

SUMMARY
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, 28 April 2026

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Conflicts of interest were declared as follows:

- One agenda item each for Ainslie Carius and Duncan McAllister and both Directors left the meeting during discussions and did not participate in voting.
- One agenda item each for Ainslie Carius and Tim Thomas. The Directors were not required to leave the meeting and abstained from voting.

Previous Minutes

AGM Minutes – 25 March 2026

The minutes of the AGM held 25 March 2026 were noted.

Minutes of Board Meeting – 24 March 2026

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 24 March 2026 were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Minutes of Board Meeting – 25 March 2026

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 25 March 2026 were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Summary of Previous Minutes – 24 February 2026

The Summary of Minutes for 24 February was accepted.

REPORTS

Financial Report – 31 March 2026/Financial Summary – March 2026

The Financial Report, 31 March 2026 and the Financial Summary for February 2026 were tabled.

The Board resolved to accept the Financial Report and Financial Summary for March 2026.

Office Reports

Office Report Week Ending 24 April 2026/Social Media Report – April 2026: Both reports were noted.

Welfare Officer Reports

CWLO Board Report – April 2026

The CWLO Board Report was noted with the Board to consider Dogs Queensland's level of sponsorship, support or involvement in the 2026 Australian Dog Breeders Conference at the June 2026 Board meeting.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

Zone 2 Meeting for April Board Agenda

The Board discussed the various topics raised by members, with the following actions agreed:

- i) To improve communications and promotion to members utilising all available methods on matters including:
 - where monies were expended by Dogs Queensland;

- smaller, targeted articles on matters of interest, emerging topics and adding links to access for further reading;
 - the various providers available to undertake DNA testing;
 - issuing text messages to members to highlight important information was being issued.
- ii) Consider additional social media training for staff.
- iii) Increase consultation with members on motions Dogs Queensland were submitting to the ANKC, with details and the rationale on why the motions were being proposed, to obtain feedback.
- iv) The Constitution and Rules Committee to consider Dogs Queensland Rules regarding:
- sponsorships, prizes and closing dates;
 - ownership under a kennel prefix.
- v) Dogs Queensland providing access to policies for clubs to adopt and advise clubs to reach out to the Cairns KC on the issue.
- vi) Dogs Queensland being more proactive on the Limited Register matter and issue a survey to Dogs Queensland members seeking feedback, with wording from the ANKC documentation to be used.
- vii) President's Report to include information on the development of the Durack grounds and updates on the strategic planning process.
- viii) Directors to provide feedback to the General Manager on issues raised by members at the Zone 2 meeting.

Zone 2 DQ Members Forum – Minutes: Noted.

Take the Lead Concept – Urgent Situation

The information provided was tabled and considered with the General Manager confirming dog food supplies had been offered.

The Board agreed a working party be established comprising Ainslie Carius, Bill Smith, Katrina Santas, Tim Thomas and the General Manager to investigate the concept of a structured support mechanism such as 'Take the Lead' and report to the Board.

Continuing Issues with Orivet

A verbal update was provided by the General Manager.

Title Application without Original Certified Pedigree

The Board agreed to accept all Title applications without original pedigrees.

Potential Zone 3 visit

The information provided was tabled and the options for a Zone 3 visit considered.

The Board agreed to the proposal to hold a virtual townhall meeting and a follow up face to face meeting at the Atherton Tablelands shows on 4 and 5 July 2026 for Zone 3 members.

Universal Registration of Dogs through Dogs Queensland

The information provided was noted with the Board agreeing the matter be flagged for future consideration when the *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008* was due for review by the Queensland Government.

ANKC (Dogs Australia) Matters

Papers – State Administrators meeting – 21 May 2026: Noted.

Proposal for the recognition of three Australian Developed Breeds

The Board agreed the matter be considered at the October 2026 ANKC Board meeting.

Electronic Motion #221 – Discontinue Champion Class survey

The information and further proposed revised model was tabled and considered.

The Board agreed a comprehensive explanation was required on the issue, with Dogs Queensland to put forward the proposed revised model on Conformation Showing Champion Class Framework to the June ANKC Board meeting to enable consultation to be undertaken by State bodies with their members, with the matter to then be presented for voting at the face-to-face October 2026 ANKC Board meeting.

The Board further agreed, if the ANKC agreed in principle to the revised model at the June meeting, Dogs Queensland could undertake a trial to ascertain its effectiveness.

The Board acknowledged the extensive work by Tim Thomas on the matter.

2027 CRUFTS – Confirmation of Qualifying Shows

The Board agreed to submit four applications to Dogs Australia being API, Beaudesert KC, Gold Coast Canine Club and Gundogs and Heavy Breeds Club, to hold qualifying shows for 2027 CRUFTS.

June Meeting – Dogs Australia Rule Amendment

The Board agreed to the proposed Dogs Australia Rule amendment outlined in the paper.

Public Campaign: Imagine a Life Without Them – Imagina Una Vid Sin Ellos

The Board agreed to support the public campaign with Dogs Queensland to continue to monitor and address breed standards and health issues. Information was to be published on the Dogs Queensland website to promote the public FCI campaign 'Imagine a Life Without Them' and the General Manager and CWLO were to consult with Dogs Victoria on breed standards, health issues and the FCI campaign.

June Meeting – Change to Requirements for Grand and Supreme Championship

The information provided was tabled noting the extensive number of changes being proposed.

The Board agreed to propose to the ANKC meeting the following amendments to the Regulations:

a) Regulation 10.8 Neuter Grand Champion

10.8.1 - Using the points system as approved by Dogs Australia at the time, a dog will be required to attain the following qualifications to be eligible for the title of Neuter Grand Champion from 01 January 2027:

A. 1,000 points.

b) Regulation 10.10 Neuter Supreme Champion

10.10.1 - Using the points system as approved by Dogs Australia at the time, a dog will be required to attain the following qualifications to be eligible for the title of Neuter Supreme Champion from 01 January 2027:

A. 1,000 points; and

B. 5 Neuter in Show awards.

Other changes proposed to the qualifications for "Grand, Supreme and Champion" categories would be revisited at a later date.

COMMITTEES

Board's Ground Liaison

Lighting Issue Rings 1 – 10 – Quote for 247 King Ave, Durack

The Board resolved to:

- i) Waive the financial delegation policy requiring three quotes to be obtained for the required work.
- ii) Approve the expenditure of \$88,538.60, inclusive of GST, to undertake the lighting works at Durack as specified in the Quote No 6189 provided by Brix Electrical.

Queensland Dog Sports

RAFT Committee request for Funds

The Board agreed to provide \$500 to RAFT for the Queensland State Retrieving Trials scheduled to be held 17, 18 and 19 July 2026.

Qld Dogs Sports Committee Financial Report for March 2026: Noted.

RBTQC application for joint fundraiser trial – SpringDog™

The Board approved the application to conduct a fundraiser trial for the Black Dog Institute as a joint trial between RBTQC and SDCQ.

QDS Judges Elevation

The Board **endorsed** the following seven elevations:

- Lisa-Maree Price - Retrieving - All Age Stake Training
- Julie Howarth - SprintDog™ Judge
- David Pearson - Lure Coursing Lure Operator
- Renay Buchanan - Trainee Judge for Track and Search
- Cassandra Dark – Scentwork Ultimate Judge
- Nikki Turner - Retrieving Novice Judge
- Nicky Marr - Retrieving Restricted Judge

The Board **endorsed** the following two elevations, subject to the completion of the required practical assessment:

- Ben Samuels
- Kiera Kelsall

Finalised version of Herding Rules: Noted.

Minutes of the Qld Dogs Sports Committee – 12 April 2026: Noted.

Conformation Judges

CJC Charter Update: Deferred to the May 2026 Board meeting.

Canine Health

Referral from C&R Committee: Consider Reducing the Age Limit for Puppies to be on the Grounds

The information provided was noted with the issue previously considered.

The Board agreed the present Dogs Queensland Rule regarding the age of puppies remain in place in accordance with the advice provided.

Canine Health Committee Minutes: Noted.

Constitution and Rules

Change to Show Definitions

The information provided was tabled noting the Constitution and Rules Committee were addressing the issue of definitions as part of the review of the Constitution and Dogs Queensland Rules.

Schedules being published

The information provided was tabled and addressed.

The Board agreed to the change of clubs being able to publish schedules on Show Manager prior to being officially printed in Dog World.

Advice re approving Constitutional Amendments

The Board noted the advice provided.

Show Dates Policy for Approval

The Board approved the Show Dates Policy as presented to enable the Show Calendar to be published. The Show Dates Policy and definitions were to be reconsidered after the CJC Charter was approved.

Minutes Constitution and Rules Committee 8 April 2026

The minutes from the Constitution and Rules Committee meeting on 8 April 2026 were tabled with a verbal update provided on the progress of work on Dogs Queensland's Constitution.

The Board agreed to:

- i) Hold a special Board meeting to discuss the changes to the Constitution.
- ii) Invite the Constitution and Rules Committee members to the special Board meeting to provide a presentation on the changes to the Constitution.

DQ Events

POTY, NOTY and DOTY Rules 2026

The Board agreed to the proposed changes presented for puppy in show, with no changes to occur for minor puppy in 2026 and the changes implemented from 2027.

Marketing and Public Relations

Participation in the Warwick Celtic Festival Organising Committee

The Board agreed John Mitchell progress conversations and investigate the idea of Dogs Queensland participating in the Warwick Celtic Festival.

Marketing and Public Relations Committee Minutes – Meeting 4 March 2026: Noted.

Dogapalooza 2026

A verbal update was provided on Dogapalooza 2026 with feedback provided and lessons learnt incorporated in the next event.

Strategic Planning and Durack Future Working Party

Thursday Evening Strategic Planning Minutes

Directors agreed a meeting be held at 10am on Monday, 4 May 2026 for Directors able to attend to develop a tender and scope of works for the Strategic Planning work.

Event Managers and Stewards

Events Manager Committee: Update on Activity: Noted.

SHOW MATTERS, SHOW/TRIAL DATES AND CLUB MATTERS

Show Dates

Agricultural Shows - Proposal

The proposal was carried over to the May 2026 Board meeting with the General Manager to commence issuing information on the review of Agricultural Show Dog Sections in Queensland and gather any feedback to report to the Board.

Show Dates for Approval 2027

The Board agreed to the change of date request from Maryborough KC and that the draft 2027 Calendar be sent out to clubs.

Club Matters

Rottweiler Club of Qld Inc Grant Application for Shipping Container

The Board of Dogs Queensland, as the property owner of 247 King Avenue, Durack Queensland 4007, confirmed approval for the Rottweiler Club of Queensland (RCQ) to permanently install a 20-foot shipping container at Dogs Queensland Durack grounds.

Affiliation Application – Weimaraner Breed Club of Qld

The Board agreed the application for affiliation from the Weimaraner Breed Club of Qld be approved.

NEW MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL

Flying Minutes re Membership

The Board ratified the memberships accepted by flying minutes as tabled.

ACTION ITEMS

Action Items – 28 April 2026: Noted.

Action Item 38 – Expressions of Interest to Conduct an A20 Shows/CACIB

The submission paper and proposed approval criteria was tabled and considered.

The Board agreed further work was required with the matter to be discussed at the May 2026 Board meeting. General Manager was to inform those clubs applying to hold A20 Shows of the fee automatically charged irrespective of the actual entries received to ascertain whether the clubs were still interested in holding the shows.

CLOSURE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Change of date for the May Board Meeting

The Board agreed to a one-off change, with the next Board meeting to be held on Monday, 25 May 2026.