## Minutes of the Meeting

## **WUSV General Annual Assembly**

## on September 04, 2017 in Ulm

## Beginning: 9.00 hours

#### **ITEM 1) Formalities**

#### 1.1. Greetings of the President

The president, Professor Dr. Heinrich Meßler, welcomes the WUSV board of directors, the delegates, and the guests to the WUSV General Annual Assembly 2017.

### 1.2. Official Opening of the Assembly

The meeting was opened in an orderly fashion at 09.36 hours.

## 1.3. Compliance with Deadlines regarding the Invitation of the Assembly

The Secretariat General sent out the invitation letters, the agenda, and the corresponding attachments to the member organizations and board members in due time on July 21, 2017. Thus, the deadline according to § 16 of the WUSV statutes was properly complied with.

## 1.4. Determination of the Presence of the WUSV member associations and Quorum

#### Those present were:

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Professor Dr. Heinrich Meßler 1 vote

**The WUSV Board Members:** 

Mr. Dr. Wolfgang Tauber, Austria 1 vote
Mr. Francis Reuther, France 1 vote
Mr. Imran Husain, Pakistan 1 vote

The WUSV General Manager: no vote

Herr Hartmut Setecki

The WUSV Senior Consultant: no vote

Herr Clemens Lux, Germany

#### **The WUSV Member Clubs:**

Argentina:

Club Argentino de Criadores del Perro Ovejero Alemán 4 votes

Julio Passarelli & Maria Antonia Godov

Australia:

German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc. 6 votes

Vince Tantaro & Robyn Knuckey

Bundesrepublik Deutschland:

Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V. 56 votes

Nikolaus Waltrich & Wilfried Tautz

Belarus:

Geman Shepherd Dog Club of Belarus 2 votes

Prof. Dr. med. Wjatscheslaw Werbitzky

& Michail Prokopchik

Chile:
Club Chileno de Criadores Ovejeros Alemanes Chilcoa
Osvaldo Allimant Bernales & Jorge Guerrero Norambuen
China:
Chinese Club for German Shepherd Dogs (CSV)
Jinfei Chen & Qing Li

6 votes

2 votes

Costa Rica:

Asociación Ovejero Alemàn de Costa Rica Alberto Gamboa Yamuni & Jean Harvey 2 votes

5 votes

Denmark: Schaeferhundeklubben for Danmark

Schaeferhundeklubben for Danmark Lena Pichler Bjerre & Karin Christiansen

Ecuador: Asociación de Criadores de Perros Ovejeros Alemanes

2 votes

El Salvador:

Roberto Caputi

Asociación Salvadoren del Pastaor Alemán José Roberto Espinal

2 votes

Finland:

SPL-Saksanpaimenkoraliitto ry 5 votes Tuula Virtanen

France:

Societe du Chien de Berger Allemand 4 votes Galian Alain & Henry Motz

Great Britain:

British Association for German Shepherd Dogs 3 votes John Cullen & Wayne Lacey

Great Britain:

German Shepherd Dog League of Great Britain 2 votes Shirley Hutchinson & Carole Lister

Guatemala:

Asociación Guatemalteca del Pastor Alemán (AGPA) 2 votes Carlos Enrique Rivera Gallardo

Hong Kong:

German Shepherd Dog Club of Hong Kong 2 votes
Thee Ning Kong & Alan Kwok

India:

The German Shepherd Dog Club of India 2 votes
Jaskiray Seth

Ireland:

The National German Shepherd Working Dog Association Cedric Blackbourne & Gayle Boyce

2 votes

Israel:

German Shepherd Dog Club of Israel Nataly Koifman & Anat Levy-Hudaev

2 votes

Italy:

Societá Amatori Schäferhunde (SAS) Luciano Musolino & Stefano Beggiato 8 votes

Japan:

Verband der Vereine des Deutschen Schäferhundes in

Japan (JPDS)

4 votes

Katsumi Nagura & Tadashi Yamaguchi

Canada:

German Shepherd Schutzhund Club of Canada

2 votes

Tracy Bullinger & John Sheehan

Columbia:

Associación Columbiana Perros Pastores Alemanes

Malcolm Griffiths

2 votes

Croatia:

Zajednica Udruga Uzgajivaca Njemackih Ovcara Hrvatske

Miroslav Kuzmic & Mario Milic

2 votes

Latvia: German Shepherd Dog Club Latvia

Ilze Fogele & Daiga Krumina

2 votes

Malaysia:

German Shepherd Dog Club of Malaysia

Ricky Lye Meng Hock & Low Poke Leong

2 votes

Mexico:

Club Canofilo Mexicano de Pastor Alemán

Javier Gándara & Luis Alonso

2 votes

New Zealand:

German Shepherd Dog Advisory Council

Luis Donald & Gail Donald

2 votes

Netherlands:

**VDH** Niederlande

5 votes

Peter Nefs & A.J. de Gouw

Austria:

Österreichischer Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SVÖ)

7 votes

Josef Schallegruber & Helmut Wehinger

Pakistan

German Shepherd Dog Club of Pakistan

4 votes

2 votes

Ahmed Rasul Virk

Paraguay:

Club Ovejero Alemán Del Paraguay Piotr Szytniewski & Ireneusz Ozog

Peru: Asoc. Peruana de Criadores de Perros Pastores Alemanes 2 votes Almudena de la Guerra & Luz María Harten Portugal: Pastor Alemao Clube de Portugal 2 votes José Ferreira & Paula Ribeiro Russia: Russ. Ass. Of the Owners of German Shepherd Dogs 2 votes Vadim Trofimov & Elena Bliznetsova Sweden: Svenska Schaeferhundklubben 4 votes Leif Einarsson Switzerland: Swiss German Shepherd Dog Club (SC) 6 votes René Rudin Serbia: 2 votes Asocijacija nemackih ovcara Srbije (ANOS) Ivan Lukic & Goran Pesic Spain: Real Club Espanol del Perro de Pastor Alemán 3 votes Rodrigo González Campuzano & Luis Soldevilla Benito Southern Africa: German Shepherd Dog Federation of South Africa 3 votes Frikkie van Kraayenburg Taiwan: German Shepherd Dog Association of Taiwan 2 votes Ting-Ye Kao & Ching-Te Hsu Taiwan Kennel Association (TKA) 2 votes Hsueh-Yun Chou & Jan Ho Bobby Pan Turkey: Deutscher Schäferhunde Rasse und Sport Verein 2 votes Sinan Cinioglu Ukraine: Zentralclub für Deutsche Schäferhunde der Ukraine 2 votes Elena Shchyra Hungary: Magyarorszagi Nemet Juhaszkutya Klub (MNJK) 2 votes Capik Josip Hungary:

Magyar Ebtenyesztök Orszagos Egyesülete (MEOESZ)

Soc. Urugayana de. Criad. D. Perros Ovejeros Alem. (SVU)

Dr. Diana Zuberscsány

Marcelo Esteban Tarantino

Uruguay:

2 votes

2 votes

USA:

German Shepherd Dog Club of America

Helen Gleason & Frank Fasano

6 votes

USA

United Schutzhund Clubs of America

Michele Scarberry

5 votes

The WUSV Junior Clubs:

Egypt: no vote

GSD Club of Egypt

Ashraf Silem

Iran: no vote

German Shepherd Dog Club of Iran Said Pour Esmaeil & Majid Mortazavi

Kyrgyzstan: no vote

German Shepherd Dog Club of the Republik of Kyrgyzstan

Natalia Maksimova

Morocco: no vote

Club du Chien Berger Allemand (CCBA)

Dr. Karim Laraki & Hafis Kanoun

Vietnam:

Vietnamese Club for German Shepherd Dogs VSV)

Gustav Nguyen Huy no vote

**Aspirants for Junior Membership:** 

Brazil:

Clube Brasileiro Do Pastor Almão: no vote

Jose Graca Aranha

Montenegro:

Asocijacija nemackih ovcara Crne Gore no vote

Bojan Stojanovic

Uzbekistan no vote

Commonwealth of the Proprietors of German Shepherds

(CPGS)

Ilmira Khakimjanova

The Keeper of the Minutes: no vote

Helga Seidel, Germany

The SV Executive Secretaries: no vote

Lisa Maria Bachmeier & Katharina Hofmann, Germany

**The Continenatal Directors:** 

Morton Goldfarb – USA no vote Jacky Beck – France no vote

Frikkie van Kraayenburg (also see representative Southern Africa)

Jinfei Chen (also see representative China)

Louis Donald (also see representative New Zealand)

Luciano Musolino (also see representative Italy

Renè Rudin (also see representative Switzerland and cash auditior)

Carlos Enrique Rivera Gallardo (also see representative Guatemala)

Roberto Caputi (also see representative Ecuador)

## The Cash Auditors: (with no voting power)

Josef Schallegruber (also see representative Austria ) René Rudin (also see representative Switzerland)

#### The Referees: (with no voting power)

Dr. Eberhard Manz – Germany Dr. Bernd Tellhelm – Deutschland

Lothar Quoll – Germany

Norbert Scharschmidt - Germany

### Guests to the Meeting (with no voting power)

Astrid Osten – Germany

Roswitha Dannenberg - Germany (Press Officer SV)

Dr. Barbara Ullrich-Kornadt – Germany (Member of the Press Committee V)

#### Those not present were:

Algeria: Societe Algerienne Du Chien de Berger Allemand

(Junior Member)

Belgium: Vereniging voor Duitse Herdeshonden VVDH
Belgium: Royal Club du Berger Allemand de Belgique
Bolivia: Club Boliviano de Criadores del Pastor Ovejero

Alemán

Bulgaria: Bulgarian Club for German Shepherd Dogs

Croatia: Zajednica Udruga Klub. Uzgajaca Njemackih Ovcara

Hrvatske

Estonia: German Shepherd Dog Club of Estonia
Greece: The Hellenic German Shepherd Dog Club
Indonesia: Indonesian German Shepherd Club
Ireland: German Shepherd Dog Club of Ireland

Jersey/ Chan. Isl.: German Shepherd Schutzhund Center Jersey

(Junior Member)

Kazakhstan: German Shepherd Dog Club of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Kenia: East Africa German Shepherd Dog League

(Junior Member)

Kuwait: Kuwait K9 Association – KK9A (Junior Member)

Lithuania: German Shepherd Dog Club of Lithuania

Lebanon: Societe du Chien de Berger Allemand (Junior Member)
Luxemburg: Centrale Luxembourgeoise du Sport pour Chiens d'Utilite

Macedonia: Macedonian German Shepherd Dog Club

(Junior Member)

Moldavia: German Shepherd Dog Club of Moldavia

(Junior Member)

Mongolia: GSD Association of Mongolia (Junior Member)
Nicaragua: Asociación del Pastor Alemán Nicaragüense

(Junior Member)

Norway: Norsk Schaeferhund Klub HS Hauptverein

Panamá: Federación Canofila de Perros Pastores Alemanes-Panamá

Philippines: German Shepherd Dog Federation of the Philippines

Poland: Klub Owczarka Niemieckiego przy ZG ZKwP Rumania: Clubul National de Ciobanesc German Singapore: German Shepherd Dog Club of Singapore

Slovak Republic Slovenska unia chovatelov nemeckych ovciakov -

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Slovenia: Kinolosko DNOS

South Korea: Korean Kennel Federation South Korea: Korean Kennel Club

Thailand: German Shepherd Dog Association of Thailand
Trinidad & Tobago: German Shepherd Breed Club of Trinidad & Tobago

Czech Republic: Breeders Club for German Shepherd Dogs Venezuela: Asoc.de Criadores del Perro Pastor Aleman d.V.

(ACPPAV/ Junior Member)

Cyprus: Cyprus German Shepherd Club

The Continental Director, Augusto Benedicto Santos III (Philippines)

## The results of the vote tallying are as follows:

- total number of member organizations with voting power equals 261 votes,
- four board members with one vote each, equals four votes,
- in total 204 votes out of 265 possible votes,
- thus, quorum was reached.

## 1.5. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda of the WUSV General Annual Assembly 2017 is approved of by all authorized parties present.

Following this, the press officer of the Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V., Ms. Roswitha Dannenberg, and a representative of the committee for public relations, Dr. Barbara Ullrich-Kornadt, present themselves to the party present and offer a brief survey of their scope of responsibilities within the SV, and their future activities for the WUSV.

#### ITEM 3) Annual Reports & Scientific Lectures

#### 3.1. Report of the President

This item is discussed before item 1.4. The president presents his report, and provides for a brief introduction of the topics to be discussed such as the changes and amendments to the statutes as well as the introduction of by-laws and awarding regulations. He continues with a short description of the relationship with the FCI and the implications entailed for the national clubs affected. Also, he comments upon the harmonization program for breeding regulations. Following this, he gives thanks for the attention and continues with item 3.3., notwithstanding the original agenda of the meeting.

#### 3.2. Report of the General Manager

The report is omitted.

## 3.3. Speech Dr. Eberhard Manz – Institute *Generatiol* Heidelberg: The DNA Program of the SV – Introduction, current components and options for the WUSV

Item 3.3. is dealt with before item 3.2. Dr. Manz presents himself and the scope of work of his institute to the audience. A copy of the presentation held will be sent out to the WUSV member clubs following the meeting on September 05, 2017 by electronic mail. Upon request of Professor Meßler it is noted that only three out of 56 nations present do not carry out identity checks of their litters. He points out that the implementation of the DNA verification procedure is instrumental for the keeping of a reliable studbook. Following the presentation, questions from the delegates are being answered.

## ITEM 2) Minutes of the Meeting - General Assembly 2016

Following item 3.3. the delegates are informed that an appeal was filed against the minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly held on September 05, 2016, and that the objections were proceeded accordingly. Since no further comments are raised the minutes of the meeting of 2016 shall be deemed approved.

## 3.4. Speech Dr. Bernd Tellhelm – Gießen: The implementation of the SV x-raying program at the WUSV

Dr. Tellhelm presents his lecture and provides for explanatory comments. The crucial importance of the verification of the DNA analysis is once again emphasized in connection with the radiology based examination of the animals to be tested. Upon request of Professor Meßler all delegates present confirm that a radiological examination of their dogs is being carried out accordingly. Following the presentation, questions from the delegates are being answered.

#### ITEM 4) Finances

## 4.1. Report of the Cash Auditors

The cash auditor, Mr. Josef Schallegruber, reports about the business year 2016, and comments upon the major items on the balance sheet. He furthermore reports that the trust company carried out the orderly audit required. Mr. Schallegruber gives thanks to the WUSV Board of Directors and to the General Manager for their work during the past business year, and requests the discharge of the WUSV Board of Directors for the business year 2016.

#### 4.2. Audit Report 2016

The delegates received the business plan as an attachment to the agenda. No questions are asked.

## 4.3. Discharge of the WUSV Board of Directors

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention

## 4.4. Contribution Payment / Deposit Payments/ Admission Fees - State of Affairs

The general manager, Mr. Hartmut Setecki, reports on this issue, and informs the delegates that four WUSV member organizations have not yet meet their payment obligations for the year 2017. However, this is partly caused by problems in terms of domestic policy in the countries affected, rendering these countries unable to arrange for bank transfers abroad.

#### 4.5. Business Plan 2017

**Vote:** The budget 2017 is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention

### 4.6. Annual Review of Contribution Payments

## 4.6.1. Adjustment Contribution Payment Annual Fee – Proposal of the WUSV Board of Directors

The general manager, Mr. Hartmut Setecki, comments upon the proposal as submitted by the WUSV Board of Directors dated April 04, 2017 according to which the basic annual rate of 500.00 € shall be raised to 750.00 €. The per capita contrition payment shall be raised from 0.30 € to 0.50 €, however, the minimum annual membership fee shall be raised to 800.00 € in total.

Upon request the delegates are informed that the last increase of membership fees was implemented in 2008.

Vote: The proposal is accepted by a majority of votes; the two clubs from Hungary – the MEOESZ und MNJK – vote against it with two votes each; as well as Portugal with two votes, Belarus with two votes, and Paraguay with two votes; the clubs from Russia and El Salvador abstain from voting.

## ITEM 5) Introduction of WUSV By-Laws

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention

#### ITEM 6) WUSV-Statutes - Changes & Amendments

#### 6.1. Proposals by the WUSV Board of Directors (Attachment 4 – Draft Statutes)

## 6.1.1. § 1 Name, Domicile, Sphere of Business, and Fiscal Year

Version 2016:

(1) The Umbrella Association is to be registered under the Name "Weltunion der Schäferhundvereine (WUSV), e.V. at the local registration court in Augsburg.

#### Version 2017:

(1) The Umbrella Association is registered under the name "Weltunion der Schäferhundvereine (WUSV), e.V." at the local registration court in Augsburg/ Germany. to be registered

#### 6.1.2. § 2 Neutrality

Version 2016:

(1) The Umbrella Association is ideologically and politically neutral.

Version 2017:

(1) The Umbrella Association is ideologically and politically neutral.

### 6.1.3. § 3 Purpose & Assignment

Version 2016:

(1) The purpose and assignment of the WUSV are based on the purpose and assignment of the Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V. with headquarters in Augsburg/ Germany, as specified in § 3 of the statute of the SV. The WUSV supports the worldwide implementation of the purposes and assignment of the SV in terms of standardized regulations for breeding and training of German Shepherd Dogs.

#### Version 2017:

(1) The purpose and assignment of the WUSV are based on the purpose and assignment of the Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V. with headquarters in Augsburg/ Germany, as specified in § 3 of the statute of the SV. The WUSV supports the worldwide implementation of the purposes and assignment of the SV in terms of standardized regulations for breeding and training of German Shepherd Dogs.

Thus, the WUSV supports the worldwide implementation of the statutory requirements of the founding association in terms of the worldwide controlling, monitoring, and promotion for breeding and training of the German Shepherd Dog as a working and service dog.

The activities of the <u>WUSV</u> are based on the standard defined for the German Shepherd Dog breed by the SV.

The <u>WUSV</u> is in charge of the international WUSV studbook for German Shepherd Dogs that shall be of global reach.

The purpose and assignment shall particularly comprise of the following:

- <u>a)</u> Breeding of working and service dogs in accordance with the stipulations as defined in the breed standard:
- <u>b)</u> Preservation, safeguarding, and consolidation of the properties corresponding to the characteristics of the German Shepherd Dog breed, and the enhancement of its physical fitness and stamina:
- Support of scientific research for breeding and genetics, the corresponding treatment, and exchange of scientific issues, training, feeding, and dog keeping, and disease control;
- d) Support of sporting-, cultural- and physical activities of the members of the member organizations in terms of scheduled and systematic training of German Shepherd Dogs;
- Educational work and information campaigns for the breed, in particular in terms of the versatility the breed offers for work and service;
- Raising the interest of the general public for the German Shepherd Dog, as well as the breeding and training hereof;
- g) Support and information regarding issues such as breeding, training, rearing, and keeping.

h) Joint sporting activities with dogs.

All activities have to be carried out in compliance with animal welfare regulations, and in the spirit of appropriate animal husbandry and training.

#### 6.1.4. § 4 Responsibilities and Legal Foundations

Version 2016:

- (1) The activities of the Association are based on § 3 of the statute, the bylaws and breeding regulations of the SV which are an integral part of the statutes of the WUSV.
- (2) In addition to that, the WUSV controls its own business units based on the statute and regulations of the SV.

The applicable regulations are as follows:

- a) Regulations for Breed Surveys,
- b) Regulations for Breed Exhibitions
- c) Examination Regulations,
- d) Regulation for Judging Rules,
- e) Herding Regulations,

Those rules and regulations are on par with the statute.

- (3) The WUSV member organizations comply with their responsibilities as stipulated in the statutes as follows:
  - <u>a)</u> Recognition of the breeding characteristics as defined by the SV:
  - <u>b)</u> Recognition of the studbook for German Shepherd Dogs (SZ) and the SV breed survey book;
  - <u>c)</u> Monitoring of breeding, rearing, keeping, and training based on the regulations of the SV:
  - <u>d)</u> Introduction and implementation of breed surveys based on the SV regulations for breed surveys;
  - <u>e)</u> Holding of breed shows based on the respective SV regulations;
  - Holding and support of training courses, both in-house, and recognized external events, including herding activities;
  - <u>g)</u> Holding and support of youth activities, both in-house, and recognized external events;
  - <u>h)</u> Training and approval of special judges and breed surveyors (*Körmeister*) in accordance with the SV judge regulations;
  - i) Establishment and implementation of a procedure for microchip implant tagging;
  - j) Holding of a WUSV World Championship based on the examination regulations of the SV, to be hosted and organized by alternating member organizations on a yearly basis.

- (4) The General Assembly can assign the organs of the association with additional tasks. In case of more comprehensive subjects those assignments shall be embedded into the respective regulations.
- (5) If possible, the cooperation with other cynological organizations operating at international level shall be covered and governed by means of cooperation contracts. The president of the WUSV is empowered by the WSV Board of Directors to conclude such contracts.

#### Version 2017:

- (1) The activities of the Umbrella Association are based on § 3 of the statute. The activities of the association, the by-laws and breeding regulations of the SV which are an integral part of the statutes of the WUSV.
- (2) In addition to that, the WUSV controls its own business units based on the statute and regulations of the SV, unless specific regulations as issued by the WUSV will be provided for.

The applicable regulations are as follows:

- a) Regulations for Breed Surveys,
- b) Regulations for Breed Exhibitions
- c) Examination Regulations,
- d) Regulation for Judging Rules,
- e) Herding Regulations,

Those rules and regulations are on par with the statute.

Based on the breeding regulations of the SV, the WUSV issues international breeding regulations. Those are supposed to meet the different requirements in the countries affected, and at the same time to ensure a positive and general development of the breed in accordance with the objectives of the SV. Due to the crucial importance of this guideline competence the SV enjoys the right of veto in this respect.

- (3) The WUSV member organizations complies with its purpose and assignment stipulated in the statute as follows:
  - <u>a)</u> <u>Keeping and publication of an international studbook for</u> <u>German Shepherd Dogs (WUSV SB)</u>
  - b) Issuing of a WUSV information bulletin
  - Monitoring of breeding activities, rearing, animal husbandry, and training of German Shepherd Dogs
  - Holding of events and competitions for breeding and training under the auspices of the WUSV
  - e) Holding of WUSV World Championships based on the examination rules of the SV which are to be hosted and organized by alternating member organizations on a yearly basis.
  - f) Implementation of procedures for the identification (of animals) and for the monitoring of health-related issues.
  - g) Granting of awards
  - <u>h)</u> <u>Education and training covering all fields within the framework of the association's activities</u>
- (4) The WUSV member organizations comply with their responsibilities as stipulated in the statute as follows:
  - a) Recognition of the breeding characteristic the breeding standard as defined by the SV under the name German Shepherd Dog:

- b) Recognition of the studbook for German Shepherd Dogs (SZ) and the SV breed survey book <u>as well as the WUSV</u> studbook;
- Monitoring of breeding, rearing, keeping, and training based on the regulations of the SV <u>as well as the regulations of the</u> WUSV:
- d) Introduction and implementation of breed surveys based on the SV regulations for breed surveys:
- e) Holding of breed shows based on the respective SV regulations;
- f) Holding and support of training courses, both in-house and recognized external events, including herding activities;
- g) Holding and support of youth activities, both in-house and recognized external events;
- h) Training and approval of special judges and breed surveyors (*Körmeister*) in accordance with the SV judge regulations;
- i) Establishment and implementation of a procedure for the identification microchip implant tagging of the dogs;
- j) Hosting of WUSV World Championships based on the examination rules of the SV which are to be hosted and organized by alternating member organizations on a yearly basis. The General Assembly can assign further tasks to the organs of the association. More comprehensive subjects shall be covered by regulations. j)
- j) Recognition of disciplinary measures as imposed by the WUSV
- (4) The General Assembly can assign the organs of the association with additional tasks. In case of more comprehensive subjects those assignments shall be embedded into the respective regulations.
- (5) If possible, The cooperation with other cynological organizations operating at international level shall be covered and governed by means of cooperation contracts. The president of the WUSV is empowered authorized by the WSV Board of Directors to conclude such contracts.
- (6) The WUSV can obtain partnership contracts with legal entities or companies provided that the contract terms are in compliance with the objectives of the WUSV. This includes government agencies and semi-public institutions, in particular authorities in the field of working-and service dogs, as well as research institutions, and agencies for animal welfare. The respective rights and responsibilities of the contract partners shall be defined in the contract. Partner organizations shall have no right to a seat in the General Assembly, no vote, and no right to submit proposals to that body.

#### 6.1.5. § 6 Types of Membership

Version 2016:

The following types of membership shall be feasible:

- 1. Full Membership
- 2. Trial Membership
- 3. Junior Membership

Version 2017:

The following types of membership shall be feasible:

- Junior Membership aimed at an approach towards the WUSV. A mentor to be appointed by the WUSV Board of Directors provides support and expertise.
- 2. Trial Membership for

- Member organizations already holding the status of a Junior Membership that qualifies for an upgrade into a Trial Membership:
- Associations that already feature a functioning infrastructure and activities that are expected to show a successful advancement within the WUSV. A Trial Membership can be subjected to further requirements imposed by the WUSV Board of Directors.
- Full Membership Junior Membership

### 6.1.6. § 7 Members

#### Version 2016:

- (1) Members can and shall be all associations and clubs dedicated and responsible for the German Shepherd Dog breed in their respective countries. This especially applies for associations and clubs that have already been recognized by their national cynological association. The statutes and regulations of the relevant Kennel Club do not conflict with a membership within the WUSV, unless those statutes and regulations are inconsistent with the statute and regulations of the WUSV. Membership within the WUSV is limited to non-profit organizations only.
- (2) The WUSV shall only admit one German Shepherd Dog club per member country. In case that more than one German Shepherd Dog club is registered in a given country, they shall aspire for the foundation of a consortium if possible.

#### Version 2017:

- (1) Within the WUSV the principle of "One Member Organization per Member Country" shall apply. Id est, only one organization from a particular country which is exclusively dedicated to the breeding and training of German Shepherd Dogs can be admitted for membership can and shall be all responsible associations. This especially applies for associations and clubs that have already been recognized by their national cynological association. The statutes and regulations of the relevant Kennel Club do not conflict with a membership within the WUSV, unless those statutes and regulations are inconsistent with the statute and regulations of the WUSV. Membership within the WUSV is limited to non-profit organizations only.
- (2) The WUSV shall only admit one German Shepherd Dog club per member country.

In case that more than one German Shepherd Dog club is registered in a given country, and all of those clubs are members to the WUSV, they shall aspire for the foundation of a consortium if possible. If the affected organizations show now willingness to form a union despite a warning and appropriate deadline issued by the WUSV, the General Assembly can request the foundation of a national umbrella organization for German Shepherd Dog clubs in the respective country. The clubs affected are obliged to join that organization.

## 6.1.7. § 8 Obtaining Membership

Version 2016:

- (1) A mandatory requirement for admission to the WUSV is the presentation of a written application in German at the WUSV head office. The proposing party shall recognize the WUSV statute and the respective regulations. A processing fee shall be charged. The amount payable is determined by the WUSV Board of Directors.
- (2) The General Assembly shall decide on the admission of an applicant. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the valid votes is required for admission.

A trial membership implies either a limited membership status or a membership status that is subject to certain conditions (§ 8, par. 4).

A junior membership implies that a trial membership was initially desired but the appointment of a mentor was considered appropriate to provide for a suitable approach towards the WUSV.

- (3) Excluded from membership are the following parties:
  - a) Natural persons,
  - b) Kennel Clubs and associations covering all breeds, which are members to a cynological umbrella organization which is considered a competitor respectively in dissidence towards the umbrella organization recognized by the SV.
  - c) Associations that are members to an organization that is neither recognized by the SV nor the WUSV.
- (4) Upon recommendation of the Board of Directors the admission of new member organizations can be temporal or subject to certain conditions. In case that the requirements imposed are not met, a prolongation of the membership or admission for indefinite membership shall only be permitted upon proposal by the Board of Directors.

#### Version 2017:

- (1) A mandatory requirement for admission to the WUSV is the presentation of a written application <u>either in German or English</u> at the WUSV head office. The proposing party shall recognize the WUSV statute and the respective regulations, <u>and present a brief overview of their activities and the framework of their organization</u>. A processing fee shall be charged. The amount payable is determined by the WUSV Board of Directors.
- (2)(2) The Secretariat General provides for the formal verification of the application. In order to obtain further information about the applicant the Board of Directors can send a SV judge to a given event scheduled by the applicant.
- (3) The General Assembly shall decide on the admission of an applicant organization. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the valid votes is required for admission.
  - A trial membership implies either a limited membership status or a membership status that is subject to certain conditions (§8, par. 4). A junior membership implies that a trial membership was initially desired but the appointment of a mentor was considered appropriate to provide for a suitable approach towards the WUSV.
- (3) Trial members shall comply with the following criteria:
  - a minimum of 100 members
  - a minimum of 4 events per year out of which at least one event has to cover the field of breeding and one for training.
  - the reports on the events and the clubs activities shall reflect upon a positive development within the organization

#### Full members shall comply with the following criteria:

- Minimum of 200 members
- Regular activities in terms of breeding and training
- A minimum of 4 events per year out of which at least one event has to cover the field of breeding and one for training
- Compliance with specific requirements issued by the Board of Directors
- (4) Excluded from membership are the following:
  - a) Natural persons,
  - b) Kennel Clubs and associations covering all, or several breeds.

- <u>Kennel Clubs and associations covering all or several</u> breeds which are members to a cynological umbrella organization which is considered a competitor respectively in dissidence towards the umbrella organization recognized by the <u>WUSV</u> or the SV.
- e)d) Associations that are members to an organization that is neither recognized by the SV or the WUSV.
- (4)(5) Upon recommendation of the Board of Directors the admission of new member organizations can be temporal or subject to certain conditions. In case that the requirements imposed are not met, a prolongation of the membership or admission for indefinite membership shall only be permitted upon proposal by the Board of Directors.

### 6.1.8. § 9 Termination of Membership

Version 2016:

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(6) Member organizations can be cancelled from the members list by the General Assembly upon proposal of the Board of Directors in case that the affected organization has failed to send a representative to attend the General Annual Meeting for three consecutive times.

Version 2017:

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(6) Member organizations can be cancelled from the members list by the General Assembly upon proposal of the Board of Directors in case that the affected organization has failed to send a representative to attend the General Annual Meeting for three consecutive times, or if their organization demonstrably does no longer engage in activities, or

if the minimum requirements in terms of the numbers of members is no longer met.

## 6.1.9. § 12 Duties of Member Organizations

Version 2016:

5. All member organizations of the WUSV are obliged to serve all friends and aficionados of the German Shepherd Dog within their national sphere of activities, and - as far as possible – to allow them to benefit from the potential and activities of their organization.

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- 8. In case of two or more WUSV member organizations within one country, each organization is obliged to admit members of the respective other organizations in this country to their events, unless the member in question is subject to a suspension procedure. Ideally, the WUSV member organizations shall recognize the results of examinations, breeding valuations, certificates, and/ or breed surveys as issued by the other member organizations.
- 9. Member organizations may not join any organization dissident toward the SV or the WUSV.

Version 2017:

5. All member organizations of the WUSV are obliged to serve all friends and aficionados of the German Shepherd Dog within their national sphere of activities, and to allow them to benefit from the potential and activities of their organization as far as possible.

In case of two or more WUSV member organizations within one country, each organization is obliged to admit members of the

respective other organizations in this country to their events, unless the member in question is subject to a suspension procedure.

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- 8. In case of two or more WUSV member organizations within one country, each organization is obliged to admit members of the respective other organizations in this country to their events, unless the member in question is subject to a suspension procedure. Ideally, the WUSV member organizations shall recognize the results of examinations, breeding valuations, certificates, and/ or breed surveys as issued by the other member organizations.
- Member organizations may not join any organization dissident toward the SV or the WUSV, <u>and/ or</u> an organization <u>otherwise not</u> recognized.

#### 6.1.10. § 13 Organs of the Umbrella Organization

Version 2016:

The organs of the Umbrella Association are as follows:

- 1. The General Assembly:
- 2. The Board of Directors;
- 3. The General Manager

Version 2017:

The organs of the Umbrella Association are as follows:

- 1. The General Assembly;
- 2. The Board of Directors;
- 3. The General Manager-Secretary General.

### 6.1.11. § 14 General Assembly

Version 2016:

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- (2) The General Assembly is an assembly of delegates, and is composed as follows:
  - a) The members with voting rights,
    - aa) The Board of Directors,
    - ab) the President, respectively chairperson of the member organizations, or their deputy, who have to also be a member of the board of the given organization.
  - b) The members without voting right,
    - ba) The General Manager,

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Version 2017:

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- (2) The General Assembly is an assembly of delegates, and is composed as follows:
  - a) The members with voting rights,
    - aa) The Board of Directors,
    - ab) the Presidents, respectively Chairpersons of the member organizations, or their Deputies, who have to also be a member of the board of the given organization.
  - b) The members without voting right,

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## 6.1.12. § 15 Purpose and Responsibilities of the General Assembly

Version 2016:

- (1) The General Assembly is responsible for all issues related and tasks assigned to the WUSV, provided those are not assigned to other statutory organs.
- (2) The General Assembly is in particular responsible for the following issues:
  - Acceptance of the activity report of the General Manager;
  - b) Verification of accounting, cash balance and inventories;
  - c) Discharge of the Board of Directors;
  - d) Approval of the business plan provided by the Board of Directors;
  - e) Approval and amendment of the statute and regulations;
  - f) Disposition with respect to assets of special importance:
  - g) Election of the Board Members;
  - h) Election of two Auditors, and two deputy Auditors;
  - Impeachment of board members on significant grounds;
  - j) Approval of new member organizations according to § 8, paragraph (2);
  - k) Disciplinary measures according to § 26 paragraph (2) and (3);
  - All other issues of significant importance to the WUSV.
- (3) The expenses of the General Assembly shall be covered as follows:
  - a) The expenses incurred for the board of directors, the secretary general, and the auditors as well as the head office staff shall be covered by the WUSV in accordance with the bylaws. The expenses shall only be covered on the premises that the above mentioned are not at the same time delegates to their member organizations.
  - b) The expenses incurred for the delegates shall be covered by their respective member organizations.

#### Version 2017:

- (1) The General Assembly is responsible for all issues related and tasks assigned to the WUSV., provided those are not assigned to other statutory organs.
- (2) The General Assembly is in particular responsible for the following issues:
  - Acceptance of the activity report of the General Manager Secretary General;
  - b) Verification of accounting, cash balance and inventories;
  - c) Discharge of the Board of Directors;
  - d) Approval of the business plan provided by the Board of Directors;
  - e) Approval and amendment of the statute and regulations;
  - f) Disposition with respect to assets of special importance;
  - g) Election of the Board Members;
  - h) Election of two Auditors, and two deputy Auditors;

- i) Impeachment of board members on significant grounds;
- j) Approval of new member organizations according to § 8, paragraph (2);
- k) Disciplinary measures according to § 26 paragraph (2) and (3 6);
- I) All other issues of significant importance to the WUSV.
- (3) The expenses of the General Assembly shall be covered as follows:
  - a) The expenses incurred for the board of directors, the secretary general, and the auditors as well as the head office staff shall be covered by the WUSV in accordance with the bylaws. The expenses shall only be covered on the premises that the above mentioned are not at the same time delegates to their member organizations.
  - b) The expenses incurred for the delegates shall be covered by their respective member organizations.

#### 6.1.13. § 16 Convocation of the General Assembly

Version 2016:

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(4) Emergency motions may be submitted by the delegates of the General Assembly with voting power according to § 14, paragraph (2) lit. a).

Version 2017:

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(4) Emergency motions may be submitted by the delegates of the General Assembly with voting power until the beginning of the meeting and in written according to § 14, paragraph (2) lit. a), provided that no statutory amendments are concerned. The same applies for the WUSV Board of Directors, also on the premises that no statutory amendments are concerned. Dringlichkeitsanträge können ebenfalls schriftlich, bis zum Beginn der Versammlung, von den stimmberechtigten Delegierten der Mitgliederversammlung nach § 14, Absatz (2) a) gestellt werden-,-sofern diese keine Satzungsänderungen betreffen. Seitens des WUSV-Vorstandes können auch in der Versammlung Dringlichkeitsanträge gestellt werden, sofern diese keine Satzungsänderungen betreffen.

#### 6.1.14. § 17 Beschlussfassung der Mitgliederversammlung

#### Version 2016:

... of the General Assembly

(1) The General Assembly shall be chaired by the president or his or her deputy according to the SV by-laws

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(4) The minutes of the meeting shall be based on the SV by-laws.

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Version 2017:

#### ...of the General Assembly

(1) The General Assembly shall be chaired by the president or his or her deputy according to the <del>SV</del> <u>WUSV</u> by-laws.

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(4) The minutes of the meeting shall be based on the WUSV SV by-laws.

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#### 6.1.15. § 19 Board of Directors

Version 2016:

- (1) The Board of Directors consists of four members:
  - a) the President and,
  - b) three more Members

Version 2017:

(1) Composition of the Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors consists of four members:

- a) the President and,
- b) the Vice President
- c) three two more members

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Version 2016:

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(5) In case, that the President is not available he or she shall be represented by the board members.

Version 2017:

5) In case, that the President is not available he or she shall be represented by the board members the vice president.

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#### 6.1.16. § 20 Responsibilities of the Board of Directors

Version 2016:

(1) The Board of Directors is responsible for the management of the WUSV and the compliance with all tasks assigned by the General Assembly.

Version 2017:

(1) The Board of Directors is responsible for the management of the WUSV and as well as the compliance with all tasks assigned by the General Assembly that have not explicitly been assigned to other organs.

Version 2016:

(2) The Board of Directors is in particular responsible for the following:

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b) Monitoring of the performance and business processing at the head office,

. . . .

Version 2017:

(3) The Board of Directors is in particular responsible for the following:

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b) Monitoring of the performance and business processing at the head office as well as the definition of the WUSV by-laws,

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#### 6.1.17. § 23 Management, Headquarters

Version 2016:

(1) The head office of the WUSV shall be registered at the same domicile as the SV.

The general manager of the SV shall also be the general manager of the WUSV, in case that he or she is not available his or her deputy shall hold the office. The management shall be carried out in compliance with the statute, the resolutions passed at the General Assembly, and the decisions taken by the Board of Directors.

#### Version 2017:

(1) The head office of the WUSV shall be registered at the same domicile as the SV.

The general manager of the SV shall also be the general manager secretary general of the WUSV, in case that he or she is not available his or her deputy shall hold the office. The management shall be carried out in compliance with the statute, the resolutions passed at the General Assembly, and the decisions taken by the Board of Directors.

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#### Version 2016:

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(3) The general manager is responsible for the processing of all business transactions, the implementation of resolutions, regulatory statutes, as well as the publication of decisions and communications. He represents the Board of Directors in court and out of court, and is appointed special representative in accordance with § 30 BGB (German Civic Code). The general manager can be entrusted with further tasks and responsibilities.

#### Version 2017:

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(3) The general manager secretary general is responsible for the processing of all business transactions, the implementation of resolutions, regulatory statutes, as well as the publication of decisions and communications. He represents the Board of Directors in court and out of court, and is appointed special representative in accordance with § 30 BGB (German Civic Code). He shall proceed in close cooperation with the Board of Directors. The general manager The secretary general can be entrusted with further tasks and responsibilities.

#### Version 2016:

(4) The general manager attends all board meetings, and the General Assembly in an advisory function.

#### Version 2017:

(4) The general manager secretary general attends all board meetings, and the General Assembly in an advisory function.

## 7.1.18. § 26 Disciplinary Measures, Termination of Membership

#### Version 2016:

- (1) In order to guarantee the achievements of their objectives, and to maintain internal and external order, the WUSV imposes measures toward its member organizations which deliberately violate or counteract the statute, regulations, and purposes of the association.
- (2) Decisions in terms of the measures to be taken shall be made by the General Assembly based on the according proposal submitted by a member organization or by the Board of Directors. Any such request must be substantiated.

- (3) The measures are as follows:
  - Reprimand, and threat of withdrawal of membership to be decided by a single majority of the General Assembly.
  - b) Temporary withdrawal of membership to be decided by a twothirds majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly.
  - c) Permanent withdrawal of membership to be decided by a twothirds majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly.
- (4) Before the decision can be taken the member-organization affected has a right to a fair hearing with a deadline of six weeks. A respective statement shall be submitted to the General Assembly before the resolution is taken. Oral statements on the occasion of the General Assembly are possible.
- (5) Decisions taken by the General Assembly according to § 26, paragraph (3), are non-appealable.

#### Version 2017:

- (1) In order to guarantee the achievements of their objectives, and to maintain internal and external order, the WUSV imposes measures toward its member organizations which deliberately violate or counteract the statute, regulations, and purposes of the association. (change only relevant according to German grammar rules)
- (2) If member organizations intentionally violate the regulations and purpose of the WUSV, in the first instance the Board of Directors is entitled to take regulatory measures, such as:
  - a) Warning notices together with the request to bring the infringement to an immediate end within a period as specified by the Board of Directors;
  - b) Warning notices together with the request to bring the infringement to an immediate end under the threat of a suspension of the membership rights in case that the infringement is not stopped within a period as specified by the Board of Directors.
  - c) Imposition of a preliminary suspension of the membership rights in case that the infringement was not stopped within a period as specified by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors can decide upon the measures as mentioned above individually and independently of each other. The board is neither bound to a certain order respectively chronology. The board is not obliged to impose all of the measures before a resolution is taken by the General Assembly.

- (3) The Board of Directors has to report about the regulatory measures imposed on the occasion of the next meeting.
- (4) In case that the measures initiated by the Board of Directors do not contribute to an improvement of the situation, the implementation of further measures needs to be decided upon by the General Assembly based on a respective proposal submitted by either a member organization or the Board of Directors. Any such request must be substantiated.

The measures are as follows: Reprimand, and threat of withdrawal of membership to be decided by a single majority of the General Assembly. Temporary withdrawal of membership to be decided by a two-thirds majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly. Permanent withdrawal of membership to be decided by a two-thirds majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly Before the decision can be taken the member-organization affected has a right to a fair hearing with a deadline of six weeks. A respective

statement shall be submitted to the General Assembly before the resolution is taken. Oral statements on the occasion of the General Assembly are possible.

- (5) The measures available are as follows:
  - Reprimand, and threat of withdrawal of membership to be decided by a single majority of the General Assembly.
  - b) Temporary withdrawal of membership to be decided by a two-thirds majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly.
  - c.) Permanent withdrawal of membership to be decided by a two-thirds majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly
- (6) Before the decision can be taken the member-organization affected has a right to a fair hearing with a deadline of six weeks. A respective statement shall be submitted to the General Assembly before the resolution is taken. Oral statements on the occasion of the General Assembly are possible.
- (7) Decisions taken by the General Assembly according to § 26, paragraph 4, are non-appealable.

## 6.1.19. § 29 Amendments of Statutes and Regulations

Version 2016:

(1) Changes and amendments to the statutes and regulations require a two-thirds majority of the votes of the members to the General Assembly. Resolutions are to be taken on the occasion of the General Assembly. The founding association SV enjoys the right of veto. A written vote is not admissible.

#### Version 2017:

Changes and amendments to the statutes and regulations require a (1) two-thirds majority of the votes of the members to the General Assembly. Resolutions are to be taken on the occasion of the General Assembly. The founding association SV enjoys the right of veto. The general manager of the SV is to be informed about intended changes to the statute. If the information is passed on in a timely fashion that allows the Federal Assembly of the SV to address the subject before the next General Assembly of the WUSV, the power of veto shall be exercised on the occasion of the next General Assembly at the latest. If the information is not passed on in a timely fashion that allows the SV Federal Assembly to address the subject before the next WUSV General Assembly, the SV has to exercise its power of veto one month after the SV Federal Assembly following the last WUSV General Assembly at the lasted possible date. A written vote is not admissible.

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### Version 2016:

(5) Changes and amendments to the purpose of the association require a unanimous decision of the General Assembly.

#### Version 2017:

(5) Changes and amendments to the purpose of the association umbrella association require unanimous decision a four-fifths majority of the valid votes of the General Assembly.

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and one abstention cast by the USA.

#### 6.2. Proposals from WUSV Member Countries

#### 6.2.1. WUSV Conformation Show

The president provides for explanatory comment, and informs the delegates that the BSZ Conformation Show as hosted by the SV will be continued in the familiar way and in Germany. However, due to the increasing importance of the WUSV the hosting of an international conformation show is being considered. A proposal for 2018 has already been filed by Brazil.

Otherwise, the WUSV Board of Directors will decide about the future venues.

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

## ITEM 7) Worldwide Harmonization of Breeding Standards within the WUSV

## 7.1. Harmonization in the field of DNA, HD, ED und Identification - State of Affairs

## 7.2. Regulations for Breeding within the WUSV – Harmonization of the general requirements for breeding (Matrix)

Mr. Setecki once again comments on the subject, and he kindly asks the parties affected to return the questionnaires that are still pending. By the same token, he gives thanks to those member clubs who already contributed to the survey. The relevant and up-dated matrix is promised by September 05, 2017 and will be sent out by electronic mail. Questions are very welcome and shall be sent to the secretariat general in written. The respective answers will be made available to all WUSV member organizations.

#### 7.3. WUSV Studbook

The President provides for explanatory comment, and points out that the WUSV member organizations need to support their members who wish to participate in that program. However, it is not mandatory for the member clubs to already cover all requirements as listed in the matrix. Even though some of the member clubs might not yet fulfill any of the requirements, that major idea is to provide for the basic conditions and thus lay the foundations for a gradual development.

#### ITEM 8) SV-BSZ-Conformation Show 2017 in Ulm – Judge Reports

### 8.1. Working Class Male Dogs (GHKL): Lothar Quoll

Mr. Quoll presents the animals out of the working class male dogs with the best results obtained on the occasion of this year's BSZ conformation show. He comments that the dogs presented in 2017 were of outstanding and above average quality. However, he also criticizes the premature deregistration of animals if the desired results have not been obtained at a certain stage of the competition.

He regrets this unsportsmanlike behavior, and continues with his presentation of the individual animals.

#### 8.2. Working Class Female Dogs (GHKL): Norbert Scharschmidt

Mr. Scharschmidt reports about the conformation show and specifies upon the ratings of the animals out of the working class female dogs.

#### ITEM 9) Membership

## 9.1. Information Development Membership – Report on Status of Membership by the Board of Directors

The President emphasizes the importance to report the membership statistics back to the WUSV secretariat general and kindly asks the parties present to pass the information on in a timely fashion.

#### 9.2. Application for Membership Brazil – Clube Brasileiro do Pastor Almão)

Mr. Jose Graca-Aranha presents his organization to the delegates present.

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention. Thus, the Clube Brasileiro do Pastor Almão is admitted to the community of the WUSV as a junior member.

## 9.3. Application for Membership Montenegro – Asocijacija nemackih ovcara Crne Gore

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention. Thus, the Asocijacija nemackih ovcara Crne Gore is admitted to the community of the WUSV as a junior member.

## 9.4. Application for Membership Uzbekistan – Commonwealth of the Proprietors of German Shepherds (CPGS)

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention. Thus, the Commonwealth of the Proprietors of German Shepherds (CPGS) is admitted to the community of the WUSV as a junior member.

### ITEM 10) Changes & Deletions WUSV Membership List

#### 10.1. Algeria: Societe Algerienne Du Chien De Berger Allemand (SACBA)

For the year 2017 the contribution payment is delayed. The Continental Director who is responsible for that country, Mr Jacky Beck from France, will travel to Algeria in October 2017, and he will look into that matter on that occasion. The association will receive an official warning. An advance resolution shall be taken to strike the club off the members list in case the payments due will not be balance.

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

## 10.2. Kenya: East Africa German Shepherd Dog League – Application Suspension of Membership

The Continental Director, Mr. Frikkie van Kraayenburg from Southern Africa, comments upon the particular situation in Kenia. The president proposes to proceed in the same fashion as for Algeria (see item 10.1.)

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

#### 10.3 Moldavia: Moldavischer Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (UDCGM)

The item has become obsolete. The payment due has been settled in the meantime.

#### 10.4 Panamá: Federación Canofila De Perros Pastores Alemanes-Panamá (FCPA)

The president proposes to proceed in the same fashion as for Algeria (see item 10.1.)

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

## 10.5. Paraguay: Club Ovejero Alemán Del Paraguay

The item has become obsolete. The payment due has been settled in the meantime.

#### 10.6. Singapore: German Shepherd Dog Club of Singapore

The item has become obsolete. The payment due has been settled in the meantime.

## 10.7. Taiwan: German Shepherd Dog Ass. of Taiwan (GSDAT/ PDA)

The item has become obsolete. The payment due has been settled in the meantime.

#### 10.8. Trinidad & Tobago: German Shepherd Breed Club of Trinidad & Tobago

The item has become obsolete. The payment due has been settled in the meantime.

#### 10.9. Turkey: Deutsche Schäferhunde Rasse und Sport Verein (ACKISD)

The item has become obsolete. The payment due has been settled in the meantime.

## 10.10. Venezuela: Asociación De Criadores Del Perro Pastor Aleman De Venezuela (ACPPAV) – Application Suspension of Membership

The Continental Director for the region, Mr. Roberto Caputi, comments on the current situation in that country. The item is adjourned to the WUSV General Assembly in 2018.

### ITEM 11) Miscellaneous Proposals

### 11.1. WUSV Full Membership Egypt

It is noted that the club only has a total of 150 members to the effect that the minimum requirement of at least 200 members is not complied with according to § 8, section 3 (Obtaining Membership). As a result, the admission as a full member to the WUSV is not an option for formal reasons. Professor Meßler recommends to renew the proposal for full membership as soon as the number of members required for full membership will have been obtained. If applicable even as soon as in 2018.

### 11.2. WUSV Full Membership Morocco

The Club du Chien Berger Allemand of Morokko meets the formal requirements according to § 8, section 3 (Obtaining Membership). of the WUSV Statutes.

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention. Thus, the Club du Chien Berger Allemand of Morokko is admitted to the community of the WUSV as a full member.

## 11.3. WUSV Awarding Regulations

**Vote:** The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

#### ITEM 12) Review of WUSV Events

## 12.1. 29<sup>th</sup> WUSV World Championship 2016 in Meppen/ Germany – Report Head Judge Günther Diegel (Attachment 1)

The report is presented to the delegates by the vice president, Dr. Tauber.

## 12.2. 7<sup>th</sup> Universal Championship 2017 in Regau/ Austria – Report Head Judge Josef Vonarburg (Attachment 2)

The report is presented to the delegates by the vice president, Dr. Tauber.

## ITEM 13) 30<sup>th</sup> WUSV World Championship 2017 in Tilburg/ The Netherlands from October 04, to October 08, 2017

Chief Judge: Josef Schallegruber (A)
Commissioner Tracking Work: Wolfgang Rook (D)
Section A – Tracking: Peter Mayerl (A)
Section B – Obedience: Heinz Gerdes (D)

Section C – Defense Work: Marinus Bastiaansen (NL)

#### ITEM 14) Outlook on future WUSV World Championship events as already scheduled

2018	Schaeferhundeklubben for Danmark			
	Randers (Stadion) – October 03, to October 07, 2018			

Chief Judge: Heinz Gerdes (D)
Commissioner Tracking Work: Peter Mayerl (A)
Section A – Tracking: Clemente Grosso (I)
Section B – Obedience: Jari Kokkonen (FN)
Section C – Defense Work: Horst-Dieter Träger(D)

Advance Scheduling: Societá Amatori Schäferhunde (S.A.S.) – Italy
 Advance Scheduling: Magyarorszagi Nemet Juhaszkutya Klub – Hungary
 2021

2022 2023

2024
 2025 Advance Scheduling: Royal Club du Berger Allemand de Belgique – Belgium

The President kindly asks for proposals from the WUSV member countries for the hosting of future events.

## ITEM 15) Outlook on future WUSV Universal Championship events as already scheduled

2018	Vereniging voor Duitse Herdershonden V.V.D.H. – Belgium – Diest (Stadium) June 22, to June 24, 2018				
	Chief Judge: Commissioner Tracking Work: Section A Tracking: Section B - Obedience: Section C - Defense Work: Show:	Egon Gutknecht (D) Wolfgang Rook (D) Wilfried Tautz (D) Raino Flügge (CA) Josef Vonarburg (CH) Helmut Wehinger (A)			
2019 2020 2021	Advance Scheduling: GSD League of Gr Advance Scheduling: Club du Chien de E Advance Scheduling: Real Club Español	Berger Allemand (CCBA) – France			

# 2025 ITEM 16) Future Scheduling

There are no comments on this item.

#### ITEM 17) Miscellaneous

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The President promises to improve the communication with the WUSV member organizations, and once again comments on the breeding harmonization in progress. He reassures the delegates that requests and proposals by the member clubs are always more than welcome. Ideally, the proposals shall be sent to the secretariat general in written. The President gives thanks to the party present for the good cooperation and is looking forward to the next General Annual Assembly in 2018. The meeting is formally closed at 14.41 hours.