

# PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

## Minutes March 30, 2022

**Present:** Bob Cohen, Karen Clugston, Kevin Curran, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Jill Otto, Gisele Romanace, Sue Smyth

**Absent:** Donna Bruce

**President's Report**-Laura called the meeting to order at 7:02. Her concerns will be discussed throughout our meeting.

**Vice President's Report**-Jill Otto: same as above.

**Secretary's Report**-Karen moved to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Jill seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's Report**- Jo Anne reporting: On 3/28/22 we had \$83,456.73 in both our accounts at TD Bank; \$447.32 in Checking and \$83,009.41 in our Money Market account. We have \$.64 in PayPal. We had a deposit from Amazon of \$144.97 for purchases made there. No other notable activity. Discussion regarding the annual audit. Ingrida Robinson and Jo Quintenz will be asked to serve as auditors.

### Committee Reports

a. **Health/Education/Research**-Laura reported: Embark gave the name of the person presenting the diversity study so that we can issue a contract. Laura and Sue watched theriogenology seminars and wrote reports that will appear in Saber Tails.

Helen reported that AKC sent a survey to parent clubs. Susannah completed the club survey & AKC sent follow up suggestions. Helen will bring attention to ideas that could be beneficial to the Foundation and Club boards. One consideration would be for the Foundation to financially support vet work ups for bitches being bred. (thyroid panel, brucellosis, etc.). We could set limits on how many bitches per owner in a given time frame, an amount spent, etc.)

b. **Policy and Procedures**-Bob and Sue-NNTR

c. **Rescue**-Sue- NNTR

d. **Social media**-Laura posted details about a 10 week Institute for Canine Biology course "Managing Genetics", which she will take.

e. **Saber Tails**-Laura reported that she submitted the theriogenology article.

### Old Business

a. **Breed Preservation Committee Proposal** on genetic diversity study- Laura contacted EmbarK. 100 dogs will be selected for funded collections. Pedigrees will be studied. Jo Anne reported that Lindley is heading up a Juniors program.

b. **National Specialty**- 4 Board members will be present. Laura asked that we wear our badges. Jill will see that new badges are ordered for Sue & Helen. Donation to St. Louis Fire Department- Jo Anne is working on this. Karen moved that we donate \$850 for Pet Oxygen masks. Bob seconded. All voted in favor. There will

be a Covid release form. Laura ordered wrist bands for each signer to wear. Karen moved that the Foundation reimburse Laura for the wrist bands. Helen seconded. All voted in favor. Welcome Bags; Karen is bringing a number of items and is putting decals or magnets in the bags and on the table; Breeder Brunch-several of us are attending. Foundation Table-Laura will have flyers for our table. Sherry is donating Saber Tails to sell.; Auction-quilt cost \$347.66 which was a very thoughtful donation.

- c. **Fundraising**-Sadly Sherry is leaving the Foundation Board. We need a volunteer to organize/coordinate the fundraising activities (T-shirts, books, Saber Tails sales, envelopes, etc.).

### **New Business**

- a. **Online Election of Board Members**-Kevin, Sue, Jo Anne, Jill, Donna, Karen, Helen submitted Letters of Interest. Election of officers and Board to take place at our next meeting.
- b. **Application Form to Join Our Board**-Laura developed a new form to collect information about each applicant. We will try to attract new Board members in the spring. Jo Anne recommenced we search for specific talents. Form will be posted on the website. An eblast will go out to encourage new people.

Concerns with Doodle Poll were noted. Bob moved to adjourn at 8:13 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation Secretary