

PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF NAMASCUSA VOTE ON USASA PROPOSAL

Following is the NAMASCUSA Board Announcement of the preliminary results of its membership vote on the USASA Proposal. Final results are scheduled for publication on March 31. As of now, approximately 83% of the voting membership has approved the proposal, meaning the creation of the new breed will proceed without delay.

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Hello NAMASCUSA Membership:

Unofficial Vote Projection – 83% of ballots returned to date have voted YES in favor of NAMASCUSA being the AKC Parent Breed Club for the new AKC breed being split from the Australian Shepherd!

All ballots were to be postmarked by yesterday, 3/24/11. The board of NAMASCUSA has been notified by the notaries hired to count our ballots that a majority of YES votes has been reached with the ballots returned to date. We are sharing these preliminary results with the membership at this time, as this information can no longer affect the outcome of the vote. The official numbers will be released on 3/31 in order to allow those ballots that were postmarked on or before 3/24, but not yet received by the notaries, to be included in the final count. The outcome of the vote for the new breed name is too close to project, and so that result will be announced on 3/31 along with the final vote count.

We look forward to working with the membership as we move our dogs into AKC. Committees will begin being formed next week. Information on the new committees will be forthcoming shortly, and membership participation is welcomed.

Thank you,
NAMASCUSA Board