

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation Meeting 1/25/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:05 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff.

Members/officers in attendance: Helen Ingher, Bob Cohen, Lauren Kovaleff, Rebecca, Belflower Julie Shannon, Dottie Allen , Pam Helmer, Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth, Laura Liscum, (absent: Jenny Zinn-Boyce)

President's report: Lauren Kovaleff reporting that Bev Childs would be joining us.

1. Lauren will be filing a non-profit bi-annual report, in conjunction with Dottie Allen/treasurer, to the state of Nebraska, to maintain our nonprofit status
2. Looking for Dr. Bell videos; Lauren will contact Vickie Willmann
3. We need a rescue accounting and financial accounting, using a calendar year, for the Annual Foundation Report

Bev Childs joined in:

1. Her background is with the March of Dimes for years.
2. The Foundation stories, provided in Saber Tails, about rescue, including pictures, has been wonderful!
3. We should continue to include Health stories/items in Saber Tails.
4. We need to focus on new ways to reach pet owners, including those who do not get Saber Tails. Bev feels it is critical for pet owners to know about us and what we do. This will be key to help raise money/donations.
5. Lauren noted that the health articles are posted on our web site.
6. Bev suggested we create a FaceBook account and link rescue articles to our fund raising. We need to educate the public about why we need to raise money for the Foundation (to support health, rescue)!
7. Online auction ideas--don't limit ourselves to PBGV items! For example: 1 week at a condo at the beach, wine basket, air miles, etc.
8. Consider running fundraisers around Valentines Day, in April after taxes, etc., and post the Nationals auction online.
9. Lauren noted that we need a **volunteer** to run fundraising for the Foundation.
10. Pam and Helen suggested a broadcast email remind members to donate items for the Foundation auction.
11. Bob reminded the group that we need to look outside the club to raise funds. We also need more "high-ticket" items donated.

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth reporting

Laura motioned to approve the minutes. Helen seconded. All voted in favor.

Vice President's report- Helen Ingher reporting

The Foundation received a report from Canine Health Foundation-Donor Advised Fund-
The Purina Parent Partnership Program gave us \$945.71

Treasurer's report- Dottie Allen reporting

See report sent on 1/24/11 and 1/26/11

Carolyn motioned the treasurer's report be approved. Pam seconded. All voted in favor.

Committee Reports:

A. Fundraising ideas-

1. Laura, Helen, Rebecca and Lauren will set up a FaceBook account for the Foundation.
2. Julie reported that the Texas club still has key chains, cookie cutters, recipes and cookies for sale.

B. Health Education-Julie Shannon and Helen Ingher reporting:

Julie is going to draft a 1 page survey. It will include an introductory letter of explanation. She hopes all club member/breeders will participate and include their puppy people. Helen said this will help us gain valuable insight regarding where we need to spend Foundation money. Additional discussion focused on dissatisfaction with the storage, compiling, reporting, etc. of our data at current location.

C. Health Research-Laura Liscum reporting:

Several new reports are in; they will be noted in Saber Tails. New cycle of grants has started at the Canine Health Foundation, including a grant on epilepsy (in Helsinke). Recent concerns regarding mounting rescue bills, late in 2010, prevented us from funding new grants. If grant funding is available, Laura will be happy to look into this grant. Helen noted that Gavin is hosting a epilepsy seminar shortly, in the UK. Laura will also be writing health-related book reviews, in Saber Tails.

D. Policy and Procedures-Sue Smyth reporting --NNTR

E. Rescue-Pam Helmer and Julie Shannon reporting

1. Since January 1st, we have several new PBs enter rescue with vet bills (heart murmur, echo cardiogram, lymes, teeth removal, etc.). There are adoptive homes for 2 of the rescue dogs, but a 10 year old is looking for an adoptive home. This dog has a hematoma that needs to be fixed (the owner can't afford surgery).
2. Bob suggests taking photos of the adoption that is scheduled to take place at Nationals.
3. Vet bills for the above listed issues have not been submitted to PBGVCA yet. Pam suggested we approve the Foundation's portion of the bills tonight. Helen motioned the Foundation pay its share of the above listed bills. Dottie seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
4. Pam and Julie will be presenting a "Rescue Workshop" at the 2011 Nationals.

F. Website: Lauren Kovaleff reporting that she will be posting updated minutes

Old Business:

1. Café Press-Rebecca Belflower reporting: Bob asked about photo rights, Rebecca will follow up on this. Pam claims the Café Press donates money to PETA! She will

- provide Lauren with research supporting this.
2. PBGV Tails-Julie reported that she has only received 2 “tails” recently She now has a total of 14. 50 stories is her target goal.
 3. DNA Bank and Univ. Of Missouri forms are posted on our web page.
 4. DNA blood draw at Nationals--reported by Rebecca Belflower: organized by Mary Fluke, on Saturday afternoon, Mary will send the samples to Univ. of Mo. Rebecca sent Mary all necessary paperwork. It will be run just like last year’s blood draw. Mary will keep a list of those members who forget required paperwork. After Nationals, Mary will send that list to Rebecca who will handle all follow up calls. Lori Megli of Amazona Kennels, who collected the blood last year (for the Foundation), is mailing Mary left over supplies from last year (60 blood tubes, 60-12 ml syringes and 50 1”x22ga. Needles. Rebecca requested a reimbursement form from Dottie, for Lori.

New Business:

1. Carolyn will donate, to the Foundation, a prize to those members who participate in the screening. There will be a drawing for 2 participants to have expenses for 2 dogs reimbursed. Drawing/raffle to be held at Nationals.
2. Helen has arranged for the Foundation to have a table at nationals. Pam is bringing a table cloth.
3. Letters of Interest have been submitted by Bob Cohen, Lauren Kovaleff, Laura Liscum, Louise DeShon. and Pam Helmer. (7 Board of Director/Officer positions are available). Lauren suggested we all look for new members with great ideas.
4. Dottie Allen reported that items needed for the Foundation auction. She is seeking for items for the live auction!
5. A Mystery item was suggested for the live auction--not a dog related item. This has been done successfully at other club Nationals.
6. Foundation audit--Sue Smyth reporting: it has been requested that the audit take place prior to attending Nationals. Sue is in the process of assembling the committee.

Next meeting will be Friday night, at Nationals, following the “Health” dinner.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth

PBGV Foundation Secretary

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Annual Board Meeting
March 11, 2011
Charlotte, North Carolina

Present: Lauren Kovaleff, Helen Ingher, Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth, Bob Cohen, Pam Helmer, Julie Shannon.

Absent: Rebecca Belflower, Jenny Zinn-Boyce, Dottie Allen, Laura Liscum

Visitors: Peggy Evanich Linda Murray, Victoria Cantor

Meeting called to order by President Lauren Kovaleff at 9:10 following the Health seminar/dinner.

President's report-Lauren Kovaleff reporting:

1. An annual report was sent to each member of the Health and Rescue Foundation prior to the Annual meeting
2. There are 3 new grants being reviewed
3. We currently have \$18,000 in our treasury thanks in part to the fundraising efforts of the Texas and the Carolina PBGV clubs!

Secretary's report-Sue Smyth:

Bob Cohen motioned that the minutes from the last meeting be approved. Pam Helmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Treasurer's report-Lauren Kovaleff reported:

1. Lauren prefers quarterly reports
2. We need to be able to access both accounts (money market and checking).
3. We need to develop a standing rule regarding a second person to sign checks. (Sue and Lauren will work on our "Policy and Procedures")

Executive Session

Committee Reports:

A) **Health Education**-Helen Ingher reporting:

1. A short, 1 page, survey will be printed in Saber Tails next issue.
2. More educational information/articles will be included in Saber Tails
3. The next article in Saber Tails will be "Food for Thought"
4. Laura Liscum is currently working on an epilepsy research grant project that is seeking funding (\$2,500 was suggested).

B) **Rescue**-Pam Helmer reporting: there is a possibility of 10 more rescue dogs coming

in! Some concern over having enough funds available to cover their bills was expressed. Bob Cohen said PBGVCA would help if we ran too low on funds.

C) **Fund Raising**-Pam Helmer reporting:

1. The silent auction will run after the dinner Saturday night. 3 people signed up

for

bidding by phone!

2. Email blasts were very helpful with communicating info about the auction!
3. Our on-line auction, last fall, through Ebay, was great! We should consider doing it again.

D) Web Site-Lauren Kovaleff reporting:

1. Lauren suggested we investigate putting the Health and Rescue Foundation on the

PBGVCA web site. Everyone agreed that this should be investigated.

E) Annual Audit-Sue Smyth reporting:

There are 4 auditors: Sue Smyth, Bob Cohen, Charlie Ingher, Rebecca Belflower. Several attempts have been made to get the audit started unsuccessfully. We will continue to contact Dottie and will begin the audit as soon as she is able.

F) Annual elections:

1. There were 7 positions open which included 5 current positions:
Lauren Kovaleff, Bob Cohen, Pam Helmer, Laura Liscum, Jenny Zinn-Boyce

2. New Board members needed to be elected by a majority plus 1 vote totaling 5 votes. Everyone presently on the Board could vote. Carolyn Randel tallied the

votes with Helen Ingher.

3. The election results were:

Bob Cohen, Lauren Kovaleff, Laura Liscum, Pam Helmer, Linda Murray

4. Helen Ingher motioned that Lauren Kovaleff continue as President. Carolyn Randel seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

5. Pam Helmer motioned Helen Ingher serve as vice-president. Julie Shannon Seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

6. Julie Shannon motioned Sue Smyth serve as secretary. Pam Helmer seconded the

motion. All voted in favor.

7. Helen Ingher motioned Rebecca Belflower serve as treasurer. Rebecca was contacted by phone and agreed to serve. Julie Shannon seconded the motion.

All voted in favor.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 at 8 pm, Eastern time/5 pm Pacific time.

Julie Shannon motioned we adjourn the meeting at 10:10 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth

Secretary PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation Meeting Minutes 4/19/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:12 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff.

Members/officers in attendance: Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth, Bob Cohen, Linda Murray, Julie Shannon, Pam Helmer, Rebecca Belflower, Lauren Kovaleff, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Dottie Allen joined in later.

President's report: Lauren Kovaleff reporting:

1. the Foundation Annual Report was completed
2. an article was sent to Saber Tails

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth

Julie Shannon motioned to approve the previous minutes. Carolyn Randel seconded. All voted in favor.

Vice President's report-Helen Ingher reported sending a letter to Saber Tails for the next issue.

Treasurer's report- (Dottie Allen absent at the time of the report) President Kovaleff reporting:

1. President Kovaleff asked if Foundation members reviewed the 1st quarter report/information (this included \$3500 taken in from silent auction)
2. Julie Shannon noted that \$130 was raised by the Texas club's at Nationals. She will send a check to Rebecca.
3. Linda Murray will send a check to Rebecca from the Carolina Club for \$975 that was collected for ringside seating!
4. Rebecca Belflower will mail out thank you cards. Send info to her regarding donors, including addresses (Tiffany Cannon, President of the Texas PBGV Club, will receive a "Thank You" card for the money the club raised selling homemade cookies at Nationals.
5. A total of \$7000 was raised at the Nationals, for the Foundation! Our best ever! Many thanks to everyone for their creative ideas and hard work!

Committee Reports:

1. Health Education-Julie Shannon and Helen Ingher sent an article to Saber Tails.
2. Health Research-Laura Liscum reporting:
 - A) Grant information in the next Saber Tails issue.
 - B) Not many grants of interest to PBGVs:
 - 1) 1 epilepsy study in Finland (does not include PBGVs in it's study)
 - 2) New epilepsy grant through the Canine Health Foundation may include PBGVs
Laura will send a letter of interest and review an abstract of the grant.
 - C) We collected 23 DNA samples at Nationals.
 - D) Requests for sample donations from afflicted PBGVs are important for these grants. Bob recommended an email blast to remind that we reimburse for donated samples and review the procedure for sending them.
 - E) Two new articles will be published in Saber Tails on glaucoma and PPM.
3. Policy and Procedures-Sue Smyth reporting --Pam suggested developing procedures to address an officer becoming ill (see old business).
4. Rescue-Pam Helmer and Julie Shannon reporting 3 PBGVs in rescue (see new business)
5. Website: Lauren Kovaleff reporting
 - A) Veronica Scheer was contacted regarding incorporating our website with the parent club. Helen, Veronica and Lauren are looking into the details.
 - B) President Kovaleff is updating our website with new officers/member, etc.
Information.

Old Business:

1. Foundation audit--Sue Smyth reporting: the audit is complete. Thanks to the audit committee consisting of Bob Cohen, Rebecca Belflower, and Charlie Ingher, requests were made to Dottie Allen to produce records, copies of checks/bills, etc. All requests have been addressed satisfactorily. The committee has concluded the audit.
2. Café' Press-discussion about income produced and continuing participation.
3. "IGive" and "ISearch"--President Kovaleff had trouble when added these to her computer's toolbar (2 other Foundation members also had difficulty). New fundraising committee will look into advantages of keeping or dropping.
4. Check signing cards for new treasurer. The Foundation account will continue to be located in NJ. Lauren has extra checks. A procedure for transferring items, etc. to new treasurer will be drafted and presented at the next meeting.

New Business:

1. Bob Cohen noted discussion at PBGVCA Board meeting regarding competition of auctions at Nationals. Generally, the Foundation should be used for big donations (generating a tax deduction); smaller donations should be made to parent club (no tax deduction). A suggestion was made, at the PBGVCA Board meeting to separate the Foundation auction and move it to Friday night in conjunction with the Health dinner/presentation. PBGVCA President Cohen explained that the Nationals committee is under pressure to cover the cost of the Nationals. President Kovaleff recommended creating a subcommittee so both groups could preplan/work together. PBGVCA President Cohen will contact the PBGV Nationals Chair (Arizona) and note the Foundation auction must be at the annual dinner.
2. Subcommittees and Tasks-President Kovaleff reviewed the committees, members and tasks covered by each (refer to emailed list). Reports requested from each committee, with recommendations, at the next meeting.
3. Helen Ingher contacted Chris Rodriguez (experience in publications) and Peggy Evanich about assisting with the Foundation subcommittees. Carolyn Randel will ask Pam Howell to assist with articles.
4. DePalma donation-- timeshare at Old Key West resort on Disney property. Valued at \$250-\$350/night depending on dates booked. Need to decide if it should this be online or a raffle item? (Rebecca sent a "Thank You" letter for the donation.)
5. McCartney mugs-Carolyn Randel reported no PBGV mugs available.
6. Pam Helmer motioned we approve the \$200 registration fee for Laura Liscum to attend a health seminar. The motion included an additional \$400 for travel, but Laura said she will be donating the \$400 back to the Foundation. Rebecca Belflower seconded the motion. All voted in favor. President Kovaleff will complete the registration form and Dottie will write a check (signature cards have not been signed by Lauren yet; they are in transit from Rebecca in Oklahoma).
7. Recent "rescue" concerns--Pam Helmer reporting: a) a 13 year old PBGV was to be surrendered by owner in poor health (she is trying to relocate with the PBGV). The PBGV needed to see a vet for minor problems. Pam contacted people to donate funds for the vet apt. Breeder also paying a portion of the bill. b) an elderly woman called to surrender her PBGV (her daughter offered to take the PBGV in but could not arrange transportation). Pam found someone to donate money for transportation. Pam suggested a "Hardship Fund" to cover these types of circumstances (other clubs do this). Pam will write guidelines for this Fund then ask the Foundation to vote on establishing a rescue subcommittee. Pam will also present this to the PBGVCA Board at their 5/10/11 meeting. Foundation members thanked Pam for her hard work and creative efforts!

Julie motioned we adjourn at 10 pm. Rebecca seconded.

Next meeting 5/24/11 at 8 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, PBGV Foundation Secretary

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation Meeting Minutes 5/24/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:10 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff.

Members/officers in attendance: Sue Smyth, Bob Cohen, Linda Murray, Julie Shannon, Pam Helmer, Rebecca Belflower, Lauren Kovaleff, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Dottie Allen
Absent: Carolyn Randel
Visitor: Peggy Evanich

President's report: Lauren Kovaleff-nntr

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth (will edit April minutes and resubmit)

Vice President's report- Helen -email from Linda Skerritt re: World Congress health survey sent to other countries, to combine data/numbers (next World Congress in England, November 2012).

Treasurer's report- Dottie Allen and Rebecca Belflower reporting:

1. Dottie reviewed report from January to March 2011
2. The transition between the 2 treasurers is complete.
3. Rebecca reported working on Quicken, received \$250 for rescue and PayPal money.

Committee Reports:

- A. Advertising--Helen reporting--health survey in Saber Tails. Will also post on website and L-list. Will include Lens Luxation article. An glaucoma article is next
- B. Health Education--Linda Murray reporting--nntr
- C. Health Research--Laura Liscum reporting- sent letter to Univ. of Missouri re: genetic risk factors for epilepsy grant stating if funded by CHF, we would also fund. Waiting to see if it passes peer review. She will be joining Linda in St. Louis for CHF mtg.
- D. Policy and Procedure---Sue Smyth reporting re: transfer of duties if officer is incapacitated. Dottie noted this is already covered in our By-Laws. Review 10 steps in P&P guidelines forwarded before 5-24-11 meeting. Julie recommended tabling for next meeting. Lauren will email constitution and by-laws for review.
- E. Rescue--Pam Helmer reporting 2 dogs in Texas, with Julie, that need homes. A breeder contacted Julie about taking several PBGVs. Cathy Craft has 2 rescue PBs available. Pam is working on the "Hardship Guidelines".
- F. Fundraising at Nationals--Lauren reporting for Carolyn:
 - 1) Raffle tickets for Florida week vacation (Linda Murray reporting that we can run a raffle in Arizona)
 - 2) Jeanne Hurty suggested donating "State Baskets" for the silent auction
 - 3) Dottie will run the eBay auction again. She is collecting donations.
 - 4) Recycle for Pets Project-Lauren reported printer ink, etc, collected qualifies for funding to an organization
 - 5) Estate planning (website) reminding people to leave \$ to the Foundation. Create form for donors to complete. Peggy will look into this. Julie will write an article about "Planned Giving" for Saber Tails. Bob will send info to her.
 - 6) Foundation Boutique--Pam and Sue reporting-selecting merchandise from suppliers. We will involve "jobbers" to assist with inventory: jewelry from England, embroidery items, Jackie Adams' items, Mayfield note cards, etc. Plan to open September 1 to pick up the Christmas trade. Will use PayPal. No logo Items--no conflict with PBGVCA.
 - 7) Collectable items discussed
 - 8) Carolyn suggested thank you notes be sent to those making donations. She has

- equipment to design items to sell (luggage tags, crate tags)
- 9) Discussion about setting up financial plan/goals for Foundation each year.

Old Business:

1. Fundraising efforts--review of Café Press, etc.
2. Website---Helen reporting--Should we move our website and combine with PBGVCA? Archives, etc. will be kept simple (what do we want stored?) Veronica can provide a link to a store. This would provide consistency. Julie motioned we move our website to the PBGV web site. Helen seconded. Discussion about PayPal accounts. Helen will check with Veronica about multiple accounts. All voted in favor.
3. Donation restrictions--addressed by Rebecca. The restricted donations may be creating limitations (health research v. rescue). Discussion followed.

New Business:

1. Should minutes and agenda be available on website? Quarterly reports should be available in PDF file. Board agreed concise minutes should be available, starting with current minutes.

Julie motioned to adjourn at 10:10 pm. Bob seconded.
Next meeting on July 12, 2011 at 8 pm
Minutes respectfully submitted,
Sue Smyth, PBGV Foundation Secretary

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation
Meeting Minutes 7/12/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:06 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff.

Members/officers in attendance: Lauren Kovaleff, Bob Cohen, Linda Murray, Julie Shannon, Pam Helmer, Rebecca Belflower, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Dottie Allen, Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth
Visitor: Sheryl Bradbury

President's report: Lauren Kovaleff-working on an article for Saber Tails

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth- 2 sets of minutes to approve:

1. April 19, 2011 minutes-Laura motioned to approve, Julie seconded, all voted in favor
2. May 24, 2011 minutes- Laura moved to approve, Linda seconded, all voted in favor.

Vice President's report-Helen -NNTR

Treasurer's report- Rebecca Belflower reviewed the 2nd quarter financial report. Bob motioned to approve, seconded by Helen, all voted in favor.

Committee Reports:

A. Fund Raising-

1. Carolyn-created puppy placemats (printed using photos sent by PB owners), "thank you" cards to send to people making donations and "all occasion" cards under the logo "Pennies for PBGVs". (Sheryl volunteered her graphic design expertise for Foundation projects.)

2. Linda- designing an add for the week in Disney vacation, to place in December Saber Tails, eBlast, Foundation facebook page, etc.

3. Sue & Pam boutique- Cheryl volunteered to ask her daughter to set up the "store front"; we continue to select merchandise from suppliers. We will involve 'jobbers' to assist with the inventory which includes: jewelry from England, embroidery items, Jackie Adams' items, Mayfield note cards, etc. Plan to open September 1 to pick up the Christmas trade. Will use PayPal. No logo Items carried therefore no conflict with PBGVCA sales.

4. Dottie-planning online auction, agreed ending date will be Nov. 13th

B. Health Education--Linda Murray reporting-table at Nationals to highlight Foundation activities, including "Planned Giving", the Foundation survey and selected rescue stories

C. Health Research--Laura Liscum reporting- no grants in progress to consider. She will be attending 2 conferences (1 in St. Louis and 1 in Boston).

D. Policy and Procedure---Lauren will contact Dottie (left the meeting early) regarding language in By Laws/Policy & Procedures addressing "officer unable to perform duties". Discussion to continue at next meeting.

E. Rescue-Pam Helmer reporting-discussed PBGV identification at shelters and "suitable adoptions".

F. Advertising-Helen reporting-busy working on Foundation add

G. Website---Bob and Lauren reporting-- Veronica has done a wonderful job adding the Foundation to the PBGVCA website! Old Foundation website is defunct. Veronica will make changes and additions as needed. Pam motioned the Foundation pay \$1 to

PBGVCA for our web site. Julie seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Sue will send Veronica a “Thank you” card.

Old Business:

1. Café Press-will continue with link from new Foundation website

Julie motioned to adjourn at 9:45 pm. Carolyn seconded.

Next meeting on August 30 (Tuesday) at 8 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, PBGV Foundation Secretary

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation
Meeting Minutes 8/30/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:09 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff.

Members/officers in attendance: Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth, Bob Cohen, Julie Shannon, Pam Helmer, Rebecca Belflower, Lauren Kovaleff, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Dottie Allen, Linda Murray

Visitors in attendance-Chris Rodriguez, Sheryl Bradbury, Peggy Evanovich

President's report: Lauren Kovaleff reporting:
As of April 2011, the new contact at canine Health Foundation is "Samantha".

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth reporting:
Julie Shannon motioned to approve the previous minutes. Rebecca Belflower seconded. Dottie Allen abstained. All others voted in favor.

Vice President's-Helen Ingher reporting-NNTR

Treasurer's Report-Rebecca Belflower submitted her report. Julie moved we accept the report. Bob Cohen seconded. All voted in favor.

Committee Reports:

1. Fund Raising:

A) Nationals plans-Carolyn- over 30 orders for piggy banks

B) Boutique report-Sue and Pam with Sheryl's assistance: Sheryl is drafting a mock up consisting of 5 pages: Home, About Us, and 3 pages for items. Colors will be the same as the Foundation site.

C) Vacation-Linda is working on a mock-up

D) On-line auction-Dottie is photographing items as they come in. She will be sending out an e-blast seeking items/donations in October.

2. Advertising-Helen reporting about short, health survey form going out in September (with club mailing if it does not increase the cost of postage).

In January, Linda Skerritt/England is sending out a survey to European club members/breeders. We may be able to combine all info collected to focus on similar health concerns!

3. Policy and Procedures-Sue Smyth reporting --review of By Laws Article 4.3 (Vacancy in Office), 4.7 (check signing authority) and 4.10 (assistant

officers). Policies and Procedures will remain as is; the Board is satisfied.

4. Rescue-Pam reporting:

A) Payment for Cathy Craft's for final bill. Helen motioned to pay Cathy's final rescue bill. Carolyn Randell seconded; all voted in favor. Lauren was concerned that this took so long. Lauren reminded the Board that motions can be made at any time.

B) Echo's bill--motion to pay Echo's bill made by Julie Shannon. Seconded by Helen Ingher. All voted in favor. Payment will be going to vet, rescue group, etc. Per Rebecca's request: Reimbursement information based 8/26/2011 email to Rebecca from Bob. Payment based on email not copies of bills (sent by Vickie Willmann).

5. Website-Helen NNTR (Lauren will send minutes to archive)

6. Health Education-Linda Murray -NNTR

7. Health Research-Laura and Carolyn attended seminar in Saint Louis, MO. Laura is borrowing a well written article about the seminar, from another club, to put in Saber tails (excellent speakers should be considered for Nationals). Focus: Some canine diseases are closely associated with human diseases!

Old Business:

"Bequest" Tri-fold-Peggy reporting work in progress

New Business:

1. Meeting notices-apology from Lauren and Sue. Reminder: Anyone bringing an "Action item" up for the agenda, must provide information to Foundation members 7 days prior to the meeting.
2. Julie Shannon is seeking input for seminars for 2012 Nationals.

Julie Shannon motioned we adjourn at 9:15 pm. Carolyn seconded. All voted in favor.

Next meeting on 9/26/11 (Monday) at 8 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth,

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation Secretary

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation
Meeting 9/28/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:10 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff.
Members/officers in attendance: Helen Ingher, Bob Cohen, Lauren Kovaleff, Julie Shannon, Dottie Allen, Pam Helmer, Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray
Absent: Rebecca, Belflower
Guests: Chris Rodriguez, Peggy Evanovich

President's report:

Lauren Kovaleff reporting: discussion about confidential topics particularly as they may relate to the new "Hardship" guidelines.

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth. Dottie motioned to accept the previous minutes. Carolyn seconded. All voted in favor.

Vice President's report-Helen Ingher-NNTR

Treasurer's report- Rebecca absent but she will send out the quarterly report in October

Committee Reports:

A. Fundraising ideas-

1. "Pennies for PBs"-Carolyn reporting-received their first donation! Discussion of continuing ideas to raise funds- melt donated gold down and give to an artist to create items for our auction. Carolyn will investigate this further.

2. Boutique-Sue and Pam reporting: Helen made a motion for a budget of \$2000 (funds to be held by Rebecca/treasurer and paid out as needed) Carolyn seconded. Dottie abstained. All others voted in favor.

3. Linda-ad placed in Saber Tails for the vacation

4. Dottie-online auction set to start in November. She will send out a blast in October to remind people to send items.

B. Advertising- Lauren has received some health surveys already

C. Health Education: Linda Murray -NNTR

D. Health Research-Laura Liscum reporting: We received reports on 2 projects (Missouri and Australia). Sneak preview of a grant being made to AKC Canine Health Foundation (tracking down the gene relating to epilepsy). She attended seminar recently and sent articles to Saber Tails

about the topics Dr. J. Bell was 1 of the speakers. His topic was health of the purebred canine. Canine cancer research was another topic discussed.
D. Policy and Procedures-Sue Smyth reporting -available on Yahoo site
E. Rescue-Pam Helmer reporting: Cathy Craft has 1 dog left and 1 dog is in the northeast in foster care. There have been several reports of PBs but when investigated they were not Pbs. Mike Edwards has an “owner/surrender” (he is a new region volunteer).

1. “Hardship Policy”-Dottie motioned to approve as distributed earlier, Helen seconded, all voted in favor. (to be added to Policy and Procedures)

F. Website: Helen noted Health Survey taking place in US and one in the UK with plans to merge data for the benefit of the breed

Old Business:

1. Yahoo link to Policy and Procedures

New Business:

1. “Leave a Lasting Legacy” flyer sent out for all to review. Will put on website and in Saber Tails after fixing the logo.. Carolyn motioned to approve this brochure, Julie seconded. All voted in favor.

2. Recognition of volunteers to encourage increased volunteerism from additional club members, referred to as “Foundation volunteers”. Lauren’s Saber Tails reports will note/thank specific volunteers. (Helen will write something about Alice volunteering for Saber Tails)

Lauren thanked the Board members and volunteers for their efforts.

Bob motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm, seconded by Carolyn. Next meeting will be November 15th at 8 pm ET.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Sue Smyth
PBGV Foundation Secretary

PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation

Meeting 11/15/2011

Meeting called to order at 8:13 pm by President Lauren Kovaleff

Members/officers in attendance: Helen Ingher, Bob Cohen, Julie Shannon, Carolyn Randel, Sue Smyth, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Rebecca Belflower, Lauren Kovaleff, Pam Helmer

Absent: Dottie Allen

Visitors in attendance: Sheryl Bradbury

President's report: Lauren Kovaleff reporting

Kitty Steidel asked her to write something up about the Foundation for the February issue of the online Gazette.

Secretary's report- Sue Smyth reporting

1. Four "Thank you" cards sent out from the Foundation (Alice Magowan and the Nursing Home-Pennies for PBGVs, Peggy Evanovich-bequest brochure, Paula DePalma-vacation home). Carolyn motioned to approve the minutes. Laura seconded. All voted in favor.

Vice President's report-Helen-NNTR

Treasurer's report- Rebecca Belflower reporting:

Interim report sent out recently for Foundation member review.

Hunt in Wisconsin is sending over \$1,000 (restricted to rescue), donated by 2 regional clubs and several individual PBGVCA members.

Committee Reports:

A. Fundraising ideas-

1. Carolyn- collecting odd jewelry/gold items and find an artist to create items to auction/sell for the Foundation.. Chris Rodriguez has volunteered to coordinate this for us. Also discussed the "Mystery Auction Item".

2. Sue and Pam reporting-Jackie Adams items received, photographed with descriptions and posted on boutique store site. Alden Arts and Boxer Lady items, etc. have been ordered. So far \$457.70 has been reimbursed for the Jackie Adams and Boxer Lady items. Sheryl reported that the site has unlimited space for items on the 5 pages provided to non-profit organizations. Veronica will provide links. Boutique scheduled to open this weekend! Sue will develop an announcement/eBlast.

3. Online auction-Lauren reporting for Dottie-only a few items; decided to cancel auction for this year. Some of the items will be offered for sale via the boutique.

4. Department of Tourism-need more info from Peggy about her Palm Beach waterfront timeshare.

B. Advertising-Helen reporting-Bequest information to be added to our site.

C. Health Education-Linda Murray reporting:

Information collected will be available at Nationals, then added to our website.

D. Health Research-Laura Liscum reporting:

1. No Grants, of interest, at this time.

2. 2 epilepsy projects ongoing (1 in England and 1 in Finland), looking for affected dogs in the US. Julie located dogs to participate. Laura motioned that the Foundation set aside \$1500, to cover the following costs associated with collecting check swabs from 4 PBGVs with idiopathic epilepsy and 4 PBGVs over 8 years of age without any history of seizures, paying for the following 4 diagnostic tests, if not already performed, only to be conducted on the 4 PBGVs with seizures: full hematology, serum biochemistry, bile acid stimulation test, and a neurological examination. Also included is shipping the 8 check swabs to the UK. Julie seconded. All voted in favor.

3. EEGs-Julie reporting- in 2007 she sold 2 puppies to a Dr. (who teaches at Baylor College of Medicine) who questioned why EEGs were not used as a diagnostic tool in studies of canine epilepsy. He wants to run EEGs on PBs using updated technology. He is donating his time and will secure donated machines for this study. He will write a paper/publish and present at our Nationals in Mesa if something is found.. Next step- write a proposal.

E. Policy and Procedures-Sue Smyth reporting -discussion about adding new “Hardship” policy to Foundation Policy and Procedures as previously agreed, under “D. Rescue. #3. There is a limited hardship procedure in place to provide food and/or medical care for PBGVs in extreme circumstances to avoid a rescue situation. The PBGVCA Rescue Committee will be responsible for approving and administering the hardship procedure“. Concerns were raised about sitting in an audit without specific details about gift cards, etc. Rebecca will develop a form.

F. Rescue-Pam reporting-several PBGVs in rescue including one from a pound in Chicago. Julie sent one to a new home today-Congratulations!

G. Website: Helen /Lauren -information is being added as it comes in.

Old Business: NNTR

New Business:

Rebecca asked about new CHIC information being available as “education” at Nationals.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 pm. Next meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth

PBGM Foundation Secretary