PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

December 9, 2021 Minutes

Members in attendance: Donna Bruce, Bob Cohen, Karen Clugston, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Jill Otto, Gisele Romanace, Sherry Weinstein

Absent: Sue Smyth

President's report: Meeting called to order at 7:01 by Laura. President's items to be discussed throughout the meeting.

Vice President's report: (Jill) NNTR

Secretary's report: Jo Anne moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Sherry seconded. All voted in favor.

Treasurer's report (Jo Anne) There is very little to report since our last meeting. We have \$85,962.40 in Money Market and \$372.68 in checking for a total of \$86,335.08. We did get a distribution from Amazon Prime of \$124.80 which is a quarterly payment. There has been virtually no donation activity.

Committee/Liaison Reports

- A. Health/Education/Research (Helen & Laura reporting): see old business.
- B. Policy & Procedure (Sue & Bob reporting): NNTR
- C. Rescue: NNTR
- D. Social Media (Laura) Posts from AKC CHF updating us on research studies have done well. The one on CBD as a possible treatment for epilepsy got the biggest response.
- E. Saber Tails (Helen & Laura reporting) The next deadline is 12/31/21.

Old Business

A. 2022 National: Helen is still looking for an ophthalmologist. Laura has two potential items set aside for virtual auction at National.

2023 National: Laura suggested a health seminar speaker and Tiffany liked the suggestion. Sarah Hamer, DVM, at Texas A&M University. She is a veterinary epidemiologist working on the emergence of pathogens shared by animals and people. Laura will extend an invitation.

B. AKC-CHF Grants: Three new suggestions were discussed. Bob made a motion to fund the following three grants at \$2,500 each, Sherry seconded. All voted in favor.

2829 Investigating the Potential of Phage Therapy to Tackle Staphylococcus pseudintermedius Infections in Dogs

2880 Enhanced Surgical Margin Imaging with Polarization-sensitive Optical Coherence Tomography in Canine Soft Tissue Sarcoma and Mammary Tumors

2899 How do Maternal, Environmental, and Genetic Factors Contribute to Acquisition and Evolution of the Enteric Microbiome in Dogs?

C. Breed Preservation Committee update- Laura sent a draft of Genetic Diversity Testing by Embark. Embark has a Matchmaker tool to assist breeders as they plan a breeding. 100 samples are needed. Cost is \$129/test. We may be able to prepay Embark for tests for a discount. If we decide to proceed the cost would be around

\$12,000. Suggestions were made to edit the document. The proposal will be brought to the Club Board at their January meeting. Foundation discussion to be continued at our next meeting.

New Business

None raised.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Liscum