

Minutes of the Executive Council meeting

Held at

Marlborough Kennel Association Grounds

Aerodrome Road, BLENHEIM

on

APRIL 27-28 2019

1. INTRODUCTION/MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)

Nigel Trainor (NT) President Jill Brooker (JB) Keith Brown (KB) Fiona Hodgson (FH) Clinton Hoeben (CH) Geoff Collins (GC) Stephen Meredith (SM) Karen McIntyre (KMcI) Lisa Slade (LS) Brian Harris (BH)

STAFF

Steven Thompson (ST) – Director Secretary

APOLOGY

Paul Robinson (PR))

Moved Chair; - Adopted

WELCOME

NT welcomed all to the meeting and noted that at 5pm we would be joined by members of the NDS 2019 Organising Committee for post meeting socialising.

LATE ITEM FOR AGENDA

Late Agility Judge Appointment Show Manager / Show Secretary Training Registry Processing & late show entries Accredited Breeders Scheme Champion Certificates

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved NT as Chairperson - Adopted

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI)

CONFLICT OF INTEREST REGISTRY

ST to update Registry as per February instructions LS - Remove NZCDB

EMAIL VOTES

Two since February 23 meeting

- 1. Approval of Certificate of Appreciation
- 2. Judges Examination Ratification

Moved Chair - Ratified

ST to ensure that any Agility / Obedience committee email voting is included in minutes.

OBITUARIES

C Jobsis – (AUCKLAND), J Garland (Oxford), Phillip Bennett (Raumati South), Esme Russell (MANUKAU).

CONFIRMATION OF FEBRUARY 23 2019 MINUTES

Minutes taken as read. Special attention to be paid to spelling and proof reading.

Moved BH; Seconded SM – Passed

Matters arising:

CH raised if Staffordshire Bull Terrier recommended change to breed description had been circulated to select group of Multi Breed, Specialist and Group Clubs for comment as per minutes of 24/25 November. ST replied that they had been sent.

3. IMPORTANT ITEMS

ACTION ITEMS

February List of Action Items still to be actioned:

- 1. ACOD options to live stream / social media coverage
- 2. EC protocols to be placed on website & sent to any new successful E.C. nominations
- 3. Legal review of key rules & regulations identified in Smith case
- 4. Explore alternative sponsorship partners prior to going to market
- 5. Museum Trust Deed amendment re: E.C. Representation
- 6. Move location of Breed Standards & Judges Panel on website
- 7. Recommendation paper on Show Regs 19.13 Exclusion of Dogs

Action: Director Secretary

BUSINESS PLAN & BUDGET 2019-2020

The Director Secretary presented the draft 2019-2020 Business Plan document that included an Operational Plan, 6 Transformational Investment projects, 3 Facility Investment projects and a draft budget.

E.C. discussion focused on the six Transformational Investment Projects:

- 1. Out Reach Project
 - This project needed more detailed work and will not be activated until agreement has been reached with member clubs on a dog training levy.
 - Dog training levy should be one of the key discussion points at the ACOD combined E.C. / Agility / Obedience meeting on the Sunday morning.
 - The project should be held off-budget until the levy funding is secured.
- 2. On-line Project
 - Discussion if this project could be extended to include online show programme booking payments.
 - This would require additional staffing resources in Finance team.
 - 3. Membership Growth Project
 - Focus should be on empty nesters who are the greatest potential new members growth market.
 - Focus also needed to be on selling the benefits of pedigree dog ownership.
- 4. Cross Breed Registry Project
 - Would like this project to be expanded to include a micro-chipping programme.
- 5. BOAS Chamber Project
 - Ownership of chamber to be resolved with Massey Project expenditure to shifted to capex.
- 6. Reputation & Relationship Project
 - Discussion on who should undertake media training which is included in staff training budget.

The three facility investment projects were approved as they included long delayed maintenance work. Discussion focused on the potential future remedial work required on the roof of the Wellington Venue which could have a major financial impact on the organisation. The Director Secretary is to prepare a report and budget on options to phase this work.

NT asked that Director Secretary & Finance Manager have another look at the draft budget with the objective of achieving at least a small cash operating surplus. Focus should be on what project work can be deemed capex and revenue projections compared to actuals achieved in 2018-19.

Future year budgets should aim for a balance of generating a cash operating surplus and capex expenditure to equal deprecation.

RISK AUDIT & FINIANCE COMMITTEE

Attached to the Business Plan & Draft Budget was a report for the Chair of the Risk, Audit & Finance Committee who had reviewed the investment projects and draft budget. The report endorsed the Business Plan and Budget noted that now was the time to put the considerable cash reserves of the organisation to work to help Dogs NZ to grow its membership, sports events and registry business.

BOAS CHAMBER BUSINESS PLAN

The Business Plan presented by the Director Secretary was discussed and E.C. expressed its disappointment that it did not address the key issues they had asked back in September 2018.

E.C preference is for Dogs NZ to own the BOAS Chamber. ST is to meet with Massey Uni to draft an operational contract that allows for the chamber to be based at the Vet Faculty, but available to travel around the country so that members can access the chamber. Any surplus funds generated by the chamber are to be reinvested into dog research that benefits Dogs NZ members.

E.C. also asked ST & Becky Murphy (BM) to look at the option to purchase a larger chamber to be able to test a wider range of dogs.

BULLDOGS BREED STANDARDS

It had been decided at the February meeting that E.C. spend time in the April meeting to review the Bulldog Breed Standards decision and the submission papers from members and clubs. Attached to the submission documents was a report from Canine Health & Welfare recommending that E.C. adopt the current UK standard and a summary report of the key issues by the Director Secretary.

Proposed:

That the current country of origin UK Standards be adopted as the NZ Bulldog Breed Standards

Moved: Chair, Seconded GC, – Lost.

E.C. discussion focused on the issue that we have a current breed standard that promotes extreme confirmation features that are directly related to animal welfare detriment. The decision to change the UK standard in 2010 has resulted in improvement in the health and welfare of the breed.

Members submissions had showed a preference for retaining the country of origin as the breed standard but some were divided re: if this meant supporting the current UK standard or the pre- 2010 standard.

It was important that any decision to change the current Breed Standards be based on strong health and welfare reasons, backed by scientific evidence and not influenced by any outside political pressure.

Any decision needed to be clearly communicated to members including the rationale for the proposed change. It was important that members had a direct say in the adoption of any new Breed Standards for Bulldogs.

Proposed:

That the E.C. wish to adopt by 1 August 2019 a new Bulldog Breed Standard that follows either the current UK Standard or the existing FCI Standard and that members will be consulted for their preference between the current UK / FCI standards.

Moved: Chair, Seconded SM, - Passed.

2019 NDS UPDATE & VENUE TOUR

KB reported on current progress of the 2019 NDS Committee and then guided E.C. on a tour of the various Blenheim facilities that will host NDS 2019.

Judging Schedule at the National Dog Show

Wednesday Toys & Terriers

Thursday Utility & Non Sporting

Friday Gundogs & Working Dogs

Saturday Hounds Judged A – Z

Best in Show awards will be hold on the Saturday evening after 6.30pm. All Best in group judging will take place as soon as the last breed has been judged in that Group. Some age classes in stakes will take place before group judging starts and others during lunch breaks and after best in Group Judging.

All age classes will go through to group and in show level.

Stake Classes for National Dog Show will be Baby Puppy 3mths to 6 mths Puppy 6mths to 12 mths, New Zealand Breed, & Veteran 7yrs and over. Breeders Stakes are 3 or more dogs of the same breed by same breeder.

National Group judging for Best In Group only will be from 4th to 1s. National Best in Show Judging for Best in Show only will be from 4th to 1st.

Judging - Marlborough Sunshine Show (Prelude)

Once breed and group judging is completed for the National judging will start for the Sunshine groups.

Wednesday Toys & Terriers

Thursday Utility & Non-Sporting

Friday Gundogs & Working Dogs

Saturday Hounds Z to A

Best in Show for our Sunshine Show will not start till 2pm .All best in group judging will take place once the last breed has been judged.

All judging criteria as per standard Dogs NZ shows. All prizes for both shows will be Cash and Sash Budget Presentation

Trina Nicol joined the meeting on Sunday morning to provide presentation on the current show budget.

- Obedience event budget now shows a small surplus.
- More input is required on Agility budget.
- Budgeting for revenue is conservative.
- Trade stand pricing is more realistic than previous shows to attract greater participation.
- National Office to provide detailed breakdown of ribbons / prizes costs.
- Split of production of show catalogue responsibility between Hales / National Office still to be confirmed.
- Looking at additional show revenue opportunities such as show raffles etc.
- Extensive marketing support provided by Media Works for \$1200 +gst investment.
- Marketing to target schools, retirement homes and disabled children groups.
- List of dog friendly accommodation to be promoted in Dog-iE newsletter, NDS facebook page and NZ Dogs World.

Funding Support Proposals

The organising committee has a contracted a local fundraiser to make funding applications to appropriate grant giving organisations to cover show costs, on behalf of Dogs NZ.

Proposed:

That the Director Secretary be approved to authorise grant applications by the NDS Committee fundraiser.

Moved BH: Seconded; CH - Passed.

Ticketing Contract

Ticketing proposal has been received from Ticketek NZ local ticketing agent which includes costs of event staffing and all ticketing fees. A ticket sales draft budget has been prepared and will be included in the show budget.

Report be received Moved LS: Seconded; GC - Received.

2020 NDS ARDMORE UPDATE

An expression of interest to host the 2020 National Dog Show at the Black Hawk Ardmore Exhibition Centre was tabled. The report by the 2020 NDS working group included:

- Composition of the Show Management Committee.
- Draft Budget and key financial arrangements including sponsorship.
- Proposed use of Facilities.
- Proposed Marketing Campaign.

SM reported that discussion with Ardmore Management Committee was on-going regarding venue rental. The draft budget showed a small profit after including the Prelude show but E.C. was

concerned that budgeted income was optimistic and expenditure was conservative. They ask that the working group review the financial budget.

Report be Received: Moved SM: Seconded; CH - Received.

2019 ACOD: PREVIEW

Planning is well underway for the 2019 ACOD on Saturday, 22 June. The format remains largely unchanged:

Friday, 21 June: Executive Council meeting

Saturday, 22 June: ACOD

Sunday, 23 June: NZDJA AGM/Conference

Dog Obedience Committee meeting

Agility Committee meeting

There will be the traditional one hour meeting between Executive Council and the Agility & Dog Obedience Committees at 8 am on Sunday 23 June.

Still to be confirmed are any dates for Canine Health & Welfare Committee and Audit Risk & Finance Committee meetings.

Remits, Recommendations & Discussion Papers

We have two Remits from Executive Council regarding fees and one regarding changes to Section V: Constitution and Election of Officers.

There are five recommendations for consideration at ACOD:

- Two Re: Exhibitions of Dogs: 19.11 Neutered Dogs & Spayed Bitches
- One Re: Show Regulation 19.5 Professional Handlers
- One Re: Show Regulations Order of Judging: 13.10,13.10.1, 13.10.2, 13.10.3, 13.10.4, 13.10.5
- One Re: Show Regulation 19.4 and 19.4.1 Dogs owned, co-owned, or shown by Show Manager, Judges Stewards and Assembly Stewards

Detailed wording of the remits and recommendations are to be circulated to E.C.

Life Memberships/Breeders Hall of Fame/Certificates of Appreciation

We have 4 nominations for consideration at the April E.C. meeting which could be awarded at ACOD.

BREEDERS CODE OF ETHICS MEMBERS FEEDBACK

The Director Secretary received feedback from two members who both recommended that the title be changed to Breeders Code of **Conduct**.

The reasoning was that a code of ethics is seen as voluntary were we are proposing a code of behavior that is compulsory, back up by an enforcement system of fines and discipline procedures.

Renaming it as a Code of Conduct, in their view better reflected the intention of the code.

Proposed:

That the word Ethics be replaced by the word Conduct so that the title is "Breeders Code of Conduct"

Moved CH: Seconded; FH - Passed.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

3 Nominations have been received for life membership.

BREEDERS HALL OF FAME

One nomination was received for Breeders Hall of Fame.

BREEDERS AWARD NOMINATION

One nomination was received for Breeders Award

FCI ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

In March Dogs NZ received an email from Rafael de Santiago informing us of the decision to terminate the relationship between FCI and Dogs New Zealand as we had failed to fulfil FCI requirements for Associate Membership.

We replied to FCI with a letter from the President expressing our desire to remain an associate member of FCI and our wiliness to work with the FCI Executive Director to sign a membership contract.

We have since paid any outstanding membership fees and the Director Secretary will follow up Y.De Clerq to progress the drafting and signing of an Associate Membership Contract.

We will also seek advice from the FCI on the requirements to hold two sanctioned events which have been identified as the opportunity to hold a Northern and Southern Classic FCI show.

There is the potential for the Auckland Kennel Club to host the Northern Classic at Ardmore and the North Canterbury/Canterbury Kennel Club to host the Southern Classic at McLeans Island. Two shows can be run on one weekend/day with the second show as the FCI sanctioned show.

4. OFFICE REPORTS

DIRECTOR/SECRETARY REPORT

1. Key Relationship & Reputation Activities

- Lead by our Canine Health & Welfare committee we are undertaking a body of
 work that will allow us to present to NAWAC on the 22 May a number of initiatives
 that will address the concerns outlined in their 2017 opinion paper on welfare issues
 associated with selective breeding of dogs.
- Becky Murphy and I meet with MPI staff to discuss our concerns around the way the Dew Claws regulation have been implemented.
- MPI also discussed that they had a visit from Bulldog Taskforce / Pedigree Dogs representatives who stated that they were working groups of Dogs NZ. Since on a number of issues we have different positions it is important that we are clear with government & NGO organisations that we are separate distinct organisations.
- Meet with representative of the Bull Dog Task Force and made the offer to bring their Health Testing programme under the wing of the Brachycephalic Working Group so that it can meet the standards of our LRL Heath Testing programmes. I have

- promised the Task Force that I will come back to them with more information on the WBBP Chamber project and the French Bulldog standard review.
- Attended the Companion Animal Council strategy planning workshop in Napier at the end of March. The key immediate focus is the Companion Animal Behaviour &Training Accreditation Council in which they have employed a project manager to establish the accreditation framework.

2. Key Revenue Activities

• Discussions with Pet n Sur are continuing and meeting with Interislander new Brand Marketing Group in May.

3. Staffing Issues

- Recruiting for a new Publications & Communications Manager to produce NZ Dogs World, Website editorial, social content and our new E-newsletter. This appointment will free Sue Connor to concentrate on IT-Special Projects and provide backup support to the new position.
- Also recruiting for a part-time Administration & Executive Assistant which will support
 the Director Secretary, Executive Council and all relevant committees. Lauren
 James will move into the CH&W Administration support role once we have recruited
 the Admin role.
- The current event support duties will be shared among 4 staff as requested by the Director Secretary. All new appointments are covered by existing salary budget.

4. IT Contractor Support

Recommendation is to drop Mercury as the contractor with responsibility for the Registry database and use Mark Signal (our existing web contractor) to look after both registry and website. Support service from Mercury has been poor and as we move to a closer interface between our website and registry systems it makes sense to have a person who has a very good understanding of our requirements to implement the IT integration projects we have underway.

5. Facilities Issues - Forrester Park

- Work has started on the building projects to address the key issues identified in the fire safety report.
- Discussions continue with the Dunedin City Council regarding a new lease and removal of an historic reference registered against the land title for an earlier lease long since expired. DCC Parks & Reserve have started a series of consultation meetings with local Dog Clubs regarding the management of the outdoor dog park which could pose some issues for our Clubs who hold shows at the venue.

KMcL will assist ST to draft the French Bulldog breed standard review letter to the Task Force as their main concern is the colours in the current/proposed standard.

There was concern expressed about the vulnerabilities of having only one main IT contractor. This should be a focus of the IT-& Communications Subcommittee and the make up of the committee should be reviewed by the new incoming E.C. There is the potential for suitable non-E.C. members to be co-opted onto the Committee to provide the required skill range.

E.C. would like to see the Forrester Park Lease discussions with the DCC expanded to include the ground area and potential event parking rights. ST to have discussion with FPMM Chair & Simon Moonson about exploring alternatives to Forrester Park if we were unable to reach satisfactory agreement with the DCC on the lease.

Report received; Moved KMcL; Seconded LS – received

IT – Communication Report

Report provided by Sue Connor

Key IT Projects - 2019

Immediate Project Work:

- Canine Health Tests: Finish the integration of LRL and ABS health tests.
- Online Litter Notification: Ties in with the health tests, final testing to iron out any bugs.
 Looking at official launch date of 20 May with promotion via weekly newsletter, NZDW etc.
 There will be a transition period of support for members.
- **CGC Manual**: Transfer from old web site and set up on new website. It will be a free download for members, with a fee for non-members.
- Old website: Final close down of old NZKC site (week 13-17 May)
- E-Newsletter Launch: Launched in March. Continual development of look and functionality.

Phase Two Project Work:

- **Domestic Dog Training enrolment system:** Add DPS payment option.
- **Club profile pages**: Required as an entry platform for the Domestic Dog Training enrolment system.
- Online Show Programme: Maintenance and tidying up required on some of the reports, layouts etc after user feedback.
- Accredited Breeders Site: Integrated into new site, reviewed by Becky Murphy with any required changes made and re-branded with current Dogs NZ logo.

Other Website Work:

- **Breed standards:** Update with preamble text and tail docking updates for all affected breeds.
- **National Dog Show:** Archive last year's show. Add 2019 show information and go live by 1 June (or earlier).
- Judges Panel: Review of Judges Panel information.
- **New website:** Editorial review of new website, what is working, what do we need to move, what could be done better.

Report received; Moved BH; Seconded KB - received

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report provided by Graeme Sugden (GS)

- Financial updates for 28 February 2019 provided as well as draft full year financials (subject final to auditor clearance).
- Income for February was favourable to due to benefit show income and higher than budgeted show levies. Expenditure was unfavourable due to unbudget NZDAC expenditure and legal expenses.
- Draft End of Year financials show a cash surplus of \$148k (budget \$104k) with a surplus after depreciation of \$57k(budget \$13k). The non-payment of Pet n Sur sponsorship owing (\$15k) could cause a readjustment to the final year result.

Report received; Moved CH; Seconded SL - received

DOG WORLD REPORT

No Report was tabled.

CANINE HEALTH & WELFARE OFFICER

Report provided by Dr. Becky Murphy (BM)

NAWAC

- Dogs NZ has been invited by NAWAC to present its progress in addressing their concerns as outlined in the Opinion on Animal Welfare Issues Associated with Selective Breeding published in March 2017.
- Points that NAWAC have raised, that the CHWC identified at their March 2019 meeting, which need addressing at this meeting, include:
 - Judges education
 - Conformational disorders intrinsic to breed standards
 - Brachycephalic dogs
 - Fit for function meaning (verses breed function)
- We have both activities already in place (LRLs, BWG etc) and being developed (judges education, fit for function) which will cover off the major concerns from NAWAC.

The meeting asked that the presentation to NAWAC be circulated to E.C. for comment before the May 22^{nd} presentation.

MPI MEETING 28 MARCH

- Dogs NZ raised its concerns at the difference between the intent of the dew claw
 Regulation and the actual implementation due to current VCNZ and NZVA positions.
- The intent of the Regulation is to allow case by case assessment on the net animal welfare benefit to remove articulated dew claws, by a veterinarian and with pain relief. The VCNZ / NZVA positions appear to be that there is no circumstance where a dew claw should be removed unless it is already diseased or injured.
- MPI said that the dew claw Regulation was just one where the veterinary profession was changing the intent of a Regulation by their own internal restrictions in practice MPI, Dogs NZ, VCNZ and NZVA will continue to communicate with each other to ensure that the Regulation is followed, and that animal welfare is of prime concern when doing so.

Health-testing, website

• The ability for members to load their own health test results online and have them stored against the dog in the Registry, is now live The next step is printing results on Pedigrees which will involve reformatting the current document.

Brachycephalic Working Group

- CHWC would like to increase the Club involvement of this group by bringing on additional breed representatives so that the composition of the group includes Bulldog, French bulldog, Pug, Boston terrier, Shih Tzu, Boxer and Pekingese, representatives as they are the 7 numerically most popular brachycephalic breeds.
- It is proposed reducing the CHWC influence to 2 members being the Caine Health & Welfare Officer as a veterinary advisor and Dogs NZ employee, and the Chair of CH&W.
- This will allow for a total of 9 members, dominated by Club and Breed representatives, with the hope that they will drive the group as the Labrador and Rottweiler Clubs have done with their own health standards.

Proposed:

That the CH&W representation on the Brachycephalic Working Group be the CH&W Officer and one other member of the CH&W committee.

Moved CH: Seconded; SM - Passed.

- In February 2019, the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons declared surgical AI a banned procedure under their Code of conduct. Subsequently the UK Kennel Club is no longer accepting Registrations of puppies produced by Surgical AI.
- We have contacted the NZ Veterinary Association to emphasise that in New Zealand the
 use of frozen canine semen is critical to achieve the genetic diversity required to maintain
 and improve good animal welfare. The availability of the alternative intrauterine method of
 insemination, endoscopic TCI, is restricted to 3 known locations in New Zealand which is
 prohibitive to its routine use.
- NZVA / CAV representatives have signalled that they are working on a plan to prepare vets
 for change in the future and signalling to MPI and VCNZ that they expect change to occur,
 but that there would be animal welfare implications if that change was made right now.

E.C. expressed concern at the recent moves signalled by NZVA in this area and want CH&W to develop a position paper on this issue and to be proactive in informing members and MPI etc on what our position is.

Dogs NZ also need to be forceful in presenting our opinion on the various Vet & Animal welfare committees that we sit on as it is important to our breeder members that we not be reduced one Al option in NZ.

Mallory LRL Issue

• CHWC has approved the request from the member to move 2 of her dogs which were placed on Register III with breeding restrictions, to the Register 1 with no breeding restrictions based on DNA tests done which showed that there is no reason to reject this request.

Report received; Moved CH: Seconded; KB: received

EVENTS COORDINATOR

Report provided by Lauren James

- Online registrations for ACOD delegate's remains open with meeting rooms and accommodation tentatively booked for various committee and annual meetings.
- The second Domestic Dog Training Conference is scheduled to be held in Wellington on 22/23 July 2019. Brentwood Hotel is the venue and a contract is in place with meeting rooms and accommodation tentatively booked. The guest facilitators are Vickie and Steve Austin from Australia.
- On-line registration will open on 1 May with a link to be sent to all club secretaries (those clubs involved in Domestic Dog Training). Nominations for The Domestic Dog Training Club of the Year close on 8 July 2019.

CLUB & MEMBERSHIP MANAGER

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB)

Annual Accounts

• French Bulldog Society has paid all annual subscriptions owing. Bichon Frise Club have been advised to pay all outstanding annual subscriptions or face disassociation.

Franklyn Kennel Association – Change of judging order

 Request for Franklin Kennel Association & Kumeu Kennel Association to share judges at a Champion show in November and for Kumeu to approved for the additional show.

E.C has asked ST to clarify with CB exactly what the approval request is for re: shared judging.

Council for Docked Breeds

• This organisation has gone into recess and has been removed from the list of clubs recognised by Dogs NZ.

Wellington Welsh Corgi Walking Club

Request to be renamed as Wellington Welsh Corgi Club

Moved: CH: Seconded LS - passed

Pencarrow Kennel Association & Upper Hutt Kennel Association

 Both Clubs are looking at going into recess as they are struggling for members and cannot field a functioning committee. Amalgamation is not considered as they share the same members.

Martyn and Lisa Slade are looking at the option of picking up Pencarrow and Upper Hutt Kennel Association and either joining the clubs to keep them alive or taking over their show dates. Issues of who is responsible for any funds needs to be resolved by CB/ Director Secretary.

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Mastiff Breeds Association

Application received from the Club to become a Dogs NZ associated Multi-Breed Club.

Moved CH: Seconded; LS - Passed

NZ Working Malinois Club Titles

Application received from the club to have their FCI titles recognised.

BH explained that there was a number of issues with approving this request which needed to be explained to the Club. ST to draft a letter in consultation with BH to outline to the Club the required steps they needed to take before E.C could grant their request.

Report received; Moved BH: Seconded; GC - received

Dogs on Report:

CH Kalten 'S Gossip Girl 05476-2016 Rottweiler owned by T Gempt

This female Rottweiler was excused from the ring at Napier Kennel Centre's Championship Show on 31 March 2019 by the judge for aggression.

Owner has been advised that as this is the second incident the dog has been declared ineligible to be shown. Notice that this can be appealed to Executive Council has been provided and the dog's details have been endorsed in Dogs NZ records.

Lavidaloca King Arthur 04209-2016 Chihuahua (Long Coat) owned by P & D McNab

This male Chihuahua (Long Coat) was excluded from the show ring at North Harbour Kennel Association's Championship Show on 23 February 2019 for aggressive behaviour towards the judge,

The owners were advised by the club of the 7 day stand down period. Dogs NZ advised them that the dog is to be observed at 6 shows.

Roma OB/8346 Heading Dog owned by N Beketova

Show Manager of Waikato Agility Group Championship Jumpers Event on 17 March 2019 advised that a written complaint was received regarding the dog's behaviour. After a meeting of the disputes committee, the dog was excluded from the show for aggressive behaviour to another dog.

Report received; Moved SM: Seconded; NL - received

5. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

HEALTH & SAFETY

- Happy with progress addressing the Forrester Park Fire & Safety issues.
- H&S requirements for the NDS in Blenheim need to planned and meet the venue requirements.
- Need to incorporate new H&S module in existing Dogs NZ Events Operation template.

E.C. emphasised importance of H&S planning for NDS. The updated H&S Event template should be on website so that clubs can access it for show planning. CH to forward updated templates.

Report received; Moved SM: Seconded; FH - received

AGILITY

Report provided by Fiona Hodgson (EC representative)

- Committee working on 5-10 yr strategic plan which will be distributed to agility community for input.
- First South Island Agility in schools champs will be held in June.
- Judges Sub-committee working on overhaul of refusal & faults regulations with document to judges for discussion in May.
- Recommend the following judges for promotion:
 - o Jinnie Gailey- to Ribbon Trial Panel
 - o Sarah Ridley- to Ribbon Trial Panel
 - o Linda Mortimer to Ribbon Trial Panel
 - o Emily TAYLOR to Agility Panel
 - o Jess Tansey to Agility Panel

Moved SM: Seconded; JB - ratified

Agility would like to request that they take back the administration of Dogs who are
put on report at Agility events including arranging observers. Dogs NZ National
Office would be included in all communications and reports.

Moved FH: Seconded; KB – passed

• Club questionnaire what support they would like to receive from the Agility Committee has been distributed.

Report received; Moved CH: Seconded; SL - received

OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE

Report provided by Geoff Collins (Chairperson)

- Recommended the following Judge for promotion
 - o Carol Lavery to Special Beginners / Novice Championship panel

Moved SM: Seconded; BH - ratified

- Verbal report on NDOA Easter 2019 Successful event despite disappointing exhibitor numbers.
- Survey of future timing of NDOA showing preference for move back to Labour Weekend. Keen to discuss with Agility about Easter/Labour Weekend swap.
- Looking at introducing sent work as a novelty event at obedience shows this year.
- Rotorua Agility Cub has asked for approval to appoint Anna Hortzorg as an overseas judge for upcoming show.

Moved GC: Seconded; CH - passed

- Revised budget has been provided for NDS 2019 and it is now confirmed that that we will run a Working Trials (Utility Dog) competition at the Nationals using a site at Havelock.
- Confirm that Rosemary Cleator will be an Obedience Judge for NDS 2019.
- Obedience Judges Association ask for dispensation to amend their constitution to allow Rally-O judges to join their association.

Moved JB: Seconded; KB - passed

Guest facilitators have been confirmed for Domestic Dog Training Conference to be held at the Brentwood Hotel, Wellington on 21-22 July.

Report received; Moved CH: Seconded; FH - received

NZDJA

The NZDJA Board has approved the promotion of Jordan Klenner to the Junior Showmanship judges panel.

Moved CH: Seconded BH - ratified

MUSEUM TRUST

No Report provided by Keith Brown (Chair)

BREED STANDARDS

No Report provided by Martin Hewitt (Chairperson).

FORRESTER PARK

Report provided by Anne McLachlan (Chairperson).

 Venue maintenance work has included bird proofing the kitchen, installing a gate across the roller door to the park to allow airflow through the building and the painting of the front of the building.

- Delta have agreed to do the planting and maintenance of the garden area free and Taskforce Green will do the installation of sleepers resulting in budget savings.
- WKA ran a benefit show for Forrester Park which raised \$897.78 towards the cost of the sleepers.
- FPMC have accepted a quote from Southern Steel Fabrication Ltd of \$13,311.20 + GST for upgrading the entry to meet fire egress requirements.
- The existing fire egress door has been repaired and upgraded and the roof beams secured due to the work of committee member Simon Monson.
- Lease agreements negotiations are underway with DCC and the new agreement will take the lease to 2037.
- DCC have indicated that they may be more receptive now to addressing the state of the grounds & parking issues and have called a meeting for dog club representatives to discuss the issues.

E.C. noted the potential conflict of interest between Southern Steel Fabrication and Simon Monson and are happy for the work to continue.

Report received. Moved KB; Seconded LS – received

AUCKLAND PROPERTY GROUP

Report provided by Christine Wood (Chairperson)

- An insurance survey has been completed and all maintenance work that have a
 potential effect insurance cover have been completed.
- The guttering on the womans toilets which has rusted away will be replaced before NZDOA.
- Notice has been given to all annual carpark owners that their carpark rights do not apply for national events like NDS.
- A new draft professional hire agreement has been produced as the venue starts to market itself to a wider group of potential commercial hirers. The new template will be used.

JB expressed concern that the new template would be overkill for Dogs NZ Club hirers and they would struggle to understand it. She asked if a simplified version could be used or that they could sign the full contract once and only re-sign the schedule pages for each new show hirer.

Report received. Moved LS; Seconded SM, - received

JUNIOR DOG TRAINING (JDT)

Report provided by Ceri Tarry (Chairperson)

- Planning has started for 2010 JDT Camp to be held in Narrows Park, Hamilton in January 2020. The committee are working on a number of fundraising ideas.
- JDT control class is being held at NDOA and several clubs are planning on holding JDT Jumpers classes at upcoming shows.

Report received. Moved ch; Seconded GC - received

JUNIOR DOG HANDLING (JDH)

No Report provided by Kirsty Hubbard (Chairperson)

JUNIOR DOG SHOWING (JDS)

No Report provided by Margaret Rayner

6. Registry

ROTTWHEILER LITTER REGISTRATION SCHEME

After ratification by Executive Council in the September 2018 meeting and notification of the scheme in the November 2018 New Zealand Dogs World the owner survey has been completed which reached the 75% participant support required for all proposed health testing to be implemented.

It is proposed 1 August 2019 date for the regulations to be in place. The regulations will apply to progeny whelped on or after that date.

Moved BH; Seconded KB - Passed

7. CORRESPONDANCE

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Letter announcing opening of new AKC Museum of the Dog and asking for in Dogs NZ would like to make an investment in the funding of the museum.

8. OTHER

GENERAL BUSINESS

DOGS NZ POLICY STATEMENTS

JB would like Executive Council to consider adopting a few more Policy Statements on our position on issues that many members are concerned about. The current AKC Policy Statements were used as an example what Dogs NZ could adopt.

JB is asked to develop a number of NZ specific Policy Statements for consideration by E.C.

SHOW MANAGER & SHOW SECRETARY TRAINING

The issue of lack of training for show managers and secretaries and the resulting variable standards of shows was discussed.

JB to look at an option for a simple open book test to help in the training of show managers and secretary's.

REGISTRY PROCESSING & LATE SHOW ENTRIES

Concern was expressed by CH about time taken to turnaround registry applications, especially late applications for show entry. ST explained that there had been a back log built up after a number of registry staff had taken holiday leave. After some tightening up of processing work flow the back log has been resolved.

ACCREDITED BREEDERS SCHEME

Report from CH&W Officer on ideas to refresh the Accredited Breeders Scheme now that the Breeders Code of Conduct is in force to be circulated at the June E.C. meeting.

CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATE

EC has instructed the Director Secretary to improve the quality of the Championship Certificates by:

- Attaching the NZ Kennel Club seal
- Improving the border artwork
- o Improving the quality of the paper so that the certificate can be framed

Any member who received the current certificate will be able to source a new replacement certificate (with seal) from the National Office.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2018-2019 term)

Friday, June 21 WELLINGTON

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2019-2020 term)

Saturday / Sunday, July 27/28 WELLINGTON Saturday / Sunday, September 14/15 WELLINGTON