



Minutes of the Executive Council meeting

Held at

Brentwood Hotel

Kilbirnie, WELLINGTON

on

June 22, 2018

1. INTRODUCTION/MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)

Geoff Collins (GC) Chairperson
 Stephen Meredith (SM)
 Lisa Slade (LS)
 Maree McKenzie (MMcK)

Bevan Dale (BD)
 Karen McIntyre (KM)
 Steve Tate (ST)
 Keith Brown (KB)

STAFF (AND SUB-COMMITTEES)

Peter Dunne (PD) – Director Secretary
 Becky Murphy (BM) – CH&W Officer

Graeme Sugden (GS) – Treasurer

APOLOGIES

Nigel Trainor (NT)
 Beth Warman (BW)

Clinton Hoeben (CH)
 Steve Tate (ST) 20 minutes late due to flight arrival time

Moved MMcK; Seconded KB – Accepted

WELCOME

GC welcomed all to the meeting and made special mention of Maree McKenzie & Steve Tate with it being the last meeting of this term for both of them.

LATE ITEMS FOR AGENDA (under General Business)

Health & Safety plans -- SM
 Venue 10 year plans -- SM

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved LS; Seconded BD – Adopted

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI)

Updates provided by GC, KMcl, SM & LS. PD to action.
 SM declared COI re Wairarapa KA request for judge to do BIS in November.

EMAIL VOTES

Five since April 7/8 meeting

1. Dog on report
2. Number of Championship Shows
3. Weighing of Miniature Dachshunds
4. July meeting venue
5. NDS Funding application

Moved KB; Seconded LS – Ratified

OBITUARIES

Uma Bell (Pukekohe), Tracey Anderson (Carterton), Osborne (Ozzie) Poultney (Blenheim), Irene Thomson (Tokomaru), Phillip Campbell (Auckland), Carol Fleet (Marton), Manu Harris (Christchurch), Kim Crysell (Otaki), Maisie Grose (Ashburton) & Richard Merralls (Masterton).

The meeting noted with regret the passing of Uma, Tracey, Ozzie, Irene, Phillip, Carol, Manu, Kim, Maisie and Richard.

CORRECTIONS/CONFIRMATION OF FEBRUARY 24/25, 2018 MINUTES

Minutes taken as read.

Moved MMcK; Seconded KMcl – Ratified

Matters arising

- Marlborough KA never received voting material relating to ACOD – office to make contact re address held on the Registry.
- The low vote for EC members was noted (2018 – 78 clubs voted; 2017 – 109 clubs)

Moved LS; Seconded BD – minutes confirmed

2. IMPORTANT ITEMS

2018 ACOD PREVIEW

- Presenters were confirmed for the 8 remits and 1 recommendation
- Feedback had been received on Remit 7 and consequently PD & ST will draft an amendment.
- As had applied in 2017 EC members acknowledged their interest or not in standing for Vice President appointments.
- Noted that any queries re the Museum Trust should be directed to KB.

ADVOCACY

NT had presented Executive Council and PD with a paper to be tabled and discussed then placed on upcoming agendas in relation to the number of groups either working individually or collectively on canine health and welfare issues. In the first instance PD had responded as to the current position on advocacy from a Dogs NZ perspective. NT recommended that a Vice-President should be appointed to lead the overall review.

NEW TAIL DOCKING REGULATIONS

KMcl tabled a schedule of the impact on registrations in NSW in 2005 when the tail docking ban was introduced in Australia. Dogs NZ is currently seeing a spike in registrations etc. prior to the ban being introduced on 1 October in NZ. This will likely balance out the fall-off post that date. The NSW situation and what happens post 1 October in NZ will set the scene for the 2019/2020 budget preparations.

ANIMAL WELFARE HUI

A report was tabled on the Hui as attended by PD, BM & BW representing Dogs NZ. PD & BM spoke on behalf of our active, healthy and well-mannered dogs and the associated programmes and activities. The Hui had been called by the Hon. Meka Whaitiri who promised to report back by June 30. The Minister approached Dogs NZ at the conclusion of the meeting and expressed an interest to meet.

DOG BEHAVIOUR AT A CLUB LEVEL

Dogs NZ is in receipt of a formal appeal from a non-member regarding the decision made by a member club in relation to a dog bite incident. A copy of the relevant section of the Dogs NZ regulation confirmed that a non-member could make the appeal as lodged. In the first instance PD will meet with the appellant. The club in question also wishes to meet with Dogs NZ to review the process they followed. GC will form part of the review from a DOC and club perspective.

CH&W REGISTRATION LEVY

BW tabled a paper recommending a \$2 levy be implemented per dog registration and suggested a "charitable trust" be established for such a fund. It was noted that BW's original recommendation tabled in November had been accepted in part with the \$2 levy being accepted and referred to CH&W for priority in relation to the use of the funds. Consequently, a full budget had been developed to, in the main, support current initiatives. The meeting requested that the levy be shown separately in the accounts.

2019 NDS

Copies of recent correspondence 1) confirmation to Marlborough District Council of Executive Council decision to award NDS to Blenheim and 2) draft press release announcing the decision. KMcl & SM asked to sight a copy of the budget and business plan. PD to check February papers and report back. Press release to be placed in the Dog World if possible and/or on the website.

3. COMPLAINTS/DISPUTES

SEYMOUR V CLARKE/PURCELL V CLARKE

Copies of recent correspondence were tabled for Executive Council's information. The Disputes Committee had recommended a suspension period of 1 month be imposed on Lea Clarke in relation to the complaint laid by Colin Seymour a visiting Australian judge and this was further increased to two months in light of the second complaint. A letter of apology had been received and forwarded to Mr. Seymour.

DOGS NZ V VOLKERSON KENNELS

The Volkerson kennel name remains suspended as it has not met all of the paperwork requirements set to lift the suspension.

4. OFFICE REPORTS

DIRECTOR/SECRETARY REPORT

- As noted under "Advocacy" PD tabled a four page report reflecting on the current position and in particular in relation to the recent visit by Cindy Stansell and having attended the Animal Welfare Hui.
- New members now receive an automated, personalised email when joining on-line.
- The club area of the website has been transitioned over and is being worked on. The final section i.e. the member's area will be commenced post the 2018 NDS
- The 2018 NDS website and Facebook page have been activated.
- Members are tending to leave it to the last minute to register dogs to enter shows (formerly NAF/RAF's). These are being acted upon in good faith during a bedding down period but at some point consideration of a same day service fee will likely see it implemented. No issues are now being raised by the show secretary's.
- Dogs on Report endorsements have been implemented on the Registry as a notification instrument. Office to consider implementation of a system whereby dogs are only able to be entered in events they are eligible for.
- Mercury IT continue to make improvements to the Registry as timetabled by the office. We are very close to finalising the printing of health results of the pedigree papers for Labradors. Once done further breeds will be added.
- A copy of the latest NZCAC was included in the papers for EC's information.
Report received; Moved KB: Seconded; LS – received

TREASURER'S REPORT

GS in attendance (Treasurer)

- The April financial reports (summarised) were included in the EC papers. The A&R Sub-committee had previously received the full set of papers.
Report received; Moved SM: Seconded; GC – approved
- The May financial reports had been finalised with the A&R Sub-committee having been provided with the full set of papers and GS spoke to these.
 - Income (YTD) is up \$31,856 and Expenditure is up -\$6,378 so overall positive to budget by \$25,478.
 - \$16,866 of the positive variance applies to NZKC and \$7,229 to Gazette.
 - Of the \$16,866 in NZKC \$11,071 is attributable to registry fees.
 - Total cash at 30 May is \$1,296K
 Report received; Moved: KMcl: Seconded BD – received

CANINE HEALTH & WELFARE OFFICER

Report provided by Dr. Becky Murphy (in attendance)

- DNA testing – whilst excellent (and increasing) service is being provided by Massey Uni there have been 5-6 examples of teething problems with overseas labs which need to be worked through.
- BWG – key action for the 4 breed representatives is to discuss LRL implementation for breathing assessment with breeders. Will look to table drafts at July EC meeting.
Moved: ST: Seconded LS – passed

- Draft Position statements were tabled on 1) De-sexing of dogs and 2) Breeding (of dogs). PD noted concern that the Dogs NZ (and NZVA) positions on de-sexing varies significantly from that of NZCAC. The BCOE review and the Breeding position statement need to be aligned and released together.
- There are now 16 Breed Health Liaison Officers in place. The Rottweiler breeders are in the process of developing and LRL proposal.
- BM now appointed to the NZVA CAV (Companion Animal Veterinarians) Executive.
- Presented on 3 topics at the NZVA Annual Conference and papers will be made available shortly to the Dogs NZ membership.
- Working closely with the SPCA Inspectorate arm on a canine health & welfare case.
- Attended Animal Welfare Hui with PD & BW.
- Looking to establish date for next CH&W Comm. meeting prior to July, EC meeting.
Report received; Moved ST: Seconded; KB – received

EVENTS & ADMINISTRATION COORDINATOR (2018 NDS)

- Schedule in June Dog World and entries open (am & pm grooming spots)
- Judging timetable finalised
- Amish Challenge in place – timetabled for Friday evening
- All stall spaces sold
- Funding appln lodged with PCC
- Lynley Bray acting as Parking Manager.
- JDS Finals in Ring 1 on Day 1 – Family Day
- Timing of JDH Final to be considered i.e. start time

Report received; Moved: KB: Seconded LS – received

DOG WORLD REPORT

Report provided by Frances Phillips (and GS) to May 31, 2018.

- A breakdown of advertising from 2017 & 2018 was set out.
- Financial results for EOY to March 31, 2018 showed surplus of \$35,005 - \$12,568 in excess of budgeted figure.
- The financial results to the end of May are also positive with income up on budget +\$2,867 as is expenditure (+\$4,362) giving overall positive result of \$7,229.
- Wrapper run figures provided (mail list for printers). June figure at 4,153 was consistent with May (4,155) and best since September, 2017.
- David Farrant (PMP Print) called in for catch-up. Contract due for review on 1.07.19.

Report received; Moved KB: Seconded; ST – received

Quality of magazine was noted by LS & other EC members.

BM and/or FP to contact Breed Health Liaison Officers for information/articles.

CLUB & MEMBERSHIP MANAGER (Colleen Begg)

- SI Collie Club AGM held with Bernard Fears appointed as Chair. Officers now in place and club has applied for and been granted a show licence on 17.11.18.
- Club accounts were emailed on 10 April. 72 accounts outstanding at time of writing – 41 at same time last year.
- Recommendation that two Show Dogs Stewards Assn's be removed from list of clubs to be held over until July meeting i.e. post Blue Skies presentation and discussion.
- Wairarapa KA – request under Show Reg. 4.3.1 for Noreen Clarke of Ireland to judge BIS at their 3rd show in November. The only 2 All Breed judges are judging other BIS's. Noted that she has judged BIS at FCI events.

Moved LS: Seconded; MMcK – passed

- North Shore KA & Northland Canine Assn served notice of intention to combine resources. Recommendation to disaffiliate Northland Canine Assn with assets being passed to North Shore KA

Moved KB: Seconded; ST – passed

Recommendation to rename North Shore KA to North Harbour KA

Moved KB: Seconded; ST – passed

- North Otago DTC. Concern had been raised by club members that rule changes were forced on them unconstitutionally. Club was advised by Dogs NZ that they believed the allegations were well founded. Wayne Grant (AC) accepted an invitation to attend the meeting and his report is imminent.

Report received; Moved MMcK: Seconded; ST – received

Dogs on Report:

Federal Star of Justice JD RN 02922-2015 Pyrenean Sheepdog Long Haired - owned by T Page

Following a successful appeal in April and EC supporting the action being proposed by the owner a favourable report has been received from an animal behaviourist. A temperament test is now being arranged which will likely precede an application being made to EC for consideration to be given for the dog being able to enter fixtures whilst under observation.

Waitoha Flow Like Bowie 04358-2016 Border Collie - owned by H Crengle

This dog has now completed all observations without incident and the owner has been advised it is no longer on report.

Oakway Urban Angel 02718-2016 German Shepherd Dog owned by R, R & L Halliwell

This bitch has now completed all observations without incident and with no further requirements or conditions imposed the owner has been advised it is no longer on report.

CH Raccade Mac The Knife 00747-2014 Rottweiler owned by A & E Grigg

Report received from Show Secretary from Wanganui KS from their shows of 24/25 March, 2018. Alleged that the dog lunged at a puppy with the handler being left with a puncture wound and scratches to her leg. Given the dog's previous history EC agreed that the dog was not eligible to be shown at any Dogs NZ fixture. The owners have been advised accordingly and the communication has set out their right to appeal the decision within a 28 day period.

Online Show Programme – Endorsements

Noted again the introduction of endorsements for dogs on report and dogs under observation. The first endorsement will not allow dogs to be entered in Dogs NZ fixtures. The second endorsement will allow entry and initiate an email alert to Dogs NZ, the show secretary and the owner of the dog when it is entered in a Dogs NZ fixture.

Correspondence

Copies of correspondence were tabled as follows:

- Letter in support of an owner, from the dog's breeder, on the manner of the reporting of the incident. Consequently, the relevant minutes were read to EC and a report was also included in the papers from Colleen Begg to include the timelines. Having read the minutes EC did not agree with the sentiment expressed in the letter.
- No response has been received from a member in relation to the question raised in the Dogs NZ letter of 10 May enquiring if the menacing order on a dog has been lifted by the Auckland City Council. PD is to act on the instruction as set out in the letter.
- No report has been received by Colleen Begg from a 27 April letter sent to a member with an EC recommendation. PD to follow up.

Report received: Moved: LS: Seconded KB – received

5. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT & RISK

Report provided by Ann Coulson (Chairperson)

- Positive start to new financial year. Disappointed that a sub-committee had not lodged accounts in time for inclusion in the April accounts.

- Noted breach of policy by a sub-committee, as reported by auditors, reinforcing the need for all policies to be provided to all sub-committees.
- Also noted auditor's requirement to have sponsorship presented in the accounts in a manner understandable to users.
- Complimented GS on production of clear accounts and clean audit.
Report received; Moved SM: Seconded; LS – received

DISPUTES (nothing to report)

IT & COMMUNICATIONS

Report provided by Geoff Collins

- Member and club log-in sections of website now using secure https protocol
- Move to have passwords no longer kept and stored unencrypted by Dogs NZ is a good one to protect the security of the membership. Ideally there will be minimum format requirements for passwords. PD to review for new members.
Report received; Moved GC: Seconded; KMCl – received

AGILITY

Reports provided by Bevan Dale (EC representative) & Carl Ranford (NZDAC Chair)

- Judges sub-committee recommendation:
 - Promotion to Agility panel
Lloyd Pallesen
Moved KB: Seconded; LS – ratified
- Agility in schools project – have two clubs operating in schools (Hamilton & Lincoln) supported by local agility clubs and serving as feeders to the clubs. Very positive.
- Approved in principle to add a JDT team to inter-zone competition at NZDAC
- Cromwell selected as venue for 2019 NZDAC
- Consultation just completed on heights review on jumps. Report to follow
- First accredited equipment supplier status just awarded. Removes initial COF requirement before being used by clubs.
- Good attendance at open forum held in ChCh.
- PD had written formally to AC on a specific financial matter but response in report deemed to be generic. A further letter was sent and meeting agreed that the AC Treasurer will consult with GS on the matter.
- Regulation changes – draft changes were set out in the papers pertaining to the AC election process. PD had noted some suggestions and will send these to BD for consideration by AC.
- Ian Gray – further to previous discussion of Ian's contribution to agility it has been decided to produce a video chronology of the history of the sport. Agreed that Dogs NZ will contribute \$500 towards the video production subject to AC contributing the same.
Moved SM: Seconded; KB – passed
Report received; Moved KB: Seconded; LS – received

2018 NZDAC

- Making very good progress with all ribbons/classes sponsored and a \$1,500 kennel & run donated to raffle.
- Pub Charity grant declined but another to be lodged with Trillian Trust. Funding appln lodged with Manawatu District Council.
- Camping sites filling (unbudgeted income) and the 8 stall spaces are all sold
- Agility Stuff, Andrew Mitchell & Turner Way Tunnels are sponsoring a good deal of equipment all of which is able to be sold post event.
- Large TVs for displaying results have proven to be too expensive to hire. PD advised Dogs NZ has a 70" screen that can be utilised.
- On track for successful and profitable NZDAC
Report received; Moved BD: Seconded; GC – received

OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE

Report provided by Geoff Collins (Chairperson)

- Next meeting is on Sunday, 24 June - post ACOD.
- Deputy Region reps elected – Northern/Karen Browning, Central/Sue Bingham (by vote) & Southern/Richard van den Bos.
- Mark Vette engaged as key instructor for CGB Conference on July 22 in Wellington
- 2019 NDS – preliminary discussions held with Blenheim & Nelson DT clubs re running of obedience (and agility) event/s. Favourable response but more detail requested.
- Rotorua DTC sought permission from DOC (granted) to bring Nicky Hale from England out to judge at their show in January in 2019. Ratification sought:
Moved GC: Seconded; SM – ratified
- Regulation changes (from April voting round) to become effective 30 June, 2018 were set out in the papers. Changes will be highlighted in August Dog World.
Moved GC: Seconded; KB – passed
Report received; Moved GC: Seconded; KB – received

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

Written report provided by Rosemary Cleator (Chairperson)

- Office assisting with setting up of CGC/CGB Conference – 21/22 July. Encourage EC members to attend and hoping for breed club participation as well.
- Promotion starts at the top – EC members also encouraged to put their dogs through CGB.
- 2018 NDS – awaiting detail re CGC/CGB involvement.
- Looking forward to CGB presentation at ACOD and subsequent breed club involvement.

Report received: Moved GC; Seconded BD – received

NZDJA

Reports provided by Ray Greer (President), Kaye Finlayson (Vice-President) & Debbie Hull (Secretary).

- No face to face meeting held since April but tele-conference conducted in interim.
- Practicing certificate concept has been well received. As a one off the application date was extended in 2018 but in future closing date will mirror others i.e. 21 January
- Written examinations were all done in-house and were also well received.
- Get together being held at ACOD to discuss practical examinations to ensure uniformity and identification of experienced examiners.
- NZDJA Annual Conference being held on Sunday, 24 June with theme of "History of the Breed – Form & Function".
- Two notifications were received of judges approved to be added to the Specialist Judges Panel (7 & 1 judge/s respectively). It was noted that the criteria was changed on 1/10/2017 and PD is to enquire of the process followed in relation to the change and associated communication. Ratification of judges to be placed on panels being held over.
- A copy of a late (for April meeting) letter was included in the EC papers for councillor's information.

Reports received; Moved: KB: Seconded KMcl – received

BREED STANDARDS

Report provided by Martin Hewitt (Chairperson)

- Submission received regarding the Portuguese Water Dog - a request that the current Standard be amended to allow for a scissor bite. This would mean taking the mouth definition from the FCI Standard and placing it in that of The Kennel Club Standard as recognised by Dogs NZ. It is not the policy of the committee to recommend an amendment to small parts of a Standard.

Recommendations:

1. That the application be declined in its current form
2. That the applicant be advised that a further application to replace the current Standard with that of the FCI Standard would be considered but such change would need to have the support of most of the breeders/exhibitors in New Zealand.

Moved: KB; Seconded KMcl – passed

MUSEUM TRUST (nothing to report)

FORRESTER PARK

Report provided by Anne McLachlan (Chairperson).

- Planning for August Benefit Shows well underway.
- Louise Thompson-Parker appointed to FPMC
Moved: BD: Seconded MMcK – ratified
- Good deal of work completed or underway on exterior lighting, signage and planting.
- OKA donated \$1,000 towards the purchase of a new fridge
- Poultry Club, Archery Club and dog training have used or are using hall of late
- Apology lodged for ACOD (overseas) with David Richards & Dianne Sprott attending.

Report received. Moved KB; Seconded LS – received

AUCKLAND PROPERTY GROUP

Report provided by Christine Wood (Chairperson)

- Work now completed addressing the roofing issue at the right end of the toilet block which was also impacting on the Manukau DTC rooms. Internal re-lining of the walls and painting of the MDTC rooms is now underway with the club volunteering to pay for the paint and new carpet and to undertake the work involved.
- Slow leak in the kitchen of the rental property has been repaired at low cost.
- Move to Xero (financial system) now completed and handover of Treasurer duties from Sonia Nicholson to Gay Meredith is underway.
- Carpark invoice sales & payments have been brisk – thanks to Bevan Thorby and Gael Sharp.
- Looking to replace old gazebos and are seeking donations to offset the cost.
- June Benefit Shows showed profit of about \$6.5k. Thanks to Show Manager, Peter Wallace and the judges, stewards and volunteers.

Report received. Moved SM; Seconded KB – received

JUNIOR DOG TRAINING (JDT)

Report provided by Sallie Remon (Chairperson)

- Delighted with the in principle decision to have a JDT team in the inter-zone team event at NZDAC.
- Looking at possibility to send a Junior team to ANKC Nationals in 2022
- 2016 Camp organisation well underway – Sunday, January 20 to Friday, January 25 in ChCh. Top UK Obedience trainer attending. Fund raising Obedience & Agility Ribbon Trial being held on Saturday, 19 January. Other fundraising initiatives underway and/or planned.
- Three JDT members, Jess Tansey, Jake Remon and Erin Ball are now involved in Agility judging.

Report received. Moved KB; Seconded LS – received

JUNIOR DOG SHOWING (JDS)

- The eight JDS coordinators currently in place were listed in the papers. Expressions of interest are also being sought in the July edition of the Dog World.
- All (8) coordinators have received appropriate branding by way of Black Hawk & JDS core-flutes
- Margaret Rayner assisting with 2018 JDS Finals being held in Ring 1 on Day 1 of NDS

- Recommended changes to JDS (and JDT) appointment process/es to be tabled at July meeting.

Report received. Moved LS; Seconded ST – received

JUNIOR DOG HANDLER (JDH)

Report provided by Kirsty Hubbard (Coordinator)

- Two heats to be completed before Finals @ NDS. The number of entries were listed as per completed heat.
- Three judges confirmed and contracted for Finals. Early in the morning start signalled. Comment made re “later the better” and PD to take up with KH.
- Good interest already from clubs interested in staging heats in 2019/2020.
- Would like to see increase in the number of JDH qualified judges.
- Looking to revamp JDH section of Junior Showmanship Manual and have a stand-alone section available for judges.
- Reported on cancellation of a heat in 2018 and reasoning behind it.

Report received. Moved BD; Seconded KMCl – received

6. REGULATIONS

REGISTRATION REGULATION 11 – KENNEL NAMES

A late recommendation was received from Rotorua KA for the 2018 ACOD. The club was advised that their letter would be tabled and discussed at Executive Council's June 22 meeting. The recommendation related to disciplinary action being taken for breaches of the BCOE and that the code itself be amended to allow for kennel inspections for a kennel notifying more than six litters in any twelve month period. Executive Council supported the points made in principle and requested that they be referred to the CH&W Committee. The Dogs Qld position will be ascertained at the July meeting where their CEO will be present. PD reported that the new kennel name standards allow for the inspection of kennels and this will be reviewed and discussed further in July.

DOGS NZ CONTRACT

A proposal was received from a member offering to have their firm provide a formal proposal to provide a more detailed contract. Executive Council agreed that this would be better directed at the membership and the member may wish to take out an ad in the Dog World to promote the initiative.

7. REGISTRY

BREEDERS CODE OF ETHICS BREACH

An appeal was lodged following a breach under the BCOE and in this instance as more than two litters had been bred from the same bitch within 18 months. It was agreed that the breach would be treated in the same manner as applied in the last two cases - the breeder would be advised:

1. The appeal was declined
2. That the penalty system applying to breaches of the BCOE is being reviewed and should changes be made then they would be offered to the breeder.

Moved LS; Seconded MMCK – passed

REGISTRATION REGULATION APPEAL

An appeal was lodged under Registration Regulation 4.4 against the decision not to accept a litter notification as it did not bear the signatures of both sire and dam owners. Executive Council dismissed the appeal determining it is a civil matter as Dogs NZ must abide by the requirements of its regulations.

Moved SM; Seconded ST – passed

LIFTING OF ENDORSEMENT

A request was received from a breeder to lift an endorsement placed on a bitch by the owner. The request was declined as Dogs NZ must abide by the requirements of its

regulations. The breeder will be informed that should they wish to take the matter further it needs to be through an appropriate civil authority.

A proposal to have the Registration Regulations amended to require the breeder's approval and/or notification to the breeder (with the right of objection) of any endorsements requested by the registered owner if the dog was being transferred to third parties was not supported. Executive Council determined that this would be a personal agreement between breeder and new owner at the time of transfer.

Moved ST; Seconded MMcK – passed

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Copies of Dogs NZ letters were included in the papers for Executive Council's information. These related to:

- A complaint laid on two matters regarding registration of semen and the transfer of a bitch. Dogs NZ was of the opinion that all of its requirements had been met and the complainant was advised accordingly and in good faith the complaint fee had been refunded.
- A Disputes Tribunal hearing between a member of the public and a former member/breeder of Dogs NZ.
- Non-acceptance of registration of a White Swiss Shepherd and her progeny.

9. OTHER

GENERAL BUSINESS

Health and Safety Plan

SM requested an update and it was determined that the matter be raised with CH.

Dogs NZ properties – 10 year plans

SM noted that this remains a priority. ACOD will provide an initial engagement through NT's presentation with further consideration to be timetabled at the July meeting.

Final Meeting

GC acknowledged once again the contributions made by Maree McKenzie and Steve Tate over the past two years and presented each with a gift on behalf of Executive Council and the membership.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2018-2019 term)

Saturday July 28		WELLINGTON
Saturday/Sunday September 15/16	**	WELLINGTON
Saturday/Sunday November 24/25	**	WELLINGTON
Saturday/Sunday February 23/24	**	WELLINGTON
Saturday/Sunday April 27/28	**	WELLINGTON
Friday, June 21		WELLINGTON

** Number of days TBC