

AKC DELEGATE REPORT

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This report will cover the March 2022 Delegates Meeting and the items of interest for the June 2022 meeting. The minutes from both the Delegate meeting and the AKC Board of Directors meetings are already available on the AKC site. Please take time to read the AKC Secretary's page in the Gazette to see what changes may have been made in your areas of interest.

Delegate Meeting

All the proposed amendments about the Herding, Earthdog, Coursing Events and Scent Work formation from the March 2022 meeting were approved.

The amendment up for vote at the June 2022 meeting has been listed in the April 2022 Gazette. Currently, I know of only one item, and it is an amendment to Rules Apply to Dogs Shows/Entries and moving dogs between classes. It covers transferring of dogs between puppy classes, bred by classes or appropriate age divisions.

Overall, the March meeting was more low key than prior meetings. It was mainly updates on previously reported agenda items.

Delegate Committee Meetings

Breeder Mentoring - Parent Club Committee an area of emphasis was helping member clubs to build and retain members. Areas to focus on are formation of breeder mentoring programs, breeder educational programs and review of or creation of the Breed Flyer.

Prior to each Delegate Meeting is an hour-long presentation. The June 2022 topic will be based on a series interviewing breeders of the year and other club breeders who have made an impact on their club. Each Parent Club will have the opportunity to nominate up to 5 breeders for inclusion in this recognition.

The Parent Club Committee is also asking Member Clubs to submit or if necessary, review and update their existing Health Statements. These Health Statements are used for the AKC MarketPlace, AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T. programs

BCOA's Health Statement is from 2018:

BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA HEALTH STATEMENT The Borzoi Club of America does not require any health testing, but does recommend testing breeding stock for eyes, heart, thyroid and degenerative myopathy. These are the tests required for a Borzoi to receive a CHIC number. Two health issues we cannot test for are bloat and osteosarcoma. This health policy has been approved by the Borzoi Club of America's Board of Directors.

Meet the Breeds: Breed Club members are the preferred people to man the Meet the Breed booths. If Parent Club Members are unable to staff the booth the AKC will contact regional specialty clubs, Breeders of Merit, and breeders from the AKC Bred by H.E.A.R.T. program. Please volunteer whenever possible or the AKC will approach people not directly involved with the Parent Club to staff the booth.

Strategic Plan: The Parent Club Committee is introducing the idea of developing a 5-year strategic plan for Parent Clubs. Committees within the Parent Club Committee are looking to develop this currently focusing on Member Education and on membership growth.

All-Breed Committee: A revision to Dog Show rules is being proposed eliminating the ownership requirement for dogs handled in Junior Showmanship.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,

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