

Secretary's Report

This report details the day to day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors. It includes issues brought before the Board of Directors and mail, fax, e-mail and/or telephone communications. July 1-31, 2011.

Board of Director's Teleconference

Monday July 11, 2011

The July 11th, 2011 Board of Directors (BoD) meeting was called to order at 8:06 PM CDT by President Pete Dolan. Those attending via phone were: Pete Dolan/ President, Tenley Dexter/Secretary, Ronnie Bates/Director, Mark Westerman/Director, Russ Ford/Second VP, David Clayton/Director, Peter Hellmeister/First VP and Executive Secretary Mary Logue. Absent were Rachel Vest/Director and Michelle Berryessa/Treasurer.

1) Old Business

a. Confirmation/Ratification of e-mail votes taken in June, 2011 (Dolan): Motion by Hellmeister, second by Bates; Approve: Unanimous; the motion is approved. Rachel Vest/Director and Sean (Jon) Jasperson, TAMU joined teleconference at 8:08 PM CDT

b. TAMU Final Report Status (Ford/Jasperson): Discussion involving TAMU Final report sent out from Russ Ford on July 3, 2011 BoD wanted to discuss where ASCA is in regards to our ADMS and where we want to be in the future. Hellmeister discussed the existing daily problems with ADMS and the Business Office and thanked Dr. Jasperson and his group for performing the study. Hellmeister would like a clearer direction of how to move into the future. Jasperson inquired as to whether the Strategic Plan on the website is a recent document. Hellmeister indicated it was. This document provides information as to where ASCA wants to strategically go in the future and will be helpful to Dr. Jasperson's continued work. Jasperson indicated that the website should indicate that ASCA is the "premier" registry for the Australian Shepherd and also to become more active in the internet search engines to possibly bring in more members. Jasperson indicated that the ADMS will meet ASCA's needs if we want to maintain the status quo. Hellmeister indicated that ASCA wants to pursue on-line litter registration, individual registrations and submittal of event results. If ASCA wants to move forward, Jasperson indicated there are available options. The TAMU report is based on technology options, since that's Dr. Jasperson's expertise. Hellmeister indicated that financially, ASCA is in the catch-up mode with other organizations and suggest we consider putting technology ahead of organizational changes. The BoD will review issues and discuss in more depth at the Nationals BoD meeting. BoD will decide how to proceed and which direction to take and notify Dr. Jasperson of the BoD suggestions.

Dr. Jasperson left the teleconference at 8:38 PM CDT.

c. First Quarter 2011 Treasurer's Report (Berryessa): This item was not discussed as Berryessa was unavailable.

d. Executive Director/Business Manager Definition Committee Status (Bates): Bates sent out latest report from Committee prior to the meeting. Committee is looking for guidance from BoD on moving ahead. The committee is developing a roles/responsibilities document and reviewing the compensation package since they have received the 2010 GuideStar Nonprofit Compensation Report. They will then move to recommendations to the BoD during the Nationals BoD meeting.

Mark Westerman left teleconference at 8:44 PM CDT

e. Approval of 2012 Conformation Finals Judges (Dolan): The Host Club has submitted their suggested list of judges for the 2012 Finals in Bakersfield, CA. The BoD, by consensus, approved the judges list. Dolan will contact the Club and inform them of the BoD's decision.

2.) New Business

a. Election Ballots for Membership (Dolan): Dolan indicated that the Office Manager worked diligently to develop a system of getting ballots to those who have notified the office they did not receive their ballot. The Office Manager also identified email addresses for numerous ballots which were returned to the election firm as undeliverable. Staff will call those members who they have phone numbers and email addresses for and who did not receive ballots and notify them to watch their email account for an email with a ballot for them to complete and mail back to the election firm. The election firm will also accept faxes for those who are able to submit via fax. The July 15th receipt date is still in effect as the cutoff date for receiving ballots.

- b. Memorial Donation for SBJ Cathy Davis (Hellmeister): Hellmeister inquired as to whether ASCA could make a memorial donation to ASHGI in memory of Ms. Davis. The BoD agreed to make a donation in her memory.
- c. DNA Kit orders from the website (Vest): Vest inquired about the difficulty she encountered when trying to order DNA kits from the ASCA website. The wording was confusing in regards to registration numbers for dog(s) she was ordering the kits for. Hellmeister indicated that using the term "pending" for registration number should be sufficient. Hellmeister and Vest will coordinate to make the online ordering less confusing to the membership.

Next teleconference is scheduled for August 8th, 2011 at 8 PM CDT.

Motion to adjourn: Dexter, second by Hellmeister: Approve: Unanimous; the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 PM CDT.

/s/Mary Logue
Executive Secretary

7/19/11
Date of Approval

0:20 Registry Rules Section 1.4

Motion by Hellmeister, Second by Dolan

I move to change Registry Rules, Section 1.4, add new No. 11:

Up to twenty (20) additional letters including spaces, punctuation and the ASCA registered kennel name can be used. An additional fee as determined by the ASCA Board of Directors is due at the time of registration. Renumber the following sections accordingly.

Rule reads currently:

10. Once the dog is registered in ASCA, this one name will be retained on all future breedings except as outlined in Ch 1 Sec 1.4.11. Absolutely no further changes can be made once the dog is accepted in the Stud Book. If a possibility of name duplication is evident, the owner will be notified and asked to submit a new name. Dog's names are limited to thirty (30) letters including spaces, punctuation and the ASCA registered kennel name.

11. A dog's registered name can be changed one time if the following conditions are met:

- a) The dog must not have earned any points in conformation or earned a qualifying or passing scores in any of the other ASCA programs.
- b) The dog may not have produced offspring.
- c) The breeder must give permission for the name change.
- d) The fee as set by the ASCA Board of Directors must be enclosed with the application. (Effective 6-1-09)

12. In the event an Individual Registration Application is lost or destroyed, a Duplicate Request Form must be submitted by the litter owner to the Registry Office with all pertinent information, i.e.: Litter number, sire and dam, birth date. FEE REQUIRED.

13. Once the dog owner submits the Individual Registration Application to the Business Office, a Registration Certificate will be issued. In the event a Registration Certificate is lost, duplicate certificates will be issued to the current registered owner only. FEE REQUIRED.

14. Two photos are required of the individual dog and must accompany the Individual Dog Registration Application form. Photos must be clear, color and show the dog's left and right side full body view. All photos become the property of ASCA and will remain in the dog's file.

New version:

10. Once the dog is registered in ASCA, this one name will be retained on all future breedings except as outlined in Ch 1 Sec 1.4.12. Absolutely no further changes can be made once the dog is accepted in the Stud Book. If a possibility of name duplication is evident, the owner will be notified and asked to submit a new name. Dog's names are limited to thirty (30) letters including spaces, punctuation and the ASCA registered kennel name.

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15. Two photos are required of the individual dog and must accompany the Individual Dog Registration Application form. Photos must be clear, color and show the dog's left and right side full body view. All photos become the property of ASCA and will remain in the dog's file.

Comment: Attached is a revamped registry form.

Approve: Hellmeister, Berryessa, Clayton, Dolan, Westerman, Dexter, Bates, Vest; Disapprove: Ford.
The motion is approved.

1:01 Directors Handbook: addition to Section 8.1

Motion by Hellmeister, Second by Dexter

I move to accept the following addition to Section 8.1 of the Directors Handbook, Business to be conducted at the Spring Meeting.

Review and Implementation of short and long term goals of program committees and Board of Directors into the ASCA Strategic Plan.

Approve: Hellmeister, Berryessa, Clayton, Dolan, Dexter, Bates, Ford, Vest; Disapprove: Westerman.
The motion is approved.

4:04 Conformation Committee: Ch 16 DQ dog reinstatement procedure

Motion by Berryessa; I move to approve the following motion from the Conformation Committee:

Vote results: This motion passes the CC.

Yes - Becky, Denise, Gail, Regi, Debbie, Liz, Leah, Nancy, Ann, Glenda, Dorothy, Rhonda;

No – Mary; Non-Voting - Luc, Peter

Comment from Mary: I will vote NO as it is not defined what qualifications those other judges have to have in order to be involved in the reinstatement process. IE: did they have to have judged Aussies in the past? How many times? How long do they have to be approved before they can evaluate Aussies?

We have a motion by Glenda with a second by Rhonda.

I Move to Approve the following motion.

Note: this motion has been before the board on two separate occasions. From the last report of dissension from the Board, the only problems that the Board had was with the DQ for Non-Breed Standard issues. That has been corrected and re-written to the Boards request.

MOTION AS FOLLOWS:

CHAPTER 16 (NEW CHAPTER) DISQUALIFIED DOG REINSTATEMENT PROCEDURE

Section 16.1: DOGS DISQUALIFIED FOR BITING, ATTACKING OR MENACING:

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR REINSTATMENT:

To initiate the reinstatement procedure, the owner of the dog in question must request in writing for reinstatement. The letter must include a copy of the disqualified dog's ASCA registration certificate, the ASCA Disqualified or Excused Dog form, and a non-refundable fee as determined by the ASCA Board of Directors, to the ASCA Business office at the following address:

ASCA Business Office
6091 E. State Highway 21
Bryan, TX 77808

The ASCA Business office will forward the Explanation for Disqualified or Excused Dogs form, request for reinstatement letter, entry forms from the event in question, and any other applicable information but not limited to: photographs, witness/victim statements, veterinary/vaccine reports, hospital/doctor reports (HIPAA compliant), all including contact information, to the ASCA Board of Directors within two (2) weeks of receipt of all information.

Upon receipt of the aforementioned documents, the ASCA Board of Directors will review all evidence. The ASCA Board of Directors could require additional information from all parties. In a timely manner, the ASCA Board of Directors will provide the owner of the dog with its decision to either continue with the procedure, or to deny the application.

The ASCA Board of Directors will notify the owner of the dog of its decision whether to proceed with the reinstatement process or to deny the reinstatement.

EXAMINATION PROCESS:

If the ASCA Board of Directors approves continuation of the reinstatement process, the owner will provide a list of upcoming ASCA events or shows to the ASCA Business Office that the dog and owner can attend for the purpose of hands-on examinations. Location for each examination is at the discretion of the owner. Each examination does not have to occur at the same show/location. The ASCA Business Office will notify the Affiliate show/event giving club of an examination that will occur at their show. The ASCA Business Office will send the ASCA Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Forms to the show/event giving Affiliate club prior to the event. An Affiliate show/event giving club or judge has the right to refuse the examination.

The dog's owner will confirm the scheduled examination with the Affiliate show/event committee. The show/event giving committee will arrange with the judge conducting the examination. The owner of the dog shall not make contact with the judge prior to the examination regarding the examination.

Examinations will occur AFTER the conclusion of the show.

JUDGES AND THEIR PROCEDURES:

A panel of three (3) judges is mandatory to evaluate the dog. This panel must consist of at least two (2) ASCA Senior Breeder judges and one (1) ASCA Approved Breeder Judge. Other registry judges, or other recognized ASCA Judges, as approved by the Board of Directors, can be utilized for: Europe, Alaska and Hawaii. These judges will individually evaluate the dog in as similar circumstances, as possible, to those when it was disqualified. Judges may not confer with each other regarding the examination or the completion of the form. All judges must completely fill out their ASCA Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Form. Each judge will have the responsibility of returning their original completed form to the ASCA Business Office. A copy of the form will be retained by the owner of the dog and the judge.

Judge's conducting the examination will follow the ASCA Show Rules and Regulations including the ASCA Guidelines and Code of Ethics for any possible conflicts of interest with the owner of the disqualified dog.

COMPLETION OF EXAMINATION AND NOTIFICATION:

After all required materials, evidence, and forms have been reviewed; the ASCA Board of Directors will notify the owner of the dog in writing about the final determination of the dog's eligibility. The ASCA Board of Directors has final approval or disapproval on the reinstatement of the dog in question.

APPEAL PROCESS:

Owners have the right to appeal. This must be done in writing to the ASCA Board of Directors. An appeal may be considered if there is significant new information or evidence supplied to the ASCA Board of Directors in order to obtain an additional evaluation or hearing.

ADDITIONAL DISQUALIFICATIONS:

In the event that a reinstated dog is disqualified by a judge or a show/event giving committee as a repeat offense for biting or menacing, there will be no avenue for reinstatement or appeal.

SECTION 16.2: DOGS DISQUALIFIED FOR ASCA BREED STANDARD DISQUALIFICATIONS:

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR REINSTATEMENT:

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Upon receipt of the aforementioned documents, the ASCA Board of Directors will review all evidence. The ASCA Board of Directors could require additional information from all parties. In a timely manner, the ASCA Board of Directors will provide the owner of the dog with its decision to either continue with the procedure, or to deny the application.

The ASCA Board of Directors will notify the owner of the dog of its decision whether to proceed with the reinstatement process or to deny the reinstatement.

EXAMINATION PROCESS:

If the ASCA Board of Directors approves continuation of the reinstatement process, the owner will provide a list of upcoming ASCA events or shows to the ASCA Business Office that the dog and owner can attend for the purpose of hands-on examinations. Location for each examination is at the discretion of the owner. Each examination does not have to occur at the same show/location. The ASCA Business Office will notify the Affiliate show/event giving club of an examination that will occur at their show. The ASCA Business Office will send the ASCA Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Forms to the show/event giving Affiliate club prior to the event. An Affiliate show/event giving club or judge has the right to refuse the examination. The dog's owner will confirm the scheduled examination with the Affiliate show/event committee. The show/event giving committee will arrange with the judge conducting the examination. The owner of the dog shall not make contact with the judge prior to the examination regarding the examination. Examinations will occur AFTER the conclusion of the show

JUDGES AND THEIR PROCEDURES:

A panel of three (3) judges is mandatory to evaluate the dog. This panel must consist of at least two (2) ASCA Senior Breeder judges and one (1) ASCA Approved Breeder Judge. Other registry judges, or other recognized ASCA Judges, as approved by the Board of Directors, can be utilized for: Europe, Alaska and Hawaii. These judges will individually evaluate the dog. Dogs that are being examined for color (s) or marking(s) that are disqualifications in the breed standard must be examined in natural light. Judges may not confer with each other regarding the examination or the completion of the form. All judges must completely fill out their ASCA Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Form. Each judge will have the responsibility of returning their original completed form to the ASCA Business Office. A copy of the form will be retained by the owner of the dog and the judge.

Judge's conducting the examination will follow the ASCA Show Rules and Regulations including the ASCA Guidelines and Code of Ethics for any possible conflicts of interest with the owner of the disqualified dog.

COMPLETION OF EXAMINATION AND NOTIFICATION:

After all required materials, evidence, and forms have been reviewed; the ASCA Board of Directors will notify the owner of the dog in writing about the final determination of the dog's eligibility. The ASCA Board of Directors has final approval or disapproval on the reinstatement of the dog in question.

APPEAL PROCESS:

Owners have the right to appeal. This must be done in writing, to the ASCA Board of Directors. An appeal may be considered if there is significant new information or evidence supplied to the ASCA Board of Directors in order to obtain an additional evaluation or hearing.

ADDITIONAL DISQUALIFICATIONS AFTER REINSTATEMENT:

In the event that a reinstated dog is disqualified by a judge for the same breed standard disqualification at a third event, there will be no avenue for reinstatement or appeal and all Championship points will be removed.

UNRECOGNIZED BREED STANDARD DISQUALIFICATIONS:

In the event a dog is disqualified for a disqualification that is not listed in the ASCA Breed Standard, the dog will be reinstated by determination of the ASCA Business Office. In letter form, the owner must send a request for reinstatement to the business office. Any evidence that would determine that the disqualification is not a ASCA Breed Standard disqualification must be sent. Examples of the evidence, but not limited to, would be: pictures, written and signed statements from an ASCA Approved Breeder judge, an ASCA Senior Breeder Judge, the ASCA Breed Standard or other related information published by ASCA. No fee will be required for the request for reinstatement. Upon the determination of the ASCA Business Office that the disqualification is not warranted, the dog will be reinstated immediately.

Upon determination that the disqualification is warranted, the owner will be notified, and SECTION 16.2: Dogs Disqualified for ASCA Breed Standard Disqualification procedures must be followed.

Approve: Berryessa, Dolan, Westerman, Dexter, Bates, Ford, Vest; Disapprove: Hellmeister, Clayton.

The motion is approved.

4:05 Agility Committee: Promote Sue Graham to Agility Judge

Motion by Dolan; I move to release Sue Graham from supervision as an Apprentice Agility Judge and promote her to Agility Judge.

Comment/Rationale: Sue Graham has met all the requirements of Appendix C Section 2 of the Agility Rule Book and has requested release from supervision. The Agility Committee recommended the promotion to Agility Judge with 10 affirmative votes, 1 abstention (Sue) and two non-voting.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

10:20 Board Breed Standard Review Committee: Hindquarters Section

Motion by Clayton, Second by Vest

I move to approve the following changes to the Hindquarters section of the Breed Standard

FROM:

HINDQUARTERS: Width of hindquarters approximately equal to the width of the forequarters at the shoulders. The angulation of the pelvis and upper thigh (femur) corresponds to the angulation of the shoulder blade and upper arm forming an approximate right. Stifles are clearly defined, hock joints moderately bent. The metatarsi are short, perpendicular to the ground and parallel to angle each other when viewed from the rear. Feet are oval shaped, compact, with close-knit, well-arched toes. Pads are thick and resilient; nails short and strong. Rear dewclaws are removed.

TO:

HINDQUARTERS: Width of hindquarters is approximately equal to the width of the forequarters at the shoulder. The angulation of the pelvis and upper thigh (femur) corresponds to the angulation of the shoulder blade and upper arm. The upper and lower thigh are well muscled. Stifles are clearly defined; hock joints moderately bent. The metatarsi are short, perpendicular to the ground, and parallel to each other when viewed from the rear. Feet are oval shaped, compact, with close-knit, well-arched toes. Pads are thick and resilient; nails short and strong. Rear dewclaws are removed.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

10:20 Board Breed Standard Review Committee: Coat Section

Motion by Clayton, Second by Vest

I move to approve the following changes to the Coat section of the Breed Standard

FROM:

COAT: Of medium texture, straight to slightly wavy, weather resistant, of moderate length with an undercoat. The quantity of undercoat varies with climate. Hair is short and smooth on the head, outside of ears, front of forelegs and below the hocks. Backs of forelegs are moderately feathered; breeches are moderately full. There is a moderate mane and frill, more pronounced in dogs than bitches. Non-typical coats are severe faults.

TO:

COAT: The coat is of medium length and texture, straight to slightly wavy, and weather resistant. The undercoat varies in quantity with climate. Hair is short and smooth on the head, outside of ears, front of forelegs, and below the hocks. Backs of forelegs are moderately feathered and breeches are moderately full. There is a moderate mane, more pronounced in dogs than bitches. The Australian Shepherd is a working dog and is to be shown with a natural coat. Severe Faults: Non-typical coats such as excessively long; overabundant/profuse; wiry; or curly.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

10:20 Board Breed Standard Review Committee: Neck and Body Section

Motion by Clayton, Second by Vest

I move to approve the following changes to the Neck and Body section of the Breed Standard

FROM:

NECK AND BODY: The neck is firm, clean and in proportion to the body. It is of medium length and slightly arched at the crest, setting well into the shoulders. The body is firm and muscular. The topline appears level at a natural four-square stance. The chest is deep and strong with ribs well-sprung. The loin is strong and broad when viewed from the top. The bottom line carries well back with a moderate tuck-up. The croup is moderately sloping, the ideal being thirty (30) degrees from the horizontal. Tail is straight, not to exceed four (4) inches, natural bobtail or docked.

TO:

NECK AND BODY: The neck is firm, clean, and in proportion to the body. It is of medium length and slightly arched at the crest, setting well into the shoulders. The body is firm and muscular. The topline appears level at a natural four-square stance. The bottom line carries well back with a moderate tuck-up. The chest is deep and strong with ribs well sprung. The loin is strong and broad when viewed from the top. The croup is moderately sloping. The Tail is straight, not to exceed four (4) inches, natural bobtail or docked.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

10:20 Board Breed Standard Committee Motion: Forequarter Section

Motion by Clayton, Second by Vest

I move to approve the following changes to the Forequarters section of the Breed Standard

FROM:

FOREQUARTERS: The shoulder blades (scapula) are long and flat, close set at the withers, approximately two fingers width at a natural stance and are well laid back at an angle approximately forty-five (45) degrees to the ground. The upper arm (humerus) is attached at an approximate right angle to the shoulder line with forelegs dropping straight, perpendicular to the ground. The elbow joint is equidistant from the ground to the withers. The legs are straight and powerful. Pasterns are short, thick and strong, but still flexible, showing a slight angle when viewed from the side. Feet are oval shaped, compact, with close-knit, well-arched toes. Pads are thick and resilient; nails short and strong. Dewclaws may be removed.

TO:

FOREQUARTERS: The shoulder blades (scapula) are well laid back, with the upper arm (humerus) slightly longer than the shoulder blade. Both the upper arm and shoulder blade are well muscled. The forelegs are straight and strong, perpendicular to the ground, with moderate bone. The point of the elbow is set under the withers and is equidistant from the withers to the ground. Pasterns are short, thick, and strong, but still flexible, showing a slight angle when viewed from the side. Feet are oval shaped, compact, with close knit, well-arched toes. Pads are thick and resilient; nails short and strong. Dewclaws may be removed.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

10:46 Stormy Valley Graceful Delight

Motion by Dexter, Second by Dolan

I move to allow the owner of Stormy Valley Graceful Delight to begin the process leading to possible reinstatement of the dog.

Approve: Hellmeister, Berryessa, Clayton, Dolan, Dexter, Bates, Ford, Vest; Non-voting: Westerman.

The motion is approved.

11:16 UMASC Bylaw amendments

Motion by Bates, Second by Dolan

I move to accept the UMASC amendments to their by-laws and adjoining document.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

11:17 ASCA Facebook page

Motion by Hellmeister, Second by Dolan

I move for ASCA to establish a permanent presence on Facebook and utilize the address already secured by the previous Office Manager, Jean Miller.

Comment:

The page will be set up as a fan page which means that only one person (i.e. Office Manager, Webmaster) can post to the page. It will not be open to writing wall posts. It will be used as an extension of the website where information can be disseminated quickly.

Approve: Hellmeister, Berryessa, Clayton, Dolan, Dexter, Bates, Ford; Disapprove: Westerman, Vest.

The motion is approved.

Letter of Dissent (Westerman): I think that both the office manager and webmaster should be able to post to the page. In addition, to limit wall postings is not using the full ability and use of the media.

98:15 Obedience Committee: Chapter 2, Section 12 (EXPLANATION AND ERRORS) Addition

Motion by Clayton; I move to approve the following motion from the Obedience Committee:

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY by the members of the Obedience Committee.

Motion by Sandy Case and seconded by Janice Weis to add the following as the last sentence to Chapter 2, Section 12 (EXPLANATION AND ERRORS):

Argumentative or unsportsmanlike conduct by an exhibitor may be subject to sanctions.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

98:15 Obedience Committee: CH 3,4,5 Add zero to scoring language

Motion by Clayton; I move to approve the following motion from the Obedience Committee:

Motion passed UNANIMOUSLY by the Obedience Committee members:

REASON FOR THE FOLLOWING MOTION: Chapter 2, Section 10: Judge's Book and Score Sheets states "The judge or his/her designated steward must enter the number of points deducted from each exercise in the official judge's book immediately after each dog as been judged on the individual exercises. An `NQ' shall be recorded in the proper box and in the Total Score column for any dog who fails to qualify in that exercise." The motion below brings the following sections into compliance.

Motion made by Cindy Franks and seconded by Jan Weis to make the following changes to the

Obedience Rulebook:

CHAPTER 3, NOVICE

Section 6: Heel on Leash & Figure Eight, Scoring

Change from: "..., the dog must be scored zero (0)." Change to: "..., the dog must be scored non qualifying (NQ)."

Section 8: Stand for Examination, Scoring

Change from: "A dog shall be scored zero (0) if ..." Change to: "A dog shall be scored non qualifying (NQ) if ..."

Section 11: Recall, Scoring

Change from: "A dog must receive a score of zero (0) for the following: "

Change to: "A dog must receive a score of non qualifying (NQ) for the following:"

Chapter 13, Group Exercises, Scoring

Change from: "A score of zero (0) is required for the following: ..." Change to: "A score of non qualifying (NQ) is required for the following: ..."

CHAPTER 4, OPEN

Chapter 8: Drop on Recall, Scoring

Change from: "In addition, a score of zero (0) is required ..." Change to: "In addition, a score of non qualifying (NQ) is required ..." plus Change from: "Substantial deductions, ..., even to the point of zero (0), ..." Change to: "Substantial deductions, ..., even to the point of non qualifying (NQ), ..."

Section 10: Retrieve on the Flat, Scoring

Change from: "A dog that fails ..., must be scored zero (0)." Change to: "A dog that fails ..., must be scored non qualifying (NQ)."

Section 12: Retrieve over High Jump, Scoring

Change from: "In addition, a dog that fails, ..., must be scored zero (0)."

Change to: "In addition, a dog that fails, ..., must be scored non qualifying (NQ)."

CHAPTER 5, UTILITY

Section 7: Signal Exercise, Scoring

Change from: "A dog that fails, ..., shall be scored zero (0)." Change to: "A dog that fails, ..., shall be scored non qualifying (NQ)."

Section 9: Scent Discrimination, Scoring

Change from: "In addition, a dog that fails ..., must be scored zero (0)..." Change to: "In addition, a dog that fails ..., must be scored non qualifying (NQ)" plus

Change from: "If the "after a sit" option is used, ... must receive a zero (0)/non-qualifying (NQ) score."

Change to: "If the "after a sit" option is used, ... must receive a non qualifying (NQ) score." plus Change

from: "If the "send directly" ... must receive a zero (0)/non-qualifying (NQ) score." Change to:

"If the "send directly" ... must receive a non qualifying (NQ) score."

Section 11: Directed Retrieve, Scoring

Change from: "Depending on the extent, ... to the point of zero (0) ..." Change to: "Depending on the extent, ... to the point of non qualifying (NQ) ..."

Section 13: Moving Stand and Examination, Scoring

Change from: "A score of zero (0) is ..." Change to: "A score of non qualifying (NQ) is ..."

Section 15: Directed Jumping, Scoring

Change from: "A dog must receive a score of zero (0) ..." Change to: "A dog must receive a score of non qualifying (NQ) ..."

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

98:15 Obedience Committee: Clarification: Change scoring so zero is a non-qualifying score

Motion by Clayton; I move to approve the following motion from the Obedience Committee:

Motion passed UNANIMOUSLY by the Obedience Committee.

REASON FOR MOTION: Missed changing zero to non qualifying in the Rulebook. All sections must be in compliance.

Motion by Anne Shope, seconded by Hilary Hines, we correct the Rulebook as follows:

Section 7 of Chapter 2: Interference and Double Handling Change from: "...,shall give the dog a score of zero ..." Change to: "shall give the dog a score of non qualifying (NQ) ..."

Section 24 of Chapter 2: Orders and Minimum Penalties Change from: "A dog which makes none ... may be scored zero for other reasons." Change to: "A dog which makes none ... may be scored non qualifying (NQ) for other reasons."

Section 14: Broad Jump, Scoring (Chapter 4 OPEN): Change from: "A dog that fails to stay until ..., must be scored zero (0)." Change to: "A dog that fails to stay until ..., must be scored non qualifying (NQ)." plus

Change from: "A minor or substantial deduction, ... must receive zero (0) ..." Change to: A minor or substantial deduction, ... must receive non qualifying (NQ)..."

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved*

98:15 Obedience Committee: CH 2, Section 21 ADDITIONAL COMMAND OR SIGNALS

Motion by Clayton; I move to approve the following motion from the Obedience Committee:

Motion 2011-5 was passed UNANIMOUSLY by the Committee members

Motion by Sandy Case and seconded by Janet Weis to add to CH 2, Section 21 ADDITIONAL COMMAND OR SIGNALS the following language:

Luring is considered an additional command or signal. Luring is the appearance of having a reward in hand and/or leading the dog with an extended hand or finger for an extended period of time. An example of this is holding the thumb and first two fingers together as if holding a treat, or balling hand into fist. No treat need be present.

Approve: Unanimous. *The motion is approved.*

98:15 Obedience Committee: CH 2, Section 19 HANDS

Motion by Clayton; I move to approve the following motion from the Obedience Committee:

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY by the Obedience Committee

Motion by Sandy Case and seconded by Janice Weis to replace paragraph one of CH 2, Section 19 HANDS with the following language: (Note: changes are hand carriage during off lead and language regarding luring)

SECTION 19: Hands

In all exercises in which a dog is required to heel on-lead, one of the options listed shall be followed:

- 1) The handler's arms and hands shall move naturally at his/her sides while in motion, with the leash held in the left hand, or
- 2) The hand(s) holding the leash will be held against, and centered in the front of the body, in the area of the waist. The forearm(s) shall be carried, as much as possible, against the body.

In exercises in which the dog is required to heel off leash (free), one of the options listed shall be followed:

- 1) The handler's arms and hands shall move naturally at his/her sides while in motion and hang naturally at his/her sides when stopped, or
- 2) The handler's right hand and arm shall move naturally at his/her side while his/her left hand shall be held (relaxed and as much as possible, flat)



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Amount enclosed or to be charged:

Dog Registration \$ _____

Membership \$ _____

Pedigree \$ _____

Total \$ _____

NAME OF DOG: _____

EXTENDED NAME OF DOG: Additional Fee of \$\$\$ _____

This animal may NOT be used for breeding.

Date of Birth _____
 Sire's registered name _____
 Dam's registered name _____

ASCA litter # _____
 ASCA Reg. # _____
 ASCA Reg. # _____

ASCA DNA STATUS _____

PLEASE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF DOG

Main Body Color _____ Trim Color _____ Eye Color _____ Sex _____

White & Copper
 White
 Copper
 No Trim

Left: _____
 Right: _____

Litter owner's name _____
 Address _____

Pedigree Requested
 (Enclose \$35.00 additional fee)

OFFICE USE ONLY

Check No. _____
 PM Date _____
 REG NO. _____

I hereby give my permission and **require** the use of my ASCA registered kennel name, _____ in naming this dog. (insert kennel name in name of dog above to ensure use of name only if kennel name is ASCA Registered.)

ALL KENNEL OWNERS / CO-OWNERS MUST SIGN

 Kennel owner's signature Date Kennel co-owner's signature Date

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 Litter owner's signature Date ASCA Membership# Litter co-owner's signature Date ASCA Membership#

_____ I (we), the litter owner(s), still own this dog and apply to ASCA for registration and to have ownership recorded in my (our) name(s).

_____ I (we) certify that this dog was transferred to new owners listed below on ____/____/____
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BUYER/OWNER COMPLETE (PLEASE PRINT):

Name of Buyer/Owner _____ Co-buyer/Owner _____
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Upon signing I (we) testify that all data submitted is correct. I (we) understand that all applications become the property of ASCA. If an application has been falsified, no registration certificate will be issued and fees will not be refunded. I hereby certify this dog has not been registered as another breed. In addition, I will not register this dog as another breed. I understand if I register this dog as another breed, its ASCA registration will be revoked. Should information in this application prove false, applicant will indemnify and defend ASCA and hold it harmless against any resulting loss. The lineage of your dog can be determined with certainty by DNA testing sponsored by ASCA. I (we) further understand that as owner of an ASCA registered dog, I (we) agree to abide by the ASCA Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and rules of the ASCA Registries, Conformation, Obedience and Stock Dog Programs and to disciplinary action, if necessary, as determined by the Board of Directors of the ASCA.

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