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NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting of the Delegates will be held at the Doubletree Newark Airport Hotel on **Tuesday**, September 10, 2019, beginning no earlier than 10:00 a.m. It will follow the 9:00 a.m. Delegates Forum.

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NOTICE

The Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Susan Gesting (Graham, WA) from all AKC privileges for five years and imposed a \$2000 fine, effective April 8, 2019, for her violation of the AKC's Unauthorized Use of Club Funds policy. (Multiple Breeds)

NOTICE

The Management Disciplinary Committee has reprimanded Ms. Cindy Schneider Mannor (Freeland, MI) for having submitted six online litter registration applications and thirteen online dog registration applications without written permission of the co-owner of the litter and dogs; and for submitting one paper dog registration application, three registration certificates of transfer, and one

Application to Register a Litter Resulting from Artificial Insemination Using Frozen Semen form without a Power of Attorney on file. (Multiple Breeds)

NOTICE

The Board Appeals Committee considered Mr. Brian Meyer's appeal of the suspension of his judging privileges at its May 2019 meeting. The American Kennel Club Board of Directors at its February 2019 meeting suspended the judging privileges of Mr. Brian Meyer for a period of six (6) months and a fine of \$500.00, for inappropriate comments and/or conduct with an exhibitor regarding but not limited to, race, color, religion, disability, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or are sexual in nature. As Mr. Meyer elected to appeal the Board's decision, the effective date for any disciplinary action was deferred until after his hearing with the Board Appeals Committee.

Based on its review of the record and Mr. Meyer's appeal presented in person, the Appeals Committee determined that the suspension of Mr. Meyer's judging privileges was properly imposed, and therefore, it denied Mr. Meyer's appeal, upholding the suspension of his judging privileges for a period of six (6) months and imposing a fine of \$500.00 effective May 14, 2019.

NOTICE

The American Kennel Club Board of Directors at its May 2019 meeting suspended the judging

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privileges of Mr. Robert Caswell for a period of 18 months effective May 14, 2019 and a fine of \$1600.00 for inappropriate comments and/or conduct with an exhibitor regarding but not limited to, race, color, religion, disability, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or are sexual in nature; the failure to follow AKC Judging Procedures, Rules, and Guidelines; and the failure to respond in a timely manner to the Judging Operations department's request.

PROPOSED NORWEGIAN BUHUND STANDARD FOR COMMENT

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

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General Appearance: The Norwegian Buhund is a herding dog. It is a typical northern breed, a little under medium size and squarely built, with a tightly curled tail carried over the back. The head is wedge-shaped and not too heavy, with prick ears. As it is extremely intelligent by nature, consistent training is needed from early puppyhood. The Buhund has a lot of energy, strength and stamina. This self-appointed watchdog is also content lying at your feet at the end of the day. Broken teeth, broken whiskers and honorable scars incurred in the

line of herding/working duty are acceptable. The breed is to be shown in a natural state. Any shaving or trimming of the coat or shaving of whiskers, is to be severely penalized.

Size, Proportion, Substance: *Size* - Height at the highest point of the shoulder blade in dogs, 17 to 18 inches; in bitches, 16 to 17 inches. Disqualifying faults - more than ½ inch under, or 1 inch over the height at the highest point of the shoulder blade. *Weight* - For dogs 31 to 40 pounds; for bitches, 26 to 35 pounds. *Proportion* - Square in profile. The height, measured vertically from the ground to the highest point of the shoulder blade, equals the length, measured horizontally from the prosternum to the rear projection of the upper thigh. *Substance* - Substance and bone is in proportion to the overall dog.

Head: The size of the *head* should be in proportion to the body and not too heavy. The *skull* is wedge-shaped, almost flat, and parallel with the bridge of the nose. The *muzzle* is about the same length as the skull, with a stop that is well defined but not too pronounced. The nasal bridge is straight and well filled out under the eyes. The lips should be black and tightly closed. The teeth should meet in a scissors *bite*, with complete dentition. Disqualifying fault - overshot or undershot mouth. Whiskers serve a function, purpose. Removal of facial whiskers is to be severely penalized. *Eyes* - Oval shaped, color as dark as possible,

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black eye rims. *Ears* - Medium sized, prick ears with pointed tips, carried strongly erect yet very mobile. When relaxed or showing affection the ears go back, and the dog should not be penalized for doing this during the judge's examination. *Nose* - Black.

Neck, Topline, Body: *Neck* - Of medium length, is well set on, with no loose skin on the throat. *Topline* - The back is level; croup with as little slope as possible. *Body* - Chest deep, ribs well-sprung; tail set high, tightly curled and carried over the center line of the back.

Forequarters: Shoulders moderately sloping, elbows well set, turned neither in nor out; legs substantial but not coarse in bone, legs seen from the front appear straight and parallel; pastern seen from the side moderately sloping; feet oval in shape with tightly closed toes, feet turned neither in nor out.

Hindquarters: Moderate angulation at stifle and hock, upper thigh powerful, well muscled; lower thigh well muscled, seen from behind legs are straight and strong, feet same as above. On the rear feet, dewclaws may be removed.

Coat: Outer coat is thick and hard, but rather smooth lying. The under coat is soft and dense. The coat on the head and front of the legs is comparatively short. The coat on the neck, chest and back of thighs is longer. The

coat should not be trimmed except for the trimming of feet. Shaving, sculpting, removal of outer coat, texturing should be so severely penalized as to eliminate from competition.

Color: Wheaten - Any shade from pale cream to bright orange, with or without dark tipped hairs; as little white as possible; black mask acceptable. Black - Preferably without too much bronzing; with as little white as possible. Areas where white is permissible: a narrow white ring around the neck, a narrow blaze on the face, a small patch of white hairs on the chest, white feet and tip of the tail.

Gait: The action is free and effortless. The topline remains level while moving. Sound movement is essential for working ability.

Temperament: Self-confident, alert, lively, and very affectionate with people.

Faults: The foregoing description is that of the ideal Norwegian Buhund. Any deviation from the above described dog is to be penalized to the extent of the deviation.

Disqualifying Faults:

More than ½ inch under or 1 inch over the height at the highest point of the shoulder blade.

Over shot or under shot mouth.

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PROPOSED LAGOTTO ROMAGNOLO STANDARD FOR COMMENT

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General Appearance: Small to medium-sized dog, well-proportioned, powerfully built, of rustic appearance, with a dense, curly coat of wooly texture. The dog should give the impression that he has the strength and endurance to work all day in difficult and challenging terrain.

Size, Substance, Proportions: *Size* – Height at the withers: Dogs 16½ to 19½ inches; Bitches 15½ to 18½ inches. Disqualification - Dog under 16½ or over 19½ inches; bitches under 15½ or over 18½ inches. Substance - Males 28 to 35 pounds. Females 24 to 31 pounds. *Important Proportions* - The Lagotto is a square dog, measured from the prosternum to the point of ischium and from the highest point of the shoulder to the ground. The length of the head is 40 percent of the height at the withers. The neck is slightly shorter than the length of the head. The length of the skull should be slightly more than half the length of the head. The legs are slightly more than half the height

of the dog at the wither.

Head: Viewed from above and from the side, the *head* is a broad blunted wedge. The length of the skull, from stop to occiput, is the same as the width at the widest point of the zygomatic arch. The somewhat arched skull is slightly longer than half the length of the head (56 percent skull to 44 percent muzzle) with unpronounced occiput. Planes of the *skull* and *muzzle* diverge slightly - extreme divergence, parallel planes or dish faced appearance are serious faults. Nasal bone is straight. The stop is moderate, with a distinct furrow between the eyes. Frontal sinuses are well developed, giving good fill beneath the eye. Cheeks are flat. The wide robust underjaw defines the shape of the muzzle so that the lips form an upside-down semi-circle. The nose is large with wide open and mobile nostrils and a strongly pronounced median groove. It protrudes very slightly from the front edge of the lips. The nose should be fully pigmented in shades from light to dark brown, varying with coat color. Anything else is a serious fault. Lips are rather tight and not thick. The strong lower jaw determines the profile of the muzzle. The flews are tight fitting and dry. Pigment of the lips varies with coat color from light to dark brown. Well-developed teeth meet, ideally, in a scissor or level bite. A reverse scissor bite is acceptable. Full dentition is preferred. Disqualification - Overshot or undershot bites (where the incisors do not touch those of the opposing jaw). The *eyes*

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are set somewhat frontal-obliquely, and fairly well apart. They are large, rounded, fill the sockets, and very slightly protruding. The color of the iris ranges from ochre to hazel to dark brown – no other colors are acceptable. Eyelids are close fitting. Eye rim color will vary with coat color from light to dark brown. Eyelashes are very well developed. The arch of the eyebrow is prominent. The ears are medium-sized in proportion to the head, triangular with rounded tips. The base of the ear is rather wide and is set just above the zygomatic arch. When alert, the top of the ear rises to widen the appearance of the skull, and the front edge of the ear is close to the cheek. When pulled loosely forward, the ear should cover about $\frac{1}{4}$ of the length of the muzzle. The Lagotto's expression should be intelligent, friendly and attentive.

Neck Body, Topline: The *neck* is strong muscular, thick, and oval in shape. It is lean, well set off from the nape, and slightly arched. The length of neck is slightly less than the total length of the head. Neck should blend smoothly into shoulders. Muscles are extremely powerful. A correct neck is fundamental to function. The Lagotto *body* is square, compact and strong. The length of the dog, measured from the prosternum to the point of the buttocks, should be the same as the height at the top of the scapulae, which are long and quite high-set, rising well above the level of the back. Chest is wide and well-developed, reach-

ing down to the elbows, but not below them. The ribcage is slightly narrowed in front, widening from the sixth rib back, allowing elbows to move smoothly along the body. Ribs are well sprung (width of ribcage at the widest point is about 30 percent of the height of the dog). Underline is straight, with a slight tuck-up at the flank. The scapulae are set high, back straight, loin slightly arched, croup slightly sloping and tail follows the line of the croup. A line drawn from the top of the shoulder to the hip will be slightly sloping. A dog high in the rear or low in the withers is to be penalized. The Lagotto's back is straight and very muscular. The loin is short-coupled, very strong, and slightly arched. Its width is equal to or slightly exceeds the length, giving strength for digging. Croup is slightly sloped, quite long, broad, and muscular. It forms an angle of approximately 25/30 degrees from the horizontal. Flat or steep croups are to be severely penalized. The *tail* is set on following the line of the croup. At rest, it is carried scimitar-like, and no higher than the back. When excited, the tail is decidedly raised, and carried in a loose arc above the level of the back. Tip of tail should not be carried further forward than the pelvis. The tail should never be curled or carried straight up. The tail tapers from base to end, and should reach to just above the hock. Ringtails or tails carried over the back are serious faults.

Forequarters: The shoulder blades are long

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(30 percent at the height of the withers), well laid back (yet not too close at tips), muscular, and strong. They are closely attached to the chest, but move freely. The angle formed between the shoulder blade and the upper arm should be approximately 115 degrees. The elbow will fall on a vertical line lowered from the back of the scapula to the ground. The upper arm is as long as the shoulder blade, of light bone structure, muscular, and tucked firmly against the brisket. Legs are straight. The forearm is long, with strong, compact, oval bone. The carpus is fine, robust and mobile, and in complete alignment with the forearm. Pasterns are also in perfect alignment with forearm, and of slightly finer bone. They are moderate in length and slightly sloping. Forefeet are webbed, rounded, and compact, with well-arched, tight toes. Pads have particularly hard soles. Nails are curved and range in color from white to extremely dark brown.

Hindquarters: Angulation of the hindquarter is slightly less than the angle of the forequarter (approximately 110 degrees). Legs are powerful and parallel when seen from the rear. The upper thigh is slightly longer than the shoulder (35 percent of height at withers). It is quite broad, convex, and with well-defined muscles. The second thigh is slightly longer than the upper thigh, well boned and strong. The hindquarters must be perfectly parallel to the spine. The angle of the stifle should be more open than the angle at the hip, (approx-

imately 130 degrees). The hock joint is well let down, wide, clean and strong. Pasterns are thin, cylindrical, and perpendicular to the ground when the dog is standing freely. A vertical line from the point of buttocks to the ground will fall slightly in front of the toes. Hind feet are slightly oval, compact, and webbed. The toes of the back feet are not quite as arched as those of the forefeet; thus, the nails may be straighter.

Skin, Coat: The skin of the Lagotto is thin, firm and close-fitting all over the body, without wrinkles. Pigmentation of the skin and pads harmonizes with the color of the coat, ranging from dark pink to dark brown. Depigmentation anywhere on the body is a serious fault. Coat is extremely important in this breed. Hair should be of wooly texture, semi-rough on the surface. Topcoat should be quite thick, and undercoat visible. The combination of the two repel water. A correct coat is never luxurious or shiny. The body is covered with tight ring-shaped curls, not frizz. Skull and cheeks are covered with thick hair, and the looser curls of the head form abundant eyebrows, whiskers, and a rather bristly beard. The coat covering the tail is both curly and somewhat bristly. The Lagotto must not be corded. Disqualification - smooth or straight coat. The correct trim must always be unpretentious, and contribute to the natural, rustic look typical of the breed. In a curled state the body coat must be trimmed to no more than 1½

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inches in depth (not brushed/combed out), and it should be uniform with the silhouette of the dog. Only on the head can the coat be longer than 1½ inches, but should never cover the eyes (should be penalized). The edges of the ears should be trimmed to the leather; the surface of the ear flap should show looser curls, but remain wavy. The area around the genitals and anus may be clipped short. Hair must be of sufficient length that curls and texture can be assessed. Corded dogs or excessively groomed dogs (sculpted or blown out) should be so severely penalized as to be eliminated from competition.

Color: Lagotti can be off-white solid color, white with brown or orange patches, brown roan, orange roan, brown, orange, or sable (in different shades), with or without white. Some dogs have extremities darker than their body color. Tan markings (in different shades) allowed. The colors have a tendency to fade, sometimes to such an extent that the brown areas can appear as silvery/gray roan. All the above colors are equally desirable, including the faded or diluted colors. Disqualification - Black or gray coat or patches; black pigmentation.

Gait/Movement: Lagotti should exhibit an energetic, lively, balanced trot, with moderate reach and drive. Back should remain firm and strong with no tendency to roll. At a trot, the rear foot covers but does not pass the footprint of the front foot. Movement from the front is

parallel at a walk or slow trot, never wider than the dog's shoulder, and tends toward a center line as speed increases. Rear legs are also parallel at a slow gait, converging at increased speed, with hocks staying in a straight line between hip and foot. As the dog increases speed, the neck moves slightly lower and forward. The Lagotto should move with distinction and nobility of bearing. He should not be exhibited in an elongated trot – it is atypical and incorrect for the breed.

Behavior, Temperament: The Lagotto is tractable, adaptable, keen, affectionate, and extremely attached to its owner. He is both highly intelligent and easily trained. He is an excellent companion and a very good watchdog. A natural gift for searching and a very good nose have made the breed very efficient in finding truffles. The former hunting instinct has been modified by genetic selection to avoid distraction by game. This breed should never be aggressive or overly shy.

Faults: Any departure from the foregoing points should be considered a fault and the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in exact proportion to its degree and to the degree that it will affect the dog's ability to perform its traditional work, as well as the health and welfare of the dog.

Disqualifications:

Size - Dogs under 16½ inches or over 19½

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inches. Bitches under 15½ inches or over 18½ inches.

Bite – Overshot or pronounced undershot bite (incisors of the upper jaw and lower jaw do not touch).

Coat – Smooth or straight.

Color – Black or gray coat or patches; black pigmentation.

CONFORMATION JUDGES

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

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

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

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

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Dr. Robert D. Smith

Mrs. Sari Brewster Tietjen

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Obedience – Novice

Rally – All

PROVISIONAL OBEDIENCE/RALLY/TRACKING JUDGES

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Obedience – Novice

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DECEASED OBEDIENCE & RALLY JUDGES

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Mr. Paul Howe (MN)

Ms. Shirley Indelicato (CA)

APPLICATION FOR BREED-SPECIFIC

REGISTERED NAME PREFIX

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

APFEL – Dachshunds – Molly J. Howard

CARRIAGEHILL – Dalmatians – Amber L. Spradlin

CYPRESS BAY – Pumik – Debra Thornton

DIXIELANDS – Miniature American

Shepherds – Leann R. Fenton

GEORGIA DACHS – Dachshunds – Nancy R. Thompson

HIGHLAND – Miniature American Shepherds – Judy Porter & Lonnie D. Porter

JOLISSE – Shih Tzu – Jocelyn Fuertes

KB'S – Havanese – Karen Loveless

NOBLEDANE – Great Danes – Dr. Sara Rachel Chant

SANDBLUFFS – English Springer Spaniels – Michael J. Keough

SCHWAB – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Jenny A. Forth

SKY CREEK – Australian Shepherds – Brandi J. Sutton

SKYLINE RIDGE – Australian Shepherds –

Mariah D. Eggersman & Jordan A. Eggersman

STARDUST'S – Great Danes – Darryl Pitts & Brian P. O'Donnell

SUNCOAST – Rottweilers – Amanda C. Collar

UNDENIABLE – Dalmatians – Stacy A. Henderson

VOM RAGNAR – German Shepherd Dogs – Natalya Babenko

VON SCHWAB – German Shepherd Dogs – Jenny A. Forth

REGISTERED NAME PREFIXES GRANTED

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

ALLETTARE – Doberman Pinschers – Angela N. Ferrari

ARCHAIC – Cane Corsos – Johan C. Hernandez

ATOMIC – Miniature American Shepherds – Karen Goddard

CAMBEAS – Bichon Frises – Beverly A. Weddington & Michael D. Clark

DARK MOON – Bullmastiffs – Jeffrey J. Teskey

HORIZON – Shiba Inus – Letty J. Hughes

KDNG – Labrador Retrievers – Debra Mahoney & Kevin Mahoney

LUNA LLENA – Bichon Frises – Jose L. Rojas

MILLABELLA – Rhodesian Ridgebacks – Giselle Engleka & Millard Engleka

MORNINGLOW – Cotons de Tulear – Leslie L. Machado

OAHE – English Cocker Spaniels – Thomas P. Ness

OAKWOOD – Dachshunds – Allison H. Groseclose

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OLYUTI – Chinese Cresteds – Marta I. Fraczek
OUTLANDISH – Australian Shepherds –
Tamara L. Revier
PRIMETIME&SONS – Beagles – Brandon A.
Johnson

SANDOLLAR – Australian Shepherds –
Lindsey A. Grinels
SELAHGOLD – Golden Retrievers – Allison
M. Bains
SHEFFIELD – Lakeland Terriers – Johanna M.
McCarthy & Robert G. McCarthy
STRIKE GOLDEN – Golden Retrievers –
Teresa A. DesLauriers
UBUNTU – Great Danes – Jayne M. Peterson
& Stephen A. Sam
WHITEANGEL – Labrador Retrievers – Jesse
M. Fermin
WOLFRUN – Beagles – Ann M. Wolf & David
R. Wolf
WUFFENHUND – Rottweilers – Cornelia F.
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**AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB, INC.
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AKC OFFICES AT
101 PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY
MAY 13–14, 2019**

The Board convened on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 8:34 a.m.

All Directors were present, except for Ms. McAteer and Mr. Wooding. Mr. Wooding participated in the entire meeting by teleconference but could not vote by Board policy. Also present was the Executive Secretary.

The April 2019 Board minutes, copies of which had been provided to all Directors, were discussed.

At the April Board meeting the Board reviewed an amendment to Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 7, Section 12. There was a sense of the Board in reviewing the minutes that the wording approved in the proposed rule change would be clearer with the addition of the word “schedule” in the last sentence.

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Following a motion by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent Ms. McAteer; Mr. Wooding not voting) to amend the April minutes to include the addition of the word “schedule” to the proposed amendment to in Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 7, Section 12:

The program shall be based on the judging of about 25 dogs per hour by each judge. Each judge’s breed and variety assignments shall be divided into periods of about one hour, except in those cases where the entry in a breed or variety exceeds 30. The final segment of a ring schedule may be expanded but may not exceed 50 dogs unless the entry is in a single breed or variety.

Upon a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Mr. Powers, the April 2019 minutes were unanimously, approved as amended (absent Ms. McAteer; Mr. Wooding not voting).

Louis Auslander

A moment of silence was observed to mark the passing of Louis Auslander, AKC Board Chairman from 1987-1992 and AKC President 1991–1992.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Board Action Items

Mr. Sprung reviewed Action Items and reported on Staff initiatives.

Legal Status Report

The Board reviewed a status report on pending litigation and other Legal activities for the month of April 2019.

FINANCE

Joseph Baffuto, CFO, presented AKC’s unaudited financial results for the period ended April 30, 2019. Total revenues of \$25.6 million were approximately equal to budget but were 2.2% greater than 2018. Dog Registrations’ volume of 213,102 was 3% below budget, but 2% higher than 2018, along with Total Litters processed of 85,797 being 1% below budget and 3% higher than last year. Total operating expenses of \$23.8 million were 6.6% below budget, and 1.7% lower than 2018. YTD Operating income of \$1.8 million is significantly exceeding the 2019 budget year to date and is well above 2018’s operating income of \$819,000 during the comparable four-month period. Additionally, our investment portfolio reflects year to date unrealized gains on investments totaling \$10.8 million dollars. Ms. McAteer joined the meeting at 9:43 am.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Mari-Beth O’Neill, Vice President, Sport Services, Sheila Goffe, Vice President,

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Government Relations and Ashley Jacot, Director of Education participated in this portion of the meeting via video conference.

Lagotto Romagnolo Proposed Breed Standard Revision

The Lagotto Romagnolo Club of America, Inc. (LRCA) submitted proposed revisions to the breed standard for review. The original standard was approved November 2012. Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to publish the proposed revisions for comment in the Secretary's page of the May AKC Gazette.

Norwegian Buhund Proposed Breed Standard Revision

The Norwegian Buhund Club of America (NBCA) has submitted proposed revisions to the Norwegian Buhund breed standard. The current standard was approved April 11, 2006. Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mr. Smyth, the Board VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to publish the proposed revisions for comment in the Secretary's page of the May AKC Gazette.

Revision to the Delegate Credential Forms Candidate/Club

The Board reviewed the current Delegate Credential Forms. There are two types of

Delegate Credential Forms, one filled out by the Candidate and one filled out by the Club. Previous revisions to the Delegate Credential Forms were as follows: Candidate, December 2005 and Club, October 1998.

Based on a review of these forms, Staff is suggesting that the Board approve revisions to both documents.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

Requirements for AKC Membership - Bylaws Article IV, Sections 1, 2, 3

The Board reviewed the requirements for AKC membership which are describe in ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 1, 2 and 3, of the AKC Bylaws. There is no restriction in the current Bylaws which would prohibit a local Specialty Club from applying to AKC for Member Club status in accordance with Article IV of the Bylaws. The section of the Bylaws enabling local Specialty Clubs to become members (Article IV, Section 4) was removed as part of the 2000 Bylaw overhaul, with the intent of making the Bylaws consistent with practice. However, while removing the provision to enable them to become members, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 1, remained in place, and un-amended which does not prohibit local Specialty Clubs from becoming members.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

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Appointment of Trial Boards

Under the AKC Bylaws, Article XIII, Section 1, the AKC Board is to appoint Trial Boards and an Appeal Trial Board from time to time. The last time the AKC Board appointed Trial Board members was June 2014.

Over the past three years AKC has lost 2 Trial Board Chairs and 4 Trial Board Members. AKC currently has three (3) Trial Board Chairs and six (6) Trial Board members and a Performance Event Trial Board, consisting of a designated chair who must be an attorney, 2 members and 2 alternates. The Board reviewed the list of trial board members.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

Plott Name Change

The Board reviewed a request from the Plott Association of America (PAA). The PAA has requested that the breed name be officially changed to Plott Hound to be consistent with the other Coon Hound Breeds.

Q1 2019 Communications Report

The Board reviewed a report from the Communications department highlighting results for the first quarter of 2019.

TOTALS:

Clips Evaluated in Q1: 12,154
Q1 Audience Reached: 30,353,407,816
Publicity Value for Q1: \$20,894,449.46

**Numbers and values provided by media monitoring platform Cision*

Select Media Coverage:

Date	Media Outlet	Subject	Audience
1/2/19	Good Morning America	AKC National Championship winner	4,151,585
1/11/19	Associated Press	AKC Museum of the Dog	8,453,616
2/1/19	TODAY Show	AKC Museum of the Dog	2,748,202
2/7/19	The New York Times	AKC Meet the Breeds	483,701
2/8/19	CBS News online	AKC Museum of the Dog	26,142,377
3/20/19	PEOPLE.com	Most Popular Breeds announcement	43,514,974
3/20/19	Fox & Friends	Most Popular Breeds announcement	2,007,034

AKC B.A.R.K. Program

The Board reviewed a memo outlining the new AKC B.A.R.K. (Be A Reading Kid) Program. The AKC B.A.R.K. Program was launched in April 2019 and is designed as a fun activity that connects children with dogs and has the potential to improve a child's reading ability and overall confidence.

The program is primarily designed for children to read to their own dog or to the dog of a family member or friend. For those children who do not have a dog to which they can read, AKC Public Education provides a list of carefully vetted and qualified AKC Canine Ambassadors whom their parent/guardian can contact regarding a school/community organization visit.

To ensure that volunteers are qualified to take part in the AKC B.A.R.K. Program, they first must be registered AKC Canine Ambassadors,

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which stipulates that their dog is CGC certified.

AKC Education Q1 Report

The Board reviewed a report of the work completed by the Education Department in Quarter 1 of 2019.

The AKC Canine College created and launched fifteen courses and exams and gathered more than 9,000 assets for courses that will be developed through 2020.

Public Education launched four new successful programs, while continuously growing longstanding programs.

In Q1, the following four webinars were aired through the AKC Education Webinar Series:

- Using the Online Education Management System (OEMS)
- Misconduct
- Working with Other Clubs
- Finding Your Social Media Voice

GR Update First Quarter 2019

The Board reviewed an update from the AKC Government Relations Department (GR) on activity for the first quarter of 2019 and a status update on current department activity, major projects, significant legislative issues and accomplishments.

Legislative/Regulatory Tracking: As of April

19, 2019, Congress and legislatures in forty-two states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico are in session. Five states have already adjourned for the year. The AKC GR team is currently monitoring more than 2,100 legislative bills that could impact responsible dog ownership, the health and wellbeing of dogs, the rights of dog owners, and/or the interests of the American Kennel Club.

To date, GR has published more than 60 legislative alerts online, to social media, and through geo-targeted emails to impacted constituents. AKC GR provided written or in-person testimony or comments, recommendations, or alternatives for the majority of these measures as well.

AKC GR is also monitoring approximately 756 active proposed regulation changes at the state and federal level, with some 450 actively pending. Updated, “hot” issues highlight as of May 9 were provided in the Board member mailboxes.

The number of active pieces of proposed legislation, legislative alerts and active implementing regulation changes represents a significant increase in activity over the same time last year.

Planning for Legislative Conferences: The AKC GR team is planning for a national GR conference in Alexandria, VA and a celebration of purebred dogs at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, DC on June 23-24.

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Canines at the Capitol/ State Lobby Days:

AKC GR provided extensive assistance to our new Maryland federation in organizing and participating in our first lobby day/ canines at the capitol event at the state capitol in Annapolis, MD. AKC GR also began planning for: the first-ever California Canines at the Capitol in California; the 7th annual event in Raleigh, North Carolina, and a lobby day at the State capitol in Augusta, Maine scheduled for early in the 2nd quarter.

Service Dog/ASDAC Initiative:

AKC GR worked with colleagues at the American Service Dog Access Coalition to continue to develop all aspects of a new authoritative, voluntary and verifiable credential for service dogs that have met specific standards. First quarter highlights include the development of a national service dog standards test. The test was created by a team of service dog and canine behavioral experts led by Dr Mary Burch. Extensive ongoing outreach regarding regulatory policy, related legislation, industry outreach, product and program development continued in the first quarter and remain ongoing. Sheila Goffe participated in an airline industry meeting in Dallas with Airlines for America, American, United, Delta and Southwest Airlines to obtain ongoing feedback and industry buy-in for the program.

Model Legislation/Introductions:

AKC worked with legislators to provide model legislation or assist key partners in introducing

legislation and major amendment language in Ohio, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Tennessee, North Carolina, Alabama, and elsewhere to establish reasonable breeder regulations, create consumer protections for pet purchasers, preempt anti-breeder proposals and address other issues at the local or state levels.

Meet and Compete:

More than 100 Lawmakers, including members of Congress, state, and local lawmakers participated as Honorary Chairs at the AKC Meet the Breeds event in February in New York City. U.S. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer provided the official welcome in the Meet & Compete program. AKC GR staff provided tours, introduced lawmakers to their constituents and favorite breeds and staffed educational booths at both the Saturday event and the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show.

State Dog Designations

The AKC Board had inquired about possible AKC efforts to designate breeds of dogs for each state to raise awareness about purebred dogs.

Currently, 12 U.S. states have designated a breed of dog as their “state dog”. The permanent designation of a state dog or other official mascot is accomplished by an act of that state’s legislature.

AKC supports the concept of appointing a

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breed of purebred dog as a state dog. The Government Relations Department can provide advice and guidance for clubs or other groups seeking to pursue such legislation. However, our current procedure, particularly where there are competing proposed breeds for state dog, is to not get involved in supporting any specific breed designation.

COMPANION AND PERFORMANCE

Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events, and Caroline Murphy, Director, Performance Events, participated in this portion of the meeting via video conference and Mark Sjogren, Senior Field Representative, Agility, participated in this portion of the meeting via teleconference.

Agility Recommendations from Advisory Committee

The Board reviewed recommended changes to the *Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test (ACT)* intended to remove barriers to participation to a subset of exhibitors, address safety concerns, and better align AKC agility with common practices in the sport. The recommendations originated with the Agility Advisory Committee, were agreed to by staff and received strong support in a poll of agility participants.

The following amendments were approved:

Following a motion by Ms. McAteer, seconded

by Mr. Smyth it was VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to amend Chapter 2, Section 4 of the Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test (ACT) to allow dogs to be entered in different jump heights on same day as follows:

Chapter 2, Section 4. Height Divisions, Measurement, Measuring Devices.

Dogs may be entered in any height division they are eligible for but may only enter each class offered once per day. If a dog is entered in different jump heights the owner must submit separate entry forms, one for each height.

Effective: October 1, 2019

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Tatro it was VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to amend Chapter 3, Section 3 of the *Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test (ACT)* to require all weave poles be tapeless and allow poles to be of alternating solid colors as follows:

Chapter 3, Section 3. Obstacles.

The pole shall be made out of Schedule 40 PVC or furniture grade PVC material that provides an equal amount of flex when set in the fixed base. Single color poles must be striped with a contrasting color so as to be visible to the dog. At a minimum, stripes must be placed at approximately 10 inches and 20 inches from the ground. Tape may not be used for stripes. Stripes may only be painted on or extruded in the pvc. Solid color poles

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may be used if they are of alternating colors.
Poles that are of alternating solid colors are not required to have stripes. Poles that flex at the base (spring type designs) are not allowed.
Effective: January 1, 2020

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mrs. Wallin it was VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to amend Chapter 4, Section 9 of the *Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test* (ACT) to allow the use of head halters as follows:

Chapter 4, Section 9. Collars.

At the handler's option, dogs may run a course with or without a collar. The only collars allowed when running a course are flat buckle or rolled leather collars, but there shall be no attachments hanging or otherwise allowed on the collar. This shall not preclude painted or stitched designs or information on the collar. Dog's names and/or identifying information may appear on the collar. No title, awards, or advertising may appear on the collar. Dogs may be brought to the start line on slip leads, choke chains, body harnesses, head halters or other collars that are permitted on the trial grounds. Pinch/prong and electrical collars (dummy or not), and special training collars are not allowed anywhere on the trial grounds.

Effective: June 1, 2019

Following a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Mr. Carota it was VOTED (unanimously;

Mr. Wooding not voting) to amend Chapter 8, Section 3 of the *Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test* (ACT) to allow dogs to be entered in Regular and Preferred classes on the same day as follows:

Chapter 8 Section 3. Eligibility. The Preferred classes are open to any dog eligible to enter an agility trial as defined in Chapter 1, Section 3. The owner may choose to enter their dog in a mix of Preferred and Regular classes on the same day. A dog may only be entered once in each class offered. They may not enter the same class in both Preferred and Regular (ie a dog may not be entered in both Premier JWW and Preferred Premier JWW on the same day). If a dog is entered in Preferred and Regular classes, the owner must submit two separate entry forms, one for Regular classes and one for Preferred classes. ~~Dogs are allowed to switch back and forth between the Preferred classes and the Regular classes, but not at the same set of trials. This change may not be made~~ After the close of entry for a trial a dog may not be moved between Regular and Preferred classes except as noted in Chapter 1, Section 21

Effective: October 1, 2019

Assessing a Dog's Ability to Retrieve in Pointing Breed Field Trials

The Board reviewed a recommendation to change the retrieving requirements in the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Pointing Breeds*. To be awarded a FC title, a dog

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must earn 10 points by placing first place in Open stakes. For the four retrieving breeds (German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Vizslas and Weimaraners), they must additionally demonstrate their ability to retrieve by earning four retrieving credits.

The recommendation is to change how a dog's ability to retrieve is assessed in Pointing Breed Field Trials by awarding retrieving credits for placements in addition to those that currently earn points, depending of the size of the stake. To be awarded a FC or AFC title, a dog must earn 10 championship points by placing in Open or Amateur stakes. Additionally, the four retrieving breeds (GSP, Vizsla, Weimaraner, GWP) must demonstrate their ability to retrieve by earning four retrieving credits according to the following schedules:

# of Starters	<u>Open Stakes</u>				<u>Amateur Stakes</u>			
	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
4 to 7	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
8 to 12	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
13 to 17	3	1	1	0	3	1	1	0
18 to 24	4	1	1	1	4	2	1	1
25 or more	5	2	1	1	5	3	1	1

Retrieving credits earned in amateur stakes may count toward a dog's Field Championship title provided the credits were earned by winning first place in an amateur retrieving stake.

This recommendation is a change to the retrieving requirements in the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Pointing Breeds*. The section is in italics since it is a breed-specific activity that is done at the request of the parent clubs and is not subject to a delegate vote. If approved by the Board, the change would become effective January 1, 2020. Retrieving credits will not be calculated retroactively prior to the effective date.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

CONFORMATION

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

Collars and Leads - Rules Applying to Dog Shows – New Chapter 19

The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee to create a new chapter, Chapter 19, in Rules Applying to Dog Shows, that would contain the current Board Policy regarding Training Collars at Conformation Events.

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There was discussion by the Board about why it is important that some subjects should be policies rather than rules and how best to provide clear and easy access to these policies for the fancy without adding policy into the Rule Book. There was a sense of the Board that only Rules should be in the Rules Book and that Board Policy and clarifications should be available in another document or in an addendum to the current Rule books.

Following a motion by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Mr. Tatro the Board VOTED (in favor: Ms. Biddle, Mr. Carota, Ms. Cruz; Mr. Feeney, Dr. Garvin, Mr. Hamblin, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Powers, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Tatro, Mrs. Wallin; opposed: Mr. Sweetwood; Mr. Wooding not voting) to implement a housekeeping change to the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* such that the Board Policy on Training Collars and the Board Policy on Stewards (currently printed in the rule book with a heading of Chapter 18) will be listed as Addendums following the rules.

Event Show Hours

The Board reviewed a Staff recommendation to establish a policy regarding the published show hours for events and the scheduling of judging within those show hours to set a clear expectation which will help clubs manage their events. The *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, Chapter 6 Section 1 and Chapter 12 Section 1, requires that every show committee shall

publish the show hours (opening and closing of the event) in the premium list and show catalog.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

4-6 Month Beginner Puppy Exhibitor Update

The Board reviewed a memo which provided information regarding 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy (BPUP) exhibitors; specifically, what percent of the BPUP exhibitors are new to the sport and what percent go on to exhibit in regular conformation shows. "New to the sport" for this analysis is defined as the primary owner of the dog had not exhibited in conformation in the previous three years, nor had any person in that household. Based on this criterion, it was determined that 28.5% of the BPUP exhibitors are new to conformation. This is an increase of 2.5% from a previous analysis done in 2014.

Monitoring Two AB Shows in One Day Under the New Policy

Effective January 1, 2019, the two-shows-in-one-day policy was modified to (1) require clubs to provide at least one ring per 100 entries, (2) limit judging assignments to 100 dogs per event, with a maximum of 175 dogs per day, (3) limit to no more than one special attraction with group competition between the two shows, and (4) limit show size to 500 entries per show. These changes were made to

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ensure events were completed in a reasonable manner. Staff has established a monitoring system to follow the success of these events under the new criteria. The analysis will be shared with the Board in early 2020.

Junior Showmanship Regulations Housekeeping

The board reviewed proposed changes to the *Junior Showmanship; Conformation Junior Showmanship Regulations, Guidelines for Judging Juniors in Conformation, Juniors in Performance Events Regulations*. These changes will bring the regulations in line with Rules Applying to Dog Shows and provide clarity to sections that have caused confusion.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

JUDGING OPERATIONS

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

CEU Credit for Seminars at National Specialties

The Board reviewed request from the Doberman Pinscher Club of America asking the Board to consider modification to the Continuing Education Unit credit that is awarded to attendees of breed seminars presented at parent club national specialties as assigned in accordance to the current Judging

Approval Process.

The request was submitted to the Chairman's Committee on the Judging Approval Process for its input.

The committee agrees that attendance of a National Specialty does provide the greatest educational opportunity for prospective judges. The committee noted the Judging Approval Process as currently constructed does recognize the merit of attending a breed's national specialty. Presently, prospective judges who attend a national specialty and engage themselves in the educational programs offered may earn up to six (6) CEU at one event; the most CEU that may be received from any one category. The committee was consistent with its position from January 2018, and emphatic in its view that further modification to the CEU values does not warrant consideration or discussion at this time.

The Board will not entertain the Doberman Pincher Club of America's request to modify the Judging Approval Process assigning additional CEU for attending a Judges Education seminar at a National Specialty.

The Board adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

The Board Meeting reconvened on Tuesday, May 13, 2019 at 10:03 a.m.

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All Directors were present, except for Mr. Wooding. Mr. Wooding participated in the entire meeting by teleconference but could not vote by Board policy. Also present was the Executive Secretary.

CLUBS

Lisa Cecin, Director, Club Relations, participated in this portion of the meeting.

Delegates and Member Clubs

The Board reviewed a report on the prospective Delegate credentials to be published in two issues of the *AKC Gazette*, a report on Member Club Bylaws approved and newly licensed clubs.

Report on Member Clubs Bylaws Approved in March and April 2019

Durango Kennel Club, La Plata and Montezuma Counties, CO (2015)

Lawrenceville Kennel Club, Gwinnett County, GA (1998)

Mid-Continent Kennel Club of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK (1935)

Mount Bachelor Kennel Club, Bend, OR (2008)

Report on Newly Licensed Clubs Approved in March and April 2019

All-Breed Herding Club of Lower Michigan, greater Ann Arbor, MI (north to Interstate 69, west to Route 127), 35 total households, 19 local households.

Eastern PA Scent Work Club, greater Stroudsburg, PA, 32 total households, 25 local households.

Heartland Afghan Hound Club of Greater Kansas City, greater Kansas City, KS (west to Topeka, northeast to St. Joseph, MO, south to Independence, MO), 27 total households, 12 local households.

COMPLIANCE

Heather McManus, Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, participated in this portion of the meeting. Wanda Forlines, Director of Compliance, and Marcus Bach, Director, Inspections and Investigations, participated by teleconference.

Article XII Complaint filed by Cress and Sheaffer Against the American Boerboel Club

The Board reviewed a complaint submitted by Anita Cress “Cress” and Bob Sheaffer “Sheaffer” against the American Boerboel Club “ABC” on May 3, 2018, in accordance with Section 1, Article XII of the Charter and Bylaws of the American Kennel Club.

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The Board of Directors VOTED to deny jurisdiction of Cress and Sheaffer's complaint.

Modification of Wording for the Offense of Harassment

The current AKC Discipline Guidelines expressly state the penalties for harassment for "verbal" and "physical" harassment. The current Disciplinary Guidelines do not expressly state a penalty for written harassment (in print, electronic or social media posts).

Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Mr. Carota the Board VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to modify the wording of the offense in Section IV of the current Discipline Guidelines for Harassment, verbal to be "Harassment, verbal or written" and to maintain the current penalties in place for Harassment, verbal.

New Penalty for the Offense of Creation, Falsification or Alteration of an Official AKC Document

The current Disciplinary Guidelines do not have a penalty for unauthorized creation, falsification or alteration of an official AKC document, such as Champion Certificates, Title Certificates, Registration documents, and

Inspection Reports.

Following a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Dr. Garvin the Board VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to approve penalties for the offense of "Creation, falsification or alteration of an official AKC Document." It would cover Champion Certificates, Title Certificates, Registration documents, Inspection Reports, AKC designations, and others generated by the AKC. The new violation will read:

V. Violation in regard to official AKC documentation.

a. Creation, falsification or alteration of an official AKC document

Mitigated: 1yr/\$500

Standard: 3yr/\$1000

Aggravated: Up to life/up to \$5000

Changes to AKC Discipline Guidelines to Include Restitution

Based on a Board request, Staff reviewed AKC's process with respect to an accused paying monetary compensation to a club when the accused's misconduct causes damages to an event site, as a condition of the accused's AKC privileges being reinstated. The current AKC Discipline Guidelines have no express requirement that restitution be made or that restitution is a condition of reinstatement of AKC privileges. Staff recommends that the Board approve an

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additional note be added to the Explanatory Notes in the AKC Discipline Guidelines regarding restitution.

This will be discussed further at the July meeting.

The following AKC Management actions were reported:

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

REGISTRATION DEVELOPMENT

Mark Dunn, Executive Vice President, participated in this portion of the meeting.

Registration Update

Registration figures have increased for the last five years in a row. Staff provided an update to the Board on registration metrics and presented a list of actions that were being implemented to try to increase registrations even more.

These include:

- Improvement to the Breeder EZ Reg user experience
- Improvement in the Mobile Online Dog Application user experience
- Improve Email Campaigns using new technology and software platforms
- Implement the use of text and chat to support and updates customers throughout the registration process
- Improve breeder record-keeping on

AKC.org with launch of the New Breeder Toolkit

- Improve customer support for breeders with new chat and co-browse functions now available within Online Litter Applications
- Improve awareness of Bred with H.E.A.R.T. and Breeder Education

AKC Breeder Survey

Staff provided a memo which detailed information regarding a survey that was sent to breeders who registered at least one litter with the AKC between August 1, 2017 and August 1, 2018. The survey was conducted in the interest of gaining a better understanding of breeders who registered litters with the AKC, particularly the Casual breeder segment. Based on the survey staff finds that there are clear opportunities for growth among all breeder segments. These opportunities include an opportunity to increase Casual breeder involvement and engagement with the AKC, and an opportunity to increase the fancy breeder's participation in AKC sports.

CONSENT

Following a motion by Mr. Hamblin, seconded by Mr. Powers it was VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to approve the following Consent items:

- Airedales Eligibility - Retriever Hunt Tests
- Group Placement Move-Ups Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 14, Section 9

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- Rewording Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 14, Section 2 Identification of Person/Dog in the Ring
- Hunt Test Titles - Petit Basset Griffon Vendéens
- Working Aptitude Title - Doberman Pinschers
- Delegate Approvals

Airedales Eligibility – Retriever Hunt Tests

The Board VOTED to approve a request from the Airedale Terrier Club of America (ATCA) to allow Airedales to be eligible to participate in Retriever Hunt Tests. In the 1980's the ATCA formed a special committee to focus on preserving the Airedale's ability to locate and retrieve game. They developed a parent club gun dog test which is still used today. This led to the eligibility of Airedales to participate in AKC spaniel hunt tests starting in 2009. Since that time, the ATCA has hosted spaniel hunt tests for all eligible breeds. Though the number of Airedales in spaniel hunt tests remain relatively low, there is no question the breed can flush and retrieve both upland birds and waterfowl. These traits are documented in the breed's history and are demonstrated by dogs whose owners/handlers take the time to train and expose them to field work.

Group Placement Move-Ups Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 14, Section 9

The Board VOTED to approve an amendment

to *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* Chapter 14, Section 9 which addresses move-ups when awards are cancelled to include move-ups when group placements are cancelled.

Proposed wording changes follow (underlined):

SECTION 9. If an award in any class is canceled, including non-regular classes, groups and Best in Show, the dog(s) judged next in order of merit in all placements of that class shall be moved up. The award(s) to the dog(s) moved up shall be counted the same as if it had been the original award. If there is no dog of record to move up, the award shall be void.

The proposal will be read at the June Delegates meeting and voted on at the September Delegates meeting.

Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 14, Section 2 Identification of Person/Dog in the Ring

The Board VOTED to approve the rewording of Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 14, Section 2, which addresses armbands and identification of people and dogs in the ring. Chapter 14, Section 2 addresses the requirement to wear an armband in the ring and that no means of identification of the person or dog may be displayed in the ring. Proposed wording changes follow (underlined):

SECTION 2. Any club or association

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holding a dog show must provide armbands displaying the catalog number of the dog being exhibited which must be worn by each exhibitor while in the ring. No exhibitor in the ring may display any identification of the person or the dog. Identification includes the name of the breeder, owner, kennel name or past awards the dog has won. Lapel pins denoting membership in local, national or charitable organizations are permitted.

The proposal will be read at the June Delegates meeting and voted on at the September Delegates meeting.

Hunt Test Titles - Petit Basset Griffon Vendéens

The Board VOTED to approve a request from the Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of America (PBGVCA) to approve their breed to be eligible to apply for AKC Hunting Hound (HH, SHH, MHH, MHE) titles after having successfully passed a hunt test conducted by the Basset Hound Club of America.

Working Aptitude Title – Doberman Pinschers

The Board VOTED to approve a request from the Doberman Pinscher Club of America (DPCA) for AKC to recognize a Working Aptitude (WAC) title for Dobermans who have passed the parent club's Working Aptitude Evaluation test. This (WAC) title would be offered under the AKC Parent Club Title Recognition Program.

Since the late 1970's, the DPCA has been administering a temperament test they call the

Working Aptitude Evaluation (WAE). The WAE was designed as a tool to assist breeders and owners in obtaining and producing a Doberman Pincher whose temperament meets the standard. The elements of this evaluation test are similar to that of the American Temperament Test Society (ATTS). The test is broken into 5 categories; social attraction, sound sensitivity, sight sensitivity, touch sensitivity, and protective response. The DPCA's request is being made so that breeders and owners can have the WAC title designation included on their AKC pedigrees.

Delegate Approvals

Elizabeth A. (Betty Ann) Brown
To represent Hendersonville Kennel Club

George Falkner
To represent St. Bernard Club of America
Carol Lynn Johnson
To represent Grand Rapids Kennel Club

Shirley Petko
To represent Havanese Club of America

Tammy Russell-Rice
To represent Silver State Kennel Club

Nancy Zinkhan
To represent Dog Owners' Training Club of Maryland

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Scottish Terrier – Draft Dog Title

The Board agreed to pull this item out of the published CONSENT AGENDA for further discussion.

The Board reviewed a request from the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA) to approve their breed to be eligible to apply for an AKC Draft Dog (DD) title for any dog which passes a draft dog test conducted by the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America (GSMDCA). The (DD) title is currently recognized under the AKC Parent Club Title Recognition Program. The Scottish Terrier is clearly not a drafting breed. However, this draft dog test held by the GSMDCA is open to any breed or mixed breed that is at least 18 months old. The STCA views this test not so much as a drafting test but more like an obedience/rally exercise involving a cart and obstacles.

Following a motion from Mr. Smyth, seconded by Mr. Tatro, it was VOTED (unanimously; Mr. Wooding not voting) to direct Staff to contact the Parent Clubs of the breeds that currently earn AKC Draft Dog titles for their opinions regarding permitting non-drafting breeds to earn AKC drafting titles.

It was VOTED to adjourn Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 12:20 p.m.

Adjourned

Attest:

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary