

THE KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL
HELD AT 17H30 ON MONDAY, 16 AUGUST 2021, BY SKYPE TELECONFERENCE

Item	Sub-Item	Sub-Item	MINUTES
1			<p>Notice of the Meeting <i>To read and accept the Notice convening a Special Meeting officially given on 19 July 2021.</i></p> <p>The Notice convening this Special Meeting, officially given on 19 July 2021, was read by the Chairman and unanimously accepted.</p>
2			<p>Attendance & Apologies To record attendance and any apologies.</p> <p>Attendance: Clr JM Hubbard (Chairman of the Federal Council) – JH Clr BG Robinson Vice-Chairman of the Federal Council & Chairman – DOGSPC) – GR Clr NJ du Preez (Chairman – NAPC) – NdP Clr CM Immelman (Vice-Chairman – DOGSPC) – CI Clr RB Jenkins (Chairman – Exco) – BJ Clr RD Juckes (Chairman - FS&NCPC) - RJ Clr GW Ousman (Acting Chairman – KZNPC) – GO Clr DC Sparg (Chairman – EC&BPC) – DS Clr L Thornhill (Chairman – WCPC) – LT</p> <p>Staff in Attendance: Mrs P Midgley (General Manager) – PM Mr K Farmer (Office Manager) – KF</p> <p>The Chairman thanked the members of Fedco and the KUSA Office Staff for their attendance and extended a special word of welcome to Clr Gary Ousman, Vice-Chairman of KZNPC who, following the resignation of Mrs Gael Morison, had assumed the position of Acting Chairman.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Mr Kyle Farmer for having arranged the Skype session and reminded the members of Fedco that the proceedings of the meeting would be recorded for purposes of the Minutes.</p>
3			<p>Matters to be discussed Confirmation that, in terms of Article 16.1, upon requisition from three members of the Federal Council, namely Clrs BG Robinson, RD Juckes and L Thornhill, this Special Meeting of the Federal Council be held in order to consider:</p>
	3.1		<p>KUSA Budget 2021-2022 For final submission and approval.</p> <p>As envisaged at Fedco 06-2021, the Chairman reminded Fedco that the presentation of the Budget was deferred to a Special Meeting convened for <i>inter alia</i> that purpose and that the presentation and approval of the Budget was therefore the main item on the present meeting. She invited PM to present the Budget for the year ending 31 August 2022.</p> <p>PM informed Fedco that, earlier in the day, she had presented the Budget to the Fedco Portfolio-holders at a meeting which lasted in excess of three hours. During the meeting, every line-item was examined and interrogated and, where deemed necessary, adjusted. This was done in the interest of saving time at the present meeting where she hoped it would be acceptable to only deal with KUSA's most important income streams and major expenses, both ordinary and extraordinary.</p> <p>PM further proposed that, following her presentation, the Budget worksheets be lodged with the members of Fedco for scrutiny for a period acceptable to all. During this period, the members of</p>

		<p>Fedco would be welcome to submit their questions and comments on any line-items by email and she would respond with the necessary clarification.</p> <p>Discussion on the deadline for questions or comments from Fedco ensued and there was general acceptance of a suggestion that three days should be permitted, thereby setting the closing date at Thursday, 19 August 2021 - if possible, by no later than close of business.</p> <p>On a proposal from JH, seconded by CI, it was unanimously agreed that PM should confine her presentation to the most important items of Income and Expenditure and deal with any subsequent queries, received by 19 August 2021, by email.</p> <p>By way of introduction, PM contextualised her presentation with a broad overview of the financial position of the KUSA. Despite the many challenges imposed on KUSA's operations and business by the COVID-19 pandemic, she was pleased to report that the income of the organisation was currently tracking ahead of the 2020-2021 Budget. This was to a large extent due to the austerity measures introduced in staffing some time ago and prudence in general spending, coupled with better-than-expected performance of KUSA's two principal revenue streams – Registration Fees and Membership Fees.</p> <p>On the Income side, PM isolated Registration Fees, Membership Fees and Show Entry Fees for discussion and, by referring to the respective worksheets on screen, explained to Fedco the methods she employed in arriving at her projections. She enquired whether there were any questions, or comments, but none were forthcoming.</p> <p>Moving on to Expenditure, PM focussed on the ordinary expenses related to the ongoing upgrade of the K9 Admin System, Computer Maintenance, Legal Fees, and the KUSA payroll, which provided for a limited expansion of the workforce on a permanent and freelance basis.</p> <p>NdP queried the quantum of the provision for Legal Fees which, in an increasingly litigious environment, he thought might be somewhat conservative. PM explained that KUSA was not expecting to be billed by its Legal Counsel beyond the Budget provision but, should this happen, the organisation had the necessary reserves to cover an unexpected eventuality. NdP also expressed reservations about the staff bonuses provision, which he thought to be too generous in the current economic climate. PM stressed that this was merely a provision and that any bonuses eventually paid would be subject to Fedco's approval and the quantum informed by the prevailing economic situation at the time of declaring the bonuses.</p> <p>The extraordinary expenses covered by PM were, in the main, related to the move of the KUSA Office's from 68 Bree Street. In the immediate short term this involved Moving Costs, Storage Costs and Insurance. It was foreseen by PM that the staff might be expected to work from home for a period while temporary premises were being sourced. As an interim measure, the current thinking was to maintain a small office, staffed on a rotational basis, for as long as it might take to find a permanent home for the organisation. The accomplishment of minimal disruption to operations during this transitional phase would necessitate the acquisition of a number of laptop computers. Once temporary premises have been found, depending on the location and circumstances, the terms of the lease might include rental, utilities, furniture, office equipment and parking. The current office furniture was old and in an advanced state of obsolescence and would be disposed of prior to the move.</p> <p>PM urged Fedco to note that, at this stage, the move was fraught with uncertainties, which complicated planning and budgeting. On behalf of Fedco, JH expressed gratitude for the effort PM and KF had gone to in obtaining quotes in order to provide estimates of the reasonably foreseen costs and it was generally accepted that adjustments to the Budget would be likely during the period leading up to the vacation of the premises.</p> <p>GR proposed that, subject to the satisfactory resolution of any queries raised by members of Fedco during the period permitted for scrutiny of the Budget worksheets, the Budget, as presented, should be accepted and approved. This proposal was seconded by JH and unanimously supported.</p>
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	3.2		<p>FCI Asia, Africa & Oceania (A2O) <i>Feedback from the meeting held between KUSA and the A2O on 20 July 2021:</i></p> <p>The Chairman advised Fedco that, as undertaken at Fedco 06-2021, she and GR had requested this meeting with Mr Augusto Benedicto (Dinky) Santos III, President of the FCI's A2O Section, and Mr Gopi Krishnan, Vice-president of the A2O Section.</p> <p>The following matters were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>PDF & PowerPoint Breed Illustrated Presentation – Rhodesian Ridgeback</i> <p>GR reported that the Chairman had flipped through the slides of this presentation for the benefit of Messrs Santos and Krishnan and that both expressed admiration for the detail and clarity of the content. They urged the KUSA delegation to submit the presentation to the FCI for upload without delay.</p> <p>In consequence, the presentation was sent to the FCI shortly after the A2O meeting which, in turn, was referred to Mr Adrian Landarte, President of the FCI Show Judges Commission. After scrutiny of the presentation, Mr Landarte instructed the FCI Office as follows:</p> <p>“Yes, you can publish; excellent presentation.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) – formulation of KUSA Privacy Policy along the lines of the FCI's Privacy Policy under the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)</i> <p>The Chairman sought permission from the A2O officials to make use of elements of the FCI's Privacy Policy under the EU's GDPR for the purpose of compiling KUSA's Privacy Policy under the POPIA. She was assured by both gentlemen that the FCI would have no objection to an FCI member country reproducing, or adapting, content from the FCI's Privacy Policy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Administration – KUSA Documents which are required to be shared with the A2O</i> <p>The Chairman had enquired from Messrs Santos and Krishnan whether the A2O required any documentation to be sent to the Section by KUSA on a routine basis. Messrs Santos and Krishnan were adamant that the A2O had no expectation in this regard.</p>
		3.2.1	<p>Abuse of Appendix Registers</p> <p>As set out in the motivation below, the Chairman confirmed that she had raised KUSA's concerns around the Appendix Registers with the A2O Officials at the meeting of 20 July 2021. The advice received from Messrs Santos and Krishnan was that, to obviate the opportunistic exploitation of the KUSA Appendix Registers, the organisation might consider amalgamating its Appendix Levels 1 & 2 into a single and only Appendix Register and relegate Appendix Level 3 to a “Listing” only.</p> <p>In deference to the advice received from the A2O, GR had prepared the following motivation for the amendments to Schedule 2 for purposes of this Agenda:</p> <p>Motivation: <i>Appendix Registers were introduced a number of years ago to bring KUSA in line with practices recommended by the FCI to provide for dogs which, for a number of reasons, could not be</i></p>

		<p>accommodated on a National Canine Organisation's (NCO's) Primary Registry.</p> <p><i>During a recent discussion with the Asia, Africa and Oceania (A2O) Section of the FCI, the possibility of dogs on the Appendix Registers being misrepresented as dogs on the Primary Registry was considered and it was recommended that, as far as Appendix Register Level 3 is concerned, the category should be renamed at the discretion of the NCO to avoid any confusion with its Primary Registry. In consideration of KUSA obligations to the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development (DALRRD) as the only recognised Registering Authority for multiple breeds, the A2O recommended that dogs on KUSA's former Appendix Register Level 3 should, going forward, be accommodated on an appropriately-named "Listing", which should satisfy present and future requirements of the DALRRD.</i></p> <p><i>A further discussion point in relation to the Appendix Registers was the submission of photographic evidence for verification that a dog was true to type of a particular breed. It was pointed out that this method of assessing dogs was not only unreliable and flawed, but left ample room for impropriety.</i></p> <p><i>It was argued that the photographic practice ought to be replaced by a physical examination of the dog by a KUSA-appointed Judge, during which the dog's microchip should be scanned and checked. All Provincial Councils have been provided with microchip scanners and the onus and cost of bringing the dog to a major centre for such examination should be borne by the owner. The purpose of checking of the microchip would be to eliminate any suspicion of additional implants.</i></p> <p>In order to finalise the proposed Schedule 2 amendments below, the Chairman sought Fedco's guidance on the naming of the "Listing", as proposed by the A2O. The matter was extensively debated and, on a proposal from NdP, seconded by GR, and unanimously supported, Fedco settled on "Non-registry Breed Listing".</p> <p>With this decision made, the amendments were presented as follows:</p> <p>Proposed amendment to Schedule 2:</p> <p><i>Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [struck through within square brackets]</i></p> <p>1. The Kennel Union shall maintain a Primary Breed Register for each pure breed of dog[s] recognised by it and a dog shall be deemed to be of the breed named in the Breed Register in which it is entered or eligible for entry.</p> <p>1.1 The Kennel Union may also accept for registration, subject to such terms and conditions as the Federal Council may stipulate from time to time:</p> <p>1.1.1 <i>In <u>the Breed Appendix Register[s]</u>, dogs of recognised or provisionally recognised breeds which have complete or incomplete pedigrees/ancestry issued by registries with which there is a reciprocity agreement and/or registries where no agreement exists but special dispensation is granted by the Federal Council determining the specific requirements to be met. [for each Breed Appendix [Register 1-3, Breed Appendix Registers 1 & 2] Dogs <u>registered in this register</u> are eligible to enter Championship and Non-Championship Shows, may be awarded CCs, but cannot be awarded Championship Status. [Breed Appendix Register 3 Dogs are eligible to enter Working Discipline Shows, if qualified, and Non-Championship Shows only.]</i></p> <p>1.1.2 <i>In the Emerging Breed Register, application for registration will only be accepted if the dog has been positively identified via DNA profiling and parentage has been verified via DNA parentage verification and the dog is microchipped. A dog registered in this register may be entered in Breed Classes at Non-Championship Shows. They are eligible to enter and compete for awards at any other KUSA-licensed events, unless ineligible to do so in terms of the specific Regulations in any Schedule.</i></p> <p>1.1.3 <i><u>In the Non-registry Breed Listing, dogs deemed to be purebred, without ancestry/genealogy papers, or locally registered with complete or incomplete ancestry/genealogy, issued by a non-official local registry/organisation, operated for commercial purposes, not recognised by either KUSA or by the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development under the Animal Improvement Act.</u></i></p>
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	3.2.2	<p>FCI Executive Director's COVID-19 Statement dated 7 January 2021 to FCI Americas and Caribbean & Asia, Africa and Oceania Sections – Requirement for the Titles of FCI International Champion (C.I.B & C.I.E)</p> <p>Confirmation of the commencement date of the FCI concession was required in order to enable GR to prepare statement for the KUSA website and Facebook page.</p> <p>It was noted that the FCI had confirmed in an email dated 2 August 2021 that the commencement date for the concession was 1 January 2020. There was, however, still confusion around the fact whether FCI-C.A.C.I.B.s ® earned prior to the commencement date could be combined with those earned after the commencement date, and whether FCI-C.A.C.I.B.s ® earned during the concession period could later be used to supplement those earned after the concession period. The KUSA Statement would be prepared as soon as clarity had been obtained.</p>
	3.3	<p>KUSA Office – Relocation Strategy Plan</p> <p>The Chairman thanked RJ for his kind offer to assist the KUSA Office with finding suitable permanent premises. She requested RJ to apprise Fedco how he might be able to be of assistance to the KUSA Office.</p> <p>RJ reported that he had a close friend, who was in charge of a large property company. His friend was involved in dogs and RJ believed he might be prepared to place his professional services at the disposal of KUSA. He would, however, require a brief from the KUSA Office on preferred locations, space requirements, price range, parking needs, etc., before the scouting could commence. Once potential suitable properties have been identified, RJ declared himself prepared to spend some time in Cape Town in order to accompany KF to the various sites with a view to compiling a short-list for Fedco's consideration.</p>

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	3.4	3.4.1	<p>Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions, Club Constitutions, Breed Council Constitutions and Liaison Council Constitutions to provide for the requirements under the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) (Fedco 06.2021 Item 8.8.1)</p> <p><i>Extract from Fedco 06.2021 Minutes:</i> <i>NdP made it clear that this was a statutory obligation placed on all "private bodies", including the stand alone structures under KUSA's oversight. Accordingly, he believed it was appropriate for KUSA to direct its enabled structures to provide for this statutory obligation in their Constitutions, as they would have been compelled to do with any other statute or by-law regulating the structure's activities on a macro level. It was accordingly decided, unanimously, for Fedco to direct KUSA-enabled structures, in particular the Provincial Councils, Affiliated Clubs, Breed Councils and Liaison Councils, to expeditiously take the necessary steps to upgrade their Constitutions to the most recent versions and, at the same time, to provide for POPIA-compliance.</i> <i>Proposed GR, seconded NdP.</i> <i>Effective upon publication of these Minutes.</i></p> <p>GR informed Fedco that, pursuant to the above brief, he proposed the insertion of three (3) clauses into the Provincial Council Constitutions to oblige POPIA-compliance in the Councils. They were the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A definition of the POPIA; • An Objective to be POPIA-compliant • An imperative under the Club's AGM proceedings to elect an Information Officer (mandatory) and Deputy Information Officer (optional) <p>As reflected in the Agenda for this meeting, the proposed amendments were as follows:</p> <p>PROVINCIAL COUNCIL CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS - Insertions <u>underlined</u>:</p> <p><u>3. INTERPRETATION OF TERMS</u> <u>3.3.19 "Protection of Personal Information Act", No. 4 of 2013, generally referred to as "POPIA", inclusive of the Regulations issued in terms thereof and amendments affected thereto from time to time, means the law enacted to compel public and private bodies to protect personal information entrusted to their custody and, by providing for the lawful processing and disclosure of such information, to protect the owner of the information from harm caused by the unlawful use thereof.</u></p> <p><u>4. OBJECTIVES</u> <u>4.1.9. To ensure [INSERT COUNCIL'S ACRONYM followed by "s", e.g. KZNPC's] compliance with the POPIA and to only permit the lawful processing and disclosure of the personal information of the Officers of Member Clubs, Officers of Sub-Committees, and their members.</u></p> <p><u>16. MEETINGS</u> <u>16.1.7. In compliance with the POPIA, appoint for the ensuing year an Information</u></p>

			<p><u>Officer and, if justified, a Deputy Information Officer, who shall be Executive Members of [INSERT COUNCIL'S ACRONYM] and those customarily entrusted with the custody and processing of the personal information of the Officers of Member Clubs and Officers of Sub-Committees of [INSERT COUNCIL'S ACRONYM], or the personal information of other persons to which [INSERT COUNCIL'S ACRONYM] has access in the course of its normal operations.</u></p> <p>The amendments would be recorded at the end of each constitution as was customary.</p> <p>On a proposal from RJ, seconded by LT, and unanimously supported, it was agreed that the above clauses should be inserted into all the Provincial Councils' Constitutions under a Fedco directive.</p> <p>GR said he would prepare the amended Constitutions as soon as possible for the KUSA Office to be sent out to the respective Provincial Council Chairmen for signature.</p> <p>Effective on distribution of these Minutes.</p>
		<p>3.4.2</p>	<p>Provincial Councils Constitutions – Change in Procedure and Elections at AGM <i>Those Provincial Councils that had elected a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman in the same year in the past, in other words, every second year, are reminded of Clause 16.1.4.1, which requires the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman to be elected in alternate years:</i></p> <p>16.1.4 At the Annual General Meeting, the Members of [PROVCO ACRONYM] shall elect</p> <p>16.1.4.1 A Chairman and, in alternate years, a Vice-Chairman, each of whom shall hold office for a period of two (2) years and retire at the close of the second Annual General Meeting following their respective elections, unless re-elected for a further term.</p> <p><i>In this regard, it is also important to note Clause 16.1.4.2 which calls for nominations of the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman, as the case may be, before 31 August in any year:</i></p> <p>16.1.4.2 Members of [PROVCO ACRONYM] shall submit, before 31 August in any year, to the Secretary, nominations for the office of Chairman or Vice-Chairman, as the case may be, which shall be placed on the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting to be held in the second year of the respective term of office of the current Chairman, or Vice-Chairman. In the absence of nominations for one or more persons, the incumbent Chairman or Vice-Chairman shall be declared re-elected for a further term.</p> <p><i>It is also important to note that Clause 16.1.5 requires a substitute for the Vice-Chairman to be elected at every AGM, so this item must be placed on the AGM Agenda:</i></p> <p>16.1.5 At the Annual General Meeting in each year, the Members of [PROVCO ACRONYM] shall, from their number, elect one (1) person to act as Substitute for the Vice-Chairman, should the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, be unable to represent [PROVCO ACRONYM] in the discharge of official duties.</p> <p>The Chairman enquired from GR whether he had anything to add. He replied, "not really", other than that the above was merely intended as a reminder to Councils, at their upcoming AGMs, to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elect only a Chairman, or only a Vice-Chairman (not both). <p>[Note: The Chairman said that, in Councils where the election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman in alternate years was established practice, the current year (2021) was the turn of the Chairman. Maybe the Councils that, in the past, elected their Chairman and Vice-Chairman at the same election every two years, should consider the Chairman stepping down this year and standing for re-election in order to get the cycle going.]</p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elect a Substitute for the Vice-Chairman at the AGM <p>All Provincial Council Chairmen present indicated that they understood what was required at their upcoming AGMs.</p>
	3.5		Matters arising from the Fedco 06-21 Unconfirmed Minutes
		3.5.1	<p>Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions, Club Constitutions, Breed Council Constitutions and Liaison Council Constitutions to provide for the requirements under the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) (Fedco 06.2021 Item 8.8.1)</p> <p><i>Correction to the Fedco Minutes 06-21 as distributed in respect of the changes made to Article 20: Provincial Councils, Liaison Councils, Breed Councils and KUSA Representatives:</i></p> <p><i>Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [struck through in square brackets]:</i></p> <p><u>20.2 Liaison Councils</u></p> <p><u>20.2.2 Liaison Councils shall submit to the Federal Council 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 Liaison Council's balance sheet. 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. The Liaison Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Liaison Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Liaison Council Officers to KUSA, the [Provincial Council] Liaison Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Liaison Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Liaison Council's bank accounts.</u></p> <p><u>20.3 Breed Councils</u></p> <p><u>20.3.2 Breed Councils shall submit to the Federal Council 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 Breed Council's balance sheet. 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. The Breed Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Breed Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Breed Council Officers to KUSA, the [Provincial Council] Breed Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Breed Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Breed Council's bank accounts.</u></p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by RJ, the above housekeeping changes to the Minutes of Fedco 06-2021 were unanimously approved.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p>
		3.5.2	Rhodesian Ridgeback (Fedco 12-19 item 9.18; Fedco 06-2020 Item 8.9; Fedco 12-2020 Item 3.11.1; Fedco 06.2021 Item 3.8.1)

		<p><i>Correction to the Fedco Minutes 06-21 as distributed in respect of Item 3.8.1 – Rhodesian Ridgeback.</i></p> <p><i>Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [struck through in square brackets]:</i></p> <p><i>Prior to the meeting, GR had obtained the permission of the Chairman to table an email, dated 4 June 2021, sent to DOGSPC from the [Secretary] <u>Vice-Chairman</u> of the Rhodesian Ridgeback Club. The email in question was read out, as was GR's response to the Club.</i></p> <p><i>On a proposal from CI, seconded by DS, the above housekeeping change to the Minutes of Fedco 06-2021 was unanimously approved.</i></p> <p><i>Effective immediately.</i></p>
	3.6	<p>Show COVID-19 Task Team (Fedco round robin dated 19 June 2021)</p> <p><i>The appointment of Miss Michelle Tregoning to the Shows COVID-19 Task Team was unanimously accepted by Fedco round robin.</i></p> <p><i>On a proposal from CI, seconded by RJ, the above decision by Fedco via round robin was unanimously ratified.</i></p> <p><i>Effective immediately.</i></p>
	3.7	<p>European Open Dog Dancing Competition – October 2021 (Russia)</p> <p><i>Proposal brought forward by the KUSA FCI Representative for Dog Dancing, Ms Kathy Clayton, in conjunction with the KUSA Fedco Portfolio-holder for Dog Dancing, RJ.</i></p> <p>Proposed: <i>That Fedco grant permission for a South African Dog Dancing Team to be allowed to represent South Africa at the upcoming Russian European Open Competition (EOC).</i></p> <p>Motivation: (as prepared by Ms Kathy Clayton) <i>In 2020, the EOC was due to be held in St Petersburg, but had to be cancelled due to COVID-19. The date was postponed to October 2021. Over the past few weeks, discussions amongst the various countries have shown that there is a reluctance to travel to Russia as it is still a declared "red" zone for COVID-19. The Russian organising committee has now proposed that the event be changed from a live competition to an on-line competition. All the countries have been informed and asked if they will "send" a team to compete.</i></p> <p><i>Even though South Africa has been asked to compete in the past, the logistics of sending a team has just not been feasible. However, if this event were to become an on-line event, we would be able to submit our videos for the competition.</i></p> <p><i>The rules for the EOC state that the NCO of a country needs to give permission for a team to represent the country at this event. Individual entries are acceptable, but a team representing the country needs permission.</i></p> <p><i>Should the proposal above be successful, the KUSA Office would be required to prepare a letter of permission in support of the inclusion of a KUSA Dog Dancing Team to represent South Africa, to be sent to the EOC by 1 September 2021. The final details of how the entries would be submitted, as well as the submission of the videos, would be sent to KUSA Office at a later date.</i></p> <p><i>The Chairman enquired from RJ whether any subsequent information had come to hand, but he wasn't aware of any. RJ reiterated his support for the initiative as per the motivation above and hoped that Fedco would be in agreement.</i></p> <p><i>CI said that Fedco needed to assess and approve the criteria for the election of the KUSA Dog</i></p>

		<p>Dancing Team in order to ensure that the selection process was fair and transparent. PM concurred and expressed the view that criteria were also required for any individuals who intended to participate.</p> <p>RJ undertook to get in touch with Ms Kathy Clayton and revert with the selection criteria for the KUSA Dog Dancing Team and any other outstanding information. The Chairman reminded him that only NAPC and DOGSPC maintained Dog Dancing Sub-Committees and that it was imperative for the criteria to have been approved by both Sub-Committees.</p>
	3.8	<p>General (Matters brought forward by the Chairman)</p> <p>No matters were brought forward.</p>
4		<p>Close of meeting</p> <p>In closing the meeting at 21h05, the Chairman thanked the members of Fedco for their attendance and reminded them that the outcome of any matters discussed at the meeting remained confidential until the release of the Minutes.</p>

Kyle Farmer
Secretary