June 18-19, 2015

**NPGA National Convention** 

Red Bluff, CA

Official Motions

2015-12 Passed Henwood/Torres

Proposal: I move that a new Section 16 be added to the Rules and Regulations as follows:

## 16. APPEALS TO THE BOARD

A. Registration applications denied by the Certification and/or Breed Standard Committees pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 8 of the Breed Standard (Registration) may be appealed to the Board of Directors.

- B. Appeals must be received by the President at least six weeks prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board in order to be heard at that meeting. There are no filing fees.
- C. The appeal must clearly state the grounds for the appeal. If any additional written material is to be considered by the Board, such written material must be submitted with the appeal request.
- D. The NPGA President will ensure that the appeal is placed on the Board meeting agenda.
- E. The appellant or his/her counsel, as appropriate, will be notified by the President when the appeal will be heard during the meeting. The appellant may either appear in person or be represented by legal counsel. Witnesses may be called; their testimony will be accepted so long as such testimony remains germane to the appeal, as determined by the Executive Board.
- F. Since the Board of Directors will render a decision on the appeal, they will appoint a moderator to conduct the appeal hearing, keep order, and generally ensure that the appeal proceeds in an orderly fashion.
- G. This appeal is a process whereby the appellant is afforded the opportunity to persuade the Board to reverse a decision made by its own committee(s). Accordingly, NPGA does not have the burden to put on a case that its committee(s) acted properly. The burden is on the appellant to establish that NPGA through its subordinate committee(s) acted improperly and should be reversed. Therefore, as soon as the appeal commences, the moderator will brief both the Board and the appellant (or counsel as appropriate) how the appeal is to be conducted. Following this briefing, the appellant will attempt to make its case to the Board in open session. When the appellant rests, the Board will deliberate in closed session (moderator, appellant and/or counsel, and all non-Board members excluded). Upon conclusion of their deliberations, the Board in open session (no exclusions) will execute a written motion and vote by roll call vote.
- H. The motion to approve or deny the appeal will be given a motion number, and appear in the Board meeting minutes. I. The decision of the Board of Directors is final.

Yes: Fonda, Gredin, Hepner, Hubbard, Powell, Read, Ridley, Rogers, Shunney, Staley, Shults, Torres. No: Fraser, Sisco Absent: Mumpower

2015-13 Passed

Henwood/Read

I move the Breed Standard, Section 8, second paragraph under REGISTRATION be revised as follows: Delete: "Any application denied by the committee(s) may be appealed to the Board of Directors for consideration at the next scheduled meeting. The decision of the Board of Directors is final." Replace with: "Any application denied by the committee(s) may be appealed to the Board of Directors by following the procedure specified in Rules and Regulations, Paragraph 16."

Yes: Fonda, Gredin, Hepner, Hubbard, Powell, Read, Ridley, Rogers, Shunney, Staley, Shults, Torres. No: Fraser, Sisco. Absent: Mumpower

2015-14 Passed

Henwood/Gredin

I move that Rules for Official Shows K.3. be amended to read as follows: By checking "Papers OK" the judge verifies that the Report of Award is completed correctly and information on the Report of Award matches the animal's certificate of Registry/Ancestry, including color pattern and obvious random markings of the animal.

Yes: Fonda, Gredin, Hepner, Hubbard, Read, Ridley, Staley, Torres. No: Fraser, Powell, Rogers, Shunney, Shults, Sisco. Absent: Mumpower

2015-15

Passed

Shunney/Fraser

I move that: add to current Rules and Regulations 10.B.3. The proctor for the NPGA Written Test shall be a current NPGA Judge or a current member of the NPGA Board of Directors.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Hubbard, Powell, Ridley, Shunney, Staley. No: Hepner, Read, Rogers, Sisco, Shults, Torres Absent: Mumpower

2015-16

**Passed** 

Fraser/Torres

I move to extend the employee and independent contractor contracts through 2/15/16 for further negotiations.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Hepner, Hubbard, Powell, Read, Ridley, Rogers, Shunney, Sisco, Staley, Shults, Torres No: None Absent: Mumpower