

**AKC DELEGATE REPORT – Delegate Committee Elections - Back-up Materials**  
**August 2022**  
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Following is the Delegate Committee election materials and candidates for each committee.

To: The Delegates From: Gina DiNardo Subject: Election of Delegate Committees Date: August 2022 This memo is to explain how the election of Delegate Committees will be conducted at our meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.

**Voting**

This year, no election is needed for: Canine Health, Companion Events, Delegate Advocacy and Advancement, Dog Show Rules, Herding, Earthdog, Coursing and Scent Work Events, Parent Clubs or the Perspectives Editorial Committee. There will be an election in (3) Committees. The election for these Committees will be as follows:

**All-Breed Clubs:** you may vote for a maximum of four (4) Delegates.

**Bylaws:** you may vote for a maximum of four (4) Delegates.

**Field Trial and Hunting Test Events:** you may vote for a maximum of four (4) Delegates.

**Statements of Qualifications** Following this memo are Delegate Statements of Qualifications for each committee which include the Delegate's total years of service.

A careful effort has been made in the compiling/formatting of the Delegate Committee Election Packet to keep the Statements of Qualifications exactly as written/submitted, adhering to the 150- word limit. Any mistakes are unintentional, should they occur, you have our apologies.

For committees that require a ballot, Statements of Qualifications indicate attendance for the recent five-year period. Also, if provided, committee member attendance at Delegate Committee Meetings for the last three years

**Standing Committee for ALL-BREED CLUBS**  
**(Select 4 Maximum)**

**Marc Crews, Mid-Continent Kennel Club of Tulsa.** Qualifications: Member of Mid-Continent Kennel Club since 1995. Board member for past 15 years holding offices as Director at Large/Vice Pres/Asst Show Chair/Show Chair and President 2017-2021. Since 1986 have finished CH's on Wheaten Terrier/Smooth Fox/Scotty/Beagles all Owner Handled. Experienced in all levels of All Breed club management and hosting AKC Shows as pertains to the club role. Able to increase participating membership while guiding the club to new dates and locations to increase entries/treasury which has given MCKC more visibility and awareness of purposely bred dogs in the community. Dates of Service: April 2022 to Present. Attendance: 0 out of 1.

**\*Sally Fineburg, Hatboro Dog Club.** Qualifications: I represent Hatboro Dog Club and it would be my honor to serve on the All-Breed Clubs Committee. I have been active in AKC Clubs with Rhodesian Ridgebacks breeding/showing/training since 1999. I believe my experience with All-Breed/other clubs serving as both a member and exhibitor provides a well-rounded view, preparing me to effectively advocate on behalf of All-Breed Clubs.

Club Experience:

Membership: Three All-Breed, Hound, Ridgeback National/Regional, Performance.

Leadership: President, VP, AKC Delegate, Board Director. Chair: Show, Assistant Show, Regional Show, Performance Committee, Education Events, Nominating, AKC Sportsmanship, in addition to volunteering on numerous committees. Secretary, Rhodesian Ridgeback Charitable Foundation Board. AKC Lure Coursing Judge since 2009.

Delegate Achievements:

- AKC Coordinating Committee Juniors Subcommittee and newly formed Juniors Committee.
- Proposed the new 'Junior Coordinator' Club position.
- Integral in developing/writing the Juniors Resource Guide.
- Herding Earthdog Coursing Scent Work Committee.
- Fast CAT/CAT Regulations Subcommittee
- Lure Coursing Subcommittee.
- AKC Board Nominating Committee

Dates of Service: 2015-2016, 2019 to Present. Attendance: 14 out of 14. Committee Attendance: 11 out of 11 (HECS Committee).

**Jacquelyn Fogel, Kettle Moraine Kennel Club.** Qualifications: It has been my honor to serve on the AllBreed Clubs Committee for the past 3 years. As the President and Show Co-Chair for Kettle Moraine Kennel Club, I faced some unique challenges when the COVID pandemic changed everything about how clubs do business. Our club made tough decisions to cancel our 2020 show and hold our 2021 show clustering with another local club in 2021 under COVID rules. As with many clubs we found our membership dwindling, and our sources of volunteers changing. Thankfully, we were able to hold our entries in 2022, but not without a lot of hard work and dedication. I credit strong leadership and innovative thinking for keeping our club alive and prosperous. I want to continue serving on the All-Breed Clubs committee to bring these real-world experiences and my ability to work well with others to our important work coming up in the future. Dates of Service: 2011 to Present. Attendance: 18 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 9 out of 11.

**\*Eduardo Fugiwara, Two Cities Kennel Club.** Qualifications: I have been on the All-Breed Clubs Committee for the past four years, where I have been a very active member and was part of several subcommittees. I am a member of several All-Breed and regional breed clubs, where I have served on many boards, or as Show Chair and Cluster Chair. I also serve as the VP for the Irish Terrier Club of America. My involvement with this diversity of clubs gives me a broad view and understanding of the clubs' organizations and the challenges they deal with on a regular basis. My background in corporate business, provides me with an all-around understanding of business and Marketing, with a strong base in marketing research. Dates of Service: Fort Lauderdale Dog Club 2016-2021; Two Cities Kennel Club 2021 to Present. Attendance: 20 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 11 out of 11

**Kevin O'Connell, Terry-All Kennel Club.** Qualifications: I have been a member of the Dalmatian Club of America since 2015 and served 4 years as a Board member. I am a current Board member of the Dalmatian Club of America Foundation (since 2015). I have been an active member of the Terry-All Kennel Club since 2013 serving as Corresponding Secretary for four-years. Since 2013 I have been a Show Committee member serving in various capacities including events and activities supporting Junior and Pee Wee showmanship and the annual B/OB match chair. I was elected to be the AKC Delegate for this club in May 2021. I am an active member of the Colorado Kennel Club (since 2014) and effective June 1, 2022, I was elected to serve on the board. Since 2014 I have been a Show Committee member serving in

various capacities including events supporting Junior and Pee Wee Showmanship and the annual B Match Chair. Dates of Service: October 2021 to Present. Attendance: 2 out of 3.

**Debbie Owen, Louisville Kennel Club.** Qualifications: Life Member of Louisville Kennel Club (1984). On the Board of Directors since 2013. I have Chaired/Co-Chaired various committees including Nominating, Hospitality, and Vendors. Contributing member of the Judges Selection Committee for our huge Louisville Cluster. Editor of newsletter since 2014. Life Member of the WHWTCA where I Chaired/Co-Chaired committees including Nominating, Conformation Evaluation, National Rescue and Montgomery County Sweepstakes Vendors. Received WHWTCA President's Award for Service. Life Member of the WHWTC of Indiana, served as President, Vice President and on the Board of Directors. I Chaired/Co-Chaired various committees including Rescue, Hospitality, Fundraising for National Roving Specialties. Breeder of the #1 Doberman in 2021, breeder of multiple Westie, Papillon and Doberman Champions. Companion titles on the same breeds. Led LKC to hold Fast CAT® trials and fund 5 dogs from AKC Reunite Adopt a K-9 Cop Program. Dates of Service: 2017 to Present. Attendance: 19 out of 20.

**Susan Sholar, Black Russian Terrier Club of America.** Qualifications: I have been active in dog shows for 50 years, beginning in Hawaii. As a founding member of the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Hawaii, I served as an officer and in board positions. I was also Junior Showmanship Chair for the Windward Hawaiian DFA. I was the legislative liaison for Maui Kennel Club of Hawaii. I worked as a veterinary tech. My children participated in Junior handling. In California I served on All-Breed Club boards as Assistant Show Chair and Show Chair for those clubs. Professionally I have been a professional handler, professional show and pet groomer, kennel owner and for many years the owner of an International Grooming School that was state licensed, VA approved, Homeland Security approved and WIA approved funding. I taught beginner and advanced grooming, First Aid CPR, Animal Nutrition, Animal Massage (for canine, feline and equine animal) and Aromatherapy. Dates of Service: 2012 to Present. Attendance: 18 out of 20 Committee Attendance: 10 out of 11.

### **Standing Committee for BYLAWS**

**(Select 4 Maximum)**

**Neil Butterklee, American Chinese Crested Club.** Qualifications: I appreciate the opportunity to serve as a member of the Bylaws Committee. My experience as an attorney, board member, and professor have prepared me for this Committee. My qualifications include over 30 years of experience as an attorney where I have drafted, edited, and litigated numerous corporate bylaws, agreements, and other corporate documents. I have been the lead attorney for the creation of new major corporations where I have managed the drafting of corporate bylaws and key agreements. I am currently an Associate General Counsel at Con Edison where I manage its federal practice group. As Vice President of Stony Brook's Alumni Association, I have re-written the Association's Bylaws. As a professor, I teach business law including contracts and corporate structures and documents. I am a lifetime member of the American Chinese Crested Club and Chair of its newly formed Bylaws Committee. Thank you. Dates of Service: October 2021 to Present. Attendance: 3 out of 3.

**Kathy Coxwell, Bearded Collie Club of America.** Qualifications: As an attorney and a Municipal Judge, I have had a great deal of experience dealing with document preparation and organization. This committee has worked very hard to revamp the Bylaws of The American Kennel Club, the purpose being an effort to bring them in line with changes in rules and regulations as well as make them easier to understand and more uniform. The committee as a whole has worked together to complete these

changes and I feel that I can continue to contribute to the completion of this project. Dates of Service: 2009 to Present. Attendance: 12 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 8 out of 11.

**Barry A. Hoovis, Monticello New York Kennel Club.** Qualifications: Joined Monticello New York Kennel Club in 1982 served as VP, President, Match Chair, Training Chair, Bylaws Committee Chair, Charter member and past president, and Show Chairman of Sleepy Hollow German Shorthaired Pointer Club and wrote the Constitution and Bylaws. I'm a German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America 40-year member. Have shown, finished, hunted and owned German Shorthaired Pointers and Norwich Terriers. I always give my all to my endeavors and very open to listen and weigh others' opinions and suggestions before forming my own opinion. If voted in, I will serve in the best interest of The Sport of the Purebred Dog Community. Dates of Service: 2012 to Present. Attendance: 17 out of 20.

**Dr. John V. Ioia MD, PhD, Southern Adirondack Dog Club** Qualifications: It has been my honor and pleasure to serve the interests of the Delegates Body on the Bylaws Committee since 2007 and as Secretary of the Committee since December 2013. I have missed one meeting (COVID) since election to the Committee. In our time the Committee has taken up difficult issues and worked to resolve these to benefit of all. My interest is the equal application of the Bylaws/Rules as they apply to all. I have a 50-year history in AKC activities and am still active in breeding, showing in Conformation and Rally and Judging. I have held every job in my All-Breed and Specialty Clubs from President and Show Chair to Clean-up and am currently Vice President of my breed's Parent Club – American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club. I hope you will trust me for another term. Dates of Service: 1982 to Present. Attendance: 19 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 10 out of 11.

**Michaelann Cox Mako, Longshore-Southport Kennel Club.** Qualifications: From 2020 to the present, I have been extensively involved in a Bylaws revision for my specialty club. I have an aptitude for the rules governing a club, applicable state laws, Constitution and Bylaws, and parliamentary procedure. I am not only detail oriented, but take a broad perspective, while maintaining an academic, pragmatic approach. I have been a member of a specialty club for 11 years, currently the President. I've served as VP, Board member, Specialty Show Chair, Rally Chair, Communication Chair, Nominating Committee Chair, Bylaws revision and Online Newsletter Editor. For LSKC I have served on the board, as the representative to the Connecticut Federation of Dogs and as Delegate. My purpose as a Delegate is to use my strengths as a communicator, project manager, facilitator and scholar to add value to the Delegate Body. I appreciate committee work and I would like to be involved in a committee. Dates of Service: 2019 to Present. Attendance: 10 out of 12.

**Glenda Stephenson, Space Coast Kennel Club of Palm Bay.** Qualifications: Since 2008, I am a founding member of my club and worked for its acceptance as an AKC Member Club, bringing the Bylaws into compliance. As the club's Bylaws Chair, I have oversight of the Bylaws to maintain continuity with AKC. I have happily assisted other clubs (5+) applying for AKC approval as regional breed clubs including assembling and submitting the required Bylaws. As a past and current serving club President, Show/Cluster Chairperson, I know that interpretation and comprehension of the Bylaws/Rules are the basis of our organization. Having been a Delegate for over 14 years, I have had the honor of participating as an active member of the Delegate Bylaws Committee for 3 years. My contributions of the "layman's insight" to our committee is essential for being able to project the ideas and understanding to the Delegate Body. My unique experiences are an asset to this committee. Dates of Service: 2008 to Present. Attendance: 18 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 11 out of 11.

**\*Frederick Vogel, Windham County Kennel Club.** Qualifications: Fred Vogel has been involved in the Sport of purebred dogs since 1974 first exhibiting Borzoi then Wirehaired Dachshunds. He has been the

Delegate for the Windham County Kennel Club since 2004. In eighteen years, he has only missed a few meetings and during COVID he attended all the Zoom meetings. Fred served as Committee Chair for the Bylaws Committee of the Windham County Kennel Club in 2003, 2009 and 2020. He is currently an approved Judge for the Hound Group, Best in Show and Miscellaneous Classes and permit for four Terrier Breeds. Dates of Service: 2004 to Present. Attendance: 12 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 2 of 2.

**Standing Committee for  
FIELD TRIAL AND HUNTING TEST EVENTS  
(Select 4 Maximum)**

**Dr. Timothy Carrion, Swamp Dog Club.** Qualifications: I have been an active member of Field Trial and Hunt Test Committee for over 8 years. My primary interest and accomplishments have been in finding ways to increase participation of the “low entry” breeds in AKC Field Events. Communicating with the Parent Clubs involved in these venues, learning their needs and the obstacles to their participation has led to changes in regulations to aid these clubs. I have been active in Retriever Field Trial for over 50 years as a judge and handler. I have seen the evolution of our Sport, what changes work and what changes are still needed. Dates of Service: American Chesapeake Club 2013-2020; Swamp Dog Club 2021 to Present. Attendance: 18 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 11 out of 11.

**Blaine Grove, New England Beagle Club.** Qualifications: I have been participating in Beagle Field Trials since 1984. I am an active Beagle Field Trial Judge, as well as a competitor in Field Trials and Two Couple Pack Hunt Test. I am President of a local licensed Beagle Club, and President of Regional Beagle Federation representing 43 licensed clubs in the Northeast. I am a member of the AKC Nationals SPO Championship Committee and serve as an advisor to the Eastern Junior Beaglers Club. I am a current member of the AKC Delegate Juniors Subcommittee representing the Field Trial Hunt Test Committee. Thank you for your consideration for this committee. Dates of Service: 2016 to Present. Attendance: 20 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 11 out of 11.

**Heidi Henningson, American Chesapeake Club.** Qualifications: I am an active participant in AKC Retriever Field Trials and Hunt Tests. I began in both venues in 1988 and have remained passionate about my involvement. I am a member of three Retriever Field Trial Clubs, two in Nebraska and one in Texas. I am an eight-point Retriever Field Trial Judge as well as an eight-point Retriever Hunt Test Judge. We (my husband and I) have titled numerous dogs to varying degrees in the field. I am very proud of the fact that we have had two Champion Master Hunters. Not only am I involved in the Conformation Ring, but I have also added Fast CAT® and Dock Diving to my list of AKC events this year. I feel that I would bring to the committee a broad perspective of the Sport of dogs as well as an extensive knowledge of field events. Dates of Service: 2020 to Present. Attendance: 5 out of 7.

**Terry Hilliard, American Brittany Club.** Qualifications: I’ve been involved in Brittany’s for almost 40 years, working and training side by side with my husband. With the help of some GSP and GWP friends, we started the Hunt Test Program for the NE region. When the American Field Registry was purchased by the United Kennel Club it affected the Brittany’s the most. I served on the American Brittany Club committee to assist the AKC in introducing new Championship levels within the Field Trial classes. I’ve held the position of 3rd VP for the American Brittany Club and multiple positions in my regional club

including President and Field Trial and Hunt Test Secretary. I've also been President of the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club as well as Show Chairman. Brittany's have the most Dual Champions and I strongly support the dual role for Sporting breeds. It would be my pleasure to serve on the Field Trial Committee. Dates of Service: 2019 to Present. Attendance: 8 out of 13.

**Laura Myles, Whidbey Island Kennel Club.** Qualifications: Thank you for your consideration. I currently judge Pointing Breed Field Trials, and Hunt Tests. I started judging Pointing Field Trials around 1985 and Pointing Breed Hunt Tests in 1988. It has been a pleasure to judge at many of the Pointing Breed's National Hunt Tests. I also currently have permit or regular status in seven sporting breeds and All Breed Junior Showmanship. We actively breed and compete with German Wirehaired Pointers in Conformation and Field events. I have put a Master Hunter title on our FC GSP and owned several Standard Dachshunds (W), breeding Field titled dogs. Serving as Chair, Secretary, and committee member at Field Trials, and Hunt Tests, learning the "How To's" of an event's management, has given practical experience. I can contribute to the skill set of the committee, help support the efficiency of FT & HT Club events, and value the importance in preserving Working breeds. Dates of Service: 2021 to Present. Attendance: 3 out of 3.

**Christopher Orcutt, Irish Red and White Setter Association of America.** Qualifications: I've served on the Field Trial and Hunt Test Events Committee since February 2018. I am a Hunt Test Judge for all levels and have hunted and shown Irish Red and White Setters (IRWS) for over 19 years; I have earned Junior, Senior and Master Hunt test titles and competed in walking Field Trials in addition to putting Champions and Grand Champions on our IRWS. I served on the Irish Red and White Setter Association of America (IRWSAA) Board of Directors for 8 years and I am currently serving my third term as Vice President and served as the Hunt Test Chair for two Irish Red and White Setter Nationals. I serve as the Parent Club Delegate for the IRWSAA. A truly balanced dog must demonstrate they are capable of performing the job they were bred for. I will apply this philosophy as a committee member. Dates of Service: 2017 to Present. Attendance: 12 out of 20. Committee Attendance: 7 out of 11.

**Robert Rynkiewicz, Eastern German Shorthaired Pointer Club.** Qualifications: I've been a Delegate for the past 4 years. As a member of the Field Trail Hunt Test committee for the past 3 years, I've been actively involved in all committee discussions, offering input and suggestions. I am working on our best practices initiative, making the running of events more efficient and effective, and our other initiative, in how do we get more folks welcomed and then becoming involved at these events. During Committee meetings, I continually seek out feedback and concerns from all attendees. With my background and current involvement, I feel I am a very good choice for this committee. I am a member of two German Shorthaired Clubs for over 24 years. During this time, I've been a Hunt Test Secretary and the Treasurer for 19 years and I am currently President of the Eastern GSP Club. I actively seek your vote of confidence. Dates of Service: 2018 to Present. Attendance: 14 out of 17. Committee Attendance: 10 out of 10.

**THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES DO NOT REQUIRE VOTING FOR CANDIDATES. THIS IS FYI ONLY**

***There will be no ballot required for the Delegate Standing Committee on Canine Health. This is pursuant to Item IV, Section F, of the Standing Rule on Delegate Committees, which states: If the nominations for any committee are equal to or less than the maximum number of committee members to be elected, there shall be no election for that committee and the nominated candidates shall be deemed elected. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Canine Health Committee***

**Standing Committee for  
CANINE HEALTH**

**Dr. Sophia Kaluzniacki, Canada del Oro Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: First, I am a veterinarian, and this committee has been near and dear to me ever since I have been on it. In that time, it has accomplished much, and I am certain it will continue to do so in the future. I feel that with my background in veterinary medicine as well as my experience in the world of purebred dogs, I am well able to contribute to the collective expertise and knowledge contained within this very compatible group. Dates of Service: Akita Club of America 1996-2007; Canada del Oro Kennel Club 2007 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Mary McDaniel, DVM, Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: I was appointed to the Canine Health Committee in December 2021 and would like to continue to serve. I recently retired as a veterinarian with a special interest in Theriogenology and have time to devote to health projects. I've been showing and breeding Glen of Imaal Terriers since 1992, and have served as President, Board Member, and Health Chair of the Glen of Imaal Terrier Club of America. Currently, I'm the Judges Education Chair. My visits to the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine representing AKC have reinforced my desire to bridge the gap between breeders and veterinarians through a grassroots effort, including dog show tours, whelping visits, and mentoring. Thank you for your consideration. Dates of Service: 2013 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Dr. Harvey Mohrenweiser, Standard Schnauzer Club of America.** *Qualifications: In academic/professional life, directed research programs in human genetics, genomics and epidemiology, emphasizing interaction of genetics and exposure in disease risk (>170 manuscripts published). Collaborated in cloning of over 15 disease genes. Reviewed academic programs, NIH research grants and manuscripts – served on CHF grant review committee for 9 years. Experience of value as we move from identifying simple genetic diseases to minimizing the burden of diseases of complex etiology, through building collaborative research and education programs directed toward maintaining the long-term health of our breeds by breeding healthy dogs. Involved with Standard Schnauzers and Parent/Local Clubs for 30 years, plus two All-Breed Clubs. My wife and I have handled our dogs to Championships, plus Obedience and Tracking titles. I have directed two surveys of disease incidence in our breed - both enrolling ~14% of eligible dogs; success for a longlived breed without common health issues. Dates of Service: 2008 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Donald Schwartz, VMD, Durango Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: Having graduated from the University of Pennsylvania of Veterinary Medicine in 1964, I have extensive knowledge in that field. After serving in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps for 2 years on active duty, followed by the Reserves, I was honorably discharged in 1970. I have practiced and/or owned my own small animal practice in Pennsylvania, California, North Carolina and recently retired from owning a practice in Colorado. In both North Carolina and Colorado, I also owned and ran a frozen semen center. While my wife was working for the AKC, I had the opportunity to give several Veterinary Outreach seminars for the AKC. Currently I am the Health and Education Chairman for the American Lhasa Apso Club. I am presently on the AKC Canine Health Committee and would welcome the opportunity to continue to use my knowledge and education to benefit canine health. Dates of Service: Huntington Valley Kennel Club 1998; Durango Kennel Club 2017 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Sharon Steckler, American Boxer Club.** *Qualifications: • Director, Legal counsel for the American Boxer Charitable Foundation-a premier supporter of AKC Canine Health Foundation (over \$1 million in*

contributions) instrumental into the research in degenerative myelopathy and hemangiosarcoma. • Direct involvement in the analysis and funding of hundreds of research grants. • Lifetime member of the American Boxer Club, serving as Director and Treasurer. • Breeder and exhibitor of boxers for over 40 years. • Keen awareness of the role research plays in improving longevity with health and quality-of life benefits in all breeds. • As a breeder, exhibitor and AKC judge, I recognize the importance of ensuring the long-term health and survival of the dogs we love. • Director of National Animal Interest Alliance working with the challenges faced in multidisciplinary approaches to canine health research benefitting both dogs and humans, which research animal rights extremist groups would abolish. I would greatly appreciate your support of my nomination. Dates of Service: 2016 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**There will be no ballot required for the Delegate Standing Committee on Companion Events.** This is pursuant to Item IV, Section F, of the Standing Rule on Delegate Committees, which states: If the nominations for any committee are equal to or less than the maximum number of committee members to be elected, there shall be no election for that committee and the nominated candidates shall be deemed elected. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Companion Events Committee.

#### **Standing Committee for COMPANION EVENTS**

**Eleanor Campbell, Morris Hills Dog Training Club.** Qualifications: Dog sports have been my passion since the 1970's, when I brought home a puppy from a school fair. I started in Obedience, and now also compete in Rally, Agility, Hunt Tests, Flyball and Scent Work. I also steward at Obedience Trials and judge at fun matches. Professionally, I was an Instructor at The Seeing Eye, Morristown, NJ for several years. I was also a trainer at the Olde Towne School for Dogs, Alexandria VA. Several of my dogs have been therapy dogs, visiting schools, nursing homes and hospitals. I have judged at 4-H Fairs and taught 4-H obedience classes. I have been Obedience Chairperson for the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America for over ten years. In addition to being its Delegate, I am also Trial Secretary for Morris Hills DTC. I would bring enthusiasm and experience to my role as a member of the Companion Events Committee. Dates of Service: October 2021 to Present.

**Dr. Joyce Dandridge, Capital Dog Training Club of Washington DC.** Qualifications:

- Active in sport over 30 years; Obedience Instructor; Chief Steward; CGC Evaluator
- Obedience and Conformation titles on Chow Chows; Judge Non-Sporting/Working Groups also some Toy and Herding breeds and Chow National Specialty
- Served 18 yr. as Sec. of Parent Club and as their Obedience Chair
- Serving on the Boards of National Capital KC and Capital Dog Training Club
- Received the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award
- Served as chair of 2 CEC sub committees and currently chairing another on Suggestions for All Breed Clubs on Giving OB/Rally events

Dates of Service: 2005 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Dr. Norine Noonan, Basset Hound Club of America.** Qualifications: I have served on this Committee since September 2019. I have nearly 50 years of experience as a competitor in Obedience, Agility and Rally, and have also trained dogs in basic tracking skills. I'm a licensed AKC Rally Judge and am a member of three companion events clubs. I am an instructor for one club and have served as Chief Ring Steward for a



number of years for another. I have also conducted seminars to train stewards in Obedience and Rally for my clubs. I have served on multiple occasions as Obedience or Agility Trial Chair for the Parent Club I represent. Most recently, I am agility chair for our 2022 Nationals. I've trained and mentored many Juniors through the 4-H program and am devoted to supporting Juniors in Companion Events. I've chaired one subcommittee of the CEC and am presently serving on a second. Dates of Service: 2018 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Jack E. Sappenfield II, Durham Kennel Club.** Qualifications: I was appointed to the Companion Events Committee at the March 2022 Delegates Meeting. I have been involved in Obedience and Tracking since 1985. I have trained dogs to multiple Obedience and Tracking titles and I am currently training dogs in Obedience and Tracking. I have been an instructor in various Obedience classes over twenty years at Durham Kennel Club and served as Tracking Chair and Secretary for twelve years. I've served as a Board member and President of the Durham Kennel Club. I am currently President and Agility Chair of the Tarheel Weimaraner Club. I am a member of the Weimaraner Club of America and was Chairperson for the WCA National Tracking Test on three occasions. I am an AKC Tracking Judge and judge the 4–6-month Puppy Class and the FSS Breeds. My background would be an asset to the CEC. Dates of Service: 2020 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Betty Winthers, Pasanita Obedience Club.** Qualifications: I have been in the AKC Dog Sport most of my adult life. During my tenure in the Sport, I am a member of several AKC Member Clubs serving in various capacities. I am approved to judge Obedience, Rally, Tracking and Conformation as well. I am an active member of the CEC and served on a subcommittee. I am currently working to create new interest in becoming judges for Companion Events. I am a natural to continue to serve for the Companion Event Committee. Dates of Service: Olympic Kennel Club 1989-1992; 2014-2021; Pasanita Obedience Club 2021 to Present. Current Committee Member

***There will be no ballot required for the Delegate Standing Committee on Delegate Advocacy and Advancement.*** This is pursuant to Item IV, Section F, of the Standing Rule on Delegate Committees, which states: *If the nominations for any committee are equal to or less than the maximum number of committee members to be elected, there shall be no election for that committee and the nominated candidates shall be deemed elected. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Delegate Advocacy and Advancement Committee*

#### **Standing Committee for DELEGATE ADVOCACY AND ADVANCEMENT**

**Carl Ashby III, United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club.** Qualifications: I have served on three committees (All-Breed Clubs, DAAC and Perspectives) and currently serve on DAAC. I have been an active member of DAAC assisting with conducting surveys, doing data analysis, and other tasks as well. I am active in multiple Clubs and a former AKC Director. This background has been an asset as I have worked with the committee to strengthen the effectiveness of the Delegate Body. I am committed to the importance of the Delegate Body and would like the opportunity to continue to work to enhance the Delegate's role in helping achieve the mission of the AKC. Dates of Service: 1990 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Ellen Hardin, Golden Retriever Club of America.** Qualifications: Previously chosen to fill a vacancy on DAAC, and subsequently re-elected to this committee three times, I wish to continue my service. I will utilize the depth of experience and expertise of the Delegate Body to assist every Delegate in knowing

*procedures, policies, and each other. I began the "Nametag Project," wrote the Delegate's Google e-List Suggested Decorum, Job Description for Delegate-Mentors, presented two webinars on mentorship and co-wrote the Delegate Handbook. Along with another committee member, I assumed assigning Mentors to new Delegates. I serve the fancy in numerous capacities, formerly officer of Golden Retriever Club of America, Show Chair for my local All-Breed Club, Director and Treasurer of my regional Golden Retriever club. I am active as a Judge and Exhibitor in Conformation, exhibit in Obedience, Agility, Tracking, Hunt Tests and Scent Work, and wish to give back to the Sport which brought so much to me. Dates of Service: 2011 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Jane Ruthford, Mount Baker Kennel Club.** *Qualifications:*

*Key DAAC Contributions, 14 years:*

- *Currently building DAAC Video 2*
- *Completed creating DAAC Video, "Your AKC Delegate Opens Doors" – AKC Website, Delegate Portal*
- *Initiated Name Badges (Committee Day). Online ordering.*
- *New Delegate Orientation*
- *Past DAAC secretary*
- *Flyer, "The Importance of Your AKC Delegate." Fielded follow-up survey. Report on Delegate Portal. No one is ever prepared for the extreme moments of life that AKC Clubs experienced in the last two years. The role of Delegates is huge in helping AKC survive and even thrive. Delegates' passion and networking create innovation and resilience. I'm eager to tell their stories in DAAC Video 2 to create learning moments for your Member Clubs and their growth, committing to the canine-human bond. I ask for your vote, the opportunity to continue DAAC's work, especially to build a second video and supportive relationships that help dog clubs thrive in the 21st Century. Thank you. Dates of Service: Havana Club of America 2007-2018; Mount Baker Kennel Club 2018 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Judy Seltrecht, Manatee Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: Since 2008, I have promoted AKC purebred dogs and feel I will bring a positive dedicated freshness. I am President of the Florida Association of Kennel Clubs, past President of the Manatee Kennel Club, Legislative Liaison working with AKC Government Relations and the NAIA. In Florida, I implemented the first Junior Showcase, work closely with 4-H leaders, procured over \$10,000 in scholarships, and chaired numerous Committees and Health Clinics. Under my direction, the FAKC retained a governmental consultant, providing a reasonable legislative voice for dogs in Tallahassee. I have renewed the lost partnership with the UF Vet School through donations and will hold our first education seminar in October. My efforts with AKC Reunite provided the first two grants for Detection dogs in Florida. Locally, I represent AKC purebred dogs on the Animal Advisory Committee. Thank you for considering a new Delegate to help other new Delegates. Dates of Service: February 2022 to Present.*

***There will be no ballot required for the Delegate Standing Committee on Dog Show Rules. This is pursuant to Item IV, Section F, of the Standing Rule on Delegate Committees, which states: If the nominations for any committee are equal to or less than the maximum number of committee members to be elected, there shall be no election for that committee and the nominated candidates shall be deemed elected. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Dog Show Rules Committee***

**Standing Committee for  
DOG SHOW RULES**

**Linda Flynn, South Shore Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: It has been my pleasure to serve on this Committee since 1998, and as its Secretary since 2000. Key experience I bring to the Committee: • Held every elected office at South Shore KC; Delegate since 1996; Show Chair 1994-2016; 2021- 2022 • Ladies Dog Club: Assistant Show Chair 2015-2019; Show Chair 2021-2022 • Mayflower GSPC: Secretary - Hunting Tests and Field Trials; Specialty Chair 5+ years • Served on GSPCA NSS Executive Committee for 10 years, chaired two Nationals • 52 years interpreting legal rules, regulations and laws • AKC Judge • Forty-four years' experience as Breeder, Exhibitor, Show Chair and Judge, coupled with my enthusiasm for this Committee and a proven record of giving back to our Sport enable me to continue to contribute to the important work of this Committee. Thank you for your past votes. Please remember me with your vote in September so I may continue to serve. Dates of Service: 1996 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Dr. Kenneth H. Levison, Tucson Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: I have been involved in breeding, showing, and judging since 1980. I have been deeply involved in AKC events and served as President of the Greater Buffalo Dachshund Club for 18 years and as Treasurer of the Dachshund Club of America since 2004. I am the JEC for the Dachshund Club of America and have served on its Bylaws committee. I am currently Show Chair and Treasurer of the Tucson Kennel Club. In these positions I have been deeply immersed in Dog Show Rules particularly as a Judge and Show Chair of two 1,300 entries shows. Having served as Vice President for Administration and Finance of a college, I understand the importance of having up-to-date rules that are clear and understandable and enforceable. Rules must reflect the mission of the organization as it evolves over time. Dates of Service: 2016 to Present.*

**Cindy Stansell, Finnish Spitz Club of America.** *Qualifications: I am a Judge approved for three Groups, an Exhibitor in Conformation and Obedience, a mother of a former Junior, and an Officer and Show Chair for All-Breed, National and Local Specialty Clubs. This broad experience gives me the practical application of the rules and regulations. I still breed and show dogs which allows me to see changes in the Sport since my start in the early 1980's. I travel extensively in and outside the US which exposes me to different ways to construct our Sport. I am a worker: Secretary of the Junior Committee, member of the Parent Club Best Practice Committee and an active member of Dog Show Rules Committee. I would appreciate your vote to continue to serve on the DSR committee. Dates of Service: 2012 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

***There will be no ballot required for the Delegate Standing Committee on Herding, Earthdog, Coursing and Scent Work Events.*** *This is pursuant to Item IV, Section F, of the Standing Rule on Delegate Committees, which states: If the nominations for any committee are equal to or less than the maximum number of committee members to be elected, there shall be no election for that committee and the nominated candidates shall be deemed elected. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Herding, Earthdog, Coursing and Scent Work Events Committee.*

***Standing Committee for  
HERDING, EARTHDOG, COURSING AND SCENT WORK EVENTS***

**Bonnie Lapham, Glens Falls Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: I have been involved with Borzoi since 1970 and Lure Coursing since the 90's. I feel strongly that all dogs should be able to do the work they were bred to do whether Hunting, Herding, Coursing or going to ground. I have worked with my fellow committee members to explore how much our dogs enjoy participating in Performance Events. We have worked very hard to ensure safety for both people and dogs by establishing safety standards for Herding, Earthdog and Lure Coursing. We have worked on the CAT, the Fast CAT® and Scent Work during the time I served on*

*the HEC Committee. I wish to continue to serve on this important and exciting committee. Dates of Service: 1995 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Karen Bowers Lee, American Whippet Club.** *Qualifications: I am a current HEC member having first been appointed, then elected to a one-year term, and re-elected to serve the last three years. My background as a breeder/owner/handler of numerous AKC DC Whippets, my current experience with Fast CAT®, my years of experience as a Lure Trial Chair and Secretary has given me in-depth knowledge of what makes for a safe and fair Lure-Chasing Performance Event. I've drafted and edited Fast CAT® Best Practices, successfully proposed regulation modifications which were accepted and passed, and worked on subcommittees with fellow committee members on projects to improve this fastgrowing, popular sport. Through my fellow committee members, I've increased my knowledge of and appreciation for Herding and Earthdog Events and now, Scent Work. As an active competitor, I am visible and accessible to participants. I humbly ask for your vote once more to continue in my role on the HEC Committee. Dates of Service: 2014 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Joyce Rowland, Australian Cattle Dog Club of America.** *Qualifications: I seek to continue resultsoriented service on the Herding, Earthdog, Coursing and Scent Work Committee! Herding is core to the Australian Cattle Dog Club of America's mission I care deeply about sustaining/improving Herding and other HECS sports. My Herding involvement began prior to AKC's 1990 program launch. My dogs have competed on sheep, cattle and ducks, including winning National Specialty HIT, Cattle. As Trial Chair for scores of Herding Events, I understand the competitive, financial, administrative and interpersonal requirements/challenges of Performance Events. I have served as President and Secretary of Parent and Local Clubs and bring decades of professional experience in strategy/policy as a Fortune 500 Senior Executive with particular expertise in HR, security, governance and ethics. Since my election, I have worked with the committee on concrete proposals. I will listen, learn and contribute to all venues covered by the HECS. Your continued support would be much appreciated! Dates of Service: 2011 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

***There will be no ballot required for the Delegate Standing Committee on Parent Clubs. This is pursuant to Item IV, Section F, of the Standing Rule on Delegate Committees, which states: If the nominations for any committee are equal to or less than the maximum number of committee members to be elected, there shall be no election for that committee and the nominated candidates shall be deemed elected. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Parent Clubs Committee.***

#### **Standing Committee for PARENT CLUBS**

**Connie Butherus, Afghan Hound Club of America.** *Qualifications: While on the Parent Club Committee I have worked on several subcommittees/projects. Currently serve on the Code of Ethics, Non-member to Member Parent Clubs and Breeders Development Committee (Secretary). Also, I have twice been appointed to the Nominating Committee. As a Board member and Delegate of the AHCA I also serve as Parliamentarian and have chaired committees on Bylaws and Membership, Rescue Trust and Future National Specialties. I am active in the Local Breed Club and currently serve as Secretary having held nearly all offices over the years. Additional memberships are Morris & Essex KC (Secretary), Kennel Club of Philadelphia, Tuxedo Park KC (Chief Steward), Delaware Water Gap KC (Treasurer) and as a founding*

*member of a Hound Group Club (Vice President). Dates of Service: 1998 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Richard Rohrbacher, Welsh Springer Spaniel Club of America.** *Qualifications: Numerous Delegate Committees impact specific areas of the Dog World & Sports. The Parent Club Committee draws on several distinct committees; Canine Health, Companion Events, Performance, Constitution & Bylaws and Dog Show Rules into one package. Parent Clubs are the guardians of the individual breeds, focusing on preserving the breed in the whelping box, show ring, Companion Events, performing what they were originally bred to do, rescue, governing a national organization and ensuring breeding of sound, healthy dogs. As a Delegate, being a member of Parent Club Committee is the opportunity to have a truly positive impact on the Dog World. Dates of Service: 2012 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Larry Sorenson, Dachshund Club of America.** *Qualifications: I have been breeding and showing dogs since 1966 and have a good understanding of the Sport. I have been a judge and participated in Conformation, Field Trials, Earthdog and many other dog events. I have been the Parent Club Delegate for the Dachshund Club of America since 2009. In 2010 I was elected to the Parent Club Committee and have been an active member. I have served on a number of subcommittees. I am currently serving on the "AKC Parent Club Breeder Development Committee" which I believe is very important. I would like to continue working and supporting the Parent Clubs Committee. Dates of Service: 2009 to Present. Current Committee Member.*

**Maggi Strouse, National Shiba Club of America.** *Qualifications: Our clubs face many challenges. I have worked to address those challenges through our Delegate Committees and through interaction with local clubs in my home area of Virginia Beach, VA.*

- *Served on the Delegates Parent/All-Breed Clubs joint 'At Risk' subcommittee to provide resources to assist dog owners. Authored Perspectives article on the subject.*
- *Served on the 2021 AKC Board Nominating Committee.*
- *Serving on the Parent Clubs Committee Membership Growth Subcommittee to address clubs' membership challenges.*
- *Serving on the reconvened AKC Delegates Group Realignment Committee.*

*My career required working with diverse organizations to formulate solutions in dynamic situations. My professional and club-related skills are needed to evolve our organization at all levels and in all activities. I look forward to working to strengthen our Clubs, our Sport, our AKC and the dogs we cherish. Please contact me with any questions. I would appreciate your vote. Dates of Service: 2012 to Present*

***There will be no ballot required for the Perspectives Editorial Committee*** since the number of self-nominations did not exceed the available positions. The Statements of Qualification follow for the Perspectives Editorial Committee.

#### ***Standing Committee for PERSPECTIVES EDITORIAL COMMITTEE***

**Virginia "Gini" Denninger, Genesee Valley Kennel Club.** *Qualifications: I've been active in dogs for over 45 years!!!! (Shocking). I was a staff writer for Kennel Review in the 1980's and have written through the years for various dog publications including Dog World & Show Sight; have contributed to the English Lowchen Club Annual Yearbook; wrote for, compiled and edited the Lowchen Club of America Newsletter; wrote a book on Lowchen – The Lowchen, A Breed Forgotten by History, over 25 years ago. I am a*

breeder/exhibitor with 100+ AKC champions to my name. I enjoy writing about dogs and people. I've been exposed to many facets of the dog world which is helpful for Perspectives work. I appreciate collaborating with such a talented team that makes up the Perspectives Committee and would like the opportunity to continue working with them. Dates of Service: 2013 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Dr. Geno Sisneros, American Pomeranian Club.** Qualifications: With many years of journalism and writing experience, experience as President of an All-Breed Club and two Parent Clubs, over 20 years of breeding and exhibiting Pomeranians, and experience judging nationally and internationally, I feel I add value and perspective to this important committee. I have served several terms on Perspectives and appreciate the opportunity to help in providing an outlet for Delegates to share their knowledge and experience and learn from each other. Dates of Service: 2009 to Present. Current Committee Member. **Monica Henderson Stoner, Saluki Club of America.** Qualifications: I have served on the Perspectives Editorial Staff since my first eligible meeting, writing articles, coordinating issues, and most recently as Assistant Editor. It would be a privilege to continue on this committee. Dates of Service: 2007 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Sylvia Thomas, Kennel Club of Riverside.** Qualifications: Perspectives is a communication platform for Delegates to share ideas, to communicate points of view, and to write about topics of interest. I have edited newsletters for All-Breed and Specialty Clubs and professional organizations for 40 years. I was Akita breed columnist for the AKC Gazette for ten years and have received recognition from professional associations and colleagues for my work. I currently serve as Editor of Perspectives, write a quarterly column and feature stories, assist Delegates with articles, and work directly with AKC Staff to prepare, edit, format, and produce editions. We should all take pride in the quality and depth of Perspectives. It truly belongs to the Delegate Body and reflects our experience and opinions. It has been exciting to watch it thrive, and I look forward to its future growth. I'd be honored to continue my service and appreciate your consideration. Dates of Service: 2002 to Present. Current Committee Member.

**Margaret "Peggy" Wolfe, United States Neapolitan Mastiff Club.** Qualifications: I am currently editor of our club's Newsletter, The Neogram, and have been for the past four years. I am the club's AKC Gazette Columnist too. Over the past 30 years, I have submitted and had published articles in several magazines. I love to learn (love the "aha" moment) and I love to teach (to generate that "aha" in others too.). I particularly value the importance of the written document as an ongoing resource for all. I just joined the Perspectives Staff last year and would love to continue the opportunity to both to learn and to teach – and especially to participate more wholly in the funny world of the AKC Delegate. Dates of Service: 2019 to Present. Current Committee Member