



## **NKU/AU MEETING 29.03.2023**

### **AGENDA**

Date: 29.03.2023

Place: Tivoli Hotel & Congress Center, Arni Magnussons Gade 2-4, DK-1577

København

Time: 9:30 – 15:00

#### Participants:

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| FKK  | Esa Kukkonen<br>Kimmo Mustonen<br>Markku Mähönen                         |
| HRFÍ | Erna Sigríður Ómarsdóttir, secretary<br>Guðbjörg Guðmundsdóttir          |
| SKK  | Kees de Jong<br>Magnus Jensen<br>Thomas Uneholt                          |
| NKK  | Agnes Beathe Steen Fosse<br>Nils-Erik Haagenrud<br>Tom Øystein Martinsen |

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### **1) Opening of the meeting**

Guðbjörg opened the meeting at 9:30.

### **2) Election of the person to adjust the minutes**

NKU/AU 26.9.2007, item 2: "In future the election of persons to examine the minutes will rotate between the kennel clubs."

This time it will be people from SKK. Next time DKK, then FKK, NKK and HRFÍ.

### **3) Approval of the agenda**

Points 11 and 16 will be taken together before point 17.

We need to discuss the committees.

Any other business: Information from the Europe section, Jørgen will present.

SKK will share some information regarding bracha if there is time.

### **4) Approval of the minutes from the last meeting on October 13, enclosure 1**

Approved.

### **5) Item 20/22: Nordic Championships, enclosure 2**

*From 2021: SKK Proposal: The conditions for all the different Nordic Championships are very different so quite a lot of considerations must be taken if common guidelines should be introduced. To avoid the costs to arrange Nordic Championships for the host country should be too high, the following proposals are made:*

*Entry fees for all Nordic Championships that will cover about 50 % of the total cost of the respective Championship. All judge's expenses covered by the host country. No dinner or similar for participants paid for by the host country*

*March 2022: The Finnish Kennel Club would like the NKU/AU to discuss again about this item as it seems that all organizers of Nordic Championships do not work according to the above mentioned proposal.*

*Discussion: Need to have a certain standard on how much things should cost and so on, not that one country has high standards and another lower standard.*

*Decision 29.03.2022: Jens will write down some standards and bring to next meeting.*

Discussion: The fees in the proposal were based on the cost last time in Denmark. Suggestion that Jens (DKK) and Agnes (NKK) work together on finding the appropriate fee for each sport as they are different, therefore different cost. FKK has changed their system, and now the regional clubs are hosting this but not FKK, so they must figure out how to do that in relation to their changes. The only championship the FKK takes care of is Junior handling, others are done by the clubs.

Everyone agrees on that higher prices are accepted. Agreement on these rules and Finland will work on figuring out their system and go from there.

**6) Item 47/22: NKK/Proposal to nominate Norway as a country of patronage of the Siberian Husky in the FCI nomenclature**

*From October 2022: "The Norwegian Siberian husky club wants the approval from the AU to ask the FCI to make this change. Discussion about the husky, **it is a Russian breed from Siberia**. The FCI said no to Russia for having it a Russian breed due to the war, will be reexamined after the war. The FCI board did not last time approve that the husky was a sled bred, they don't believe it will work now. It is an AKC breed. There is an agreement between the FCI and AKC, and therefore the FCI will not change the nomenclature of an AKC breed, and vice versa.*

*FKK and SKK think that the breed clubs support it, but the boards haven't discussed it.*

*Decision: The clubs, except DKK, will take it to their clubs and breed clubs to get an opinion for the next meeting."*

Discussion: Only SKK would support this, other clubs will not. Issue withdrawn from NKK.

**7) NKK / Finnish show championships on the basis of elkhound trials on leash-Norwegian Elkhound Grey, enclosure 3**

Very traditional trials, the rules are the same in SKK and NKK. FKK agrees on adjusting their rules.

**8) NKK / NKUs huntingkomite, enclosure 4**

The NKK hunting committee wants to reestablish the NKU hunting committee, especially with changes going on in the world. Should be an overall hunting committee.

Also talk about shutting down some committees and make more of them Teams based, costs less but the cooperation is still important.

Decision: Names will be sent to Erna, before the end of April, and Norway will then take the lead on the committee. First meeting they should identify which questions they should work with, and the AU will discuss it and approve it.

**9) SKK / From NKU/VK, enclosure 5**

In the enclosed document the AU especially must look at paragraphs 22 and 31.

Discussion:

Item 16: They want the FCI to be asked what is meant with improper coat color. Sweden will send this question to the FCI on behalf of the NKU.

Item 22: AU will support the committee.

Item 31: The group wants to create a dog mentality and behaviour working group, with in their committee. Discussion about if they need another subgroup, the AU agrees that the work is important and they should work on that, but within the existing group.

The AU will have a Teams meeting regarding the new minutes from the last meeting that was last week, so we could discuss the matters from that meeting and see if we would like some answers or information from them for the meeting in Oslo in November.

Discussion about having all the committee meetings on the AU agenda. Ask every committee to share their minutes as soon as possible.

**10) SKK / Veterinaries – how can we better co-operate with vets, e.g. to receive reports on operations on dogs with exaggerations**

Idea to send this to the European section. Discussion about how the clubs have established a better cooperation between vets and clubs, DKK will share what they have made an agreement with vets on regarding reporting. GDPR has made this a bit sensitive. FKK gets the mandatory test results for breeding. Iceland is in another situation, vets there want to report to the kennel club, procedures, and tests.

**11) SKK / What topics are important to discuss and pursue within the K8 group? (Denmark, Finland, Norway, Germany, France, Italy, The Netherlands, and Sweden)**

Point 11 is taken with point 16.

**12) SKK / Information regarding SKK Vision 2030**

SKK shares information regarding the vision. They will share their information with the other clubs. Showed the example of the digital ownership, app that reports what the dog is doing and analysis it, reports if some odd behaviour accrues, you can contact a vet through it.

**13) SKK / Common working group regarding RFG-S**

Discussion on how this test is executed, and what the grading is. Suggestion of a working group under the AU, one from each country on Teams. Ensure that the documentations at testing are same and registration are equal. Presentation in Oslo.

SKK showed a presentation that they will share with the countries.

**14) SKK / Exchange of “avelldata” within the NKU-countries**

Always been talk about common database, that will not happen. But maybe the countries can share some data regarding the bracha dogs. The VK committee can look at the data and what breeds is best to look into. The countries need to look at what data they can share.

**15) SKK / Digital vaccination passports for dogs**

Finland has a digital vaccination card. Cooperation with the vets. FKK thinks this can be developed into more international level but that requires money. Idea of a cooperation on translating and have the vets involved. Put together a meeting with IT people with a person from FKK that can explain this in English and work together. FKK will set up the meeting, everyone will send name and email to Markku.

**16) DKK / Evaluation of meeting in Milano**

Points 11 and 16 taken together.

What kind of issues do they want to discuss in these meetings. Clubs need to send in items for the agenda for that meeting, like we do in the NKU. These meetings need to be organized well for it to pay off to send people to them and spend the money. Next meeting is in Finland. They would like to discuss Boas and grading, IPFD. Can base topics of the NKU agenda. NKK got some documents from Holland to use in their court case. Idea to have one meeting in person and one on Teams. Also, an idea to maybe have a CEO meeting like in the NKU.

#### **17) DKK / Future NKU**

We need to talk more about the economic part, about offices and the work. Share statistics through the years.

How many meetings do we need? Now we have NKU and K8. Thought about doing one Teams meeting and one in person meeting a year, starting next year.

We need to look into the committees, which ones do we need, and which don't we need. Have more of them Teams based, put more pressure on getting the minutes.

Erna will get contact info from all clubs, so everyone has the contact list.

#### **18) DKK / Junior- & Veteran champions**

Taken with number 20.

#### **19) From NKU Rally committee, enclosure 6 and 7**

Part one with reserve is reject. DKK will ask obedience to make a change that they can have a reserve dog until they travel to the competition, but the reserve dog should stay at home. Have it the same for both. DKK will work on this.

Entry fee is being adjusted.

Rest is ok.

#### **20) Information from the NKU show committee**

Point 18 is taken with 20.

Junior and veteran titles discussed. SKK are working on discussion on national and Nordic junior and veteran titles in Sweden, next week there should be an answer on this. Everyone supports the Nordic Junior and Veteran titles, except SKK, they want to wait for the answer.

NKU decision is yes, SKK can't approve right now. The majority is yes for the validity from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Harmonization of show rules – the show group is putting together a working group to go over the rules of the countries, Erna will connect the group together. Next show group meeting is in October where they will go over the work of the working group and then bring to the AU meeting on November. SKK has sent info on their person for the working group, from FKK it will be Kimmo, DKK Jette, NKK will notify in the next week.

Suggestion of a new committee – issue with FCI all-rounder rules. Make a Teams working group for the show judges to go over the rules. Send names to Kimmo who will lead the group. That meeting will take place before the FCI show commission meeting in Peru.

**21) Any other business**

FCI Europe section information: more than 2 years ago they changed the rules about import/export of semen. A week ago, they announced that on 9<sup>th</sup> of April the EU law against this will be deleted. Each country will then have to have their own rules about this.

**22) Next meeting**

Item 31 from meeting on 29.03.2022: 2023, November 14-15, in Norway.

2024 meetings, spring meeting will be via Teams, autumn will be in Finland. Dates will be decided at the Oslo meeting.

**23) Closing of the meeting**

Guðbjörg closed the meeting at 12:05