination to the former would be accepted.

A number of Delegates spoke during New Business. The speakers and subjects addressed were:

- Stanley Saltzman, Delegate for the San Francisco Dog Training Club, acknowledging the death of Chester F. Collier, former AKC Director
- Rose Radel, Delegate for the Ramapo Kennel Club, requesting more details on the AKC Human Fund
- Cheryl Speed, Delegate for the American Black & Tan Coonhound Club, thanking the AKC Board for revisiting and revising its plan to bring the FSS Black and Tan Coonhound into the registry
- James Smith, Delegate for the Dalmatian Club of America, speaking against the proposal to permit mixedbreed dogs in Companion Events
- Ann Wallin, Delegate for the Atlanta Kennel Club and Peter Piusz, Delegate for the American Rottweiler Club, about the recently held Parent Club Conference
- David Merriam, Delegate for the Duluth Kennel Club and AKC Vice Chairman, about the AKC Board's proposal to the Board of the AKC Canine Health Foundation. His remarks were supported by Lee Arnold, Delegate for the Southern Colorado Kennel Club, and Andrew Mills, Delegate for the Del Sur Kennel Club
- Richard Glenn, Delegate for the American Maltese Association, acknowledging the death of Peggy Hogg, long-time judge and American Maltese Association member

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30.