

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

1.	ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS
	<p><i>Mr V (Michael) Alberts (MA) (Chairman), (MH), Mrs YC Jefferies (YJ) (Vice-Chairman), Mr L Coetsee (LC), Mrs M Hancock(MH),Mrs GB Rossi (GBR) & Mr N Perkins (NP).</i> <i>Staff in Attendance: Mrs P Midgley (PM) (General Manager), Mr BG Robinson (GR) (KUSA Secretary), Mr B Delily (BD) (Finance & HR), Mrs Z Petersen (ZP) (Administrator), Mrs N Shortland (NS) (Shows & Judges).</i></p> <p><i>Apologies: Mrs C Patterson-Abrolat.</i> <i>The following deaths were noted with sadness: Nil.</i></p> <p><i>Article 14.4</i> <i>.... the Chairman of the Federal Council shall instruct the Chairman of each Province and the Vice-Chairman of DOGSPC to obtain, within sixty (60) days of the receipt of such instructions, the name and written acceptance of a nominee elected by the Provincial Council to sit on the Executive Committee. Such nominee shall remain in Office until the termination of the period of office of the Chairman of the Federal Council and such further period contemplated in 14.5 below provided that the appointment is acceptable to all the Provincial Council Chairmen of the Federal Council. ...Should, for any reason a member of the Executive Committee not be able to continue in Office a new Provincial nominee shall be appointed following the procedure detailed above.</i></p> <p><i>Announcement of the acceptance by the Provincial Council Chairmen and the Vice-Chairman of DOGSPC Fedco of the elected DOGSPC Representative to serve on the Executive Committee and welcome to Mr Neil Perkins.</i></p> <p><i>The appointment of Mr Perkins to the Executive Committee for the unexpired portion of the term of the late Mr RB Jenkins, ending 31.12.2028, was noted. Mr Perkins was duly welcomed by the Chairman with good wishes extended to him for a pleasant and productive term of office.</i></p> <p>Noted with congratulations.</p>
1.1	<p><i>Election of Vice-Chairman of Exco to serve out unexpired portion of the four-year term of Mr V(Michael) Alberts, ending 31.12.2028</i></p> <p><i>With MA having acceded to the office of Chairman of the Executive Committee following the death of Mr RB Jenkins, the position of Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee fell vacant.</i></p> <p><i>Article 14.6:</i> <i>The newly elected and confirmed Executive Committee shall, at its first meeting, from amongst themselves elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman. The Chairman shall represent the Committee at the Federal Council Meetings. In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman shall represent the Committee.</i></p> <p><i>Election of Vice-Chairman.</i></p> <p><i>The Chairman called for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman and received the following:</i></p> <p><i>Mrs YC Jeffries – Proposed LC, seconded by MA.</i></p>

	<p>The Chairman requested YJ to confirm her willingness to stand for the office of Vice-Chairman of Exco, which she did.</p> <p>In the absence of any further nominations, the Chairman declared Mrs YC Jeffries duly elected as Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee for the unexpired portion of the term of the previous Vice-Chairman, Mr V (Michael) Alberts, terminating on 31.12.2028.</p> <p>Noted with congratulations.</p>
2.	MINUTES
	<i>The Minutes of the meeting held on 15.07.2025 were formally adopted.</i>
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
3.1	Exco-imposed Fines
	<p><i>R500.00 paid 15.08.2025.</i> <i>R500.00 unpaid as at 14.08.2025</i> Noted.</p>
4.	KUSA OFFICE
4.1	Office Report
	<p><i>Office Report attached to Agenda.</i> After discussion, the Office Report was approved.</p>
4.2	Finance and Stats
	<p><i>Reports for July 2025 attached to Agenda.</i> After certain clarifications by PM, the Financial Reports for July 2025 were approved</p>
4.3	KUSA Online Portal
	<p><i>Report attached.</i> MA presented the KUSA Online Portal Report, which had been attached to the Agenda. Noted.</p>
5.	ELECTION OF KENNEL UNION MEMBERS IN TERMS OF ARTICLE 10(1)
5.1	44 new Members and 22 lapsed Members elected.
5.2	<p>Approval of Application for Membership <i>Miss I Rauner</i></p> <p><i>Miss Rauner's KUSA Membership expired on 15.03.2025 and lapsed on 15.04 2025.</i></p> <p><i>Miss Rauner has since re-applied for KUSA membership but, during the intervening period, the KUSA Office has been alerted to the breeding practices of Miss Rauner by concerned members of KUSA.</i> <i>See attached.</i></p> <p>After consideration of the information provided, discussion ensued. Given KUSA's obligations under the Animal Improvement Act to encourage and uphold the breeding and registration of purebred dogs, and KUSA members' commitment to comply with KUSA's regulatory framework, Miss Rauner's application for KUSA membership was turned down, unanimously.</p> <p>The KUSA Secretary was requested to inform the applicant of Exco's decision and to arrange for a refund of the Subscription Fee tendered on receipt of the applicant's banking details. It was noted that the required Election Fee did not accompany the application; only the Subscription Fee of R770.00 was submitted.</p>
6.	FCI
6.1	Communication sent to Fedco Members

	<p>18.07.2025 2025 Wild Boar European Cup for Hounds 6 group: Castiglione della Pescaia (Italy) from 10th to 14th September 2025 – Entry Form</p> <p>24.07.2025 FCI-AKC - Letter of Understanding.</p> <p>01.08.2025 FCI Dog Dancing Commission: Minutes of the Meeting held 14.06.2025</p> <p>07.08.2025 FCI Utility Dog Commission: Meeting invitation 22.09.2025</p>
7.	SCHEDULE 01 MATTERS
7.1	Disciplinary Sub-Committee
7.1.1	<p>Case 2024-03 – KUSA vs Ingram</p> <p>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).</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>The Appellant has notified the SCI of his intention to appear in person at the FAC Hearing and has paid the Appeal Appearance Fee.</p> <p>Awaiting the appointment of the FAC and the date and venue for the FAC Hearing.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>The date mooted by the FAC for the Appellant to appear in person in front of the in-person-assembled FAC (17 July 2025) has been turned down by the Appellant, since he would be travelling on that date. The Appellant, through his attorney, has been requested to provide a few “window periods” during which he would be available to appear in front of the FAC, to assist the FAC with setting a date for the Appeal hearing.</p> <p>The Appellant also requested that the Appeal hearing be conducted in Cape Town, which request has been forwarded to the Chairman of the FAC.</p> <p>The venue of the Appeal hearing is at the discretion of the Chairman of FAC, in consultation with the members of the FAC, and the Appellant has been informed that, if so decided by the FAC, he should be prepared to travel to Johannesburg. In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 12.8, the Appellant also has the option of joining the meeting of the in-person-assembled FAC virtually (only permissible for FAC hearings), and he has been requested to also consider this option should he wish to avoid travel to Johannesburg.</p> <p>At the time of compiling this Exco Agenda, no response had been received from the Appellant's attorney.</p> <p>Two dates in August 2025 have been proposed to the Appellant's attorney for the Appeal to be heard by the FAC and a response was awaited.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>The Appellant's hearing by the FAC has been set down for Tuesday, 19 August 2025, in Johannesburg, where the Appellant will be given the opportunity to appear in person before the FAC to “present argument on the issues in the Appeal” as contemplated in Schedule 01 Regulation 12.10.</p> <p>For noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
7.1.2	<p>Case 2024-04 – KUSA vs Botes</p> <p>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).</p> <p>Noted.</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,</p>

since the Appeal included new evidence, it is incumbent on the Respondent (the KUSA Secretary) to serve an Answering Affidavit on the Appellant.

The preparation of the Respondent's affidavit is in process.

The case has been referred to the Chairman of the Fedco Appeals Committee (FAC), requesting the appointment of an FAC to hear the Appeal.

Noted.

The Appeal has been set down for hearing on 17.07.2025.

Noted.

From the Minutes and Record of Proceedings of the FAC hearing conducted on MS Teams on Thursday, 17 July 2025:

FAC Finding

In reaching its finding, the FAC not only took into account KUSA's obligations as a Registering Authority and Breeders' Society under the Animal Improvement Act, 62 of 1998, as contemplated in Article 1.2, but also its responsibility to give effect to its key object of functioning as a world-class Registering Authority and Breeders' Society for canines as a full member of the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI).

In acquiring membership of KUSA on a voluntary basis, members subject themselves to KUSA's and the FCI's regulatory frameworks, as well as the statutory provisions of National legislation which apply to KUSA. In operating a Register which relies exclusively on trust and honesty for its veracity, there can be no tolerance by KUSA of deception and chicanery.

*Considering the case in its totality, the FAC concluded that, on a balance of probabilities, there was sufficient evidence **to uphold the finding of the DSC made on 13 February 2025**, that the Appellant had wilfully compromised KUSA's Primary Breed Register by registering the offspring of a Rottweiler Dam imported in whelp as imports in flagrant contravention of the International Breeding Rules of the FCI, and doing so in circumvention and violation of Schedule 02 Appendix "C" Regulation 6.4 of the KUSA Constitution.*

Penalties

In setting the penalties, the FAC took into account that, unless otherwise proven in the future, the Appellant was a first offender but, given the premeditation with which the fraud on KUSA had been perpetrated, could find no mitigating circumstances to sway them to impose more lenient penalties on the Appellant. There is an expectation on the part of the KUSA membership and the broader purebred dog community that contraventions of this nature should not go unpenalised, and it's incumbent on the FAC to take the necessary steps to ensure, to whatever extent possible, that the Primary Breed Register was protected against contamination and, if brought into disrepute, that its integrity was restored.

From the evidence presented, the wanton violation of the KUSA Primary Breed Registry seemed to be a recurring problem, and it was the FAC's responsibility to impose penalties commensurate with the gravity of the offence perpetrated to serve as a deterrent to others contemplating to indulge in similar covert activities. Moreover, it was the duty of the FAC to send, through its imposition of penalties, a clear message that such fraudulent activities would not be tolerated by KUSA.

Taking the above into account, the FAC considered the penalties imposed on the Appellant (erstwhile Respondent) by the DSC and **agreed, unanimously, to uphold the penalties imposed by the DSC, i.e.:**

- 1 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.1, the Appellant is expelled from membership of KUSA for a period of ten (10) years, which penalty is suspended in full, provided that the Respondent is not found in breach of any Regulation as described in Schedule 02 during the period of suspension.
- 2 In terms of Rule 11.1.2 of Schedule 01, the Appellant is excluded from acting as an Officer of a Club (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer) for a period of five (5) years.
- 3 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.3, the Appellant is disqualified from registration, recording, exhibition or evaluation of a dog owned by him or registered or recorded in his name, or jointly with another or others, or in the name of a nominee, or of the progeny of such a dog, for a period of five (5) years. The Respondent may, however, transfer dogs during this period.
- 4 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.5, the Appellant is disqualified from taking part in the management of any Show or event held under KUSA licence or licensed by a National Canine Organisation (NCO) holding any category of membership or contract partnership with the FCI, or officiating in any non-FCI country at a Show or event held under the jurisdiction of an NCO with which KUSA has arrangements of mutual recognition and reciprocity for a period of five (5) years. This includes acting as a Helper.
- 5 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.6, a fine in the amount of two thousand rands (R2,000.00) per puppy is imposed in part compensation for the costs KUSA has incurred to date in relation to this case. This excludes the KUSA fee relating to possible amendments to the Certificates of Registration issued for the six (6) puppies.

In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 12.13.3, read with Rule 11.1.4; and Rule 11.1.8, read with Schedule 03 Regulation 33.2, the FAC imposed the following **additional Penalties:**

- 6 The **removal of the 'Imported' status** of the six dogs comprising the C-litter.
- 7 The **withdrawal of any awards made to those dogs** at any KUSA-licensed Show or Event and the **withdrawal of all KUSA titles earned by them.**
- 8 The **cancellation of the registrations of the C-litter dogs** in terms of Schedule 02 Regulation 12.1.
- 9 Similarly, the **cancellation of the registrations of any offspring of the C-litter**, whether produced by any C-litter Dam, or by one of the C-litter Sires to another Dam, and informing the Registered Owners of all the implicated dogs (C-litter and their offspring) of the cancellations and the reason(s) therefor.

	<p>A list of the dogs of which the registrations have been cancelled as a result of the FAC Finding and Penalties is attached.</p> <p>For noting. Noted.</p>
7.1.3	<p>Case 2025-01 – Olivier vs Fyfe The Letter of Complaint and the Complainant's papers have been served on the Respondent by the KUSA Secretary. Noted. Answering papers have been received from the Respondent and the documentation is under consideration by the SCI. Noted.</p> <p>The proceedings were in progress.</p> <p>For noting. 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 – Irrechistabul Lady Chloe – Reg No. ZA010642B18 – DoB 15.12.2017. Litter of one (1) puppy – DoB 24.04.2023. Sire: Simfen Titan of Beleri – Reg No: ZA007746B18 Breeder – Mr JR Daniell. Affidavit and DNA parentage verification attached. Approved.</p>
8.2	Schedule 02 Reg. 4.10 – Dispensation for Registration of an Extraordinary Nature
	Nil.
8.3	Schedule 02 Reg. 9 – Amendments to Register
	Nil
8.4	Schedule 02 Reg.12 (12.2 to 12.5) – Adjudication for Registration
8.4.1	Regulation 12.2 – Litter whelped within 12 months of the date of birth of the Dam
	<p>Siberian Husky: Dam – Coldchain Cheyenne Legend – Reg. No. ZA010808B24 – DoB 17.10.2024. Litter of eight (8) puppies. DoB 04.08.2025 Breeder – Mrs RLE Partridge. Affidavit and DNA parentage verification received. Approved, with mandatory twelve (12) month moratorium on breeding with this Dam.</p>
8.4.2	Regulation 12.3 – Third litter whelped within 18 months
	<p>Bulldog: Dam – Shahika – Reg No ZA014693B21 – DoB 11.09.2021. Litter of six (6) puppies. Litters whelped: 25.08.2023 – 28.07.2024 – 22.01.2025. Breeder – Ms MA Spamer. Affidavit received. Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	<p>Dachshund (Miniature Long-haired): Dam – Simaxdal Nina Mae – Reg No ZA009421B22 – DoB 05.05.2022. Litter of three (3) puppies. Litters whelped: 29.08.2023 – 25.03.2024 – 18.02.2025.</p>

	<p><i>Breeder – Mr FS Botes.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	<p>Bouvier Des Flandres: <i>Dam – Moncher Halfretti of Wlotska – Reg No ZA001092C23 – DoB 05.06.2022.</i> <i>Litter of eight (8) puppies.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 10.04.2024 – 25.09.2024 – 08.05.2025.</i> <i>Breeder – Ms S de Jager.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	<p>Bull Terrier (Miniature): <i>Dam – Prue Venturesome of Sekekamma – Reg No ZA001070C23 – DoB 15.08.2022.</i> <i>Litter of six (6) puppies.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 04.02.2024 – 17.09.2024 – 04.05.2025.</i> <i>Breeder – Mr L van Vuuren.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	<p>Retriever (Golden): <i>Dam – Benhuizen Snowy – Reg No ZA002433B22 – DoB 03.06.2021.</i> <i>Litter of seven (7) puppies.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 26.03.2024 – 18.09.2024 – 01.04.2025.</i> <i>Breeder – Mr HB van der Westhuizen.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
	<p>French Bulldog: <i>Dam – Cron Blue Berry Muffin of Mannemoed – Reg No ZA005569B22 – DoB 14.02.2022.</i> <i>Litter of six (6) puppies.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 06.12.2023 – 02.11.2024 – 09.05.2025.</i> <i>Breeder – Mr SJC Welgemoed.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months as well as letter of warning to be sent to the breeder for repeated transgressions. Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st)</p>
8.4.3	<p>Regulation 12.4 – More than 5 litters whelped</p>
	<p>Shetland Sheepdog: <i>Dam: Wylwind I am Siabelle of Seliaville – Reg. No. ZA004434B20 – DoB 22.02.2020.</i> <i>Litter of three (3) puppies.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 23.10.2021 – 28.04.2022 – 09.03.2023 – 15.06.2024 – 17.12.2024 – 04.06.2025.</i> <i>Request permission to register a 6th litter and a third litter whelped within 18 months.</i> <i>Breeder – Ms S Jacobs.</i> <i>Affidavit and Vet report received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>

	<p>Rottweiler: Dam: Belvedior Bea of Vonskyzoza – Reg. No. ZA013534B18 – DoB 14.08.2018. Litter of five (5) puppies. Litters whelped: 29.01.2021 – 14.08.2021 – 25.09.2022 – 25.11.2023 – 09.06.2024 – 06.05.2025. Request permission to register a 6th litter. Breeder – Mr SP Olifant. Affidavit received. Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Staffordshire Bull Terrier: Dam: Bielliebong Phoebe Cleopatra Of Katicepente – Reg. No. ZA007744B19 – DoB 09.04.2019. Litter of three (3) puppies. Litters whelped: 11.10.2020 – 30.05.2021 – 07.01.2022 – 11.02.2023 – 29.03.2024 – 22.04.2025. Request permission to register a 6th litter. Breeder – Miss CG Robbins. Affidavit received. Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Giant Schnauzer: Dam: Scherzando Bellavere Bella – Reg. No. ZA007933B18 – DoB 21.12.2017. Litter of five (5) puppies. Litters whelped: 21.01.2020 – 16.07.2021 – 16.02.2022 – 08.09.2022 – 06.05.2024 – 12.05.2025. Request permission to register a 6th litter. Breeder – Mrs A Myburgh. Affidavit received. Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Pre-approval Request Rottweiler: Dam: Craffenheim I-Josy – Reg. No. ZA014605B18 – DoB 04.09.2018. Litters whelped: 13.11.2020 – 17.06.2021 – 08.11.2022 – 24.06.2023 – 19.06.2024 – TBC. Request permission to breed and register a 6th litter. Breeder – Mrs ML Crafford. Affidavit received. Approved, on condition that a veterinary report be submitted to KUSA, attesting to the fact that the Dam was in peak reproductive health. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: Pre-approval for 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Pre-approval Request Retriever (Golden): Dam: Lurasia Donna Dybbara of Dyrbaratassar– Reg. No. ZA011068B19 – DoB 01.03.2019. Litters whelped: 05.10.2020 – 02.10.2021 – 14.08.2022 – 22.07.2023 – 26.03.2025 – TBC. Request permission to breed and register a 6th litter. Breeder – Mrs S Roux. Affidavit received. Approved, on condition that a veterinary report be submitted to KUSA, attesting to the fact that the Dam was in peak reproductive health. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.4.4	Regulation 12.4 and 12.5 – Dam older than 8 years of age

	<p>Retriever (Golden): Dam: Benzalia Jana Of Gelukshoop – Reg. No. ZA004706B17 – DoB 10.01.2017. Litter of three (3) puppies. Litters whelped: 24.10.2018 – 10.03.2020 – 31.07.2021 – 15.05.2025. Request permission to register a litter from a dam older than 8. Breeder – Mr TCJ Carstens. Vet report received. Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: Litter whelped from a Dam older than 8 years. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
	<p>Belgian Shepherd (Malinois): Dam: Tnemesis Van 'T Ravenland – Reg. No. ZA001029C23 – DoB 21.10.2016. Litter of ten (10) puppies. Litters whelped: 17.03.2023 – 30.01.2025. Request permission to register a litter from a dam older than 8. Breeder – Mrs AM Pannaye. Vet report received. Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: Litter whelped from a Dam older than 8 years. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.5	AFFIX (KENNEL NAME) (Regulation 8)
8.5.1	<p>AFFIX – VON BULGARI – CHANGE OF GRANTEE Mr AS Botes has applied for a change of Grantee on his Affix – Von Bulgari. 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.” The KUSA Office therefore requests guidance from Exco as to whether we may proceed with the transaction and change sole Grantee to Mr Diedricks. Deferred for decision until the Appeal process for Disciplinary Case 2024-04 has been completed. Awaiting Appeal Hearing and Finding. Noted. To be carried forward to the next Agenda, pending outcome of Appeal. Noted. Carried forward to the next Agenda, pending outcome of appeal to be held on Thursday 17.07.2025.</p> <p>Following the hearing of the FAC on 17 July 2025, and the subsequent release of the Finding and Penalties (refer to Item 7.1.2 above), the motivation for the postponement of an Exco decision on the above matter was no longer valid.</p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>After discussion, it was decided to defer the decision to the next meeting of the Executive Committee, pending further consultation in terms of some concerns raised.</p> <p>Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p>
9.	SCHEDULE 03 MATTERS
9.1.	Temporary Exclusion Orders (Schedule 03 Reg. 14 & Reg. 19.8)

9.1.1	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – German Shepherd Dog (Langstockhaar) – Von Funtazia Kelmarin – Reg No. ZA011923B21</p> <p>The Office received a report regarding an incident of aggression that took place at the K9 Sport GSD Club Championship Show that took place on 22.06.2025. The Incident Report and Injured Party report is attached. Due to the close proximity the Office receiving this report to the population of the Exco 07-2025 Agenda, the Owner has been given until Exco 08-2025 to submit documentation.</p> <p>Preliminary TEO issued 08.07.2025.</p> <p>For Noting.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>No further correspondence received from the owner.</p> <p>Noted. Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p>
9.1.2	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – Shiba Inu – Vonspargs Ukei Leo – Reg No. ZA003026B25</p> <p>The Office received a report regarding an incident of aggression that took place at the Durban & Districts Kennel Club Championship Show that took place on 06.07.2025. The Incident Report and Judge's Affidavit is attached.</p> <p>Preliminary TEO issued 14.07.2025.</p> <p>For Noting.</p> <p>A response has been received from the Registered Owners (see attached)</p> <p>TEO confirmed.</p>
9.1.3	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – Retriever (Labrador) – Tapeatom Quincy – Reg No. ZA011890B22</p> <p>The Office has received a report regarding an incident of aggression that took place at the Kennel Association Non-championship Show on 01.12.2024. All relevant documentation was attached.</p> <p>TEO confirmed 21.01.2025.</p> <p>Letter confirming socialisation training completed attached.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
9.1.4	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – Spaniel (English Springer) – Tanjo War Lord – Reg No. ZA001466B18</p> <p>The Office has received a report regarding an incident of aggression that took place at the Western Cape Top Dog Invitational Show on 07.12.2024. All relevant documentation was attached.</p> <p>Preliminary TEO issued 20.12.2024.</p> <p>TEO to be issued.</p> <p>The handler of the dog at the time of the incident has subsequently submitted an affidavit. See attached.</p> <p>The matter was considered by Exco and it was decided that the decision made at Exco 01-2025 must stand.</p> <p>The Owner of the dog has submitted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An affidavit from Mrs R Cabion in support of having the TEO withdrawn - A request to complete the necessary training at Zimzala K9 Estate <p>The matter was considered by Exco and it was decided that the decision made at Exco 01-2025 must stand. Permission was, however, granted to complete the dog's training at the Zimzala K9 Estate on condition that all requirements are met as per the TEO Manual.</p> <p>A letter confirming training has been received from Zimzala K9 Estate, as well as proof of successful completion of the CGC Silver (attached). The Owner has requested to have the relevant Judges exams conducted at the Breede Rivier Vallei Kennel Club Non-championship Show on 24.08.2025.</p>

	Noted.
9.2	<p>Referral of TEO dogs to Fedco for Permanent Barring 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 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 disbaring. 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> <p>Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p> <p>As per Item 9.2 of Fedco 06-2025, all dogs with TEOs exceeding 12 months have been permanently barred from participation at Shows organised by KUSA or its affiliated Clubs.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>All Registered Owners have been informed accordingly.</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>7.1.1 When an entry is submitted to a show holding Club, the Registered Owner(s) declared on the Official Show Entry Form, shall be the Registered Owner(s) of the dog as recorded at the Kennel Union, or in a registry recognised via an agreement.</p>
9.4.1	<p>Murchu Brid Alainn of Chantichakti (ZA013336B19) Afghan Hound</p> <p>A Champion application was received for the abovementioned dog but it was noted that seven (7) of the eleven (11) CCs were made out in the name of a third party and not that of the Registered Owner.</p> <p>The Breeder transferred the dog into another member's name and the dog has subsequently been transferred twice, but never that of the third party</p> <p>In addition to the CCs required for the Champion application, six (6) BOB certificates and one CACIB was also provided all showing the incorrect Registered Owner.</p> <p>Exco decision required.</p> <p>To be carried forward to the next Agenda pending further investigation.</p> <p>Findings attached to the Agenda.</p> <p>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> <p>Awaiting further reports.</p>

	<p>It was noted that there were contradictory reports on how this entry was ultimately captured on ShowAssist, but no clear evidence has emerged on which to base a finding of extenuating circumstances by Exco. While this status prevails, the R500 Exco-imposed fine remains payable.</p>
9.4.2	<p>Chuck Bee Volstan's Line of Eldir Slie (Imp UKR) Jack Russel Terrier A Champion application was received for the abovementioned dog but it was noted that all five (5) of the CCs were made out in the name of only one owner whereas the dog was co-owned at the time. Exco decision required.</p> <p>After discussion, Exco concluded that, since an administrative error, not of the Registered Owner's doing, had occurred when the dog was initially captured on the ShowAssist database, an Exco-imposed fine would not be appropriate. The KUSA Office was requested to process the Champion Application.</p>
9.4.3	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 Regulations - Absentees Goldfields Supporter Club Southern Gauteng, Goldfields Supporter Club Northern Gauteng, Orion Kennel Club - 18-20.07.2025</p> <p>18. WITHDRAWAL FROM COMPETITION 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. 18.2 Withdrawal from competition at the Show is only permissible 18.2.1 when the Judge listed in the Schedule is changed; or 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. 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 18.3.1 the dog is excused or dismissed by the Judge for any reason whatsoever; or 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 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. 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. 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>

	<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.</p> <p>The following dogs failed to appear after being exhibited and promoted to the next level:</p> <p><u>Goldfields Supporter Club of S Gauteng</u> Dobermann ZA004649B25 – absent from Baby Puppy in Show (Awards – Best Baby Puppy, Baby Puppy in Group) Poodle (Toy) ZA007022B24 – absent from Junior in Show (Awards – CC, Best Junior, Best Junior in Group) French Bulldog ZA010226B24 – The Owner stated that the incorrect French Bull dog appeared in the catalogue and on the ring sheets. The Owner claimed that the bitch ZA010341B24 was the Puppy winner that progressed to and was placed in the Puppy Group, and not the dog that appeared in the catalogue. No evidence was given to the contrary, and the ring steward does not recall which dog appeared in the ring. (Awards [dog] – RCC, Best Puppy, 3rd Puppy in Group [bitch] - RCC)</p> <p><u>Goldfields Supporter Club of N Gauteng</u> Shetland Sheepdog ZA002951B24 – absent from Main Group (Awards – CC, BOB)</p> <p><u>Orion Kennel Club</u> Retriever (Golden) ZA002119B25 – absent from SA Bred Group (Awards - Best SA Bred) Weimaraner (Short-haired) ZA007643B23 - absent from SA Bred Group (Awards – CC, Best SA Bred, RBOB)</p> <p>Awards to be withdrawn for all dogs mentioned above, with the exception of the of the French Bulldog (ZA010226B24). NS was requested to obtain the Judge’s sheets on which the entry of the French Bulldog in question has been recorded and, if possible, to obtain affidavits from the Show Secretary and the Handler to establish what had occurred.</p>
9.4.4	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 Regulations – Deceased Owner Goldfields Supporter Club Southern Gauteng, Goldfields Supporter Club Northern Gauteng, Orion Kennel Club Western Gauteng Kennel Club 1, Western Gauteng Kennel Club 2 - 18-20.07.2025</p> <p>7. ENTRY FOR EXHIBITION <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> <i>All entries shall be submitted on an Official Show Entry Form (which includes the approved online electronic version thereof), fully completed and signed or, in the case of an online electronic entry, by acceptance of the Declaration. Any alteration or amendment to the Declaration on either version of the Official Show Entry Form shall invalidate the entry. The current Official Show Entry Forms shall be those appended to this Schedule as Appendix 3 and are the only valid forms for Show Entry purposes.</i></p>

	<p>The following two dogs in the Registered Ownership of deceased Member Mr RB Jenkins were entered and shown in the above five shows:</p> <p>ZA012657B20 Dachshund (Smooth-haired), the following awards won: Goldfields Supporter Club Southern Gauteng – Reserve Best of Breed Goldfields Supporter Club Northern Gauteng - none Orion Kennel Club – Best of Breed Western Gauteng Kennel Club 1 - Best of Breed Western Gauteng Kennel Club 2 - Best of Breed</p> <p>ZA002359B25 Dachshund (Smooth-haired), the following awards won: Goldfields Supporter Club Southern Gauteng - CC, Best Puppy, Best of Breed, Puppy Group 2nd Goldfields Supporter Club Northern Gauteng - CC, Best Puppy, Best of Breed, Puppy Group 4th Orion Kennel Club – CC, Best Puppy, Reserve Best of Breed, Puppy Group 3rd Western Gauteng Kennel Club 1 – CC, Best Puppy, Reserve Best of Breed, Puppy Group 3rd Western Gauteng Kennel Club 2 - CC, Best Puppy, Reserve Best of Breed, Puppy Group 3rd</p> <p>Awards to be withdrawn. NS was requested to write to the SA Dachshund Club, advising that the dogs may not be entered in All-breeds Championship Shows until such time as the Executor has been appointed and the ownership of the dogs, as determined in Mr Jenkins's Will, has been confirmed by the Executor.</p>
	MH excused herself from the meeting at this point as she was required to attend to urgent matters at work.
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>Border Dog Training Club 29-30.11.2025 The above Club has applied to hold a second Dogsport show to create a fuller weekend of Dogsports in East London. The pre-show penalty is R50. The 12-week cut-off date is 06.09.2025. Motivation attached. Approved.</p>
10.1.2	<p>Natal Sporting Hound Association 03.07.2026 The above Club has applied to hold a second Breed show in order to attract more exhibitors to their joint show weekend. Motivation attached. Approved.</p>
10.1.3	<p>KwaZulu-Natal Boxer Club 07.02.2026 The above Club has applied to hold a second Dogsport show in order to attract more exhibitors to their joint show weekend. Motivation attached. Approved.</p>
10.1.4	<p>KZN Dog Athletics Association 08.02.2026 The above Club has applied to hold a second Dogsport show in order to attract more exhibitors to their joint show weekend. Motivation attached.</p>

	Approved.
10.1.5	<p>Northern Areas Terrier Club 22.11.2025</p> <p><i>The above Club has applied to hold a second Breed show on a Cluster weekend in order to assist with their finances.</i></p> <p><i>The pre-show penalty is R300.</i></p> <p><i>The 12-week cut-off date is 30.08.2025.</i></p> <p><i>Motivation attached.</i></p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.6	<p>Pretoria Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club 06.12.2025</p> <p><i>The above Club has applied to hold a second Breed show at the Hobby Show in order to showcase the breed. The venue is Nasrec, Johannesburg Expo Centre.</i></p> <p><i>The pre-show penalty is R200.</i></p> <p><i>The 12-week cut-off date is 13.09.2025.</i></p> <p><i>Motivation attached.</i></p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.7	<p>Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of the Transvaal 07.12.2025</p> <p><i>The above Club has applied to hold a second Breed show at the Hobby Show in order to showcase the breed. The venue is Nasrec, Johannesburg Expo Centre.</i></p> <p><i>The pre-show penalty is R200.</i></p> <p><i>The 12-week cut-off date is 14.09.2025</i></p> <p><i>Motivation attached.</i></p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.2	Applications for Club Affiliation/Notification of Closure
10.2.1	<p>Notification of Club Closure</p> <p>Free State Kennel Club</p> <p><i>At their Special General Meeting held 13.05.2025, the members of the Club agreed to close the Club.</i></p> <p><i>Dissolution information & disbursement of funds received and attached to Agenda.</i></p> <p><i>See Item 10.3.1.</i></p> <p><i>The Financials submitted did not meet requirements for the dissolution of the Club.</i></p> <p><i>Carried forward to next Agenda.</i></p> <p><i>YJ to report back.</i></p> <p><i>YJ reported that feedback would be provided in the form of a readable report, based on information gathered from 2021 to 2025. MA requested PM is to contact the Club's Auditors to request their financial records.</i></p> <p><i>Carried forward to the next Agenda.</i></p> <p><i>See attached.</i></p> <p> </p> <p><i>YJ presented feedback on the report submitted and opined that it would be futile to pursue the matter further, and accept that the Club be closed. Since, according to Free State Kennel Club (FSKC), the surplus funds in the Club were destined to be paid to Sporting Dogs' Association (SDA), and in view of concerns raised by Exco, PM was of the view that, prior to closure, it could be established from SDA whether it had received the envisaged donation from FSKC and that, maybe, FSKC should be requested to provide KUSA with a Closing Bank Statement.</i></p> <p>Agreed.</p>
10.2.2	<p>Cape Welsh Corgi Club</p> <p><i>At their Special General Meeting held 03.07.2025, the members of the Club agreed to close the Club (see attached).</i></p> <p><i>At the request from MA, this item was carried forward to the next Agenda.</i></p>

	Noted. Confirmation received that the assets had been distributed in accordance with the decision taken at the SGM.
10.2.3	<p>Pomeranian Club of Gauteng <i>An email was received from the Chairman of the Northern Areas Provincial Council notifying that this Club would be closing. It currently consists of only one (1) member so is unable to fulfil its Constitutional requirements for closure. The last financial statements received (FY ending 2022) attached.</i></p> <p>LC expressed the view that, since the Club's funds have been exhausted and its membership was down to a single person, that there was no point in pursuing closing documentation from the Club. In any event, there was no chance of the Club paying its Affiliation Fees which, ultimately, would result in its disaffiliation anyway. It would just be prolonging an inevitability.</p> <p>The Exco members agreed that, due to the exceptional circumstances the Club found itself in, and that there seemingly was no alternative option, the notification of closure of Club be accepted.</p>
10.3	<p>Postponement of Show due to circumstances beyond the Club's control Schedule 07 14.3.8 Amendment or alteration to a Non-Championship Licence already issued R 366,00 Matrix GSD Western Cape – 28 September 2025 <i>The above Club is applying for an amended licence by seeking dispensation from the above regulation due to circumstances beyond their control. Their scheduled Breed Show date was 13 July 2025, and their proposed new date is 28 September 2025. Letter from the City of Cape Town attached.</i></p> <p>Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p> <p>Given the imminent effective date of a regulatory change not to penalise Clubs that are forced to change venues/dates due to circumstance beyond their control, and the fact that Fedco had authorised refunds to the Clubs which had been penalised, during 2025, under the present Regulation as an act of goodwill towards affected Clubs, Exco authorised that the payment made by Matrix GSD Western Cape be refunded by the KUSA Office.</p>
10.4	Club Constitutions
10.4.1	<p>Central Free State Bull Terrier Club <i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 29.06.2025.</i> Noted.</p>
10.4.2	<p>Liesbeek Kennel Club <i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 23.07.2025.</i> Noted</p>
10.4.3	<p>SA Short-legged & Working Terrier Club <i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 24.08.2024.</i> Noted.</p>
10.4.4	<p>Western Province Boxer Club <i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 15.04.2025.</i> Noted.</p>
10.4.5	<p>Western Province Bull Terrier Club <i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 22.07.2025. The Cape Heritage Bull Terrier Club is objecting to a second Multi-breed Specialist Club in the Western Cape (see attached).</i> The objection was considered but found that there were no grounds for refusal. Noted and approved.</p>

10.4.6	Western Province Kennel Club <i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 10.06.2025.</i> Noted.
10.5	OTHER
10.5.1	KUSA CLASSIC
10.5.1.1	KUSA CLASSIC 2025 (Cape Town)
	KUSA CLASSIC 2025 KUSA CLASSIC DOGSPORT 2025 – Agility, Dog Jumping, Rally Dog, Obedience, Flyball, Carting 31 Oct – KUSA Championship Show 01 Nov – KUSA National Event 01 Nov – FCI International Agility Show
10.5.2	KUSA National Dogsport Events 2025 (held independently)
	<i>KUSA National Tracking Trials & KUSA Championship Show – Week 38 – 20-21 September 2025, Gauteng</i>
10.5.4	KUSA Classic 2026 – Gauteng, hosted by NAPC
	<i>Week 22 – Gauteng.</i>
10.5.5	KUSA CLASSIC DOGSPORT 2026 – Gauteng Week 17 – KUSA Championship Show & KUSA National Event – Dog Jumping & Agility Week 18 - KUSA Championship Show & KUSA National Event – Dog Dancing Week 22 - KUSA Championship Show & KUSA National Event - Rally Dog, Obedience, Flyball, Carting Week 22 – FCI International Agility Show. <i>As the licence-holder of Events constituting the KUSA Classic, the above dates need to be confirmed with the Federal Council.</i> For noting and appropriate action. Noted.
10.5.6	KUSA Classic 2027 – Gauteng
	<i>Week 22 – Gauteng (To be confirmed.)</i>
10.6	Kennel Association - Dispensation Request – Championship Show 28.02.2026 24.2.6 The various Best in Show Challenges, whether at a Group, multiple Group or All-Breeds Championship Show, shall be judged by the same Judge. <i>The above Club is requesting dispensation from Schedule 03, Regulation 24.2.6, as in previous years. The Finals Judge will also be Judging the Kennel Association Supreme Competition, therefore the Club wishes to replace the Puppy and Junior in Show Judge with Mr J de Abreu Marques.</i> <i>Motivation attached.</i> Approved with no objections.
10.7	Postponement of Show due to circumstances beyond the Club's control Schedule 07 14.3.8 Amendment or alteration to a Non-Championship Licence already issued R 366,00 Cape Rottweiler Club 09.08.2025 <i>The above Club applied to move their Working Trials Show by one day to 10.08.2025 due to excessive rain. They would like the Amendment Fee waived as per the other Clubs in 2025.</i>

	<i>E-mail and photograph attached.</i> Approved. Amendment Fee waived.
11.	JUDGES
11.1	Judges Education Council (JEC)
	Nil
11.2	Judges who have become inactive/retired/deceased <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>
	Nil.
11.3	Judges who have passed exams/assessments
	It was noted that Ms ML Tregoning name had, inadvertently, not been asterisked in the published Minutes of Exco 07-2025, thereby not acknowledging the distinction she had obtained in the June 2025 JEC Exams for the Junior Showmanship paper. This omission has been rectified in the Minutes. Noted.
11.4	Judges who have become licensed
	<i>Mrs H Potgieter (WC) – Carting</i> <i>Mrs N Moss (EC) – Hoopers</i> <i>Mrs SJ van Niekerk (EC) – Utility Group</i> Noted with congratulations.
11.5	Helpers, Stewards and other Ring Officials
11.5.1	IGP Tutor Helpers accepted by the National IGP Sub-Committee
	Nil.
12.	PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS
12.1	Districts Of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council
	<i>Meeting held 10.06.2025. Minutes awaited.</i> <i>[Note: Unconfirmed Minutes of the DOGSPC Ordinary Meeting held 10.06.2025 via Zoom circulated 15.07.2025. Quorum present.]</i> Deferred to the Exco 08-2025 for noting. Noted.
12.2	KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council
12.2.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the KZNPC Ordinary meeting held 16.07.2025 via Zoom.</i> <i>Circulated. 15.08.2025.</i> <i>Quorum present.</i> Noted.
12.3	Northern Areas Provincial Council
	Nil.
12.4	Western Cape Provincial Council
12.4.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the WCPC Ordinary meeting held 21.07.2025 via Zoom.</i> <i>Circulated 15.08.2025.</i> Noted.
12.5	Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council
	Nil.
12.6	Free State & Northern Cape Provincial Council
	Nil.
13.	BREED COUNCILS/LIAISON COUNCILS
13.1	Federation of Boxer Clubs of Southern Africa Breed Council
	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the Federation of Boxer Clubs Breed Council AGM held 19.11.2024.</i>

	<i>Circulated 13.08.2025.</i> Noted.
13.2	Field Trial Liaison Council
13.2.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the Field Trial Liaison Council meeting held 08.07.2025 via MS Teams.</i> <i>Circulated 28.07.2025.</i> Noted.
13.3	German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council
13.3.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the GSD Liaison Council Minutes held 02.06.2025.</i> <i>Circulated 04.08.2025.</i> Noted.
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)
	Nil.
14.3	Carting
	Nil.
14.4	Dog Dancing (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.5	Dog Jumping
	Nil.
14.6	FCI-IGP
	Nil.
14.7	Flyball
	Nil.
14.8	Hoopers
	Nil.
14.9	Obedience
	Nil.
14.10	Rally Dog
	Nil.
14.11	Temperament Testing – Health
	Nil.
14.12	Tracking Trials (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.13	Trick Dog
	<p><i>The Evaluators would like to share some feedback received recently from an entry submitted via The Underdog Project in Cape Town:</i></p> <p><i>“We are incredibly proud of Ethan and his canine partner, Duke, for achieving their KUSA Elementary Trick Title. Ethan, an individual with autism, has been working with The Underdog Project since November last year. Over the past several months, he has dedicated himself to training Duke with patience, care, and continuous determination.</i></p> <p><i>Although Ethan has faced many challenges in his life, including being unable to complete high school, he has shared just how much this achievement means to him. Earning his certificate and rosette was no small feat, and even after needing to resubmit, Ethan persisted and saw it through.</i></p> <p><i>His hard work, resilience, and the beautiful bond he shares with Duke are truly inspiring. We are so proud of him and honoured to be part of his journey.”</i></p>

	<p>In addition, the organisation let us know “that Ethan had been talking about this for weeks. As someone who didn’t get the chance to graduate high school, he’s often mentioned that he’s never received a certificate for passing anything, so this will be incredibly meaningful to him. Thank you so much for your time and patience. It truly means a lot.”</p> <p>Noted.</p>
14.14	Working Trials (Classic) & Working Utility Dog
	Nil.
14.15	Other
	Nil.
14.15.1	Aptitude Testing
	Nil.
14.15.2	Mondioring
	Nil.
14.15.3	Rescue Dog
	Nil.
15.	ANY OTHER MATTERS
15.1	<p>Terrier Judging ramp/table brought forward by MA</p> <p><i>At a recent show, a foreign judge requested the use of a ramp when judging Staffordshire Bull Terriers. The standard FEDCO-approved letter that clubs should send to contracted judges includes the following wording:</i></p> <p><i>“... our Club would obviously appreciate you not using a table, or ramp, when judging these breeds.”</i></p> <p><i>This language is advisory and expresses a preference only. It does not create an obligation, and a club cannot insist that a judge refrain from using a table or ramp. The decision remains at the judge’s discretion, consistent with existing practice in South Africa where these breeds are traditionally examined on the ground.</i></p> <p><i>Please also note that this advisory letter is usually sent after contracts have been signed (the office prompts clubs when the show licence is issued), so it cannot retrospectively impose a condition of appointment.</i></p> <p><i>Current position: Judge’s discretion prevails. Clubs are encouraged to (politely) remind judges of the South African preference for ground examination but must accept the judge’s chosen method (ground, table, or ramp) unless a different arrangement was explicitly agreed in writing at the time of contracting.</i></p> <p><i>Possible Action: Proposal for Amendment to Judges’ Contract</i></p> <p><i>In light of the above, it is proposed that consideration be given to amending the standard judges’ contract to address this matter more directly. Specifically, a clause could be included—possibly in the form of a check-box—worded as follows:</i></p> <p><i>If contracted to judge Bull Terriers and/or Staffordshire Bull Terriers, I hereby confirm that I am able and willing to assess these breeds on the ground, in accordance with the tradition followed in South Africa. This would allow clubs to establish clarity on the matter at the time of contracting, while still respecting the judge’s autonomy and ensuring alignment with local custom where possible. It will also give them the power to hold the judge to the agreed ‘judging method’.</i></p>

	After discussion, it was agreed to accept MA's offer to draft a proposal to amend the Judges' Contract, which would be submitted by Exco to the Federal Council for consideration.
16.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	<p>16 September 2025</p> <p>NP tendered his apologies for Exco 09-2025 as he would be overseas.</p> <p>There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 15h05 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 of Exco present.]</p>