

AKC DELEGATE REPORT

March 25, 2018

The AKC Delegate meeting was held Tuesday, March 13.

Following are names of newly elected AKC Board of Directors:

Ronald H. Menaker, Memphis Kennel Club. Christopher L. Sweetwood, Trap Falls Kennel Club Harold "Red" Tatro, III, Fort Worth Kennel Club. Ann Wallin, Atlanta Kennel Club.

Limited Registration and Removal of Dates on Ribbons was tabled to the June meeting.

The following amendments were read and will be voted on at the June meeting:

Chapter 6, Section 2, and **Chapter 16, Section 1**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Premium Lists and Closing of Entries, which in Chapter 6, Section 2, would change the capitalization of "benched" and "unbenched" in this section for consistency and would move a sentence from an italicized sentence in Chapter 16, Section 1, to this section as part of the Rules; and would move a sentence to Chapter 6, Section 2, - Championships, which addresses premium list requirements. **Chapter 7, Section 2**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Judges, which would change "license" to "approval." Read on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 7, Section 12**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Judges, which would bring consistency to this section to allow for electronic communication and change the italicized sentence to part of the rule. **Chapter 7, Section 19**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Judges, which would make the italicized sentence part of the rule and removes the recommendation that the Best in Show judge be someone that has not already judged that day. Currently, the only hardship cases that are approved are day of event judge cancellations.

From the Febuary AKC Board Minutes:

Emotional Support Dogs on Airplanes: Mr. Ljungren advised the Board that Dr. Mary Burch had been contacted by a major airline that is seeking help in defining requirements for emotional support dogs on airplanes. The Board was advised that AKC is planning to work with the airline to help develop a recommendation. Staff will develop a good manner test for emotional support dogs flying in the passenger cabin test.

Sweepstakes Guidelines: The AKC Board VOTED to amend a Board Policy regarding Sweepstakes. The new Policy which is effective immediately will read in the Show Manual: The club may retain, for expenses, up to 50% of the sweepstakes entry fees collected. The club should only retain enough of the entry fee to cover the expenses of the competition. This change will allow clubs the opportunity to hold sweepstakes without exposing themselves to a loss.

The next Delegate Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 12, 2018. An agenda has not been determined.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara O'Neill, AKC Delegate