

THE KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF KUSA HELD AT 13H00 ON TUESDAY,
20 MAY 2025, VIA MS TEAMS

1.	ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS
	<p>Mr RB Jenkins (BJ) (Chair), Mr V (Michael) Alberts (MA) (Vice-Chair), Mrs YC Jefferies (YJ), Mrs M Hancock (MH), Mrs GB Rossi (GBR), Mr L Coetsee (LC).</p> <p>Staff in Attendance: Mr BG Robinson (GR) (KUSA Secretary), Mr B Delily (BD) (Finance & HR), Mrs Z Petersen (ZP) (Administrator), Mrs N Shortland (NS) (Shows & Judges), Mrs C Patterson-Abrolat (CPA) (Club Affairs & Communications)</p> <p><i>Apologies: Mrs PM Midgley.</i></p> <p><i>The following deaths were noted with sadness: Nil</i></p>
2.	MINUTES
	<p><i>The Minutes of the meeting held on 18.03.2025, circulated to the members of Exco for formal adoption via round robin.</i></p> <p>Ratified.</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting held on 22.04.2025 were formally adopted.</p>
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
3.1	Exco-imposed Fines
	<p><i>Member – R500 – paid 29.04.20</i></p> <p><i>Member – R500 – paid 25.04.2025</i></p> <p><i>Member – R500 – paid 03.05.2025</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
3.2	<p>Exco 02-2025 Item 10.1</p> <p><i>MH enquired whether the issues raised in the report she had submitted after the hosting of the KUSA Nationals in KZN, pertaining to the lack of sufficient Agility and Dog Jumping Trophies, had been addressed. The KUSA Office to follow up.</i></p> <p>CPA to bring the concerns raised to the Budget Committee for discussion at their next scheduled meeting.</p> <p><i>A list of trophies has been compiled, but has not yet been submitted to the Budget Committee.</i></p> <p>Noted.</p> <p><i>The list was sent to the KUSA Budgetary Committee on 24.04.2025, but there will only be an opportunity to discuss after the 2025 KUSA Classic Weekend.</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
3.3	<p>Exco 02.2025 Item 5.2.2.1</p> <p>Request for Dispensation – Amended Show Licence Fees 04-06.04.2025</p> <p><i>The following Clubs on a Cluster Breed weekend request dispensation:</i></p> <p><i>Port Elizabeth Kennel Club</i></p> <p><i>Uitenhage Kennel Club</i></p> <p><i>Baakens Valley Working & Herding Breeds Club</i></p> <p><i>[Note: The text of the applicable Regulations was provided.]</i></p> <p>After discussion, it was accepted that neither Exco, nor Fedco, has the authority to grant the requested dispensation.</p> <p>MA suggested that a proposal be drafted for tabling to Fedco to have amendments to licences on account of circumstances beyond Clubs' control regulated under Schedule 03.</p> <p>Draft proposal attached for approval by Exco.</p>

	<p><i>The draft proposal, as tabled by MA, voided the “amendment fees” for Show Licences issued for Championship and Non-Championship Shows, in Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – which was approved, unanimously.</i></p> <p><i>PM cautioned that it might be necessary to amplify the Exco decision, if accepted by Fedco, in Schedule 03 Regulation 44.5, which was silent on the consequences of Show postponements and cancellations. She undertook to investigate whether Regulation 44.5 required amendment and, if so, to revert with a recommendation.</i></p> <p><i>A companion proposal was circulated to the Members of Exco on 23.04.2025 via round robin, which was unanimously approved for submission to the Fedco 06-2025 Agenda.</i></p> <p><i>Proposal approved by round robin attached.</i></p> <p><i>For ratification.</i></p> <p><i>Ratified.</i></p>
4.	KUSA OFFICE
4.1	Office Report
	<p><i>Office Report attached to Agenda</i></p> <p><i>YJ raised a query on background information on Quickbooks and the cost thereof. BD provided a brief explanation and committed to provide feedback to the Exco members regarding the total cost spent on Quickbooks.</i></p> <p><i>After discussion, the Office Report was approved.</i></p> <p><i>[Note: On 03.06.2025 BD sent Exco members a breakdown of the costs of the QuickBooks Online subscription costs from 2021 to 2024.]</i></p>
4.2	Finance and Stats
	<p><i>Reports for April 2025 attached to Agenda.</i></p> <p><i>After discussion, the Financial Reports for April 2025 were approved.</i></p>
5.	ELECTION OF KENNEL UNION MEMBERS IN TERMS OF ARTICLE 10(1)
	<i>27 new Members and 21 lapsed Members elected.</i>
6.	FCI
6.1	Communication sent to Fedco Members:
	<p><i>24.04.2025 FCI Flyball Commission: Minutes of the Meeting held 07.12.2024 via Zoom</i></p> <p><i>07.05.2025 FCI Breeding Commission: Minutes of the meeting held 22.02.2025.</i></p> <p><i>07.05.2025 Decisions of the FCI General Committee 16.04.2025</i></p> <p><i>07.05.2025 Semi-Virtual Ordinary General Assembly 2025: Agenda & enclosures 1 and 2</i></p> <p><i>08.05.2025 FCI Commission for Rescue Dogs – Invitation for Meeting to be held 15.06.2025</i></p>
7.	SCHEDULE 01 MATTERS
7.1	Disciplinary Sub-Committee
7.1.1	<p><i>Case 2024-03 – KUSA vs Ingram</i></p> <p><i>The Respondent has lodged an Appeal against the Finding and the Penalties imposed by the DSC. The Notice of Appeal was received in time. The Appeal documentation is currently under consideration by the Sub-Committee of Inquiry (SCI).</i></p> <p><i>Noted.</i></p> <p><i>The Appellant has notified the SCI of his intention to appear in person at the FAC Hearing and has paid the Appeal Appearance Fee.</i></p> <p><i>Awaiting the appointment of the FAC and the date and venue for the FAC Hearing.</i></p> <p><i>Noted.</i></p>
7.1.2	<p><i>Case 2024-04 – KUSA vs Botes</i></p> <p><i>The Respondent has lodged an Appeal against of the Finding and the Penalties imposed by the DSC. The Notice of Appeal was received in time. The Appeal documentation is currently under consideration by the Sub-Committee of Inquiry (SCI).</i></p> <p><i>Noted.</i></p>

	<p>The Appellant had been granted an extension by the SCI to restructure his Appeal to meet the requirements set out in Schedule 01. The revised documentation has since been received and, since the Appeal included new evidence, it is incumbent on the Respondent (the KUSA Secretary) to serve an Answering Affidavit on the Appellant.</p> <p>The preparation of the Respondent's affidavit is in process.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
7.1.3	<p>Case 2024-05 – KUSA (Austen & NFSKC) vs Pieterse, Van den Doel & Katts A DSC has been appointed, and a face-to-face hearing has been scheduled for 16.05.2025 in Johannesburg.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Minutes of the DSC Hearing and the Record of Proceedings awaited.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
7.1.4	<p>Case 2024-06 – KUSA (TKC & Witwatersrand Kennel Clubs) vs Van Zyl A DSC has been appointed, but the date of the hearing has not yet been set. The hearing took place on 27.03.2025 and the DSC has finalised the Record of Proceedings. Exco to confirm the Record of Proceedings.</p> <p>Finding: After careful consideration of all the submitted evidence, documents and affidavits submitted in relation to Case 2024-06, the DSC unanimously found, on a balance of probabilities, that the complaint was fully substantiated.</p> <p>Penalties: In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.2, the Respondent is disqualified from taking part in, or having any connection with, or attending or participating or handling a dog at, a Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial or Field Trial or other event held under KUSA licence, for a period of six (6) months.</p> <p>The Respondent is to be notified of his right of Appeal as per Schedule 01 Rule 12.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>No Notice of Appeal had been received by the deadline of 16.05.2025.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
8.	SCHEDULE 02 MATTERS
8.1	Schedule 02 Reg. 4.6 & 4.7 – Dispensation for Registration of a litter after 12 months of the date of birth of the litter
8.1.1	<p>French Bulldog: Dam – Santoshanti Nori of Brakenkie – Reg No. ZA010236B22 – DoB 27.05.2022.</p> <p>Litter of three (3) puppies – DoB 05.07.2023.</p> <p>Sire: Chocolate Rocky – Reg No: ZA001018C25</p> <p>Breeder – Mr M Botes.</p> <p>Affidavit and DNA parentage verification attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
8.1.2	<p>French Bulldog: Dam – Lunzafleur Moon – Reg No. ZA006203B22 – DoB 28.02.2022.</p> <p>Litter of one (1) puppy – DoB 17.11.2023. First litter</p> <p>Sire: Madeban Bane – Reg No: ZA013573B19.</p> <p>Breeder – Miss ML Langeveldt.</p> <p>Affidavit and DNA parentage verification attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
8.1.3	<p>French Bulldog: Dam – Zuperbulls Fire Bulls Diva of Avecamourde – Reg No. ZA001057C24 – DoB 26.03.2022.</p> <p>Litter of two (2) puppies – DoB 26.03.2023. First litter</p> <p>Sire: Starbull Slim Shady of Vondiexi – Reg No: ZA001025C25</p> <p>Breeder – Miss M Botes.</p> <p>Affidavit and DNA parentage verification attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>

8.1.4	<p>French Bulldog: Dam – Zuperbulls Fire Bulls Lady of Avecamourde – Reg. No. ZA001056C24 – DoB 26.03.2022. Litter of one (1) puppy. DOB: 21.03.2023. First litter Sire: Bulliland Salvador Dali – Reg No ZA001103C23 Breeder – Miss M Botes. Affidavit and DNA parentage verification received. Refer item 8.5.1 Approved.</p>
8.2	Schedule 02 Reg. 4.10 – Dispensation for Registration of an Extraordinary Nature
8.2.1	<p>Reclassification of oversize Toy Poodle as Miniature Poodle Ubhova Bentley ZA006621B24 Owner Dr Ellené Kleyn Dr Kleyn applied to the KUSA office to have her Toy Poodle reclassified as a Miniature Poodle and submitted a Breed Evaluation Form signed by Mrs S Impey (see below). The office responded to Dr Kleyn, explaining that there are no KUSA Regulations allowing reclassification of Poodles due to size. The three sizes of Poodle under the Poodle Breed Standard are recognised as separate varieties of the breed, each registered and exhibited as individual breeds. KUSA Regulations make no provision for changing the breed of a dog based on its size after initial registration. KUSA only allows reclassification of recessives such as coat types in Dachshunds. Dr Kleyn was referred to KUSA Schedule 2 Regulation 4: Registration Save and except for those dogs eligible for re-registration or registered or recorded in terms of Regulations 1.1.3 or 3, no dog may be registered unless: 4.1: Both its parents are registered in the same breed register and are of the same category. In cases where different categories of the same breeds exist, save and except for those breeds for which the Executive Committee has issued provisos permitting inter-variety matings and registration of the progeny from such matings, including re-classification, once only, of recessives, where necessary, on application from owners and the applicant for registration or re-registration submits an official Kennel Union form, with the certification of mating signed by both the owner of the Sire of such dog and any additional witness to the mating or an accredited agent, where prior arrangements have been made with the KUSA, and the owner of the Dam. [Note: In South Africa, Poodles are bred and judged in accordance with The Royal Kennel Club Breed Standard, which recognises the sizes as three different breeds and there is no provision in KUSA Regulations for the reregistration of a Toy Poodle as a Miniature when it reaches adulthood. Moreover, the office is of the belief that if this reclassification is allowed, it would set an untenable precedent for several other breeds such as Miniature Dachshunds and Miniature Bull Terriers, which would also expect to be reclassified if oversized. Dr Kleyn has requested that this matter be referred to Exco for “final confirmation”] Not approved.</p>
8.3	Schedule 02 Reg. 9 – Amendments to Register
	Nil
8.4	Schedule 02 Reg.12 (12.1) – Adjudication for Registration
8.4.1	<p>12.1 Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations contained, the Executive Committee may, in addition to the provisions of Schedule 1, Disciplinary Rules, Rule 11.1, for good reason, decline to register or record any dog or its transfer and may cancel any registration or recording and may alter any record of registration to reflect the correct status of affairs. Explanation of a possible Disciplinary Case to be provided by the KUSA Secretary.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorisation sought from Exco to provisionally “suspend” all dogs, and any offspring they may have produced, implicated in the five (5) litters alleged to have been registered with incorrect parentage. • Authorisation sought from Exco for the KUSA Secretary (who may ultimately be the Complainant in a Disciplinary Case) to launch and spearhead a full-scale investigation into the alleged erroneous registrations and, if required, to demand DNA Profiling of the dogs involved in the respective litters and the DNA Parentage Verification of all offspring, with a view to restoring the veracity of the KUSA Primary Breed Register for French Bulldogs. • For the time being, to impose mandatory DNA Profiling and DNA Parentage Verification on all litter applications from non-implicated dogs until all KUSA-requirements have been met by the breeder and the Register has been amended in accordance with DNA results. <p>Approved.</p>
8.5	Schedule 02 Reg.12 (12.2 to 12.5) – Adjudication for Registration
8.5.1	Regulation 12.2 – Litter whelped within 12 months of the date of birth of the Dam
	<p>French Bulldog: Dam – Zuperbulls Fire Bulls Lady of Avecamourde – Reg. No. ZA001056C24 – DoB 26.03.2022. Litter of one (1) puppy. DOB: 21.03.2023. Breeder – Miss M Botes. Affidavit and DNA parentage verification received. Refer item 8.1.4. Approved, with mandatory twelve (12) month moratorium on breeding with this Dam.</p>
8.5.2	Regulation 12.3 – Third litter whelped within 18 months
	<p>Retriever (Labrador): Dam – Kloofzicht Jet’aime of Nalamaandi – Reg No ZA008092B22 – DoB 27.12.2021. Litter of eight (8) puppies. Litters whelped: 29.08.2023 – 11.03.2024 – 26.02.2025.. Breeder – Mrs A Brooks. Affidavit received. Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	<p>French Bulldog: Dam – Hadeshua Reyka of Heartofsteel – Reg No ZA007610B22 – DoB 19.12.2021. Litter of three (3) puppies. Litters whelped: 13.04.2023 – 18.10.2023 – 06.09.2024 – 07.03.2025. Breeder – Mrs S Lubbe. Affidavit received. Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (2nd)</p>
	<p>Rottweiler: Dam – Ria Black Imperia – Reg No ZA001011C24 – DoB 30.11.2021. Litter of four (4) puppies. Litters whelped: 16.10.2023 – 02.05.2024 – 18.02.2025. Breeder – Mr PE Rormose. Affidavit received. Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	Bulldog: Dam – Cron Layla – Reg No ZA011480B20 – DoB 19.09.2020.

	<p><i>Litter of one (1) puppy.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 17.01.2022 – 07.09.2022 – 17.09.2023 – 27.08.2024 – 16.03.2025.</i> <i>Breeder – Mrs YL Griessel.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.5.3	<p>Regulation 12.4 – More than 5 litters whelped</p>
	<p>German Shorthaired Pointer: <i>Dam: Ambelagi Tara Natasha – Reg. No. ZA007818B19 – DoB 04.04.2019.</i> <i>Litter of five (5) puppies</i> <i>Litters whelped: 29.06.2020 – 03.05.2021 – 05.04.2022 – 16.05.2023 – 02.09.2024 – 19.03.2025.</i> <i>Request permission to register a 6th litter.</i> <i>Breeder – Mrs K Euvrard.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Pre-approval Request Australian Shepherd: <i>Dam: Ch Charisma Red Alert (DOM) – Reg. No. ZA013635B18 – DoB 09.07.2018.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 25.07.2020 – 17.07.2021 – 20.01.2022 – 29.04.2023 – 19.03.2024 – TBC.</i> <i>Request permission to breed and register a 6th litter.</i> <i>Breeders – Mr GC Schultz and Mrs CM Immelman.</i> <i>Vet report and affidavit received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.5.4	<p>Regulation 12.4 and 12.5 – Dam older than 8 years of age</p>
	<p>German Shepherd dog (Stockhaar) <i>Dam: Borla Von Haus Voldengen of Von Wohlstein – Reg. No. ZA016460B15 – DoB 04.11.2014.</i> <i>Litter of one (1) puppy.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 02.03.2022 – 18.06.2024.</i> <i>Request permission to register a litter from a dam older than 8.</i> <i>Breeder – Ms CM Kneidinger.</i> <i>Vet report received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: Litter whelped from a Dam older than 8 years. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Pomeranian: <i>Dam: Melmedat Gentle Music of Enym – Reg. No. ZA014448B16 – DoB 06.08.2016.</i> <i>Litter of two (2) puppy.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 30.10.2024 – First litter.</i> <i>Request permission to register a litter from a dam older than 8.</i> <i>Breeder – Mr HW Eksteen.</i> <i>Vet report received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: Litter whelped from a Dam older than 8 years. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.6	<p>AFFIX (KENNEL NAME) (Regulation 8)</p>
8.6.1	<p>AFFIX – VON BULGARI – CHANGE OF GRANTEE <i>Mr AS Botes has applied for a change of Grantee on his Affix – Von Bulgari.</i></p>

	<p>Since the Affix is registered in the sole ownership of Mr Botes (1004554) and the application is to transfer the Affix to the sole ownership of Mr ME Diedricks (88578) the change falls under Schedule 02 Regulation 8.4.1, which states that “The Grantee may not cede, assign, bequeath, sell or dispose of a registered Affix without the consent of the Executive Committee.”</p> <p>The KUSA Office therefore requests guidance from Exco as to whether we may proceed with the transaction and change sole Grantee to Mr Diedricks.</p> <p>Deferred for decision until the Appeal process for Disciplinary Case 2024-04 has been completed.</p> <p>Awaiting Appeal Hearing and Finding.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
8.6.2	<p>CHANGE OF GRANTEE OF AFFIX</p> <p>From: Mr H Bovensmann (Member No Status: Cancelled/Withdrawn)</p> <p>To: Mr P Bartman (Member No Status: Current)</p> <p>Affix name: VERACITEDEROU Status: Lapsed 31.03 2025</p> <p>Mr Bartman has paid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change of Grantee fee • Affix Renewal fee • FCI registration Fee <p>This change of Grantees falls under Schedule 2 Regulation 8.4.1 which states that “The Grantee may not cede, assign, bequeath, sell or dispose of a registered Affix without the consent of the Executive Committee.”</p> <p>Mr Bovenmann has cancelled his membership in 2022 and no longer breeds dogs. Having bred only two litters under the Veracitederou Affix, Mr Bovensmann agreed to cede the Affix to Mr P Baartman who purchased a puppy Mr Bovensmann and wishes to continue using the Affix.</p> <p>The office therefore requests guidance from Exco as to whether it may proceed with the Changing the sole Grantee to Mr P Bartman.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
9.	SCHEDULE 03 MATTERS
9.1.	Temporary Exclusion Orders (Schedule 03 Reg. 14 & Reg. 19.8)
9.1.1	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – American Akita – King's Throne J-Diamond – Reg No. ZA001150C23</p> <p>It was reported that the abovementioned dog had acted and behaved aggressively by attacking the Judge at the Northern Free State Kennel Club Championship Show held on 31.08.2024. The Club has submitted the Incident Report Form (Annex A) and a statement from the injured party. Preliminary TEO issued 17.09.2024. See attached.</p> <p>TEO confirmed.</p> <p>The Owner has submitted a letter from behaviourist Christa Henning (see attached). The Owner has requested assistance from the KUSA Office regarding the required Canine Good Citizen test, given that he is based in Bloemfontein. The KUSA Office has been in touch with the FS&NC Provincial Council, as well as the Owner, to see what assistance could be provided.</p> <p>Discussions are ongoing.</p> <p>To be carried forward to the next meeting.</p> <p>No further update.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
9.2	<p>Referral of TEO dogs to Fedco for Permanent Barring</p> <p>Extract from the TEO Manual:</p> <p>14.5 The Owner of any Implicated Dog, which has been issued with a confirmed TEO, has a maximum period of 12 (twelve) months from the date of the TEO (the date the TEO was confirmed by the Executive Committee) to successfully complete the requirements as provided for in Step 1, 2 and 3 of this Manual, failing which, the Executive Committee will</p>

	<p>apply to the Federal Council to have the Implicated Dog permanently barred from entry to and exhibition at any future KUSA-licensed Shows/Events subject to compliance with the procedure as provided for in Clause 11.11 hereof.</p> <p>11.11 The Owner of the Implicated dog must be informed by the Secretary of KUSA that the matter has been forwarded to the Federal Council and that he/she has the right to make written representations to the Federal Council as to why the Implicated dog should not be permanently barred from entering and exhibition at KUSA Shows/Events.</p> <p>Report submitted to Fedco – awaiting feedback.</p> <p>With permission from Exco, the list of dogs to be submitted to the Agenda of Fedco 06-2025. CPA to draft a letter to send to owners informing them of their right to appeal the decision, should they wish to do so.</p> <p>On 03.04.2025, all Owners of dogs with TEOs over the 12-month limit were informed that their dogs would be tabled to Fedco 06-2025 for permanent disbarring. Several responses have been received, advising the present status of the dogs. To date no appeals have been received.</p> <p>List will be tabled at Fedco 06-2025.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
9.3	Schedule 03 Regulations 38.3.2 and 38.4 Veterinary Certificates
	Nil
9.4	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 Regulations</p> <p>18. WITHDRAWAL FROM COMPETITION</p> <p>18.1 Once a dog has entered the ring to be exhibited in one of the Classes for which he had been entered in advance of the Show, the dog shall be exhibited in all subsequent Classes entered and in all the Challenges and Competitions as contemplated by Regulations 21, 22 and 24 for which it has qualified at that Show. Failure to enter the ring when required to compete in subsequent Classes or Challenges and Competitions as described above shall, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, render the dog liable for disqualification and the cancellation of any awards gained, irrespective of any objection having been lodged in terms of Regulation 31.</p> <p>18.2 Withdrawal from competition at the Show is only permissible</p> <p>18.2.1 when the Judge listed in the Schedule is changed; or</p> <p>18.2.2 when a dog's Owner or its Authorised Agent deems it necessary due to the dog's illness, injury or other legitimate reason, and in either of the above eventualities, the dog shall be marked as ABSENT on the Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets.</p> <p>18.3 Once a dog has entered the ring with the intention to be exhibited, it shall for purposes of these Regulations be deemed as having been exhibited and may not leave the ring before completion of the judging of that Class unless</p> <p>18.3.1 the dog is excused or dismissed by the Judge for any reason whatsoever; or</p> <p>18.3.2 the dog is withdrawn by the handler due to illness, injury, lameness, bad behaviour, or for any reason considered sufficient not to continue competing</p> <p>18.4 When a dog is excused or dismissed by the Judge, the Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets shall be marked accordingly, e.g. DISMISSED/EXCUSED – LAMENESS, DISMISSED/EXCUSED – AGGRESSION, etc.</p> <p>18.5 When a dog is withdrawn by the handler for any reason, the handler must inform the Ring Steward, after which the dog shall be marked as WITHDRAWN on the Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets.</p> <p>18.6 If a dog's withdrawal from further competition is forced by an emergency, domestic or otherwise, formal permission shall be granted at the sole discretion of the Show Manager, once he is satisfied that sufficient cause has been shown why the dog should be withdrawn from further competition, after which the dog shall be marked as WITHDRAWN on the Judges' and Ring Steward's Sheets for the Class, Challenge or Competition from which the dog has been withdrawn.</p>

	18.7 For the avoidance of doubt, once a dog has, for whatever reason, been withdrawn, excused or dismissed from any one Class, Challenge or Competition, it shall not be permitted to compete in any further Classes, Challenges or Competitions at that Show.
9.4.1	<p>West Coast Kennel Club FCI, Swartland Kennel Club FCI & West Coast Kennel Club Championship Shows 18-20.04.2025</p> <p><i>The following dogs failed to appear after being exhibited and promoted to the next level:</i></p> <p>Swartland Kennel Club FCI Show:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Border Collie ZA001554C14 – absent from Best Veteran in Group & Main Group (Awards – Best Veteran, Veteran CACIB, BOB) • Bull Terrier ZA001270B25 – absent from Best Junior in Group (Awards – Best Junior, Junior CACIB) • Bull Terrier ZA002141B25 absent from Best Puppy in Group (Awards – Best Puppy) • Yorkshire Terrier ZA001991B25 absent from Best Puppy in Show (Awards – Best Puppy in Group) • American Cocker Spaniel ZA006495B24 absent from Best Junior in Show (Awards – Junior CACIB, BOB, Best Junior in Group) <p>West Coast Kennel Club FCI Show:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boxer ZA010769B24 - absent from Best Puppy in Group (Awards – Best Puppy) • English Springer Spaniel ZA009673B24 - absent from Best Puppy in Show (Awards – Best Puppy, Best Puppy in Group) <p>West Coast Kennel Club Championship Show:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boxer ZA005491B24 absent from Best Junior in Show (Awards – Best Junior, CC, Best Junior in Group) <p>Exco decisions required Awards to be withdrawn. Withdrawn 21/05 as instructed, revised Catalogue published.</p>
9.5	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 Regulations</p> <p>7. ENTRY FOR EXHIBITION</p> <p><i>Except as otherwise provided in the By-Laws applicable to a particular Discipline, only Members of the Kennel Union shall be entitled to enter and have dogs in their registered ownership compete in any Championship Dog Show, Championship Obedience Class, Championship Working Trial, Field Trial Championship Open Stake or Field Qualifier or any other Championship event, licensed by the Kennel Union, save for Breed Classes offered at Specialist Club and Specialist Multi-breed Club Championship Shows, where entries will also be open to non-members' dogs, with the exception of dogs in the registered ownership of persons on whom persona non grata status has been imposed, such dogs not being eligible for exhibition at any KUSA-licensed event.</i></p>
9.5.1	<p>West Coast Kennel Club FCI Show, Swartland Kennel Club FCI Show, West Coast Kennel Club Championship Show, Swartland Kennel Club Championship Shows 1&2 18-20/04/2025</p> <p><i>A lapsed Member exhibited the following dog at the above shows:</i></p> <p><i>White Swiss Shepherd ZA001689B24 (Res CACIB Swartland FCI) (Res CACIB West Coast FCI) (Bitch Junior, Best Junior, CC Swartland 1) (Bitch Junior, CC Swartland 2) (CC, Res BOB West Coast)</i></p> <p>Exco decision required. NS to send a reminder to the Registered owner to renew their membership.</p>
9.5.2	<p><i>A Champion application was received for Weimaraner ZA007289B22. The dog is currently registered to another Member. The dog was transferred on 30.04.2025.</i></p> <p><i>The following shows were entered in the incorrect ownership:</i></p> <p><i>Junior Kennel Club of Gauteng – 24.04.2024</i></p> <p><i>Orion Kennel Club – 12.07.2024</i></p>

	<p><i>Goldfields Supporter Club Southern Gauteng – 14.07.2024</i> Exco decision required. A R500 fine to be imposed on the Registered Owner for the submission of an Official Show Entry Form in contravention of the Regulations.</p>
10.	CLUB AND SHOW MATTERS
10.1	<p>Applications for Second Championship Show Article 29 – Championship Shows – Frequency 29.1 No Club shall hold more than one (1) Championship Show in any calendar year, unless dispensation is granted by the Executive Committee.</p>
10.1.1	<p>Whale Coast Kennel Club 07.03.2026 <i>The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on their usual weekend, as they had such a good turnout after hosting more events over their 2025 weekend. Exco 04-2025 – MA was instructed to investigate the implication of this Show weekend hosting more Shows.</i> Approved, subject to the condition that it's the only Show that weekend</p>
10.1.2	<p>Free State Terrier Club 31.08.2025 <i>The above Club has made an application to hold their second Championship Show on the Bloemfontein Cluster weekend due to the fact that the Frankfort weekend may not go ahead. The Club does not want to lose out on entries because of circumstances beyond their control.</i> Approved.</p>
10.1.3	<p>Kennel Association 27.02.2026 <i>The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on their regular weekend. They wish to continue with three shows on their weekend in order to facilitate some overseas Judges.</i> Approved.</p>
10.1.4	<p>Gauteng Golden Retriever & Gundog Clubs (KZN Golden Retriever Club) 11.10.2025 <i>The above Clubs made an application to hold second Championship Shows on the October TKC weekend (Exco 04-2025). A Round Robin was held on 06.05.2025 to allow the hosting of these Shows.</i> <i>Approved. Round Robin & Motivation letter attached.</i> Ratified.</p>
10.1.5	<p>Western Province Bull Terrier Club 24.10.2025 <i>The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on their regular weekend in order to facilitate a more attractive cluster weekend.</i> Approved.</p>
10.2	Show Documentation, Licence Fees and Penalties
10.3.	Late Submission of Show Documents
10.3.1.	Show Returns not received
	<p><i>The following Club is in contravention of Schedules 03, 07 and 08 with regards to Show Return levies, and the Club is accumulating Penalties.</i> 26-Oct 2024 <i>FREE STATE KENNEL CLUB (1) DOGSPORT</i> 27-Oct 2024 <i>FREE STATE KENNEL CLUB (2) DOGSPORT</i> 02-Nov 2024 <i>FREE STATE KENNEL CLUB (1) BREED</i> 03-Nov 2024 <i>FREE STATE KENNEL CLUB (2) BREED</i> Schedule 07 Regulation 15 Show Entry Levies Schedule 08 Regulation 2.7 Return of Championship Show Entries Schedule 03 7.8 Within fifteen (15) working days after the completion of a Show, the Show Secretary shall forward to the Secretary a list showing the total number of dogs entered and the total entries,</p>

	<p>together with fees as specified in Subscriptions and Fees (Schedule 07). After a period of two (2) months from the completion of the Show, a complaint may be lodged by the Secretary against the Club for non-compliance.</p> <p>The Show Levies are still outstanding as follows:</p> <p>Show 1 – R10 484 R5000 paid on 10.04.2025. Penalties added R3 000. Total owing R8 484 Show 2 - R11 092 R6500 paid 20.05.2025. Penalties added R2 800 Total owing R7392</p> <p>Exco instruction 04-2025 that no second Show can be applied for. A payment plan was agreed to. No further payments have been received.</p> <p>For noting/possible decision NS reported that a second payment had been made 20.05.2025 towards Show 2. NS to request that a schedule of payments be agreed to. [Note: The KUSA Office has been notified of the closure of the Free State Kennel Club.]</p>
10.3.2	<p>IGP Regulation requirements not being met at Shows (Refer Exco 04-2025) Schedule 05B(02) 4.2 Notes for the execution of the REGULATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING DOG TRIALS AND INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIALS OF THE FCI. 4.2.1 The minimum number of participants is four handlers. Schedule 05B(02) Appendix B Trial Participants The trial participant must meet the entry deadline for the event. The participant also agrees to pay the entry fee upon submission of the entry form. If the participant cannot participate for whatever reason, he/she must advise the Trial Secretary (PL) immediately. The participant is required to provide the vaccination certificate and uphold the animal rights guidelines. The participant must adhere to the instructions of the judge (LR) as well as the Trial Secretary. The handler must present his/her dog in a sportsmanlike manner regardless of the results in any given phase, he is obliged to continue for the remaining phases of the event. The trial ends with the results (awards ceremony) and the return of the scorebook. The examination (trial) must have " minimum of 4 participants per trial day. The minimum number of participants per day may only be less if for FCI-BH/VT or BH/VT (NPO) examinations these dogs pass and try for a further examination (FCI-IGP-1, FCI-IFH 1) at the same event. A dog handler may only take part in an examination with the same dog. (A two-day test is considered as an examination event.) A dog handler may enter a maximum of two dogs for an examination at an event. A dog may only acquire one title within a event. Exception: FCI-BH/VT or BH/VT (NPO) in conjunction with another level 1 (FCI-IGP) title. Prerequisite for entering a trial is that owner and dog handler belong to a club of the national organization which is recognized by the FCI. Exceptions to this can be determined by the national canine organization (FCI-NCO) only for FCI-BH/VT or BH/VT (NPO) examinations. Following the incidents listed in the minutes of Exco 02-2025 and Exco 03-2025, where Clubs failed to comply with the Regulations pertaining to the number of handlers on a day for FCI-IGP Trials, and at the Executive Committee's request, the IGP Fedco Portfolio-holder was approached to attempt to broker some form of resolution. Recommendations have been made as per the attached response received from Federal Councillor, Ms Nikki Redtenbacher. The members of Exco recorded their thanks to Ms Redtenbacher for attending to the matter and providing Exco with her recommendations. NS sent a letter to Mr Swartz, copied to the members of the NIGPSC, conveying Ms Redtenbacher's recommendations and urging that the recommendations be actioned to, hopefully, resolve the ongoing non-compliance problem at IGP Trials. No update received. Noted.</p>

10.4	Applications for Club Affiliation/Notification of Closure
10.4.1	<p>Notification of Club Closure</p> <p>Madiba Bay Agility Club</p> <p><i>The above Club at their Special General Meeting held 15.05.2025 agreed to close the Club</i></p> <p><i>Dissolution information & disbursement of funds received and attached to Agenda.</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.5	<p>Club Constitutions</p> <p>Natal Terrier Club</p> <p><i>The Club adopted the new Constitution at an Annual General Meeting held on 13.04.2025. (See attached)</i></p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Northern Free State Bull Terrier Club</p> <p><i>The Club adopted the new Constitution at an Annual General Meeting held on 21.03.2025. (See attached)</i></p> <p>Noted</p> <p>SA Ladies Kennel Club</p> <p><i>The Club has requested two amendments to their Constitution:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>To amend the financial year end from 30 November to 31 March to better align with their Championship Show</i> - <i>To reduce the number needed for a quorum from 1.5 percent of the Committee with voting rights, to two thirds of the Committee (see attached Minutes).</i> <p>Further discussion required.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.6	Other
10.6.1	Dispensation Request – Hochland Dog Club & Windhoek Dog Club – 26.07.2025
	<p>Schedule 03:</p> <p><i>1.2.3.3 Whenever a Club elects not to hold a Championship Show for two (2) successive years, or longer, it shall be obliged to hold a Re-qualifying Show at which the minimum number of dogs required to be entered and present – i.e. forty (40) at a Group Club and twenty (20) at a Specialist or Specialist Multibreed Clubs – shall be the qualifying criteria for regaining Championship status.</i></p> <p><i>The above Clubs are seeking dispensation from Schedule 03, Regulation 1.2.3.3.</i></p> <p><i>Hochland Dog Club last held a Breed Championship Show in July 2023. Their 2024 Show was cancelled.</i></p> <p><i>Windhoek Dog Club last held a Breed Championship Show in July 2023, and Dogsport in September 2023. Their 2024 Show was cancelled. They would like to hold Championship Shows again in 2026.</i></p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Due to the extenuating circumstances presented, the Club was granted dispensation from Schedule 03 Regulation 1.2.3.3. Championship Shows are to resume in 2026.</p>
10.6.2	Show Licence erroneously issued - Eastern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club 10.05.2025
	<p>Articles</p> <p><i>8.6.2 Details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Club's balance sheet shall be forwarded to the Federal Council. Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited accounts shall be supplied once in each calendar year.</i></p> <p><i>The above Club was found to be late with their AGM documents, and it was brought to the attention of the KUSA Office. A show licence had been erroneously issued to the Club. The</i></p>

	<p><i>Exco Chairman was approached, and it was decided that the licence remain in place, but measures be taken to rectify the situation timeously.</i></p> <p><i>The Club Secretary has been informed of the transgression and has agreed to rectify it immediately.</i></p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.6.3	Accidental Award – West Coast Kennel Club FCI Show 18-20.04.2025
	<p><i>The incorrect Herding Junior dog appeared in the Best Junior in Show Challenge. The dog exhibited in the ring was Bitch ZA007084B24, and it should have been Dog ZA001134C24. The bitch went on to win Reserve Best Junior in Show. The exhibitor informed the office immediately after the results had been announced.</i></p> <p>E-mail attached.</p> <p>Awards to be withdrawn.</p>
10.7	KUSA CLASSIC
10.7.1	KUSA CLASSIC 2025 (Cape Town)
	<p>KUSA CLASSIC 2025</p> <p><i>29 May – FCI-CACIB International Show</i></p> <p><i>30 May – KUSA Championship Show</i></p> <p><i>31 May - KUSA National Event</i></p> <p><i>01 June - KUSA Winners Show</i></p> <p>KUSA CLASSIC DOGSPORT 2025 – Agility, Dog Jumping, Rally Dog, Obedience, Flyball, Carting</p> <p><i>30 Oct – FCI International Agility Show</i></p> <p><i>31 Oct – KUSA Championship Show</i></p> <p><i>01 Nov – KUSA National Event</i></p>
10.7.2	KUSA National Dogsport Events 2025 (held independently)
	<p><i>KUSA National IGP (Meisterschaft) (hosted by Rotek GSD Club of Northern Areas) – Week 24 – 13-15 June 2025</i></p> <p><i>KUSA National Working Trials & WUD – Week 24 – 14-16 June 2025, Western Cape</i></p> <p><i>KUSA National Tracking Trials & KUSA Championship Show – Week 38 – 20-21 September 2025, Gauteng</i></p>
10.7.3	KUSA Classic 2026 – Gauteng, hosted by NAPC
	<i>Week 22 – Gauteng</i>
10.7.4	KUSA Classic 2027 – Gauteng, hosted by DOGSPC
	<i>Week 22 – Gauteng</i>
11.	JUDGES
11.1	Judges Education Council (JEC)
	Nil
11.2	<p>Judges who have become inactive/retired/deceased</p> <p><i>Article 25.2: Judges shall maintain continuous and unbroken membership of the Kennel Union from the time their formal studies or activities towards a judging qualification commence until their voluntary retirement from judging, advised in writing to the Executive Committee, or their incapacitation (at the discretion of the Executive Committee), or their death.</i></p>
	Nil.
11.3	Judges who have passed exams/assessments
	Nil.
11.4	Judges who have become licensed
	<p><i>Mrs N Shortland (EC) – Hoopers</i></p> <p><i>Mrs C Patterson-Abrolat (GAU) – Hoopers</i></p> <p><i>Dr G Smith (KZN) – Hoopers</i></p> <p><i>Ms S Wainwright (EC) – Hoopers</i></p>

	<p>Mrs T Lander (GAU) – Hoopers</p> <p>Mrs J Angus (KZN) – Hoopers</p> <p>Mrs HJ Anderson (KZN) – Hoopers</p> <p>Noted with congratulations.</p>
11.5	Helpers, Stewards and other Ring Officials
11.5.1	<p>IGP Tutor Helpers accepted by the National IGP Sub-Committee</p> <p>Nil.</p>
12.	PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS
12.1	Districts Of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council
12.1.1	<p>Unconfirmed Minutes of the DOGS Provincial Council Ordinary Meeting held 15.04.2025 via Zoom.</p> <p>Circulated 07.05.2025.</p> <p>Quorum present.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
12.2	KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council
	Nil.
12.3	Northern Areas Provincial Council
	Nil
12.4	Western Cape Provincial Council
	Nil.
12.5	Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council
12.5.1	<p>Unconfirmed Minutes of the EC&B Provincial Council Ordinary meeting held 23.03.2025.</p> <p>Circulated 08.05.2025.</p> <p>Quorum present.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
12.6	Free State & Northern Cape Provincial Council
12.6.1	<p>Unconfirmed Minutes of the FS&NC Provincial Council Ordinary meeting held 10.04.2025 via MS Teams.</p> <p>Circulated 07.05.2025.</p> <p>Quorum present.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
13.	BREED COUNCILS/LIAISON COUNCILS
13.1	Federation of Boxer Clubs of Southern Africa Breed Council
	<p>Meeting held 19.11.2024. Minutes outstanding.</p> <p>Email reminder to be sent to the liaison Council Secretary.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
13.2	Field Trial Liaison Council
13.2.1	<p>Unconfirmed Minutes of the Field Trial Liaison Council Meeting held 08.04.2025.</p> <p>Circulated 15.05.2025.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
13.3	German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council
13.3	<p>Unconfirmed Minutes of the GDSLCL meeting held 12.05.2025.</p> <p>Circulated 14.05.2025.</p> <p>The new Office bearers as follows:</p> <p>Chairman: Miss Christine Kneidinger.</p> <p>Vice Chairman: Mrs Caroline van Deventer.</p> <p>Treasurer: Miss Margaret Harding.</p> <p>Secretary: Mrs Jackie Paterson.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
13.4	Rottweiler Breed Council

	Nil
14.	NATIONAL SUB-COMMITTEES AND AD HOC SUB-COMMITTEES
14.1	Agility
	Nil.
14.2	Canine Good Citizen (Exco Sub-Committee)
14.2.1	<i>The Task Team will be meeting again on 20.05.2025 to discuss Silver and Gold.</i> Noted.
14.3	Carting
	Nil.
14.4	Dog Dancing (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.5	Dog Jumping
	Nil.
14.6	FCI-IGP
	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the National IGP Sub-Committee AGM held 17.02.2025 via Google Meet.</i> <i>Circulated 08.05.2025.</i> Noted
14.7	Flyball
	Nil.
14.8	Hoopers
14.8.1	Nil.
14.9	Obedience
14.9.1	Meeting held 16.04.2025. Minutes awaited.
14.10	Rally Dog
	Nil.
14.11	Temperament Testing – Health
	Nil.
14.12	Tracking Trials (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.13	Trick Dog
14.13.1	<i>Trick Dog is progressing well and recently held a Speciality Test with the theme of “Storybook”. A total of 26 entries were received and all dogs passed the test. It was encouraging to see the enthusiasm with which the handlers and their dogs embraced the theme and the creativity shown was very impressive.</i> Noted
14.14	Working Trials (Classic) & Working Utility Dog
	Nil.
14.15	Other
14.15.1	Aptitude Testing
	Nil.
14.15.2	Mondioring
	Nil.
14.15.3	Rescue Dog
	Nil.
15.	ANY OTHER MATTERS
15.1	MA requested that the KUSA Office issues a statement regarding the changes in requirements for the importation of dogs and the issuing of AIA permits. GR advised that he would relay the message to PM and with the input of Carol Immelman, devise a short statement regarding the situation.

	[Note: The DoA changed its import requirement in late May 2025, including the contentious provision which had caused so much concern amongst KUSA members. The revised DoA requirements have been published on the KUSA website and Facebook page.]
15.2	YJ proposed that a 50% reduction in fees for Namibian Clubs until they are able to reach a point that they have an increase in Show entries. GR advised that this would require a formal proposal to Fedco from, say, Sasolburg Kennel Club, submitted by FS&NC Provincial Council.
16.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	<p>17 June 2025</p> <p>There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 14h31 with a vote of thanks to the Chair.</p> <p>[Note: Unless otherwise stated, all decisions taken at this meeting are based on consensus of the members present at this meeting of the Exco.]</p>