

The Health and Rescue Foundation of PBGVCA

Meeting Minutes June 14, 2023

Attendance: Donna Bruce, Bob Cohen, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Jill Otto, Gisele Romanace, Sue Smyth

Absent: Karen Clugston, Kevin Curran

Guest: David Folce

President's Report (Laura) Meeting called to order at 7:02. Executive Session

Vice President's Report (Jill) NNTR

Treasurer's Report (Jo Anne) as of 6/14/2023 the Health and Rescue Foundation has \$96,234.33 in total in all bank accounts. That is \$93,584.43 in the Money Market Account and \$2,649.90 in the checking account. Since our last meeting on April 6, 2023 we have had to write another check to our lawyers.

We have received the final Amazon distribution of \$143.85 which when added to the other checks from Amazon totals \$383.84 since our last meeting. \$2,935.00 in total has been received from Amazon during the time we participated in the now closed program. We also received a handsome check from the Midwest PBGV Hunt Group. The new Club Treasurer has fixed a longstanding problem of donors sending money through the Club but the Foundation failing to receive it for as long as six months. The new Club treasurer now alerts me to gifts right away so I can send thank you's even though the money might come a month or two later (not sure why this is).

Secretary's Report (Sue) Minutes for March 14, 2023 - Jill moved to accept the amended minutes; Donna seconded, all voted in favor. April 6, 2023 minutes- Bob moved to accept; Jill seconded, all voted in favor.

Committee Reports

A. **Health/Education/Research** (Helen & Laura) CHF Parent Club Conference is in August. Club members may attend virtually. Gisele has updated clinical reports online due to requests/questions from PBGV owners.

B. **Policy & Procedures** (Bob & Sue) NNTR

C. **Rescue** (Sue) NNTR

D. **Social Media** (Gisele) continues to post on FaceBook. On June 17 more PBGV puppies reportedly coming up for auction in Missouri.

E. **Saber Tails** (Helen & Laura) Working on the layout currently. Suggestions for future articles should be sent to Laura.

Old Business

A. **Update on Pedigree Database** (Laura) Several new features should be added to our current program if reasonably priced or should we consider a new program? The BernerGuard database looks good but is written and maintained by 1 person &

there is no ability to export the data. Jo & Laura are looking for a program that can be updated by club members themselves. A second database examined was user friendly and the data can be exported and maintained by a committee. Breed Archive has over 11,000 PBGVs entered but no way to export data and the data/testing is not verified. The next step is to run these details past the PBGVCA Board then chat with a programmer about the cost to adapt our current program. Foundation members should review the pedigree database and suggest features needed. Set up fee is E100 and the annual fee is E300.

B. Rescue of MO auction PBGVs by Utah Basset rescue group (Laura) see above

New Business

A. Plans for 2024 PBGVCA National Specialty- The speaker we have arranged, Dr Marty Greer, is a reproduction specialist from Wisconsin. We would cover transportation, hotel, meals and an honorarium based on a total of 3 hrs for \$1,500. She will speak Friday evening at the dinner. We will sponsor a 1 hour cocktail party with 1 or 2 drink tickets per attendee. Attendance will be limited to club members who have registered to attend the National. An ophthalmologist has also been arranged.

B. Ashley Nixon application for Foundation Board- she is not a club member. Laura will email her and ask if she is considering joining the parent club (a requirement to join the Foundation). Discussion regarding associate membership v. full membership. Bob will review our ByLaws and report back at our next meeting.

C. Choose CHF Grants for support at next meeting? Laura will send out grants for the Foundation members to review and vote on at the next meeting.

Gisele moved to adjourn at 8:12pm. Jo Anne seconded.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, Secretary