

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.

January 1–31, 2010

Board of Directors Teleconferences

Monday January 11, 2010

The January 11th, 2010 Board of Directors (BoD) meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM CST by President Michelle Berryessa. Those attending via phone or teleconference were: Rick Gann/Director, Pete Dolan/Secretary, Jerry Aufox/Director, Peter Hellmeister/First VP, Tenley Dexter/Director, Rachel Vest/Second VP, Mark Westerman, Treasurer and Mary Logue/Executive Secretary; Absent: Chris Davenport/Director.

1) Old Business

- a. Confirmation of e-mail/teleconference votes taken in December, 2009 (Berryessa): Motion by Aufox, second by Westerman; Approve: Berryessa, Aufox, Gann, Westerman, Vest, Dexter, Dolan, Hellmeister; Non-voting: Davenport. The motion is approved.
- b. Spring BoD meeting dates (Berryessa): Due to the Easter Holiday, the ASCA Spring BoD meeting will be moved to March 31, April 1-2, 2010 in Bryan, TX. Chuck Carnese will be present on April 2nd, Tom Wallis's attendance either on March 31st or April 1st.
- c. Breeder's COE (Aufox): Another draft of COE forthcoming. Aufox will make announcement to ASCA-L. Discussion ensued in regard to making COE voluntary. Participation in program will allow breeders to be posted on ASCA website. Only breeders participating in COE will be allowed on breeders section on ASCA website.
- d. Liability coverage for BoD and Committee Members (Berryessa): Conference call among Aufox, Carnese and Berryessa occurred. Discussion was held to when liability covers Committee members and BoD members and when it doesn't cover such members. More discussion will take place during Spring BoD meeting when Carnese is present.
- e. Roger Steven's judging privileges (Berryessa): Idaho affiliate announced trial dates and judging assignments through internet. Roger Steven's was included as judge for 2011 trial. The motion passed by the BoD in 2008 indicated that Steven's judging privileges were revoked, not suspended. BoD needs to develop a procedure for judge reinstatement after judging privileges have been revoked. Berryessa will notify Idaho club/Lindy Epperly that at this date, Roger Steven's isn't eligible to judge due to the revocation of his judging privileges.
- f. Online Registration (Hellmeister): BoD requested a budget to develop the on-line registration. Maarten Walter will send preliminary budget to Hellmeister for BoD review. Preliminary estimate could be \$4,000-\$5,000.
- g. Migration of ADMS (Hellmeister): The ASCA database needs to be upgraded to a more "up-to-date" database language. Maarten Walter will work on budget and mid-term goals and submit to Strategic Planning Committee. Preliminary estimate could be \$20,000-\$25,000. Estimate is it would take approximately one (1) year or longer to implement, depending on how much time the Office Manager can devote to the project.
- h. Business Office Process Manual, Financial Process Manual, Strategic Planning Manual (Hellmeister): These manuals need to be completed. They're very important to ASCA's business. Business Office is 75-80% finalized. Berryessa will check with Office Manager to verify status. Westerman will have the draft Financial Process Manual ready for the Spring BoD meeting.
- i. Preliminary Finances, 2009 (Westerman): 2009 YTD is looking better than projected. Not completed to date though. Income dollars are up.

2) New Business:

- a. Mandatory DNA (Vest): Mandatory DNA affectivity and if we should suspend the date due to the decline in the economy. Concern was that we could lose members and registrations due to the current economy. Have any projections been done to determine the effects of the mandatory DNA and was told that this was not done. Michelle and Tenley voiced some concern also. Jerry suggested that we take a poll of the membership. That's as far as we got as we lost connection.

At 8:45 PM CST, teleconference connection was dropped. Discussion began on DNA projections when the connection was dropped again. The meeting was closed due to technical difficulties at 9:10 PM CST. Motion submitted to close by Westerman, second by Gann.

Next teleconference is scheduled for February 1, 2010 at 8 PM CST.

/s/ Mary Logue
Executive Secretary

01/30/10
Date of Approval

Policy Book: Changes to Section 8.12 Voting Procedures

Motion by Dolan

Second by Aufox

I move to change Section 8.12 of the Policy Book which reads:

8.12 Voting Procedures

- a. All motions must be sent to the Executive Secretary for distribution to the Board of Directors. Motions must be placed at the beginning of the correspondence.
- b. A motion will not be sent to the Executive Secretary without a second.
- c. A motion and second will be sent to the Board of Directors within one (1) day of receipt.
- d. The voting schedule shall be: Motions are made and forwarded to the Executive Secretary to forward to the Board for comments beginning the first through the fifteenth of the month. The motions are distributed for a vote on the sixteenth with the voting period ending five business days thereafter. Revised 7/2007
- e. The Executive Secretary will tally all votes received by the deadline date and notify the Board of Directors of the results.
- f. Directors may register a phone vote. A phone vote must be verified in writing.
- g. To be counted, Director votes must be received by requested due date. Individual Director votes will not be disclosed by the Executive Secretary prior to the voting deadline . Conference calls may be requested by the President or three (3) Directors and will be coordinated by the Executive Secretary.
- h. Each year, from December 20 through January 2, the Board of Directors has set aside these days of the Christmas Holiday season, during which all customary requests for comments and votes on issues, except emergency issues, will be delayed. No Board votes will be due on any Saturday or Sunday, excluding emergencies. Policy 33 effective: 10/1/97.
- i. All previous Board business must be ratified at the next Board of Directors meeting at which a majority of Board members are present.

to read:

8.12 Voting Procedures

- a. All motions must be sent to the Executive Secretary for distribution to the Board of Directors. Motions must appear at the beginning of any forwarding correspondence.
- b. A motion will not be sent to the Executive Secretary without a second (exceptions are motions from committees and committee nominations).
- c. The Executive Secretary will forward all motions and seconds to the Board of Directors within one (1) day of receipt.
- d. The voting schedule is: Motions are made and forwarded to the Executive Secretary between the 1st and the 10th of each month for forwarding to the Board for comment. The comment period is the first through the nineteenth of each month. The Executive Secretary will call for votes on the twentieth (or the first business day thereafter) with the voting period ending five business days later.
- e. The Executive Secretary will tally all votes received by the deadline date and notify the Board of Directors of the results.
- f. Directors may register a telephone vote, which must be verified in writing.
- g. To be counted, Director votes must be received by the due date. Individual Director votes will not be disclosed by the Executive Secretary prior to the voting deadline.
- h. Excluding emergencies, no votes will be due on any Saturday or Sunday.
- i. Each year, from December 20 through January 2, the Board of Directors observes the holiday season. During this period all requests for comments and votes on all non-emergency issues will be delayed until the next voting cycle. The December voting period will be adjusted each year to have the voting cycle end on December 20th (or earlier if the 20th falls on a weekend). The January motion cycle will start the first business day after January 2nd.
- j. All previous Board business must be ratified at the next Board of Directors meeting at which a majority of Board members are present.

Comment/Rationale: The major change is clarifying item h. now item i. concerning the BoD holiday break. There are several editorial changes to other sections. These are either minor grammatical edits or deleting items (second sentence of old g.) I coordinated this motion with the Executive Secretary.

Approve: Unanimous.
The motion is approved.

4:04 Conformation Committee: Rescind 98:05 Conformation Committee: Judge's Guidelines, Non-Regular Breeder Judge Requirements

Motion by Dexter

Second by Hellmeister

Move to rescind the Conformation rule 98:05 Judges Guidelines, Non-Regular Breeder Judge Requirements passed by the ASCA BoD (See below rule)

Rationale: Committee Procedures have not been followed. The Conformation Committee failed to put this proposal in front of the membership using Conformation Committee reports in the Aussie Times and failed to procure input comments from the general membership. Given the sweeping changes and impact of this rule, such procedures are important and warranted.

98:05 Conformation Committee: Judges Guidelines, Non-Regular Breeder Judge Requirements

YEAHS VOTES: Liz Gibson, Debbie Martin, Denise Creelman, Regi Gravette, Heather Herron, Ann DeChant, Nancy Pelletier, Leah Swatko, Glenda Stephenson
NAYS: Mary Hellmeister, David Clayton, Gail Karamalegos, Luc Goossens
NON VOTING: Peter Kontos

COMMENTS AFTER the motion.

MOTION AUTHOR: Liz Gibson, 2nd by Regi Gravette
MOTION AS FOLLOWS

Proposed Revision To: Non-Regular Breeder Judge requirements;

Before applying for Non-Regular Breeder Judge status, the following requirements must be met:

- A. Must be a Full member of ASCA® in good standing for a minimum of eight (8) years.
- B. Must be twenty-six (26) years of age.
- C. Must have bred and raised three (3) or more litters on the applicant's premises. Must have bred five (5) or more Champions and handled five (5) Champions for all points. The required five (5) champions bred by the applicant must be from litters whelped and raised on the applicant's premises. Any dog(s) bred by and handled by the applicant for all points will count for both requirements.
- D. Must have a thorough knowledge of the ASCA® Australian Shepherd Breed Standard.
- E. Must have a thorough knowledge of the ASCA® Approved Conformation Show Rules and Regulations.
- F. Must have evidence of a strong background and involvement in ASCA® and its programs developed for the Australian Shepherd. Evidence of strong background and involvement would be:
 - 1) membership and participation in Affiliate clubs
 - 2) acting as a Show Secretary, Steward, Scorekeeper, Timekeeper at ASCA sanctioned events.
- G. Must be an active and current member of the sponsoring club(s) for a minimum of two (2) years or membership in ASCA Affiliate Clubs totaling at least three (3) years.
- H. Must have served as a steward in the conformation ring at five (5) or more ASCA® sanctioned events over three (3) or more weekends. Must have served as a Show Secretary at five (5) or more ASCA® sanctioned events. Must have served as a stock timekeeper or scorekeeper at two (2) or more ASCA® sanctioned stock events and must have served as a scorekeeper, timekeeper or ring steward at one (1) or more ASCA® sanctioned performance events.
(NOTE: Judge applicants should keep copies of the show paperwork for the above mentioned assignments)
- I. Must be willing to abide by the ASCA Judges Code of Ethics. Failure to do so may result in loss of judging privileges and suspension from ASCA. Judging is a privilege, not a right. The ASCA® Conformation Judge's conduct must always be impartial, dignified and respectful of the dog and the handler. A Judge's actions and professional comportsment must be above reproach.

Currently in rule book:

NON-REGULAR BREEDER JUDGE REQUIREMENTS

Before applying for Non-Regular Breeder Judge status, the following requirements must be met:

- A. Must be an adult member of ASCA® in good standing for at least eight (8) years.
- B. Must be at least twenty-six (26) years of age.
- C. Must have bred five (5) ASCA® Champions of Record or be a breeder of three (3) and handled two (2) ASCA® Champions of Record to their title. (The applicant must have placed all points and majors on each Champion.)
- D. Must have a thorough knowledge of the ASCA® Australian Shepherd Breed Standard.
- E. Must have a thorough knowledge of the ASCA® Approved Conformation Show Rules and Regulations.
- F. Must have evidence of a strong background and involvement in ASCA® and its programs developed for the Australian Shepherd, such as membership and participation in Affiliate clubs, and putting on ASCA® events such as Show Secretary, Steward, Scorekeeper, Timekeeping, etc.
- G. Must have served as a steward in the conformation ring at three (3) or more ASCA® sanctioned events. Must have served as a Show Secretary at three (3) or more ASCA® sanctioned events.
- H. Must be willing to abide by the ASCA® Conformation Judges Code of Ethics.

THESE ARE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING AND EACH APPLICANT WILL BE EVALUATED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS BEFORE ACCEPTANCE INTO THE PROGRAM. APPLICANT MAY EXCEED THESE REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR BENEFIT.

From Leah Swatko: Comments. I would of preferred "The Majority of points and all majors must be placed on the required dogs." This allows for the situation where the person cannot handle both dogs or is involved in another aspect of the show physically removing them from the conformation ring, ie: judging obedience, rally etc, working in the stock venues.

From Denise Creelman: I think there should be an alternative option to having to handle a dog completely to its championship. That option would be to have to put 25 majors on several dogs to be equivalent.

Approve: Gann, MacRoberts, McNamara, Westerman, Aufox, Davenport Disapprove: Dolan; Non-voting: Berryessa. The motion is approved.

Approve: Aufox, , Dexter, Dolan, Gann, Hellmeister, Vest, Westermant. Disapprove: Berryessa; Abstain: Davenport. The motion is approved.

04:04 Conformation Judges: Nannette Newbury and Sheree Sanchez NRBJ Applications

The Board of Directors disapproved these applications.

4:05 Agility Committee Motion 12-2009 start/finish lines

Motion by Dolan

I move to approve the following Agility Committee motion:

Motion by Pamela, second by Krystal passed unanimously
Effective Jun 1, 2010

Modify:

Judge's Addendum, Course design guidelines, item 9 that reads:

9. Start and finish obstacles should be different obstacles, preferably far enough apart so the next dog can set up on the line while the previous dog is finishing the course.

And section 7.4, Course design, item 11:

11. The dog finishing its run should not interfere with the next dog to run. There should be ample room for one dog to finish while another prepares to start its run. This is most important if the trial has a large entry.

Change to read and replace Section 7.4, item 11 and Judges' Addendum item 9 with:

For safety reasons, Start and Finish obstacles must be different obstacles with a minimum distance between them on the course of 30-40' for Elite and Open, and 40-50' for Novice, with 50' or more at all levels being preferred. This will allow ample room for one dog to set up to run while the other dog completes the course.

Rationale: Our rulebook has no distance requirements on course design for start and finish, and what is "ample" for one dog is not for another. This encourages safety, and sets space requirements for the start and finish obstacles.

Approve: Unanimous.
The motion is approved.

4:05 Agility Committee Motion 13-2009 Zip Files

Motion by Dolan

I move to approve the following Agility Committee motion:

Motion by Pamela, second by Ally, passed unanimously
Effective June 1, 2010

I would like to make a motion that Appendix D, Page 42, item 5 change to:

5. Judges shall electronically submit their proposed courses, in a compressed/zipped file, together with a copy of the host club's equipment list, ring diagrams, and electronic timing information, for review to the applicable course reviewer not later than 60 days prior to the first day of the trial, provided that, where justified, course reviewers may agree to extensions.

From:

5. Judges shall electronically submit their proposed courses, together with a copy of the host club's equipment list, ring diagrams, and electronic timing information, for review to the applicable course reviewer not later than 60 days prior to the first day of the trial, provided that, where justified, course reviewers may agree to extensions.

Rationale: Each judge has been advised on how to "zip or compress" files. When reviewers receive the files individually they must download each file to be able to see how it nests, etc. off the other courses. By zipping the files, the judges send the reviewer one folder that contains all the courses and they can open in its entirety or one at a time, as needed. It streamlines the entire process, saves time, and makes it easier for all parties involved.

Approve: Unanimous.
The motion is approved.

4:05 Agility Committee Motion: 21-2009 Changes to 2.6.5, Scoring and Report Forms

Motion by Dolan

I move to approve the following Agility Committee motion:

Motion by Ally, 2nd from Sue, effective June 1, 2010.

Yes: Sherry, Sue, Krystal, Andrea, Betty, Pamela, Cynthia, Allison Non-Voting: Janelle, Annelise

In the Agility Rulebook Change:

2.6.5 Scoring and Report Forms

Clubs must submit a complete catalog of all dogs entered in the Regular, Gamblers and Jumpers classes, including scratches, no-shows, eliminated and FEO runs. Marked catalogs shall be 8-1/2" by 11" in size; all information must be legible; either an original or a copy is acceptable. Multiple rounds of a class may not be listed in columns across a single

page. Qualifying scores shall be highlighted with a yellow marking pen. Marked catalogs shall follow the format specified in sections 2.6.5.1 and 2.6.5.2 below. Sample pages of acceptable format are available from the ASCA® Business Office.

to read:

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Clubs must submit a complete results report of all dogs entered in the Regular, Gamblers and Jumpers classes, including scratches, no-shows, eliminated and FEO runs. Results report shall be 8-1/2" by 11" in size; all information must be legible; either an original or a copy is acceptable. Multiple rounds of a class may not be listed in columns across a single page. Qualifying scores for registered Australian Shepherds and dogs with Tracking numbers shall be highlighted. The results report shall follow the format specified in sections 2.6.5.1 and 2.6.5.2 below. Sample pages of acceptable format are available from the ASCA Business Office.

Corrections to the results report may be made by the host club during the trial. Competitors must have the opportunity to review any corrections made to the results. Once the trial has ended, the results report must be submitted to the ASCA Business Office as posted at the trial. Any scoring errors discovered after the close of the trial must be submitted to the ASCA Business Office who shall make the corrections to the results. An explanation must accompany the requested change to the results. Result reports must not be changed by anyone (with the exception of the ASCA Business Office) after the close of the trial.

Comment/Rationale: This motion defines who, when, and how trial results can be changed and emphasizes that clubs may not change results once the trial is completed.

Approve: Unanimous.

The motion is approved.

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Motion by Dolan

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to read:

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Comment/Rationale: This motion defines who, when, and how trial results can be changed and emphasizes that clubs may not change results once the trial is completed.

Approve: Unanimous.
The motion is approved.

06:05 Rally Committee: Rally Rules

Motion by Berryessa

I move we accept the Rally Rule Book as attached. The Rally competition will commence on June 1 2010, but affiliates will be allowed to start sending in sanctioning forms on April 1 2010.

Note: There still is some problem getting the signs to show up properly. This will be worked out by the time we need to publish the rule book.

Committee motion:

I Move to accept the ASCA Rally Program Rules and Regulations as labeled below and written in: ASCA Rally Rules & Regulations 2010.

Please read it carefully and vote your decision. This document may have minor adjustments made and will be posted to the Group once they are completed.

CHOICES AND RESULTS

For It 10 votes, 100.00%

Opposed 0 votes, 0.00%

Approve: Unanimous.
The motion is approved.

10:02 Regina Gravette Comment Letters

Motion by Dolan

Second by Aufox

I move to:

1. Direct the Business Office to take no action with respect to the comment letters concerning Regina Gravette as the letters arrived in the Business Office after the close of the comment period.
2. Direct the Business Office to NOT forward copies of these letters to the addressed committees.
3. Direct the Business Office to send letters of notification to Ms. Burkhart, Ms. Parreira, and Ms. Harris stating that their letters were received after the close of the comment period and no action was taken.

Comment/Rationale: Comments received after the close of a comment period are not to be considered. It is not a function of the Business Office to act as a forwarding agent for the program committees. Members have direct access to committee chairs.

Approve: Unanimous
The motion is approved.

10:03 Comment Period for Judge Candidates

Motion by Dolan

Second by Aufox

I move to standardize the comment period for judge candidates at 45 days for all programs. Further, I move to amend the statement concerning the length of the comment period to state that the comment period starts at the Aussie Times publication date (1st day of the issue's first month) not on the individual member's receipt date.

Comment/Rationale: Late submission of comments MAY be a function of the membership not knowing when the comment period clock starts. We have defined different comment periods for different programs. The comment period should be standardized. The following are the comment periods listed in the latest versions of the program rulebooks:

Agility Rule Book Appendix C 4.3

All applicants for Apprentice Agility Judge, Apprentice Supervisor Judges and approved Judges will have their names published in the Aussie Times for comments before being voted on by the Board of Directors. Once published, there will be **45** days for membership comments to be submitted to the Agility Committee Chair. The comments will be collected and forwarded to the Board of Directors prior to their vote.

Conformation Rulebook Judges Guidelines/Code of Ethics Section 2:

NRBJ E. Upon passing the judges' test, the applicant's name will be published in the Aussie Times for comments from the membership. The membership will have **thirty (30)** days to respond.

PBJ C. Once the Office has determined that the applicant has met the minimum requirements, the applicant's name will be published in the next issue of the Aussie Times for comment from the membership. The membership will have **thirty (30)** days to respond.

ABJ C. Once the Office has determined that the applicant has met the minimum requirements, the applicant's name will be published in the next issue of the Aussie Times for comment from the membership. The membership will have **thirty (30)** days to respond.

SBJ C. Once the Office has determined that the applicant has met the minimum requirements, the applicant's name will be published in the next issue of the Aussie Times for comment from the membership. The membership will have **thirty (30)** days to respond.

Stockdog Rulebook 8.3.2.

The acceptance of an Apprentice Judge applicant is made by the Stockdog Committee, after the Business Office forwards the application to the Stockdog Committee. All Applicants for Apprentice Stockdog Judges will have their names published in the Aussie Times for comments before being voted on by the Stockdog Committee. Once published, there will be **45** days for comments to be received by the Stockdog Committee Chair before the Stockdog Committee will vote.

Approve: Unanimous

The motion is approved.

10:05 Thornapple 2006 Litter and Thornapple Roadhouse Red

Motion by Westerman

Second by Gann

I make the following motion: Based on ASCA's lab report, The ASCA Board of Directors deny the change of the litter registration to the new Sire requested, that is Thornapple Aftershock E 130111 from the original sire Thornapple Powercore E 134277.

Approve: Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Gann, Hellmeister, Vest, Westerman; Disapprove: Dexter, Dolan.

The motion is approved.

10:06 Charles Carnese Annual Retainer

Motion by Berryessa

Second by Dolan

I move we retain Charles Carnese employment as ASCA's attorney. The annual retainer will be \$13,500, with a fee of \$1000 plus expenses (airfare and car) for the Spring Board meeting.

Approve: Aufox , Berryessa, Davenport, Dexter, Dolan, Hellmeister, Vest, Westerman; Abstain: Gann;
The motion is approved.

96:02 SDC: BoD request to Committee to Change Chapter 3, Section 7.2

Motion by Dolan

Second by Vest

I move to direct the Stockdog Committee to clarify and amend Chapter 3 Section 7 of the Stockdog Program Rules. Such amending should include, but is not limited to, establishing a procedure for the judge to follow in the event it is necessary to disqualify a dog pursuant to 3.7.2. This procedure should include but is not limited to:

- a. Immediately informing the handler of the disqualification
- b. Inspecting the livestock involved
- c. Clarify that a disqualification under 3.7.2 is so significant that such an occurrence warrants halting the trial until all immediate actions are completed.

Also I move to direct the Stockdog Committee to delete section 3.7.2 (i).

Comment/Rationale: There is no procedure in place in the stockdog rules concerning actions to be taken in the event a judge disqualifies a dog under chapter 3 section7 subsection 2. Subparagraph i (Attacks on persons and other dogs) is the province of the Dog Bite Policy.

Approve: Unanimous.
The motion is approved.

96:02 SDC: Changes to 4.13, Judging Period and Number of Runs Permitted

Motion by Vest

Second by Dexter

I move to approve the following SD Committee motion and request that it become effective immediately upon approval. Motion has been approved by ASCA Business Office.

Motion by Mason, second by Kelly

Approve: Caldwell, de Jong, Garrett, Hardin, Kelly, Mahoney, Mason, Padgett, Schvaneveldt, Shope Disapprove:
Abstain: Baker, Kissman Non-voting: Harris

To change Chapter 4 Section 13-Judging Period to the following statements and format:

4.13 Judging Period and Number of Runs Permitted

4.13.1 A judge will officiate for a period of no more than ten consecutive hours, not counting meal breaks.

4.13.2 A judge may judge no more than 50 runs in a trial day.

Exception: At the National Specialty Stockdog Trial and National Specialty Pre-Trials, judges may judge up to 60 runs per day.

4.13.3 Judges shall be advised of the number of intended runs available per day before accepting the assignment.

Individual judges will have a preference for judging between 40-50 runs in a day and their fees may vary accordingly.

Comment:

I am not completely against this motion and could be for it, but I can not support it no regards to the stock. There are well run trials out there that can do this number of runs in a day but there are a lot that are not well run and I have been at them to it was too dark to run and finish runs. Especially cattle runs. It is not fair to the judges, stock handlers or the contestant,

but mostly the LIVESTOCK. If this new ruling is to take effect then there needs to be ruling for how long the livestock can legally be held up in the sort while the trial is run. It is too hard on them to be held up through 50 runs. They won't drink and they don't really relax enough to eat. They look like xxxx by the end of the day and sometimes work like xxxx too.

Sherry Baker

If approved, this motion can increase revenue to Affiliates and to ASCA. Affiliates have been asking for this change in the SD Program.

Approve: Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Dexter, Dolan, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: Gann, Westerman.
The motion is approved.

96:02 SDC: Changes to 8.3.2, SD Apprentice Judge Applications

Motion by Vest

Second by Dexter

I move to accept the SD Apprentice motion 8.3.2 as approved by the Stock Dog Committee.

Motion by: Mahoney 2nd: Caldwell

Approve: Baker, Caldwell, de Jong, Garrett, Hardin, Kelly, Kissman, Mahoney, Mason, Padgett, Schvaneveldt, Shope;

Non-voting: Harris

MOTION: to change

8.3.2. The acceptance of an Apprentice Judge applicant is made by the Stockdog Committee, after the Business Office forwards the application to the Stockdog Committee. All Applicants for Apprentice Stockdog Judges will have their names published in the Aussie Times for comments before being voted on by the Stockdog Committee. Once published, there will be 45 days for comments to be received by the Stockdog Committee Chair before the Stockdog Committee will vote. The applicant will be notified of acceptance or denial as an Apprentice Judge by the Business Office after the Stockdog Committee vote. If the applicant is turned down, the reason for denial will be forwarded to the applicant by the Business Office. The applicant may reapply after waiting a minimum of two years.

to read:

8.3.2. Acceptance of an Apprentice Judge applicant is made by the ASCA Board of Directors upon receipt of the verified application from the Business Office, the comments from the general membership in the allowed period, and the recommendation of the Stockdog Committee.

a. Applications will be verified by the Business Office for accuracy before being forwarded to the Board of Directors and to the Stockdog Committee.

b. Applicants for Apprentice Stockdog Judge will have their names published in the Aussie Times for comments. Comments from ASCA members on the application must be submitted to the ASCA Executive Secretary within 45 days of the publication date to be considered.

c. The Stockdog Committee shall review the application and return any questions, comments, or concerns to the Business Office within 14 days of receipt,

i. The Stockdog Committee shall notify the Business Office and Executive Secretary if there are no objections to the application.

ii. if concerns or questions are raised by the Stockdog Committee, they shall be forwarded by the Business Office to the Applicant for clarification. Clarifications/ explanations must be received by the Business Office within 45 days of request.

d. The Business Office will notify the Applicant of their acceptance or denial as an Apprentice Judge. If the application is denied, the reason(s) for denial shall be summarized by the Board of Directors and forwarded to the applicant by the Business Office.

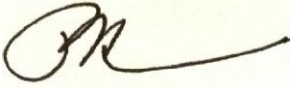
i. Applicants may appeal their denial to the Board of Directors,

ii. A denied Applicant may reapply no earlier than two years from the date of the initial denial.

This motion removes items of sensitive nature from the SD Committee to disposition by the BOD. This change will allow the SDC to present their views to the BOD on SD Apprentice applications but will remove them from the final decision making process.

Approve: Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Dexter, Dolan, Hellmeister, Vest, Westerman; Disapprove: Gann.
The motion is approved.

Submitted,

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Pete Dolan
ASCA Secretary