

ARTICLE XIII -- COMMITTEES

- Section 1. The President shall be EX OFFICIO a member of all committees with all rights and privileges, including the right to vote.
- Section 2. There shall be a standing committee to be called the FINANCIAL COMMITTEE, composed of seven (7) members (one of whom shall be the Treasurer who shall not be chairman) appointed biennially in odd-numbered years by the Administrative Officers. This committee shall make recommendations regarding all financial matters, shall cause the books and records of all officers and offices of the Federation to be audited at least semi-annually, and shall have such other responsibilities as shall be assigned by the Federation and consistent with the By-laws.
- Section 3. There shall be a standing committee to be called the COMMITTEE ON RULES composed of eleven (11) members who shall be appointed biennially in odd-numbered years. This committee shall be responsible for the study of all proposals and their circulation to the membership, this circulation to take place at least 60 days prior to any regularly scheduled meeting of the Executive Board. This committee will assign the proposals to an appropriate study group established within the committee for that specific category or proposal. The Committee shall have no power to change the intent of a proposal or its wording without the consent of the club, officer, or individual member submitting the proposal. It shall phrase properly, study the implications of, make recommendations as to the disposition of proposals, and otherwise assist the Federation in the making of its decisions. A majority vote in the affirmative from the Executive Board will place on the floor any proposal under consideration by the committee.
- Section 4. There shall be standing committee to be called the CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE composed of five (5) members, to be appointed by the President biennially in odd-numbered years (except the Chairman who shall be a Vice-president of the Federation). This committee, shall upon the request of a member club, appoint a proxy. This committee shall be responsible for verifying the right of a representative (delegate, alternate or proxy) of a club and individual members to be seated and to vote on matters pertaining to the Federation, subject to the approval of the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall assign such other duties to the Committee as the Standing Rules pertaining to this Committee may permit.
- Section 5. There shall be a standing committee to be called the GENETICS COMMITTEE, composed of five (5) members, to be appointed annually by the President. This committee shall be responsible for hearing appeals from the Rules of Registration pertaining to coat, color and pattern of progeny. This committee shall have the power to waive the restrictions of Article II, Section 4, of the Rules of Registration, when, upon due consideration of the evidence, it seems clear that the progeny are the result of the stated parents.
- Section 6. There shall be a standing committee to be called the COMMITTEE ON BREED STANDARDS, SHOW RULES, BY-LAWS, RULES OF REGISTRATION, and STANDING RULES. This committee shall make all changes in the appropriate documents mandated by the Executive Board at the Annual and Semi-annual meetings.
- Section 7. There shall be a standing committee to be called the PROTEST COMMITTEE, composed of 11 members, which shall conduct such duties as are enumerated to it under Article XIV of these By-

laws. The membership of such committee shall consist of the Executive Vice-president, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and six (6) other Federation members appointed by the Administrative Officers biennially in odd-numbered years, or at any time that it may become necessary to fill a vacancy. These eleven members shall, from amongst themselves, elect a Chairman of the Committee.

Section 13 There shall be a standing committee called the COMPUTER COMMITTEE. This committee shall consist of seven members one of whom shall be the Recording Secretary. This committee will be appointed by the President in the odd-numbered year. Its duties shall be those defined and listed in Standing Rule 23 and any duties assigned to it by the Executive Board.

Section 9. The Executive Board may create such other committees as it may from time to time find useful in the pursuit of its duties.