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MISSION STATEMENT:
- *Maintain a registry for purebred dogs and preserve its integrity.*
- *Sanction dog events that promote interest in, and sustain the process of, breeding for type and function of purebred dogs.*
- *Take whatever actions necessary to protect and assure the continuation of the sport of purebred dogs.*

Attention Delegates
Notice of Meeting

The quarterly meeting of the Delegates will be held at the Doubletree Hotel San Diego-Mission Valley, San Diego, CA, June 13, 2000 at 12:00 Noon.

Delegates Credentials

Neil A. Bates, Alpharetta, GA, to represent Abilene Kennel Club, Inc.

Gerard Baudet, Saunderstown, RI, to represent Rhode Island Kennel Club

Marti Bell-Johnson, Livermore, CA, to represent San Mateo Kennel Club, Inc.

Dorotha Betke, Green Oaks, IL, to represent Chain O'Lakes Kennel Club

Joan Caspersen, Branford, CT, to represent Elm City Kennel Club, Inc.

Joan Confort, Watchung, NJ, to represent Twin Brooks Kennel Club.

Theresa (Terry) Goldman, Oldsmar, FL, to represent Clearwater Kennel Club, Inc.

Marsha S. Gray, Hopewell, VA, to represent Australian Terrier Club of America

Beryl Hesketh, Wurtsbobo, NY, to represent Wallkill Kennel Club

John David Hughes, Kensington, NH, to represent Des Moines Kennel Club, Inc.

Lindy T. Miller, West Chester, PA, to represent American Water Spaniel Club, Inc.

James M. Neposchlan, Springfield, IL, to represent American Brussels Griffon Association

Cindy Scott, Colorado Springs, CO, to represent Colorado Springs Kennel Club

Helen Stein, Henderson, NV, to represent Ashtabula Kennel Club

Joan S. Tabor, Montclair, NJ, to represent Eastern German Shorthaired Pointer Club, Inc.

Dr. Robert Tainsh, Winter Park, FL, to represent Border Collie Society of America

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The following committees have been appointed by the Board of Directors of The American Kennel Club:

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Canine Health
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Ronald H. Menaker
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Dr. Thomas M. Davies

Notice

The Board considered the Report and Findings of the Southeastern Trial Board, which on December 2, 1999 heard charges against Mario Garcia (Masaryktown, FL) for falsely filing a complaint with AKC alleging that his signature was forged on a litter registration application. The owners of the litter, claimed Mr. Garcia did sign the application, which fact was confirmed by a forensic expert. The Trial Board sustained the charges and recommended that Mr. Garcia be suspended for one year and fined $1,000. The Board VOTED to adopt this recommendation, with the suspension effective January 10, 2000.

CORRECTION

A notice incorrectly listed Mr. Phillip Chandler's breed as Cardigan Welsh Corgi, when it should have only listed Golden Retriever.

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended the following individual from all AKC privileges for a period of five (5) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a fine of $1,000 for failure to comply with the recordkeeping and identification requirements of **Chapter 4** of the *Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline*: (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Vicki James (Bloomington, IN)—Multiple Breeds

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended the following individual from all AKC privileges for a period of ten (10) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a fine of $500 for failure to comply with the recordkeeping and identification requirements of **Chapter 4** of the *Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline*: (Guidelines effective 7/13/99)

Gary Louis Vagle, d.b.a. Running Bear Mastiffs (Turtletown)—Mastiff

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended the following individuals from all AKC privileges for a period of ten (10) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed fines of $2,000 each for failure to comply with the recordkeeping and identification requirements of **Chapter 4** of the *Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline*: (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Charles Bailey (Delaware, OH)—Multiple Breeds

Juanita Battenfield (Visalia, CA)—Multiple Breeds

Randy Butler (Mannford, OK)—Chihuahua - Pug

Carolyn Epps (Horton, AL)—Multiple Breeds

Johnne Galpin (Orosi, CA)—Wire Fox Terrier - Chihuahua

Linda Hall (Dresser, WI)—Multiple Breeds

Lucille Horton (Griffin, GA)—Multiple Breeds

Abraham and Freda Ibarra (Avondale, AZ)—Multiple Breeds

Arline Longerbone (Mira Loma, CA)—Multiple Breeds

Janice Rimsky-Feiler (Shreveport, LA)—Dachshund

Don Rockenbach (Stella, MO)—Shih Tzu - Poodle

Mary Rockenbach (Stella, MO)—Multiple Breeds

Jane Waldrop (Huntsville, TX)—Multiple Breeds

Patricia Zupkofska (Fontana, CA)—Pomeranian

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended the following individuals from all AKC privileges for a period of two (2) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $2,000 fine each for having refused to permit an inspection of records and practices, as provided by **Chapter 4, Section 7,** of the *Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline*: (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Betty Brasure (Bland, MO)—Multiple Breeds

Peggy Browning (Hermitage, TN)—Shih Tzu

Lou Clem (Quinlan, TX)—Poodle

Chris Cline (Peterstown, WV)—Golden Retriever - Labrador Retriever

Jodee Forbrook (Cleveland, MN)—Saint Bernard

Janet and Jennelle Heilman (Richmond, VA)—Multiple Breeds

Mary Kuhn (Glenville, MN)—Multiple Breeds

Maurice Mark Norwood (Heidelberg, MS)—Multiple Breeds

Kathryn Padilla (Augusta, WI)—Multiple Breeds

Mary Phillips (Broadway, VA)—Poodle

Samuel Phillips (Broadway, VA)—Poodle - German Shepherd Dog

Bridget Rhoads (Bethel, PA)—Multiple Breeds

Clara Skillman (Louisburg, NC)—Chihuahua - Miniature Pinscher

Linda Wallin (Rising Fawn, GA)—Miniature Schnauzer

It was reported that the following individuals have been suspended for ten (10) years, effective April 10, 2000, and fined $2,000 each for conduct considered prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs in connection with the convictions as indicated: (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Catherine (Katherine) Dye (Del Valle, TX)—based on her conviction in Justice Court (TX) of Animal Cruelty. (Multiple Breeds)

John Kroposky (Allentown, PA)—based on his conviction in District Court (PA) of Animal Cruelty. (West Highland White Terrier)

Marjorie Miller (Villa Rica, GA)—based on her conviction in Magistrate Court of Carroll County (GA) of 13 counts of failure to provide shelter and water. (Multiple Breeds)

Nancy Jean O'Neill (Vacaville, CA)—based on her conviction in Solano County Superior Court (CA) of Animal Cruelty. (Poodle)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Terry Bryson (Swartz Creek, MI) from all AKC privileges for a period of three (3) months, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $500 fine for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, registration applications which she knew, or should have known, did not contain the personal signature of Jeffrey Bryson, without having a Power of Attorney Authorization Form on file. (Labrador Retriever) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ardyce and Edgar Dames (Scribner, NE) from all AKC privileges for a period of five (5) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $1,000 fine each for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, three litter registration applications which they knew, or should have known, contained false certifications. (Multiple Breeds) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Penny and Robert Daugherty (Stockbridge, GA) from all AKC privileges for a period of three (3) months, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $500 fine each for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, registration applications which they knew, or should have known, did not contain the personal signature of their co-owner, without having a properly completed Power of Attorney

Authorization Form on file. (Poodle) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Denise Michelle Halcomb (Harrington, DE) from all AKC privileges for a period of three (3) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $300 fine for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, a request to obtain a duplicate registration certificate for a female Boston Terrier which she knew, or should have known, contained false certification. (Boston Terrier) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has issued a letter of reprimand to Donna Ogdahl (Paynesville, MN) for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, a litter registration application which she knew, or should have known, did not contain the personal signature of the owner of the dam, without having a Power of Attorney Authorization Form on file. (Labrador Retriever) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Dorothy and Ervin Stier (Crescent, IA) from all AKC privileges for a period of ten (10) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $2,000 fine each for failure to comply with the rules and regulations for recordkeeping and identification, and for failure to maintain their dogs and facilities in a manner acceptable to the American Kennel Club. (Cocker Spaniel) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has issued a letter of reprimand to Kimberly Strader (Trenton, OH) for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, a litter registration application which she knew, or should have known, did not contain the personal signature of the sire owner, without having a Power of Attorney Authorization Form on file. (Chow Chow - Akita) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00.)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Michael and Regina Stroud (Waco, TX) from all AKC privileges for a period of six (6) months, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $500 fine each for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, a litter registration application which they knew, or should have known, did not contain the personal signature of the owner of the sire. (Bulldog) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

The AKC's Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Angela Wade (Beulah, MO) from all AKC privileges for a period of five (5) years, effective April 10, 2000, and imposed a $1,000 fine for having submitted, or caused to be submitted, two litter registration applications which she knew, or should have known, contained false certifications. (Multiple Breeds) (Guidelines effective 1/1/00)

Notice

Harvey Durham (Amarillo, TX) was suspended for 10 years, effective November 8, 1999, and fined $500 as the result of a Trial Board Hearing by the Southeastern Trial Board. He was charged with not being in compliance with the rules and regulations for recordkeeping. The AKC Board Discipline Review Committee considered his appeal and recommended that it be denied. The Board **VOTED** to adopt that recommendation.

Notice

Leo Davies (Wauchula, FL) was suspended for 10 years and fined $500, effective October 11, 1999, as the result of a Trial Board Hearing of the Southeastern Trial Board. He was charged with submitting, or causing to be submitted, two litter applications which he knew, or should have known, contained false certifications. The AKC Board Discipline Review Committee considered his appeal and recommended that it be denied. The Board VOTED to adopt this recommendation.

Notice

As the result of a Trial Board decision, Board of Directors' determination or AKC Management Disciplinary Committee determination, the following individual stands suspended of all AKC privileges. It should be noted that this determination may still be appealed and may be reversed. Upon expiration of the appeal period or the conclusion of the appeal process, an appropriate notice describing the status of the individual's suspension, if any, will appear in this column:

Nicole Cambialetta (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)

Alvetta Gibboney (Molalla, OR)

Sharin Graves (Granite Bay, CA)

Notice

Tim Sweeney (Wilton Manors, FL) was suspended by the Event Committee of the Bulldog Club of America for conduct that endangered the club's ability to maintain a show site at the club's November 7, 1999, show. The AKC Management Disciplinary Committee imposed a three-month suspension, effective November 7, 1999, and a $500 fine.

Notice

The Southeastern Trial Board on December 2, 1999, heard charges against Mario Bruce Garcia (Masaryktown, FL) for falsely claiming that his signature was forged on Section A of a litter registration application that was submitted to register a Keeshond litter. Mr. Garcia signed an affidavit in which he indicated that the application did not contain his sognature. A forensic expert confirmed that he did, in fact, sign the application. The Trial Board sustained the charges and recommended that he be suspended for one year and fined $1,000, the Board voted to adopt the recommendation, with suspension effective January 10, 2000.

Notice

Lisa Dewey (Glendale, CA) was suspended by the Event Committee of the Orange Empire Dog Club for using foul and abusive language at its November 28, 1999, show. The AKC Management Disciplinary Committee imposed a suspension of one month, effective November 28, 1999, and a $500 fine.

Notice

Richard Strumpf (Los Gatos, CA) was suspended by the Event Committee of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Northern Sacramento Valley for using abusive language at a judge at its November 26, 1999, field trial. The AKC Management Disciplinary Committee imposed a suspension of six months, effective November 26, 1999, and a $500 fine.

Notice

Linda Trustman (Lancaster, CA) was suspended by the Events Committee of the Arizona Chinese Shar-Pei Club of Phoenix for switching raffle tickets at the club's November 26, 1999, show. The AKC Management Disciplinary Committee imposed a suspension of one month, effective November 26, 1999, and a $500 fine.

Notice

Ron Carpenter (Sylva, NC) was suspended by the Event Committee of the Grand American Association for falsifying a score card at the club's January 7, 2000 coonhound event. The AKC Management Disciplinary Committee imposed a five-year suspension, effective January 7, 2000, and a $1,000 fine.

Notice

The South Central Trial Board, on January 18, 2000, heard charges against Patricia Weaver (Beebe, AR) for submitting numerous registration applications, which she knew, or should have known, or had a duty to know, contained false certifications,

and that she entered a dog in a show under the wrong registration number. The Trial Board sustained the charges and recommended that Ms. Weaver be suspended for two years and fined $300. The Board VOTED to adopt this recommendation, with the suspension effective February 11, 2000.

Notice

The South Central Trial Board, on January 18, 2000, heard charges against Michelle Mace (Cabot, AZ) for submitting numerous registration applications, which she knew, or should have known, or had a duty to know, contained false certifications, and that she entered a dog in a show under the wrong registration number. The Trial Board sustained the charges and recommended that Ms. Mace be suspended for four years and fined $300. The Board VOTED to adopt this recommendation, with the suspension effective February 11, 2000.

Registrations Cancelled

At its meeting on April 10-11, 2000, the AKC Management Disciplinary Committee ratified actions taken by the Executive Officers during the month of March, canceling the registrations of 23 litters as follows:

10 because of impure breeding.

10 as a result of the Compliance Audit Program - DNA.

3 at the litter owners' request.

The cancellation of the registrations of the 23 litters resulted in the cancellation of 35 registered dogs and rendered 106 dogs, members of these litters, ineligible for registration.

Notice

Reprimands and Fines

Notification of fines imposed on clubs for late submission of applications. **Chapter 2, Section 4.**

Greater Fort Myers Dog Club .....$ 75.00
Greater Chicago Whippet Club .....$ 50.00
Fort Vancouver Cocker Spaniel Fanciers .....$ 50.00
Dayton Kennel Club .....$ 50.00
Garden State Weimaraner Club .....$ 50.00
Metro Mile Hi Kennel Club .....$ 50.00
Airedale Terrier Club of New England .....$ 50.00
Beaumont Kennel Club.....$ 50.00
Twin Cities Obedience Training Club $100.00
Keystone Collie Club $130.00
Obedience Club of San Diego County $110.00
Maryland Brittany Club ...$150.00
Irish Water Spaniel Club of America .....$ 90.00
Weimaraner Club of Northern Illinois .....$ 90.00

Notification of club reprimand for scheduling more than 175 dogs per judge per day. **Chapter 7, Section 13.**

Mt. Baker Kennel Club

Notification of club reprimand for not sending Judging Programs to the AKC offices. **Chapter 7, Section 12.**

Central Arkansas Pomeranian Club

Notification of club reprimand for assigning more than eight hours of judging in one day. **Chapter 1, Section 25,** of the *Obedience Regulations*.

Richmond Dog Obedience Club

Proposed Amendments to the *AKC Constitution and Bylaws* of The American Kennel Club

The Board of Directors has approved the following amendments to the *AKC Constitution and Bylaws*, to be voted on at the June 13, 2000 Delegates Meeting:

Proposed Changes to Article XII: AKC Discipline

SECTION 1. Any club or association or person or persons interested in purebred dogs may make a complaint against any other club or association or person or persons for conduct alleged to have been prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events or the AKC, which complaint shall be made in writing setting forth the circumstances. It shall be signed and sworn by an officer of the club or association or by the person or persons making the same before a person qualified to administer oaths and shall then be sent to the AKC, (ATTENTION: Executive Secretary) with a deposit, the amount to be established by the Board of Directors. This sum shall become the property of the AKC if said complaint shall not to any extent be sustained, or shall be returned if said complaints are sustained in whole or in part, or if the AKC shall refuse to entertain jurisdiction thereof.

The Board of Directors has the authority to determine whether the AKC shall exercise jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. Upon receipt of a duly filed complaint pursuant to **Section 1** of this Article, the President shall cause the matter to be investigated, and following such investigation, and upon notice to the Board of Directors, shall direct that charges be filed, which shall be sent to a Trial Board for a hearing, or that the matter be dropped from further consideration. The President, with the concurrence of the defendant, may impose a penalty according to guidelines established by the AKC Board without referring the matter to a Trial Board. The President may refer a recommendation for a penalty greater or lesser than provided for in these guidelines, to the Board of Directors for final action. The President shall promptly report all complaints and their disposition to the AKC Board of Directors.

SECTION 3. The President or the Board of Directors shall have the power to investigate any matters which may be brought to their attention in connection with the objects for which the AKC was founded, or to appoint a committee or Trial Board to investigate, in which event the same procedure shall be followed and the same rules shall apply as in a trial before a Trial Board.

If after such investigation the President or the Board of Directors believe that sufficient evidence exists to warrant the filing of charges, they may file or direct the filing of such charges. The President upon notice to the Board of Directors, or the Board of Directors, may prefer charges for conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the AKC against clubs or persons who shall bring to their attention any matter which upon investigation shall be found to have been reported maliciously and/or in bad faith.

SECTION 4. The President upon notice to the Board of Directors, or the Board of Directors, shall have power to prefer charges against any association or club, or person or persons, for conduct alleged to be prejudicial to purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or to the best interests of the AKC. Pending the final determination of any such charges, the privileges of the AKC may be withheld from the person or body against whom charges are pending.

SECTION 5. The Board of Directors shall have the power to prefer charges or to suspend from membership in the AKC any member club pending final action by the Delegates in accordance with the provisions of this section; for conduct alleged to have been prejudicial to the best interests of the AKC or for violation of the member clubs' constitution, bylaws, or rules.

The Board of Directors shall then file charges and promptly set a date for a hearing and send notice to the suspended member by certified mail at least 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing. The time and place where the suspended member may be heard will be stated. Such notice shall also set forth a copy of the charges.

The Board of Directors shall refer the charges to a Trial Board to take the testimony and to report its findings and/or recommendations to the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors, after hearing or reviewing the evidence, shall report its findings to the Delegates at

the next regular meeting of the AKC. The Delegates shall take action upon said findings and by a majority vote of Delegates present may reinstate, continue the suspension from membership for a stated time, or by a two-thirds vote expel the member from the AKC.

SECTION 6. The AKC shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of the Delegates present and voting at any regular meeting to suspend or expel from AKC membership any member for conduct alleged to have been prejudicial to the best interests of the AKC or for violation of its constitution, bylaws or rules.

Proposed Changes to Article XIII: Trial Boards

SECTION 1. Trial Boards and an Appeal Trial Board shall be appointed from time to time by the Board of Directors of AKC. No member of a Trial Board or an Appeal Trial Board shall be a Director or an AKC employee. An individual may not concurrently be appointed to nor serve on a Trial Board and the Appeal Trial Board. Each Trial Board and the Appeal Trial Board shall consist of three members, one of whom, if practicable, should be an attorney-at-law. In case one or more members of a Trial Board or the Appeal Trial Board shall be unable to sit in any given case, the Chair of the Trial Board or Appeal Trial Board, may appoint a substitute or substitutes for such case from the current list of those appointed by the Board of Directors as members of a Trial Board or as alternate Appeal Trial Board members. In case of the absence of one or more members of a Trial Board, the remaining member or members may hear and determine a case if the parties being heard shall consent thereto. A Trial Board Chair, with the concurrence of both the AKC and the defendant may hear and determine a case or designate one Trial Board member from the list of current appointees to hear and determine a case in lieu of a hearing before a three-member Trial Board. The Appeal Trial Board must have three members to hear and determine a case.

SECTION 2. When charges have been filed and referred to a Trial Board, a notice which shall state that such charges have been filed and shall set forth a copy of the same shall be sent to the club or association, or person or persons against which or whom said charges have been preferred which club or association, or person or persons herein shall be known as and called the defendant. The club or association or person or persons which or who shall have filed the complaint leading to the charges shall be known and called the complainant.

Such notice shall also set forth a time and place at which the defendant may attend and present any defense or answer which the defendant may wish to make. The time and place shall be determined by the Trial Board Chair in consultation with the parties.

If the complainant shall fail or refuse to cooperate with the AKC in the prosecution of said charges, without giving reasonable excuse for such failure or refusal, the AKC or the Trial Board presiding may suspend said complainant for a period of six months or until such time as the party is prepared to cooperate with the AKC. Appeals to such suspensions shall be to the Appeals Trial Board.

If the defendant shall fail to appear at the hearing, without giving reasonable excuse for such failure or refusal, the complainant's evidence may be heard and the defendant's written answer, if any, will be considered. The record of the hearing shall also include a statement by the Trial Board Chair of any conversations with the defendant concerning the failure or refusal to appear. In such cases, the Trial Board may make a finding. The Trial Board may also suspend the defendant for six months or until the party is prepared to present a defense.

SECTION 3. Trial Boards shall hear and decide by majority vote matters submitted to them by the President or the Board of Directors and shall have the power to impose fines and suspensions from all AKC privileges not to be less than nor to exceed guidelines established by the AKC Board of Directors. A Trial Board may refer a recommendation for a penalty greater or lesser than provided for in these guidelines to the Board of Directors for final action.

If a Trial Board withholds privileges of the AKC, the suspension shall take effect immediately when the defendant has been so notified in person or five days after the date of a written notice. Notice may be made orally and must be made by certified and first class mail to the defendant's last known address within five days of receipt of the decision.

A Trial Board, the Trial Board Chair or one Trial Board member appointed to hear and determine a case as provided in **Article XIII, Section 1** has the power with the concurrence of a defendant, to impose fines and suspensions from any or all AKC privileges according to guidelines established by the AKC Board of Directors without a formal Trial Board hearing. The Trial Board, with the concurrence of the defendant, may without a hearing recommend a lesser penalty to the Board. A Trial Board, the Trial Board Chair, or an appointed Trial Board member who heard and determined a case may refer a recommendation for a penalty greater or lesser than provided for in these guidelines to the Board of Directors for final action.

All Trial Board actions shall be reported to the Board of Directors promptly after such actions are taken.

SECTION 4. Trial Boards shall have power to withhold from any person all AKC privileges for a period of not more than one year for improper or disorderly conduct during a hearing or trial.

SECTION 5. Trial Boards shall keep minutes of their sittings.

SECTION 6. The decisions of Trial Boards shall be in writing signed by all members attending, and include all exhibits and papers offered before them. Each decision, together with complete copies of the minutes and testimony taken, shall be filed with the Executive Secretary of the AKC within thirty days of the date of the rendering of the decision. The Trial Board may file with its decision or within thirty days thereafter or in the event of an appeal, within thirty days of hearing an appeal, an opinion or expanded statement in detail of the reasons for its findings. It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary of the AKC when received, within five business days to notify in writing all parties in interest of the decision of a Trial Board.

SECTION 7. An appeal may be taken from any decision of a Trial Board. Notice in writing claiming such appeal together with a deposit, the amount of which is determined by the AKC Board of Directors, must be sent to the AKC (ATTENTION: Executive Secretary) within thirty days after the receipt of the notice of the decision of the Trial Board. A three-member Appeals Trial Board shall hear said appeal on the record.

The deposit shall become the property of the AKC if the decision of the Trial Board shall be confirmed in whole or in part, or shall be returned to the appellant if it shall not be confirmed. If the aggrieved party shall fail to take such appeal, there shall be no further right of appeal of any kind.

SECTION 8. The AKC and any Trial Board of the AKC, with the permission of the AKC President, may, and if necessary at AKC expense, summon witnesses or a member of any Event Committee to attend any and all hearings held under the provisions of the Bylaws of the AKC. Any person who is summoned by the AKC and/or Trial Board to testify, may be suspended from AKC privileges if he or she

shall fail to appear and testify, without reasonable excuse.

Proposed Changes to Article XIV: Event Committees

SECTION 1. The Event Committee of a club or association shall have the right and responsibility to suspend any person from AKC privileges for conduct prejudicial to the best interest of purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the AKC, alleged to have occurred in connection with or during the progress of its event, after the alleged offender has been given the opportunity to be heard. When the penalty for the offense as set forth in the guidelines authorized by the Board of Directors provides for a reprimand in certain instances, the Event Committee shall have the authority to stay the suspension pending a final determination by the AKC.

Notice in writing must be sent promptly by certified and by first class mail by the Event Committee to the person suspended and a duplicate notice giving the name and address of the person suspended and full details as to the reasons for the suspension and if applicable, the reasons for the stay of suspension must be forwarded to the AKC (ATTENTION: Executive Secretary) within five days.

An appeal may be taken from a decision of an Event Committee and any subsequent disciplinary action applied by the AKC. Notice in writing claiming such appeal together with a deposit, at an amount established by the AKC Board of Directors, must be sent to the AKC (ATTENTION: Executive Secretary) within thirty days after the date of the suspension. The appeal shall be determined on the record by a Trial Board. The deposit shall become the property of the AKC if the decision is upheld in whole or in part or shall be returned to the appellant if the decision is not upheld in whole or in part.

Proposed Changes to Article XV: Penalties

SECTION 1. Penalties range from a reprimand or fine to suspension for life from all privileges of the AKC.

SECTION 2. The suspension of a person shall date from the day of the perpetration of the act or from any date subsequent thereto which shall be fixed by the AKC or after a hearing by a Trial Board and shall apply to all dogs owned or subsequently acquired by the person so suspended.

SECTION 3. Any or all privileges of the AKC shall be withheld from any person suspended. The terms of suspension shall be defined in the most current published list of penalties approved by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4. Any AKC club, association or organization which shall hold a purebred dog event or dog exhibition of any kind not in accordance with the rules of the AKC which apply to such purebred dog event or exhibition may be disciplined even to the extent of being deprived of all privileges of the AKC for a stated period of time or indefinitely, and if such club, association or organization shall be a member of the AKC, it may be expelled from membership therein.

SECTION 5. No club or association licensed by the AKC to give a purebred dog event or give a dog exhibition of any kind shall employ in any capacity, accept the donation of a prize or money from, or permit to be within the walls or boundaries of its building or grounds, if a purebred dog event, save only as a spectator, any person known to be under suspension from the privileges of the AKC, or any employee or member of a corporation which shall be under suspension from the privileges of the AKC. And any contract for floor space at a purebred dog event, or contract for advertising space in a catalog, premium list or other printed matter, in connection with the giving of said event, shall bear upon it the following condition: "This space is sold with the understanding that should the privileges of the AKC be withdrawn from the purchaser of this space prior to its execution, this contract is thereby automatically canceled. Any money paid by the purchaser for such space shall be refunded."

SECTION 6. No member club or association under suspension shall be represented by its Delegate and no Delegate under suspension shall act for a member or in any official capacity for the AKC during the period of suspension.

SECTION 7. Any association, club, person or persons suspended by the AKC or from whom the privileges of the AKC have been withheld, may apply for reinstatement or restoration of privileges upon paying a fee, the amount of which may be fixed and determined by the Board of Directors of the AKC. Until said fee has been paid the application shall not be acted upon.

The current **Articles XIV - XVIII** would be renumbered **XVI - XX.**

The following current sections are to be deleted:

Article XII, Section 8.
Article XII, Section 10.
Article XII, Section 12.
Article XII, Section 19.
Article XIII, Section 7.

JUDGES

Letters concerning judges and judging applicants should be addressed to the Judging Operations Department at 5580 Centerview Drive, Raleigh, NC 27606. Letters concerning Obedience, Tracking, and VST applicants should be addressed to the Obedience 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.

New Breed Judging Applicants

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

Mr. David Allan Feller (17482)
3755 Lurline Drive
Honolulu, HI 96816
(808) 735-8856
Clumber Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, Basset Hounds, JS

Mrs. Nancy C. Russell (17390)
W230 N9215 Colgate Road
Sussex, WI 53089
(414) 246-3808
Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Alaskan Malamutes, Bernese Mountain Dogs, Samoyeds, Siberian Huskies, Boston Terriers, Chow Chows, Shiba Inu, JS

Mrs. Carolyn Taylor (17376)
296 N 1000 East Road
Hammond, IL 61929
(217) 262-3266
Smooth Fox Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, Norfolk Terriers, Norwich Terriers, Scottish Terriers, Sealyham Terriers, JS

Mr. Merle Taylor (17377)
296 N 1000 East Road
Hammond, IL 61929
(217) 262-3266
Smooth Fox Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, Norfolk Terriers, Norwich Terriers, Scottish Terriers, Welsh Terriers, JS

Approved Breed Judging Applicants

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

Mr. John S. Lucas (7444)
13717 Burnet Road #300-114
Austin, TX 78727
(512) 795-0775
Alaskan Malamutes

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Matchett (3131)
5740 Avenue Juan Bautista
Riverside, CA 92509
(909) 686-6715

Balance of Hound Group (Afghan Hounds, Greyhounds, Ibizan Hounds, Irish Wolfhounds, Norwegian Elkhounds, Otterhounds, Pharaoh Hounds, Salukis, Scottish Deerhounds)

Miss Kimberly Anne Meredith (5978)
539 Osborn Lane
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
(925) 676-9606

Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers

Mrs. Bertha L. (Birdie) Newbill (3056)
4916 NE 34th Street
Vancouver, WA 98661
(360) 699-4898

Affenpinschers, Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, English Toy Spaniels, Havanese, Maltese

Mr. Wallace J. Newbill (1614)
4916 NE 34th Street
Vancouver, WA 98661
(360) 699-4898

German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Vizslas, Weimaraners

Ms. Lynne Schanzle (1973)
8311 Exodus Drive
Laytonsville, MD 20882
(301) 840-9883

English Setters, Gordon Setters, Vizslas

Mr. Lawrence J. (Larry) Sinclair (7419)
2330 S Dishman-Mica Road
Spokane, WA 99206
(509) 922-8173

Brittanys, Pointers, German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Golden Retrievers, Vizslas, Weimaraners, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons, Dalmatians

Marjorie A. Tuff (5346)
285 Monmouth Road
Freehold, NJ 07728
(732) 780-0942

Affenpinschers, Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, Chinese Cresteds, Shiba Inu

New Breed Judges

The following persons have been approved on a **Provisional** basis for the designated breed(s) in accordance with the current judging approval system. ***They may now accept assignments.***

Mrs. Terri Lynn Burrows (17371)
25906 D'Jon
Tomball, TX 77375
(281) 351-7081

English Cocker Spaniels

Ms. Sharon Cook (17385)
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Denver, Co 80221
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Great Danes, Komondorok, Rottweilers, Airedale Terriers, Smooth Fox Terriers, Norfolk Terriers, Norwich Terriers, Scottish Terriers, Sealyham Terriers, Skye Terriers, West Highland White Terriers, Pugs, Boston Terriers

Ms. Jacqueline Corwin (17372)
5258 Eagle Lake Drive
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418
(561) 627-3204

Collies, JS

Mr. Henry J. Dancosse (16936)
470 Route 173
Stewartsville, NJ 08886
(908) 479-6132

German Shepherd Dogs, Pembroke Welsh Corgis

Ms. Johannah (JoLynn) Gilstrap (17364)
646 County Road 1399
Falkville, AL 35622
(256) 737-0391

Collies, JS

Ms. Bridgett Higginbotham (17365)
PO Box 551
Chicago Park, CA 95712
(530) 273-9123

Bulldogs

Mrs. Tracy Pierce Hite (17410)
11813 N Hemlock Street
Spokane, WA 99218
(509) 468-9019

Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Whippets

Mr. William F. Hossler (17437)
28 Mill Valley Road
Pittsford, NY 14534
(716) 248-2765

Samoyeds, JS

Ms. Judi James (6527)
1265 Summer Street NE
Salem, OR 97303
(503) 370-8109

Keeshonden

Mr. Michael Jennings (17353)
2442 Route 174
Marietta, NY 13110
(315) 636-8070

Siberian Huskies

Mrs. Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake (17375)
PO Box 204, 37 Grove Drive
Tuxedo, NY 10987
(914) 351-2727

Alaskan Malamutes, JS

Mrs. Kerrie Kuper-Barthelette (17387)
10441 Snug Harbor Road NE
St. Petersburg, FL 33702
(727) 570-8004

Greyhounds, Whippets, Silky Terriers, JS

Mr. Ronald J. Lambert (17367)
427 Hop City Road
Ballston Spa, NY 12020
(518) 885-4130

Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, Vizslas, Alaskan Malamutes, Bernese Mountain Dogs, Newfoundlands, Rottweilers, Saint Bernards, Samoyeds, Siberian Huskies, Keeshonden, Australian Shepherds, Cardigan Welsh Corgis, Pembroke Welsh Corgis, JS

Mr. David Lopatich (17388)
6 Steam Mill Hill
Brookline, NH 03033
(603) 673-8234

Doberman Pinschers, Great Danes

Ms. Edweena (Teddy) McDowell (17411)
12130 Moonlight Road
Olathe, KS 66061
(913) 780-5393

Cardigan Welsh Corgis, JS

Mr. Rodney R. Merry (17340)
10511 Dunbrook
Houston, TX 77070
(281) 807-5475

Boxers, Pugs, Boston Terriers, French Bulldogs, JS

Mr. Aubrey W. Nash (17389)
10012 Lakeshore Drive
Oklahoma City, OK 73120
(405) 755-3395

Dachshunds, JS

Mr. Allen Nowatzki (17351)
6503 Wrigley Drive
Pasco, WA 99301
(509) 544-0109

Shih Tzu, JS

Mr. James K. Polk (17201)
170 Nardi Lane
Martinez, CA 94553
(925) 228-3069

Labrador Retrievers, Akitas, Bullmastiffs, Great Pyrenees, Mastiffs, Newfoundlands, Australian Shepherds

Mrs. Sheila K. Polk (17200)
170 Nardi Lane
Martinez, CA 94553
(925) 228-3069

Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, Clumber Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, Welsh Springer Spaniels, Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Akitas, Bullmastiffs, Giant Schnauzers, Great Pyrenees, Mastiffs, Newfoundlands, Saint Bernards, Australian Shepherds, Bouviers des Flandres, JS

Mrs. Carol Shipley-Vagnone (17347)
16 Fletcher Avenue
N Merrick, NY 11566
(516) 546-6176

Doberman Pinschers, JS

Mr. Steve Sorenson (17414)
3404 Oak Knoll Drive
Eau Claire, WI 54701
(715) 834-9248

Keeshonden, Australian Shepherds, Belgian Malinois, Belgian Sheepdogs Belgian Tervuren, JS

Robert Tainsh, MD (17357)
323 Trismen Terrace
Winter Park, FL 32789
(407) 644-9662

Golden Retrievers, Border Collies, JS

Mr. J. Randall Tincher (17378)
2141 Palifox Drive NE
Atlanta, GA 30307
(404) 371-9618
Whippets, JS

Ms. Bonnie P. Threlfall (17438)
105 Tayport Court
Cary, NC 27511
(919) 460-5193
The Sporting Group (Brittanys, Pointers, German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, English Setters, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters, American Water Spaniels, Clumber Spaniels, Cocker Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels, Field Spaniels, Irish Water Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels, Welsh Springer Spaniels, Spinoni Italiani, Vizslas, Weimaraners, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons), JS

Mrs. Julie Virosteck (17307)
5240 Haldor Drive
Mira Loma, CA 91752
(909) 685-2106
Pointers, English Setters, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters, Cocker Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels, JS

Ms. Pamela J. Waugh (17092)
4020 N 12th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85014
(602) 274-9431
Saint Bernards, JS

Mrs. Eileen Weston (3959)
1340 N Cataract Avenue
San Dimas, CA 91773
(909) 394-0225
English Cocker Spaniels

Approved Breed Judges

The following persons have been approved on a **Provisional** basis for the designated breed(s) in accordance with the current judging approval system. ***They may now accept assignments.***

Mr. Gary L. Andersen (6176)
6250 E Pershing Avenue
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
(480) 991-7485
Balance of Sporting Group (Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, American Water Spaniels, Field Spaniels, Irish Water Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels, Spinoni Italiani, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons)

Ms. Chantal Andrew (4953)
5454 SW 121 Terrace
Ocala, FL 34481
(352) 489-8988
Balance of Herding Group (Belgian Malinois, Belgian Sheepdogs, Belgian Tervuren, Border Collies, Bouviers des Flandres, Briards, Canaan Dogs, Pulik, Cardigan Welsh Corgis)

Mrs. Karin B. Ashe (5601)
1914 Parsonage Road
Parkton, MD 21120
(410) 343-1215
Afghan Hounds, Beagles, Borzois, Greyhounds, Salukis, Whippets, Doberman Pinschers, Italian Greyhounds, Collies

Mr. Keith G. Bates (4311)
2200 Birmingham Road
Alpharetta, GA 30004
(770) 475-5665
Poodles

Ms. Rita A. Bell (6570)
2397 Langford Road
North Collins, NY 14111
(716) 337-3319
Brittanys, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, Clumber Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels, Vizslas, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons

Mr. Jack Bernhard (4574)
118 Canopus Hollow Road
Putnam Valley, NY 10579
(914) 528-3835
Siberian Huskies, Australian Shepherds

Mrs. Judith A. Bryant (4704)
8620 Vandever Road
Crossville, TN 38555
(931) 788-2780
Shetland Sheepdogs

Mrs. Connie S. Clapp (7604)
10107 Willowbrook Drive
Flushing, MI 48433
(810) 639-3828
Irish Setters, Italian Greyhounds, Pekingese

Mrs. Dorothy N. Collier (3671)
304 Impatiens Way
Norwood, NJ 07648
(201) 750-8595
Herding Group (Australian Cattle Dogs, Australian Shepherds, Bearded Collies, Belgian Malinois, Belgian Sheepdogs, Belgian Tervuren, Border Collies, Bouviers des Flandres, Briards, Canaan Dogs, Collies, German Shepherd Dogs, Old English Sheepdogs, Pulik, Shetland Sheepdogs, Cardigan Welsh Corgis, Pembroke Welsh Corgis)

Mrs. Judith A. Franklin (7539)
8252 Wrenfield Drive
Williamsburg, VA 23188
(757) 565-1287
Kerry Blue Terriers, Miniature Schnauzers

Mrs. Dody Froehlich (6119)
PO Box 110849
Anchorage, AK 99511
(907) 345-1121
Akitas, Bernese Mountain Dogs, Doberman Pinschers, Great Danes, Samoyeds, Australian Shepherds

Mrs. Beatrice P. Goodman (0822)
2839 E Blacklidge Drive
Tucson, AZ 85716
(520) 326-5593
Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, Cocker Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels, Welsh Springer Spaniels, Vizslas, Weimaraners

Mrs. Ann Schilling Gray (7578)
436156 E 300 Road
Vinita, OK 74301
(918) 783-5622
Pembroke Welsh Corgis

Ms. Jamie S. Hansen (6841)
103 S Thompson Street
Whiteville, NC 28472
(910) 640-2427
Pembroke Welsh Corgis

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6318 Ben Road
Sachse, TX 75048
(972) 475-5843
Boxers, Great Danes

Mr. Rodney E. Herner (6081)
24 Meitzler Road
Bechtelsville, PA 19505
(610) 367-7908
Affenpinschers, Brussels Griffons, Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, Italian Greyhounds, Japanese Chin, Papillons, Pomeranians, Pugs

Dr. Ruby Hertz (6271)
14350 Skyline Blvd
Oakland, CA 94619
(510) 568-4682
Balance of Herding Group (Australian Cattle Dogs, Border Collies, Bouviers des Flandres, Canaan Dogs, Collies, Pulik, Shetland Sheepdogs, Cardigan Welsh Corgis, Pembroke Welsh Corgis)

Mrs. Meredith Johnson-Snyder (3025)
Rattlebridge Farm
4105 State Route 229
Marengo, OH 43334
(419) 253-5913
Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, English Toy Spaniels

Mr. Victor Joris (5542)
1856 S Brookwood Drive
Shreveport, LA 71118
(318) 686-1480
Bichons Frises, French Bulldogs, Lhasa Apsos, Tibetan Spaniels, Tibetan Terriers

Ms. Ann A. Kennedy (6619)
13450 N Thornton Road
Lodi, CA 95242
(209) 368-9069
Papillons, Pomeranians

Mrs. Kathleen B. Kolbert (3196)
611 Field Street
Naugatuck, CT 06770
(203) 720-2240
Boston Terriers, Bulldogs, French Bulldogs

Mrs. Jan Krohne (6248)
31 Harts Lane
Walden, NY 12586
(914) 778-0377
Labrador Retrievers, Gordon Setters

Ms. Elizabeth (Betty) F. Lewis (6622)
17 Danbury Circle
Amherst, NH 03031
(603) 673-3263
Doberman Pinschers

Mrs. Elaine Ann Lindhorst (5708)
49 Oak Springs Court
St. Charles, MO 63304
(636) 441-5298
Chow Chows, Finnish Spitz, French Bulldogs, Keeshonden, Lhasa Apsos, Löwchen, Schipperkes

Mr. Robert H. McKowen (1412)
297 W Main Street
Leola, PA 17540
(717) 656-9300
Balance of Sporting Group (Brittanys, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, English Setters, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters, American Water Spaniels, Clumber Spaniels, Cocker Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels, Field Spaniels, Irish Water Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels, Welsh Springer Spaniels, Spinoni Italiani)

Mr. Norton Moore (1561)
1239 Candlelight
Houston, TX 77018
(713) 686-1594
Bullmastiffs, Great Danes, Great Pyrenees, Mastiffs, Newfoundlands, Saint Bernards

Dr. Judith A. Newton (6634)
10519 Hidden Lake Lane
Richmond, TX 77469
(281) 341-8223
Balance of Hound Group (Basset Hounds, Beagles, Black and Tan Coonhounds, Bloodhounds, American Foxhounds, English Foxhounds, Harriers, Norwegian Elkhounds, Otterhounds, Petits Bassets Griffons Vendéens)

Dr. Gerard C. Penta (1722)
200 Lakeside Way
Greensburg, PA 15601
(724) 834-3744
Boxers, Bullmastiffs, Doberman Pinschers, Giant Schnauzers, Great Danes, Mastiffs, Standard Schnauzers

Mr. David H. Porterfield (6743)
4717 Santala Drive
Knoxville, TN 37909
(865) 584-7674
Alaskan Malamutes, Boxers, Doberman Pinschers, Siberian Huskies

Mrs. Susan E. Porterfield (6744)
4717 Santala Drive
Knoxville, TN 37909
(865) 584-7674
Anatolian Shepherd Dogs, Giant Schnauzers, Great Pyrenees, Newfoundlands, Samoyeds, Siberian Huskies

Mrs. Lois A. Sanford (6100)
209 Ridge Hill Road
Oakdale, CT 06370
(860) 447-0852
Alaskan Malamutes, Bullmastiffs, Great Danes, Mastiffs, Rottweilers, Bulldogs

Dr. Dale D. Simmons (2068)
37 NE Indian Shores Drive
Lincoln City, OR 97367
(541) 994-9963
Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, English Setters, English Cocker Spaniels, Irish Water Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels, Weimaraners, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons

Ms. Virginia Latham Smith (6285)
5051 E Collier Road
Acampo, CA 95220
(209) 368-3630
Smooth Fox Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, Irish Terriers, Kerry Blue Terriers, Lakeland Terriers, Norfolk Terriers, Norwich Terriers

Ms. Marcy R. Spalding (4247)
253 Bryn Mawr Circle
Houston, TX 77024
(713) 461-6679
Balance of Herding Group (Australian Shepherds, Border Collies, Canaan Dogs, German Shepherd Dogs)

Mrs. Beth G. Speich (2130)
224 Lins Court
Spring Green, WI 53588
(608) 588-2950
Australian Shepherds, Belgian Malinois, Belgian Sheepdogs, Belgian Tervuren, Bouviers des Flandres, Cardigan Welsh Corgis, Pembroke Welsh Corgis

Mrs. Kathleen Steen (2148)
10400 Cranchester Way
Alpharetta, GA 30022
(770) 751-0311
Balance of Working Group (Alaskan Malamutes, Anatolian Shepherd Dogs, Boxers, Bullmastiffs, Giant Schnauzers, Great Danes, Great Pyrenees, Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs, Komondorok, Kuvaszok, Mastiffs, Newfoundlands, Portuguese Water Dogs, Saint Bernards)

Mr. Kenneth Strakbein (5052)
4231 Bannister Road
Fair Oaks, CA 95628
(916) 967-3237
Akitas

Mrs. Anne Marie Taylor (7522)
8083 Turner Road
Fenton, MI 48430
(810) 629-4787
Alaskan Malamutes

Mr. Thomas J. Tracy (5245)
1130 Butler Avenue
Santa Rosa, CA 95407
(707) 546-8763
Balance of Sporting Group (Pointers, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, American Water Spaniels, Irish Water Spaniels, Spinoni Italiani, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons)

Mrs. Sally L. Vilas (5985)
16083 Channel Street
San Lorenzo, CA 94580
(510) 276-5521
Balance of Toy Group (Affenpinschers, Brussels Griffons, Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, Chinese Cresteds, English Toy Spaniels, Havanese, Italian Greyhounds, Manchester Terriers), Lhasa Apsos

Mr. Paul F. Willhauck (6287)
601 East Street
Mansfield, MA 02048
(508) 339-9242
Balance of Working Group (Anatolian Shepherd Dogs, Bernese Mountain Dogs, Giant Schnauzers, Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs, Komondorok, Kuvaszok, Standard Schnauzers), Australian Shepherds, Bouviers des Flandres, Briards, Old English Sheepdogs

Mrs. Gale Young (7232)
205 Federal Hill Road
Oxford, MA 01540
(508) 987-3805
Brittanys, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, English Setters, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters

New Breed Judges Provisional Assignments Completed

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

Ms. Frandel Brown (7565)
10849 E San Felipe
Clovis, CA 93611
(209) 325-0575
Bernese Mountain Dogs, Newfoundlands, Sealyham Terriers

Mr. Marc R. Cohen (7551)
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Meriden, CT 06450
(203) 238-9051
Akitas

Mrs. Ronette DeClerck (7413)
815 Oakhaven Drive
Roswell, GA 30075
(706) 698-1308
Cocker Spaniels

Mrs. Melody Fair (7018)
PO Box 339
Noti, OR 97461
(541) 935-1672
Basset Hounds, JS

Mrs. Gail J. Miller (7387)
3541 Catalina Drive
Arnold, MO 63010
(636) 296-7311
Bearded Collies, JS

Mr. Joseph B. Smith (7495)
15 Skyline Drive
Sandia Park, NM 87047
(505) 286-1656
Basset Hounds, Chihuahuas

Approved Breed Judges Provisional Assignments Completed

The following persons presently on the list of judges have completed their Provisional Judging Assignments and have been approved for the breeds listed.

Ms. Christine Salyers Anderson (6474)
3186 Hillview Drive S
Chino, CA 91710
(909) 902-6923
Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, English Toy Spaniels, Italian Greyhounds, Manchester Terriers, Pomeranians, Pugs, Shih Tzu, Silky Terriers

Col. Robert E. Booth (0177)
210 Wiesner Road, Apt 2
Spring Branch, TX 78070
(830) 885-2532
Balance of Hound Group (Black and Tan Coonhounds, Bloodhounds, Borzois, American Foxhounds, English Foxhounds, Greyhounds, Harriers, Irish Wolfhounds, Norwegian Elkhounds, Otterhounds, Scottish Deerhounds)

Mrs. Sheila DiNardo (4417)
20 Peaslee Hill
W Hartford, CT 06117
(860) 521-7339
Balance of Working Group (Alaskan Malamutes, Anatolian Shepherd Dogs, Bullmastiffs, Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs, Komondorok, Kuvaszok, Mastiffs, Portuguese Water Dogs, Saint Bernards)

Mrs. Marcia C. Feld (5891)
1054 Tamarack Lane
Libertyville, IL 60048
(847) 362-4237
Giant Schnauzers, Great Danes, Airedale Terriers, Lakeland Terriers, Soft Coated Wheaten Terriers

Mrs. Teal M. Griffin (4227)
207 Finley Street
N Wilkesboro, NC 28659
(336) 667-0966
Chinese Shar-Pei, Australian Shepherds

Mrs. Arlene S. Grimes (4638)
2365 Harbor View Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
(925) 372-6366
Akitas, Alaskan Malamutes

Mr. Mark Francis Jaeger (6583)
2846 Hagadorn Road
Mason, MI 48854
(517) 351-0412
Chihuahuas, Pugs

Ms. Peggy L. Lloyd (7049)
4612 Richmond-Foster Road
Richmond, TX 77469
(281) 341-8442
Balance of Toy Group (Affenpinschers, Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, Havanese, Manchester Terriers), Beagles, Chow Chows, Dalmatians

Mr. Robert E. (Gene) McDonald (6673)
13 Christy Lane
Winfield, WV 25213
(304) 755-8472
Beagles

Mr. Richard H. Nachman (5931)
PO Box 952589
Lake Mary, FL 32795
(407) 333-0312
Yorkshire Terriers, Boston Terriers, French Bulldogs, Poodles

Ms. Nikki Riggsbee (5983)
3412 Blowing Oak Street
Valrico, FL 33594
(813) 654-3412
Afghan Hounds, Norwegian Elkhounds, Salukis, Alaskan Malamutes, Bullmastiffs, Giant Schnauzers, Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs, Mastiffs, Portuguese Water Dogs, Saint Bernards, Samoyeds, Standard Schnauzers

Mr. Eric J. Ringle (6564)
12848 Meadowbreeze Drive
Wellington, FL 33414
(561) 795-6460
Balance of Working Group (Akitas, Alaskan Malamutes, Anatolian Shepherd Dogs, Bullmastiffs, Giant Schnauzers, Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs, Komondorok, Newfoundlands, Portuguese Water Dogs, Standard Schnauzers)

Ms. Linda M. Sparks (4642)
38005 Poudre Canyon Highway
Bellvue, CO 80512
(970) 881-2758
Bernese Mountain Dogs, Great Pyrenees, Kuvaszok, Newfoundlands, Australian Cattle Dogs, Pembroke Welsh Corgis

Mr. Robert Sturm (2200)
13030 Dieterle Lane
St Louis, MO 63127
(314) 966-8640
Chihuahuas, Chinese Cresteds, Italian Greyhounds, Papillons

Mr. Frank J. Washabaugh (5747)
97 Linvale Road
Ringoes, NJ 08551
(609) 466-2727
Balance of Sporting Group (Brittanys, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, Gordon Setters, Spinoni Italiani, Wirehaired Pointing Griffons)

Ms. Sharol Candace Way (6668)
752 Ewing Road
Cochranville, PA 19330
(610) 869-3984
Airedale Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, Kerry Blue Terriers, Lakeland Terriers, Scottish Terriers, Skye Terriers, Welsh Terriers

Mrs. Tish Weiner (6916)
Rt 2, Box 606
Houston, AR 72070
(501) 889-2860
Cardigan Welsh Corgis

Best In Show

The following persons, having successfully completed the required Group Assignments in the first Variety Group for which they were approved, have been added to the list of judges eligible for approval to judge Best In Show.

Mrs. Joan P. Anselm (4615)
400 S Steele Street, Unit 54
Denver, CO 80209
(303) 733-8428

Junior Showmanship Judging Applicants

The following person has been approved as a Provisional Judge in accordance with the current approval process.

Mrs. Terry A. Pierce (17476)
5 Ballad Drive
Newark, DE 19702
(302) 836-8703
JS

Miss Leeah Schwanger (17354)
5931 Clearbrook
Stevensville, MI 49127
(616) 429-9456
JS

New Junior Showmanship Judge Provisional Judging Completed

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

Mrs. Lisa Berbit Sanderson (5178)
5432 Clinton Avenue S
Minneapolis, MN 55419
(612) 822-2462
JS

Mrs. Carlene K. Hiersche (5962)
5124 Naneum Road
Ellensburg, WA 98926
(509) 925-2663
JS

Obedience Judging Applicants

The following persons are applying for Provisional Judging Status for the Class/Tests as specified *but they are NOT eligible to accept assignments.*

Mrs. Karla Y. Curtis (3157)
7255 Bates Road S
Salem, OR 97306
(503) 588-1466
Novice

Judi A. James (6527)
1265 Summer Street NE
Salem, OR 97303
(503) 370-8109
Utility

Ms. Sharon Jolly (18122)
4131 Kemp Avenue
El Paso, TX 79904
(915) 562-0238
Tracking Dog

Mr. Ed Presnall (18119)
21418 Highland Knoll
Katy, TX 77450
(281) 578-8902
Tracking Dog

Provisional Obedience Judging Completed

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

Mrs. Billie French (5213)
3292 Mt. Foraker Drive
Lexington, KY 40515
(606) 272-7165
Variable Surface Tracking

Mrs. Cathy A. Hawkins (5562)
1580 S Wildridge Lane
Springfield, MO 65809
(417) 862-3248
Tracking Dog Excellent

Mr. Jonathan Franklin, Jr. (5382)
2015 Pluto Drive
Bossier City, LA 71112
(318) 742-3983
Utility

Carol Ann Klein (7037)
534 NE 94th Street
Miami Shores, FL 33138
(305) 751-9966
Utility

Reinstatement

The judging eligibility of the following persons has been reinstated.

Mrs. Jacqueline L. Stacy (6610)
6242 Surfpoint Circle
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
(714) 536-0024
Toy Group, *Boston Terriers, Bulldogs, Chow Chows, Dalmatians, French Bulldogs, Keeshonden, Lhasa Apsos, Tibetan Terriers*, BIS

Mr. W. Terry Stacy (6611)
6242 Surfpoint Circle
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
(714) 536-0024
Sporting Group, *Afghan Hounds, Basenjis, Basset Hounds, Beagles, Bloodhounds, Dachshunds, American Foxhounds, Greyhounds, Norwegian Elkhounds, Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Whippets*, BIS

Resigned Judges

Mrs. Judith Goldworm

Deceased Judges

Mrs. Betty R. Dullinger
Mr. John Price
Mr. Henry M. Speight, Jr.
Ms. Judith Beck-Adams Tremblay

Registered Name Prefixes Granted

The following applications for a Registered Name Prefix have been granted:

FAIRY CHANT—Nancy L. Dougherty
LISELDUN—Barbara D. Roby
PUALA—Dr. Moanikeala Jellinger
TERRYDALE—Maripi Wooldridge & Jennifer Stevens
VON EISENHART—Anne M. & Michael Harrington
WALKAWAY—Mary Jane Ladd

Applications for Registered Name Prefix

The following application for a Registered Name Prefix has been submitted to The American Kennel Club. Letters in regard to these applications should be addressed to James P. Crowley, Secretary:

RUSTLERS BLUES—Phyllis W. McKie

THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB
Board of Directors
April 10-11, 2000

The Board convened Monday, April 10, 2000 at 11:30 a.m. after the meetings of the various Board Committees. All Directors were present. The President, Chief Operating Officer, and Secretary were also in attendance.

The Board reviewed the March 2000 minutes. Upon motion made Mrs. Strand, and seconded by Dr. Hritzo, the minutes of the March 2000 meeting, copies of which were made available to all Directors, were adopted (unanimously).

There was a discussion on a proposed amendment to **Article VII, Section 4** of the *Constitution and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club*. There was a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Strand, and **VOTED** (unanimously) to delete the current section 4 and to substitute the following:

SECTION 4. "There shall be a regular meeting of the Board each month, with the exception of the four months that coincide with the quarterly Delegate Meetings. The date, time and location of these regular Board meetings shall be determined by the Board. Fourteen (14) days notice of said date must be given to each Director by mail.

At the four quarterly Delegate Meetings, Directors shall attend the Delegate Meetings, Delegate Committee Meetings and Board Committee Meetings."

The Chairman, Mr. Merriam, discussed correspondence directed to him as Board Chairman.

The Board reviewed its Year 2000 priorities and assigned projected completion dates to each. They are as follows:

1. Complete Bylaw reform (December 2000)
2. Develop policy on access to registration data (September 2000)
3. Veterinary outreach program (August 2000) - It was agreed that the AKC Canine Health Committee will be involved in this effort and that the recommendations of the Delegate Canine Health Committee will also be considered.
4. Establish DNA strategy and goals (June 2000)
5. Increase registration (December 2000)
6. Ensure development of public relations program (September 2000)
7. Develop statement of long-range goals (August 2000)
8. Define increased revenue options (September 2000)

Mr. Merriam reported on the Board Standing Committees and Committee Liaisons for the next year, which are as follows:

Business
Ronald H. Menaker, Chair
Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia, Vice Chair
Dr. Robert J. Hritzo
Kenneth A. Marden
Dr. Robert D. Smith

Events and Clubs
Walter F. Goodman, Chair
Dr. Asa Mays, Vice Chair
Dr. Thomas M. Davies
Kenneth A. Marden
Patti L. Strand
Patricia Scully

Operations and Planning
Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia, Chair
Dr. Robert D. Smith, Vice Chair
Dr. Robert J. Hritzo
Robert L. Kelly
Ronald H. Menaker

Public Relations and Public Affairs
Patti L. Strand, Chair
Patricia Scully, Vice Chair
Dr. Thomas M. Davies
Walter F. Goodman
Robert L. Kelly
Dr. Asa Mays

Discipline Review
Kenneth A. Marden, Chair
Dr. Asa Mays, Vice Chair
Robert L. Kelly

Judges Review
Dr. Robert D. Smith, Chair
Dr. Thomas M. Davies, Vice Chair
Patricia Scully

Pension
Kenneth A. Marden, Chair
Dr. Robert J. Hritzo, Vice Chair
Ronald H. Menaker

Audit
Dr. Asa Mays, Chair
Ronald H. Menaker, Vice Chair
Robert L. Kelly

Kenneth A. Marden
AKC Board Ad Hoc Committee
Judges Development
Patti L. Strand, Chair
Patricia Scully, Vice Chair
Dr. Asa Mays
Dr. Robert D. Smith
Board/Delegate Committee Liaisons
Coordinating Committee
David C. Merriam
All-Breed Clubs
Patti L. Strand
Field Trial Clubs
Kenneth A. Marden
Obedience Clubs
Patricia Scully
Dog Show Rules
Walter F. Goodman
Parent Clubs
Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia
Canine Health
Dr. Asa Mays
Constitution & Bylaws
Ronald H. Menaker
Strategic Planning
Dr. Thomas M. Davies

The recommendation was made that alternate Board Liaisons to the Delegate Committees also be appointed. The Chairman agreed that this would be done.

There was a discussion on the non-binding resolution made at the March 2000 Delegates meeting concerning the listing of professional handlers. The Board agreed that it would fully address this matter at the May meeting. The President reported that the Director position for this program is being advertised and that it has not yet been filled.

A question was raised concerning the listing of AKC staff in the back of the Dog Show and Obedience Trial Judges Directory. There was a consensus that this list should not be included in the Directory and staff was directed to delete it in the future.

There was a discussion on the AKC's policy governing cameras in the ring at dog shows. The policy was to be reviewed by the Board Events and Clubs Committee.

There was an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Upon return to regular session, the Chairman reported that salaries were set for AKC Officers and that Chuck Musciano has been elected a Vice President.

Mr. Merriam distributed the final Exploratory Bylaw Committee recommendations for Bylaw amendments. They involved Delegate eligibility and the criteria for AKC membership. These changes would be considered at a workshop following the May meeting. If any were approved by the Board, they would be read at the September 2000 Delegates meeting for a VOTE in December 2000.

The President, Mr. Cheauré, and the Chief Operating Officer, Mr. D'Altilio, reported on the feasibility of including an AKC Canine Health Foundation membership form in the AKC registration certificate mailing. Management reported that it will allocate on an "as available" basis one insert for material submitted by affiliated and supported organizations. Submitted material must meet the "one ounce" requirement for the complete Registration Certificate packet. In so doing, postage expense to the AKC will not change. This affords the AKC the best postage discount available for letter size mail, accommodates future requests, fully utilizes the capacity of the insert machine and fully utilizes the value of the mailing by maximizing the number of inserts in the Registration Certificate packet.

As to the design and production of the flier, CHF or any affiliate must design the form. The AKC will accept delivery of the finished product or contract for the printing. In either case, the foundation will be responsible for the cost of production and/or changes to the flier. Additional mailing, handling and production expense to the AKC is zero.

Mr. Cheauré reported on the Staff Liaisons to the Delegate Standing Committees as follows:

Coordinating
James Crowley
All-Breed Clubs
Darrell Hayes
Field Trial Clubs
William Speck
Obedience Clubs
Pat Krause
Dog Show Rules
Linda More
Parent Clubs
Ronald Rella
Canine Health
Robert Slay
Constitution and Bylaws
Michael Liosis
Strategic Planning
Dennis Sprung
Perspectives
George Berger

Mr. Cheauré indicated that he also would be appointing Alternate Staff Liaisons to the Delegate Committees.

Mr. Cheauré reported on the AKC Children's Safety Video. The video, approved by the Board in December 1999, is to teach children how to safely approach and pet a dog, how to behave around a stray dog or group of dogs, and how to interpret a dog's body language. The Board's input was to be used to produce the final version.

Mr. Musciano and Mrs. Tietjen gave a report on the AKC's Web site e-information reports and services.

Mr. Musciano reported on the status of reengineering. While it is anticipated that the effort will be completed by 2002, the current mainframe computer is loaded beyond its capacity. Management therefore made the decision to lease a new mainframe computer for 30 months, which will triple the capacity and double the storage of the current system. The cost will only be about $500 per month over current costs.

Mr. Cheauré gave a presentation on a breeder incentive initiative. There are a number of options being explored and Mr. Cheauré indicated that the Board would be given a monthly update.

There was an update on the subject of Pet Health Insurance. While options are still being considered, Mr. Cheauré reported that the AKC was not prepared to enter into any agreement at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m., Monday, April 10, 2000.

Meeting reconvened on Tuesday, April 11, 2000, at 8:00 a.m. All Directors were present. Also present were the President, Chief Operating Officer and Secretary.

Mr. Cheauré outlined the Executive Goals for 2000 for each member of the senior staff.

The Treasurer, Mr. Marden, gave a financial update. Mr. Murphy, staff, was present for and assisted in giving this report. The Financial Report for March 2000 showed an excess of revenue over expenses of $972,000.

The registration figures for March 2000 (individual and litter registrations) are 181,734, vs. 169,572 for March 1999.

The positive financial performance is primarily due to a significant increase in both litter and dog registrations. For the first three months of 2000, compared to 1999, litter registrations have increased by 10% and dog registrations have increased 6%. Certified pedigrees and transfers have also shown significant increases. The new dog registration form and improved Customer Service have contributed to these increases.

The Secretary, Mr. Crowley, reported on a proposed amendment to the AKC Bylaws submitted by the Fort Worth Kennel Club, through its Delegate, Harry Ottmann. The proposal was to add a new **Section 8 to Article VIII** as follows:

"No member of the Nominating Committee shall petition for election, nor may they be a nominee of the Nominating Committee." Following a

motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mr. Goodman, it was **VOTED** to not approve this amendment, with the following VOTE (affirmative, Ms. Scully, Mr. Goodman, Mr. Marden, Mr. Merriam, Dr. Smith, Dr. Hritzo, Dr. Davies, Mr. Kelly, Dr. Battaglia, Mr. Menaker; opposed, Dr. Mays, Mrs. Strand).

Following a motion by Dr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Mays, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to double the amount awarded for Junior Showmanship Scholarships to $60,000 beginning with the 2001/02 academic year, with the funds allocated from Special Reserve 1, Education and Grants.

Following a motion by Mr. Menaker, seconded by Dr. Mays, the Board **VOTED** (unanimously) to adopt the following resolution:

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Held on April tenth, two thousand, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Patricia W. Laurans was elected a Director of The American Kennel Club on March twelfth, nineteen hundred and ninety-six, serving until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she served as a member of the Board Events and Clubs Committee and Board Discipline Review Committee from March thirteenth, nineteen hundred and ninety-six until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she served as Board liaison to the Delegate Parent Clubs Committee from August eleventh, nineteen hundred and ninety-seven until April twelfth, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine and the Delegate Strategic Planning Committee from March twelfth, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she proposed the concept of a breeders education program and served as Chair of the Breeders' Education Committee that developed this program from June ninth, nineteen hundred and ninety-seven until its final report was acted on by the Board on October eleventh, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine; and,

WHEREAS, she served as a member of the Future Direction of Dog Shows Committee from June ninth, nineteen hundred and ninety-seven until its final report was submitted to the Board on October twelfth, nineteen hundred and ninety-eight; and,

WHEREAS, she served on the Junior Showmanship Scholarship Review Committee from its inception in nineteen hundred and ninety-seven until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, her acknowledged expertise and devotion to matters pertaining to breeding as the foundation of the Sport and to Juniors as its future proved to be an invaluable asset to the Board of Directors as it addressed issues in these areas; and,

WHEREAS, we are ever mindful of the great contributions she has made and continues to make to The American Kennel Club and the Sport of Purebred Dogs; and,

WHEREAS, we will ever cherish our association with this distinguished sportswoman, educator, and friend,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Directors of The American Kennel Club extend to her their most sincere best wishes for the years ahead and their deep appreciation for her dedicated service to The American Kennel Club.

Following a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Dr. Hritzo, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to adopt the following resolution:

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Held on April tenth, two thousand, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Dorothy Welsh was elected a Director of The American Kennel Club on March twelfth, nineteen hundred and ninety-six, serving until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she served as a member of the Board Events and Clubs Committee from May thirteenth, nineteen hundred and ninety-six until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she served as a member of the Judges Review Committee from May thirteenth, nineteen hundred and ninety-six, and as its Chair from April seventh, nineteen hundred and ninety-seven until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she served as Board liaison to the Delegate Constitution and Bylaws Committee from April twelfth, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine until March fourteenth, two thousand; and,

WHEREAS, she served as Chair of the Board Committee charged with the development of a new judging application procedure, which Committee's recommendations were adopted by the Board of Directors on October eleventh, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine; and,

WHEREAS, her acknowledged expertise and devotion to achieving integrity and fairness in the judging approval system and to the preservation of the history of the Sport through The American Kennel Club's affiliation with The American Kennel Club Museum of the Dog, proved to be an invaluable asset to the Board of Directors as it addressed issues in these areas; and,

WHEREAS, we are ever mindful of the great contributions she has made and continues to make to The American Kennel Club and the Sport of Purebred Dogs; and,

WHEREAS, we will ever cherish our association with this distinguished sportswoman, writer, and friend,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Directors of The American Kennel Club extend to her their most sincere best wishes for the years ahead and their deep appreciation for her dedicated service to The American Kennel Club.

Mr. Crowley reported on a request from James Phinizy, Delegate for the Cheshire Kennel Club, for the Board to amend its DNA ownership policy statement. The matter was referred to the Board Operations and Planning Committee.

Mr. Crowley reported on the submission of prospective sites for a Delegates meeting outside of New York for 2001. The deadline for submission was April 1, 2000. The written submissions were for: Tampa/St. Petersburg, FL, Palm Beach, FL, and Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN. Staff will be evaluating the above cities and will be making its recommendations to the Board at a future meeting.

Following a report by Mr. Crowley, it was moved by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Marden, and **VOTED** (unanimously) to reappoint all Trial Board members.

Dr. Smith, Dr. Davies, and Ms. Scully, members of the Judges Review Committee, left the meeting prior to the report on Judges Applications.

Ms. More and Mr. Hayes, staff, were present for the discussion on Judges Applications. Upon motion made and seconded, it was **VOTED:**

(Final Board approval of Judging Applications are published in the Secretary's Page.)

Following completion of the report on Judges Applications, Dr. Smith, Dr. Davies and Ms. Scully returned to the meeting.

Mr. Slay, staff, participated in the portion of the meeting dealing with disciplinary actions.

There was a report on the actions taken by the AKC staff during the month of March 2000 on the cancellation of litters and individual registrations.

During the month of March, the registrations of 23 litters were cancelled: 10 because of impure breeding, 3 because the litter owners requested it, and 10 because of the Compliance Audit Program - DNA.

The cancellation of the 23 litters resulted in the cancellation of 35 registered dogs and rendered 106 dogs, members of these litters, ineligible for registration.

It was **VOTED** to deny an application for reinstatement submitted by Mary Nelson (Swanville, MN). She was suspended for five years and fined $1,000 by the Board at its October 11, 1999, meeting as a result of an Event Committee action. She was charged with altering an official hunt test catalog and judges scoring book.

The Board voted to deny a request for the reconsideration of the term of suspension submitted by Janene Stevens (Enumclaw, WA). She was suspended for five years and fined $500 by the Board at its November 13, 1995, meeting based upon the recommendation of a Trial Board. She was charged with not being in compliance with the Rules and Regulations for record keeping and identification.

Mr. Marden, Dr. Mays, and Mr. Kelly, members of the Board Discipline Review Committee, left the meeting. The following actions were taken or reports given:

(Final Board disciplinary actions are published in the Secretary's Page.)

Upon completion of the above reports, Mr. Marden, Dr. Mays and Mr. Kelly returned to the meeting.

Mr. Goodman gave the Events and Clubs Committee Report on fines assessed clubs for late submission of date applications and judges panels.

It was moved by Mr. Goodman, seconded by Mrs. Strand and **VOTED** (unanimously) to approve the Delegate credentials of the following person, whose credentials have been published in two consecutive issues of the *AKC GAZETTE*:

Robert A. Schroll, Clarksville, TN, to represent Clarksville Kennel Club.

Mr. Goodman reported that the Delegate credentials of the following persons are to be published in the May and June 2000 issues of the *AKC GAZETTE*:

Neil A. Bates, Alpharetta, GA, to represent Abilene Kennel Club, Inc.

Dorotha Betke, Green Oaks, IL, to represent Chain O'Lakes Kennel Club

Joan Caspersen, Branford, CT, to represent Elm City Kennel Club, Inc.

John David Hughes, Kensington, NH, to represent Des Moines Kennel Club, Inc.

James M. Neposchlan, Springfield, IL, to represent American Brussels Griffon Association

Joan S. Tabor, Montclair, NJ, to represent Eastern German Shorthaired Pointer Club, Inc.

Dr. Robert Tainsh, Winter Park, FL, to represent Border Collie Society of America

There was a discussion on **Chapter 7, Section 1**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* with regard to the judging ineligibility of household members of an individual who is occupationally ineligible to judge. Following a motion by Mr. Menaker, seconded by Dr. Smith, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to eliminate the "household policy" as it applies to judges' occupational eligibility for all occupations except for those of professional handlers and licensed superintendents and add the following italicized paragraph at the end of this section:

"No judge may accept an assignment nor officiate at any event where a member of his or her household is involved to the extent that there might exist an actual conflict of interest or the reasonable appearance of a conflict of interest."

Following a motion by Mr. Marden, seconded by Mr. Menaker, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to adopt the following interpretations for the terms "salesman" and "solicitor" as they appear in **Chapter 7, Section 1** of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*.

Salesman

A salesman is one whose primary activity or occupation involves the sale or attempted sale of goods or services to specific individuals or entities.

Solicitor

A solicitor is one whose primary activity or occupation involves the seeking or facilitating of the direct sale of goods or services to specific individuals or entities.

There was discussion on **Chapter 14, Procedure 6-H,** of the *Field Trial Rules and Standing Procedure for Pointing Breeds*. The German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America had requested that "a German Wirehaired Pointer" be deleted from Procedure 6-H, so that a dog competing in trials held by a German Wirehaired Pointer club could be controlled by the collar after demonstrating acceptable manners in any situation. Following a motion by Mr. Marden, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (affirmative, Mr. Marden, Mrs. Strand, Dr. Mays, Dr. Hritzo, Ms. Scully, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Goodman, Mr. Merriam, Dr. Battaglia, Dr. Davies, Mr. Menaker; opposed, Dr. Smith) to vote on the proposal at this meeting, waiving the usual prior notice requirement. Following a motion by Mr. Marden, seconded by Ms. Scully, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to adopt the proposal.

There was a discussion on several proposed amendments to the *Tracking Regulations*, **Chapters 1, 2, 4 and 5.** The proposed amendments are listed below, with the additions underlined. All were recommended by the Tracking Advisory Committee.

Chapter 1, Section 1 (Paragraph 3)

If a Tracking Test is to be held within seven (7) days following a club's show or Obedience trial, it may be announced in the premium list for the show or trial, and the Tracking Test entries may be included in the show or Obedience Trial Catalog; otherwise, a separate premium list must be prepared for licensed and member club Tracking Tests. In either case, the premium list shall include directions to the test site and the draw time for the running order of tracks.

Chapter 1, Section 1 (Paragraph 8)

A Club may be approved to hold unlimited number of Tracking Tests provided they have the land and personnel available.

Chapter 1, Section 11 (Paragraph 1)

"If ribbons or prizes are offered at licensed or member club Tracking Tests, they shall be awarded only to dogs which pass the test. Such ribbons or rosettes shall be dark green, at least two (2) inches wide, approximately eight (8) inches long and shall bear on its face a facsimile of the seal

of The American Kennel Club, the words "Tracking Test." The name of the test-giving club, the date of the test and the name of the city or town where the site is located may be either on the face of the ribbon or on a tag at the back of the ribbon."

Chapter 1, Section 12 (Paragraph 2)

Provided it is so announced in the premium list, at a combined TD/TDX/VST test, if the limit for entries is not reached in one test and the limit for entries is exceeded in the other test, the number of tracks may be exchanged, up to the day of plotting, up to a maximum of twelve (12) TD's or six (6) TDX's or (8) VST's, not to exceed the limits set in **Section 14** of this Chapter.

New Paragraph 3 to Follow Current Paragraph 2.

National, Regional, and Local Specialty clubs have the "option" of opening their tracking tests to all breeds. Specialty clubs may choose either (1) only their own breed, or (2) through the use of a lottery draw, they may allow other breeds to enter their specialty using the following procedure:

Draw (1) Specialty breed without a title;

Draw (2) Specialty breed with a title;

Draw (3) Other breeds without a title;

Draw (4) Other breeds with a title.

Chapter 1, Section 12 (Paragraph 8)

Following the draw, the Test Secretary shall promptly contact all entrants and advise them of the outcome. Alternates shall be given the option to accept or decline being placed on the alternates list. Those who accept shall be placed on the alternates list in the order in which they were drawn. Those who opt to decline shall have their entry fees (and certification) returned. Entrants and alternates who do not run in a test, but are replaced by an alternate who runs in the test, shall have their full entry fee and certification returned. Any other conditions under which the entry fees are returned to entrants or alternates shall be so stated in the premium list. Draw time must be on the front of premium list.

Chapter 1, Section 16 (Paragraph 1)

"Due to the changing nature of the fields being used by clubs for tracking tests and the increased population of these sites by the general public, dogs shall be 'on lead' at all times and on all areas of the tracking site. A dog, who is allowed to run free and off-lead before a test shall be excused and not allowed to run in the test."

Chapter 2, Section 14 (Paragraph 1)

The leash shall be between 20 and 40 feet in length. The leash shall be attached to the harness while tracking.

Chapter 2, Section 14 (Paragraph 2)

The dog shall wear a harness while tracking. The harness shall be constructed of straps of plain, pliable material, and designed so that there is a minimum of restriction of the dog's movement. An inconspicuous marking is permitted on the harness to identify the dog in case of loss. If a collar is worn by the dog while tracking, the collar must meet the requirements of **Chapter 2, Section 17** (Collars) of the Obedience Regulations except that required licenses or rabies tags may be attached to the collar. The leash must show on top of the harness while tracking, and it shall not be deliberately run through the underside of the dog controlling or restricting the dog's movement.

Chapter 2, Section 14 (Paragraph 5)

"When tracking in dense vegetation, the handler may follow the dog at less than the required distances. The handler shall return to following the dog at 20 feet or more when the dog leaves the area of dense vegetation."

Chapter 2, Section 16 (Paragraph 1)

Guiding is defined as behavior by the handler which influences or determines the dog's direction. Guiding is prohibited and the dog shall be marked failed. Pointing to the ground is allowed at the start only. Subsequent pointing to the ground is not allowed and is to be considered guiding and the dog shall be failed. In addition behavior such as verbally telling the dog the direction of the track, repeated use of leash corrections, refusing to allow the dog to go in the wrong direction when he has committed, turning one's body to influence the dog's direction, and like behavior, shall be considered guiding, and the dog shall be failed. This does not prohibit an exhibitor from moving about in place to continuously watch his dog and monitor the dog's body language in order to read his or her dog and work as a team.

Chapter 2, Section 17 (Paragraph 1)

Neither the Judges nor any other person may give the handler any assistance in determining the direction of the track. This does not preclude Judges from advising exhibitors of a sudden or potentially dangerous situation. Judges shall not answer exhibitors' questions relative to whether or not they are on the track, have picked up a legal or extraneous article on the track, whether or not an article may be missing, as exhibitors are to read and work with their dog on their own.

Chapter 2, Section 18 (Paragraph 1)

The handler may carry plain water or ice on the track and may provide it to the dog for drinking or use it to cool the dog. The use of any liquid other than plain water requires the dog to be failed and excused from the Tracking Test.

Chapter 2, Section 19 (Paragraph 1)

Praise and petting of the dog are allowed after the dog finds the article(s), however, exhibitors shall not excessively play with articles as toys, toss them to the dog or throw them on the ground, which may be construed as a restart.

Chapter 2, Section 22 (Item #10)

Each judge is to indicate the dog's catalog number, whether the dog passed or failed, and sign the chart. Each judge is to indicate the dog's catalog number and AKC number on the map.

Chapter 2, Section 22 (Paragraph 5)

No person other than the Judges shall make any entry in the Judges' books. Carbon copies of the Judges' books shall be made available through the Superintendent or Test Secretary for examination by the owners and handlers immediately after the Tracking Test and the owners/handlers may receive and keep a copy of their chart from each judge. Each Judge shall receive a marked copy of the catalog or sheet listing the entered and alternate dogs at the completion of the test.

Chapter 2, Section 24 (Paragraph 1)

Protective Clothing: Dogs may wear an Orange Vest (at the option of the handler), vest to be provided by the handler. The vest must be designed with open bottom, saddle type cloth, and orange in color. Vests may only be worn during gun or bow hunting season.

Chapter 4, Paragraph 2

A Tracking Test/TDX presents difficult challenges. Judges are to plot tracks as challenging and realistic as the terrain will permit, while maintaining proper concern for the safety of the dogs and handlers.

Chapter 4, Section 6 (Paragraph 2)

The tracklayer shall hand the first article to the exhibitor. The next two (2) articles shall be dropped at wide intervals directly on the track between the places designated by the Judges

and marked on the chart. The fourth article shall be dropped at the end of the track.

Chapter 4, Section 7 (Paragraph 3)

The Judges, at a distance of about 50 yards from the starting flag, will instruct the handler as to the location of the starting flag. The Judges shall direct the handler to the starting flag, but shall not indicate the direction of the track. The angle between the handler's direction of approach and the Tracklayer's direction of approach shall be less than 90 degrees.

Chapter 5, Section 5 (Paragraph 1)

The Tracking Test/VST articles shall consist of four (4) dissimilar, common, everyday items which can be easily carried by the Tracklayer and safely picked up by the dog. Each article shall not be smaller than 2" x 4" nor larger than 5" x 5" and shall weigh no more than 8 ounces. There shall be one leather, one plastic (rigid or semi-rigid), one metal and one fabric article, which shall be handled by the Tracklayer and are to be dropped on the track by the Tracklayer at the points indicated on the Judges' charts. The first article shall be fabric or leather. The last article shall be clearly and temporarily marked with the number "4."

Chapter 5, Section 5 (Paragraph 2)

The tracklayer shall hand the first article to the exhibitor. The next two (2) articles shall be dropped at wide intervals directly on the track at the places designated by the Judges and so marked on the chart. One article must be dropped in one of the areas devoid of vegetation. The fourth article shall be dropped at the end of the track.

Chapter 5, Section 5 (Paragraph 5)

The Judges shall mark a dog "passed" if an article is not found and cannot be located by the Judges or the Tracklayer, provided that the dog worked continuously and intently along the actual track. Should a dog find additional articles along the track, the dog is not to be failed and is permitted to continue.

Chapter 5, Section 6 (Paragraph 1)

The start and the first twenty (20) yards of the track shall be in an area of vegetation and shall have one flag at the beginning which permits the track to go in one of several possible directions within an arc of 180 degrees, whenever possible. The Tracklayer will begin at a point about 30 yards from the starting flag, lining up with the flag in the direction of the first leg. The Tracklayer will then proceed along this line so there is no turn at the starting flag.

Chapter 5, Section 8 (Paragraph 1)

Approved TD and TDX and provisional TDX Judges will be eligible to apply to judge VST after they have attended at least two (2) AKC Variable Surface Tracking workshops and have taken the written Variable Surface Tracking Test and interview administered by the AKC Field Tracking Representative.

Chapter 5, Section 9

Judges will indicate on the charts each change of terrain and its length in yards. Judges shall make a specific notation next to each length of yards to indicate the type of surface. Those notations can be abbreviated, such as BT for Black Top, C for Concrete, G for Grass, M for Mulch, etc., provided the Judges make such a notation at the bottom of their chart.

Judges should include in their map the buildings, fences, roads, breezeways, bridges, and/or any other major structures in relationship to the track that affects the movement of scent on the track.

Following a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (affirmative, Ms. Scully, Mrs. Strand, Mr. Merriam, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Goodman, Dr. Battaglia, Mr. Menaker, Dr. Davies, Mr. Marden, Dr. Mays, Dr. Hritzo; opposed, Dr. Smith) to consider the adoption of the amendments at this meeting, waiving the usual prior notice requirement.

Following a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to adopt the listed amendments to the Tracking Regulations.

There was a discussion on several proposed amendments to the Obedience Regulations and Guidelines for Judges, as recommended by the Obedience Advisory Committee. The amendments are listed below with any additions underlined.

Chapter 1, Section 16 (Paragraph 10)

"Any dog whose hair over its eyes interferes with its vision, may have the hair tied back with one to four rubber bands or small plain barrettes, or as they are normally shown in the breed ring. Any dog whose hair on its ears or beard interferes with the performance of the retrieve exercises, may have the hair controlled by the use of one to four rubber bands."

Chapter 1, Section 25 (Paragraph 1)

"Any club holding a Licensed or Member Obedience Trial must prepare, after the entries have closed, a program showing the time for the judging of each of the classes before 12:00 noon. In the case of a Licensed or Member Specialty Show or any show where the trial starts after 12:00 noon, a starting time for only the first obedience class need be given."

Chapter 1, Section 26 (Paragraph 1)

"If a club anticipates an entry in excess of its facilities for a Licensed or Member Trial, it may limit entries in any or all Regular Classes. Non-regular Class may be included, if so desired. A club may limit entries in any or all Regular Classes to 64 in a Novice Class, 56 in an Open Class, or 48 in a Utility Class."

Chapter 1, Section 26 (NEW Paragraph 2)

"When entries are limited in the Open B and/or Utility B Classes, a club may designate a UDX Class in the Premium List. Dogs entered in this UDX Class would, in fact, be entered in both Open B and Utility B and pay the combined entry fee for these two classes. Once the limit has been reached in either the Open B or the Utility B Class, the UDX Class will be considered closed and any subsequent entries for this class will be unacceptable in their entirety."

Chapter 1, Section 28 (Paragraph 1)

"A club may choose to announce two or more Judges for any class in its premium list. In such case the entries shall be divided by lots as provided above. The identification slips and judging program shall be made up so that the owner of each dog will know the division and the Judge of the division in which his dog is entered, but no owner shall be entitled to a refund of entry fee."

Chapter 1, Section 29 (Paragraph 1)

"A club which holds a split class, whether the split is announced in the premium list or made after entries close, shall award American Kennel Club official ribbons in each division. The four dogs with the highest Qualifying scores in each of the division or divisions in which scores were made, shall be called back into the ring and awarded the four American Kennel Club official ribbons."

Chapter 1, Section 34 Judges Education (New paragraph 1 to read):

"Obedience judges shall attend at least one Obedience Judges' Seminar in a 3-year period. If the requirement is not met, the judge will be ineligible until such requirement has been completed."

Chapter 1, Section 34 (New paragraph 2 to read):

"As an aid to better educate prospective judges, they may apprentice under a regularly approved Utility Judge."

Chapter 1, Section 34 (New paragraph 3 to read):

"Persons in good standing with the American Kennel Club and who have obtained a Utility Dog Title may be approved to judge Non-regular Classes."

Chapter 2, Section 1 (Paragraph 1)

"Standardized judging is of paramount importance. Judges are not permitted to inject their own variations into the exercises, but must see that each handler and dog executes the various exercises exactly as described in these Regulations. A handler who is familiar with these Regulations should be able to enter the ring under any Judge without having to inquire how the particular Judge wishes to have any exercise performed, and without being confronted with some unexpected requirement."

Chapter 2, Section 1 (New Paragraph 2 to read):

"The Judge shall inform the first exhibitor in each class what the heeling pattern will be before he enters the ring. This same procedure shall be followed in the event of ties."

Chapter 2, Section 10 (Paragraph 1)

"The Judge must enter the scores, or total score in Utility, of each dog in the official Judge's book immediately after each dog has been judged on the individual exercises and before judging the next dog. Scores for the Group exercise and total scores must be entered in the official Judge's book immediately after each group of dogs has been judged. No score may be changed except to correct an arithmetical error or if a score has been entered in the wrong column. All Final scores must be entered in the Judge's book before prizes are awarded. No person other than the Judge may make any entry in the Judge's book. Judges may use separate score sheets for their own purposes, but shall not give out such sheets, nor give out any other written scores, nor permit anyone else to distribute score sheets or cards prepared by the Judge. Carbon copies of the sheets in the official Judge's book shall be made available through the Superintendent or Show or Trial Secretary for examination by owners and handlers immediately after the prizes have been awarded in each class. If score cards are distributed by a club after the prizes are awarded they must contain no more information that is shown in the Judge's book and must be marked "Unofficial score."

Chapter 2, Section 27 (Paragraph 1)

"The Judge shall not permit any handler to train his dog by excessive verbal commands or by moving toward the dog to correct it in any way, nor to practice any exercise in the ring either before or after he is judged, and may excuse from further competition in the class any dog whose handler does either. A dog whose handler disciplines it in the ring shall be excused from further competition in the class and shall not receive a Qualifying score. Any abuse of a dog in the ring must be immediately reported by the Judge to the Bench Show or Obedience Trial Committee for action under **Chapter 2, Section 29** of these Regulations."

Chapter 3, Section 2 (Paragraph 1)

"The Novice B Class shall be for dogs not less than six months of age. A Dog may continue to compete in this class after it has won the title CD until qualifying in an Open Class or receiving one (1) High in Trial Award. This one (1) High in Trial Award is in addition to any obtained before or during the 60 day period after receiving the CD title. Dogs in this class may be handled by the owner or any other person. A person may enter more than one dog in this class but the same person who handled each dog in the first four exercises must handle each dog in the Long Sit and Long Down exercises. However, if a person has handled more than one dog in the first four exercises he/she must have an additional handler for each additional dog, when more than one dog that he/she has handled in the first four exercises is judged in the same group for the Long Sit and Long Down. No Dog may be entered in both Novice A and Novice B at any one trial."

Chapter 3, Section 12 (Paragraph 3)

"The principal feature of these exercises is that the dog remain in the Sitting or Down position, whichever is required by the particular exercise.

Orders are "Sit your dogs" or "Down your dogs," "Leave your dogs" and "Back to your dogs."

All the competing dogs in the class take these exercises together, except that if there are more dogs competing than are able to be placed on one side of the ring at a distance of approximately 4 feet per dog, then they shall be judged in groups allowing approximately 4 feet per dog. When the same Judge does both Novice A and Novice B, the two classes may be combined based on the same criteria above. The Judge shall divide his class into approximately equal sections. The Group exercise exercises shall be judged after each section. The dogs that are in the ring shall be lined up in catalog order along one of the four sides of the ring. Handler's armbands, weighted with leashes or other articles if necessary, shall be placed behind the dogs."

Chapter 4, Section 1 (Paragraph 1)

"The Open A Class shall be for dogs that have won the CD title but have not won the title CDX. Persons who have trained, or exhibited a dog that has earned an OTCH may not enter or handle dogs in this class. Each dog must be handled by its owner or by a member of the owner's household or immediate family. Owners may enter more than one dog in this class. The same person shall handle the dog in every exercise. However, if a person has handled more than one dog in the first five exercises he/she must have an additional handler for each additional dog, when more than one dog that he/she has handled in the first five exercises is judged in the same group for the Long Sit and Long Down. No dog may be entered in both the Open A and Open B classes at any one trial."

Chapter 4, Section 2 (Paragraph 1)

The Open B Class will be for dogs that have won the title CD or CDX. A dog may continue to compete in this class after it has won the title UD. Dogs in this class may be handled by the owner or any other person. Owners may enter more than one dog in this class but the same person who handled each dog in the first five exercises must handle each dog in the Long Sit and Long Down exercises. However, if a person has handled more than one dog in the first five exercises he must have an additional handler for each additional dog, when more than one dog that he has handled in the first five exercises is judged in the same group for the Long Sit and Long Down. No dog may be entered in both Open A and Open B classes at any one trial.

(New paragraph 2 to read):

"Prior to the start of judging, the Judge shall make the decision what order of exercises (I through VI as illustrated in **Section 4, Paragraph 1**) shall be performed for that class. This order shall not be disclosed to exhibitors prior to posting the order (approximately 45 minutes before the

start of the class). In future assignments, Judges are required to alternate the six orders of exercises so that the orders will be used approximately the same number of times."

Chapter 4, Section 3

"The exercises and maximum scores in the Open A class are:

1. Heel Free and Figure Eight ..... 40 points
2. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
3. Retrieve on Flat ..... 20 points
4. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
5. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
6. Long Sit ..... 30 points
7. Long Down ..... 30 points

Maximum Total Score . . . 200 points

New Chapter 4, Section 4

"The various order of exercises in the Open B class are as follows:

OPEN I

1. Heel Free and Figure Eight ..... 40 points
2. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
3. Retrieve on Flat ..... 20 points
4. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
5. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
6. Long Sit ..... 30 points
7. Long Down ..... 30 points

OPEN II

1. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
2. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
3. Retrieve on Flat ..... 20 points
4. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
5. Figure Eight and Heel Free ..... 40 points
6. Long Down ..... 30 points
7. Long Sit ..... 30 points

OPEN III

1. Retrieve on Flat ..... 20 points
2. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
3. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
4. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
5. Figure Eight and Heel Free ..... 40 points
6. Long Sit ..... 30 points
7. Long Down ..... 30 points

OPEN IV

1. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
2. Heel Free and Figure Eight ..... 40 points
3. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
4. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
5. Retrieve on Flat ..... 20 points
6. Long Sit ..... 30 points
7. Long Down ..... 30 points

OPEN V

1. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
2. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
3. Figure Eight and Heel Free ..... 40 points
4. Retrieve on Flat ..... 20 points
5. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
6. Long Down ..... 30 points
7. Long Sit ..... 30 points

OPEN VI

1. Broad Jump ..... 20 points
2. Figure Eight and Heel Free ..... 40 points
3. Drop on Recall ..... 30 points
4. Retrieve over High Jump ..... 30 points
5. Retrieve on Flat ..... 30 points
6. Long Sit ..... 30 points
7. Long Down ..... 30 points

Chapter 4, Section 9 (Paragraph 5)

"The dumbbell, which must be approved by the Judge shall be made of one or more solid pieces of one of the heavy hardwoods, or of a rigid or semi-rigid, firm, nontoxic, nonwooden material, similar in size, shape, and weight to a wooden dumbbell. Metal dumbbells are not permitted. Dumbbells shall not be hollowed out. It may be unfinished, or coated with a clear finish, or painted white or any other color. It shall have no decorations or attachments but may bear an inconspicuous mark for identification. The size of the dumbbell shall be proportionate to the size of the dog. The Judge shall require the dumbbell to be thrown again before the dog is sent if, in his opinion, it is thrown less than 20 feet, or too far to one side, or too close to the ringside."

Chapter 4, Section 10 (Paragraph 2)

"Substantial deductions, depending on the extent, shall be made for slowness in going out or returning or in picking up the dumbbell, for not going directly to the dumbbell, for mouthing or playing with the dumbbell, and for reluctance or refusal to release the dumbbell to the handler. Minor to substantial deduction, depending on the extent, shall be made for dropping the dumbbell. All other applicable penalties listed under the Novice Recall shall apply."

Chapter 5, Section 1

"The Utility A class shall be for those dogs that have won the CDX title, but have not won the UD title. Persons who have trained or exhibited a dog that has earned an OTCH may not enter or handle dogs in this class. Each dog must be handled by its owner or by a member of the owner's immediate family. Owners may enter more than one dog in this class."

Chapter 5, Section 2 (Paragraph 1)

"The Utility B class shall be for dogs that have won the title CDX or UD. Dogs in this class may be handled by the owner or any other person and owners may enter more than one dog in this class. No dog may be entered in both Utility A and Utility B classes at any one trial."

(New Paragraph 2 to read):

"Prior to the start of judging, the Judge shall make the decision what order of exercises (I through VI as illustrated in **Section 4, Paragraph 1**) shall be performed for that class. This order shall not be disclosed to exhibitors prior to posting the order (approximately 45 minutes before the start of the class). In the future, Judges are required to alternate the six orders of exercises so that the orders will be used approximately the same number of times."

Chapter 5, Section 3

The exercises, maximum scores and order of judging in the Utility A Class are:

1. Signal Exercise ..... 40 points
2. Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 ..... 30 points
3. Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 ..... 30 points

4. Directed Retrieve .....30 points
5. Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points
6. Directed Jumping .....40 points
Maximum Total Score ....200 points

New Chapter 5, Section 4 (Paragraph 1)

"The various order of exercised in the Utility B class are as follows:

UTILITY I
Signal Exercise .....40 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 .....30 points
Directed Retrieve .....30 points
Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points
Directed Jumping .....40 points

UTILITY II
Directed Jumping .....40 points
Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points
Directed Retrieve .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 .....30 points
Signal Exercise .....40 points

UTILITY III
Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 .....30 points
Directed Retrieve .....30 points
Signal Exercise .....40 points
Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points
Directed Jumping .....40 points

UTILITY IV
Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points
Directed Jumping .....40 points
Signal Exercises .....40 points
Directed Retrieve .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 .....30 points

UTILITY V
Directed Retrieve .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 .....30 points
Directed Jumping .....40 points
Signal Exercises .....40 points
Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points

UTILITY VI
Directed Retrieve .....30 points
Signal Exercise .....40 points
Directed Jumping .....40 points
Moving Stand and Examination .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 1 .....30 points
Scent Discrimination Article No. 2 .....30 points"

Chapter 5, Section 8 (Paragraphs 2 and 7)

"The Judge will ask, "What method will you be using to send your dog?" The handler must respond with either "after a sit", or "send directly." The Judge will then ask, "Are you Ready?" immediately prior to taking the article from the handler. The taking of the article from the handler will be considered to be the first order, and scoring of the exercise will begin at that time. The remaining orders are "Send your dog," "Take it," and "Finish."

On order from the Judge to "Send your dog," the handler may give the command to heel and will turn in place, right or left, to face the articles. The handler will come to a halt with the dog sitting in the heel position. The handler shall then give the command or signal to retrieve. Handlers may, at their discretion on order from the Judge to "Send your dog," execute with their dog a right about turn to face the articles, simultaneously giving the command or signal to retrieve. In this instance the dog shall not assume a sitting position, but shall go directly to the articles. Handlers have the option as to how the dog is sent"

Chapter 5, Section 9 (Paragraph 2)

"Minor to substantial deductions shall be made for a dog that picks up a wrong article, even though he puts it down again immediately, for any roughness by the handler in imparting his scent to the dog, and for the handler not turning in place."

Chapter 6, Section 2 (Paragraph 2)

"Requirements for the Obedience Trial Champion are as follows

1. Shall have won 100 points; and
2. Shall have won a First place in Utility B, provided there are at least three dogs in competition; and
3. Shall have won a First place in Open B provided there are at least six dogs in competition; and
4. Shall have won a third First place under the conditions of 2 or 3 above; and
5. Shall have won these three first places under three different Judges.
6. One of the required first places may have been won at a Specialty Show."

Chapter 6, Section 8 (See Attached Schedule)

This schedule will replace current **Section 8**. Point Schedule currently printed on page 49 & 50 of *Obedience Regulations*.

NEW Chapter 8, Section 1 (Paragraph 1)

The Versatile Companion Dog Title shall be for those dogs earning titles in Obedience, Agility and Tracking as follows:

1. Versatile Companion Dog 1 (VCD1) - CD, NA, NAJ, TD;
2. Versatile Companion Dog 2 (VCD2) - CDX, OA, OAJ, TD;
3. Versatile Companion Dog 3 (VCD3) - UD, AX, AXJ, TDX;
4. Versatile Companion Dog 4 (VCD4) - UDX, MX, MXJ, VST;
5. Versatile Companion Champion (VCCH) - OTCH, MACH, CT

Chapter 9, Section 4

"Veterans Class. The Veterans class shall be for dogs that have an obedience title and are seven or more years old on the date of the trial. The exercises shall be performed and judged as in the Novice class."

Obedience Guidelines for Judges Revised Chapter 5 (Paragraph 2)

"When all dogs have been judged and the four official places are determined, then ribbon prizes can be awarded: blue, red, yellow and white or white, yellow, red and blue. Where ribbons or prizes for additional places are offered, the awards for these should be made after the awarding of the four official ribbon prizes. The Judge must sign the book, mark the time finished, remove and retain for him/herself the sheets marked "Judge's Copy," and then return the book (or sheets) for the completed class promptly to the Trial Secretary or Superintendent. The Judge is held responsible for returning the book to the Trial Secretary, Obedience Chairperson or Superintendent. No

one other than the Judge may return the Judge's book to the Trial Secretary or Superintendent. When the Judge returns the book, the Trial Secretary or Superintendent should briefly scan the book for obvious omissions or oversights which can be corrected on the spot."

Please refer to the attached Exhibits A, B, and C for examples of the newly designed Judge's Book.

Following a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (affirmative, Ms. Scully, Mrs. Strand, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Marden, Dr. Mays, Dr. Davies, Dr. Hritzo, Mr. Goodman; opposed, Dr. Smith, Dr. Battaglia, Mr. Merriam, Mr. Menaker) to consider the proposed amendments at this meeting, waiving the usual prior notice requirement.

Following a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Scully, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to adopt the listed amendments.

Following a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to make the amendments to the *Tracking Regulations* and all amendments to the *Obedience Regulations*, except **Chapter 8, Section 1**, effective October 1, 2000. Because of additional programming work required, the amendments to **Chapter 8, Section 1** of the *Obedience Regulations* will be effective January 1, 2001.

Mr. Menaker gave the Business Committee report. He indicated that in May, the Board would be asked to approve a plan to expand AKC investment policies, guidelines, and cash management controls. Dr. Mays, Chairman of the Audit Committee, reported on the Ernst & Young audit of AKC's 1999 financial statements.

Dr. Battaglia gave the Planning and Operations Committee report.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Smith, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to reopen the stud book for the American Eskimo Dog for three years, until May 1, 2003, per the request of the American Eskimo Dog Club of America. Dogs with acceptable three-generation pedigrees will be considered for AKC registration during this period.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Smith, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to retire the kennel name "Grayline" at the request of the National Beagle Club.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Goodman, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to retire the kennel name "Page's Hill" at the request of the American Shetland Sheepdog Association.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to add the Israel Kennel Club and Kennel Club Uruguayo to the list of registries with pedigrees acceptable for AKC registration.

Following a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to remove the 500-dog minimum from the requirement for adding a foreign registry to the list of registries with pedigrees acceptable for AKC registration.

Following a motion by Dr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Strand, it was **VOTED** (unanimously) to add San Marino Kennel Club to the list of registries with pedigrees acceptable for AKC registration.

Mr. Marden gave the report of the Discipline Review Committee. Harvey Durham (Adamsville, TX) was suspended for 10 years, effective November 8, 1999, and fined $500 as the result of a Trial Board Hearing. He was charged with not being in compliance with the rules and regulations for record keeping. The Board Discipline Review Committee considered his appeal and recommended that it be denied. The Board **VOTED** to adopt that recommendation.

Leo Davis (Wauchula, FL) was suspended for 10 years and fined $500, effective October 11, 1999, as the result of a Trial Board Hearing. He was charged with submitting, or causing to be submitted, two litter applications, which he knew, or should have known, contained false certifications. The Board Discipline Review Committee considered his appeal and recommended that it be denied. The Board **VOTED** to adopt that recommendation.

Mrs. Strand gave the Public Relations and Public Affairs Committee report. Carolyn Franks, staff, gave the Board a presentation on Relationship Marketing. Dennis Sprung, Frank Harra and Wendy Serkin, staff, were present for this report.

Mr. Sprung and Ms. More gave a report on the proposed AKC Invitational Dog Show.

The committee also reported plans to develop policies to help parent clubs with the media under certain circumstances. When public attention is focused on a particular breed by feature movies, television or other media, the AKC will offer public relations counsel geared to ensure and reinforce a positive image. This could include contact with the AKC Communications department. The Public Relations and Affairs Committee and AKC Communications Department will develop policies and standard procedures.

There was a workshop to consider DNA-related matters and judging eligibility for Best in Show. The Board then went back into regular session.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon motion made and seconded, it was **VOTED:** To adjourn at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 11, 2000.

Adjourned

Attest:

James P. Crowley,

Secretary

Chapter 6, Section 8 Point Schedule.

NEW POINT SCHEDULE

OPEN B

Number Competing	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
6 – 10	2	0	0	0
11 – 15	4	1	0	0
16 – 20	6	2	0	0
21 – 25	10	3	1	0
26 – 30	14	4	2	0
31 – 35	18	5	2	1
36 – 40	22	7	3	1
41 – 45	26	9	4	2
46 – 50	30	11	5	2
51 – 56	34	13	6	3

UTILITY B

Number Competing	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
3 – 4	2	0	0	0
5 – 7	4	1	0	0
8 – 10	6	2	0	0
11- 13	10	3	1	0
14 – 16	14	4	1	0
17 – 19	17	5	2	0
20 – 23	20	7	2	1
24 – 26	24	9	3	1
27 – 29	27	11	4	1
30 – 32	30	13	4	2
33 – 36	33	14	5	2
37 – 40	37	15	6	3
41 - 48	40	17	7	3

NOVICE CLASS _____ (Indicate A or B)

MAXIMUM TOTAL SCORE - 200 Points

ENTER POINTS OFF FOR EACH EXERCISE UNDER APPROPRIATE ARMBAND NUMBER

Dog Number	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109
Heel on Leash (40 Points)									
Stand for Exam (30 Points)									
Heel Free (40 Points)									
Recall (30 Points)									
Long Sit (30 Points)									
Long Down (30 Points)									
Miscellaneous Penalties									
Maximum Score (200)	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
POINTS OFF (Subtract)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Score									
FINAL QUALIFYING SCORE									

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
WINNERS:	_____	_____	_____	_____
SCORE:	_____	_____	_____	_____

Time Started: _____ Time Finished _____

(PLEASE USE BALL POINT PEN)

OPEN CLASS _____ (Indicate A or B)

MAXIMUM TOTAL SCORE - 200 Points

ENTER POINTS OFF FOR EACH EXERCISE
UNDER APPROPRIATE ARMBAND NUMBER

ORDER OF EXERCISES	Dog Number	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109
	Heel Free (40 Points)									
	Drop on Recall (30 Points)									
	Retrieve On Flat (20 Points)									
	Retrieve over High Jump (30 Points)									
	Broad Jump (20 Points)									
	Long Sit (30 Points)									
	Long Down (30 Points)									
	Miscellaneous Penalties									
	Maximum Score (200)	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
	POINTS OFF (Subtract)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total Score									
	FINAL QUALIFYING SCORE									

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
WINNERS:	_____	_____	_____	_____
SCORE:	_____	_____	_____	_____

Time Started: _____ Time Finished _____

(PLEASE USE BALL POINT PEN)

UTILITY CLASS _____ (Indicate A or B)

MAXIMUM TOTAL SCORE - 200 Points

ENTER POINTS OFF FOR EACH EXERCISE UNDER APPROPRIATE ARMBAND NUMBER

ORDER OF EXERCISES	Dog Number	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109
	Signal Exercise (40 Points)									
	Scent Discrimination Article 1 (30 Points)									
	Scent Discrimination Article 2 (30 Points)									
	Directed Retrieve (30 Points)									
	Moving Stand & Exam (30 Points)									
	Directed Jumping (40 Points)									
	Miscellaneous Penalties									
	Maximum Score (200)	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
	POINTS OFF (Subtract)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total Score									
	FINAL QUALIFYING SCORE									

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
WINNERS:	_____	_____	_____	_____
SCORE:	_____	_____	_____	_____

Time Started: _____ Time Finished _____

(PLEASE USE BALL POINT PEN)