

**Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
Minutes January 23, 2017 Meeting

Meeting called to order at 8:21 by President Linda Murray.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth, Sheridan Weinstein

Absent: Peggy Evanich, Kate Rowinski & guest Coady Egan

**President's report:** Linda Murray: NNTR

**Vice President's report-**Laura Liscum: NNTR

**Secretary's report-** Sue Smyth: Jill moved to approve the previous minutes. Seconded by Laura. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report-** Jo Anne Hacker provided the following report:

At the end of December we had \$488.95 in our checking account, \$29,895.85 in our Money Market account and \$150.64 in our PayPal account (this has since been transferred).

We received a \$237.50 gift from the Indiana Hunt Group and 2 very generous gifts of \$1,000 and another for \$2,000. The \$1,753.48 gift from a fund raiser from booster was received into the PayPal account into our Money Market Account. We also received a \$200. Check from the Mid NJ PBGV Association in memory of member Kathy Frelin & PBGVCA Founding Member Jennifer King.

Linda and I continue to try to decide how to handle the PayPal account to bring it up to date. The primary obstacle, providing a social security number, may have been resolved.

Report accepted as presented.

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Fund Raising-** Linda reporting: Wash & Zip dog bed is still on sale. Several foundation members have purchased 1. Portion of proceeds benefit the Foundation.

**B. Health/Education/Research-** Helen Ingher & Laura Liscum reporting:

- 1) New batch of grants approved & funded by AKC for 2017. Laura will send us this info so that we can review & make suggestions.
- 2) OFA quarterly report-can be purchased now. Contact Helen or see the OFA web site for the link.
- 3) Eye measurement clinic was not too successful. Will be repeated at a later date.
- 4) At our 2017 national, Anne Gallant will take measurements & Helen will record the data & send to England. We need an agility wicket for 2 sets of measurements. Nick also volunteered to help.
- 5) Discussion of Bruce's concern (how to treat POAG affected PBGVs): we support gaining insight into the correct treatments for PBGVs affected with POAG

**C. Policy and Procedures-**Sue Smyth and Bob Cohen- NNTR

**D. Rescue-**Bob Cohen reporting: NNTR; Bob will look into insurance protecting Foundation against rescue lawsuits.

**E. Websites-Foundation/Yahoo/PBGMCA:** Laura Liscum reporting: NNTR

- F. Social Media-**Laura Liscum reporting: FaceBook page was active for “12 Days of Christmas“. Activity for the Wash & Zip dog bed information also reported.
- G. Saber Tails-** Helen Ingher reporting: NNTR (new article on Pancreatitis-several people have contacted Laura with sad stories.) Jo Anne reported that we will be inserting reply envelopes starting with the next ST issue.

**Old Business:**

- A. Spector Grant Application-** Linda Murray reporting: we were awarded \$1,000. for the oxygen masks donation. Still need \$500. Several options discussed. Bob will ask PBGVCA if they want to donate \$500.
- B. Specialty activities relevant to the Foundation:** Jo Anne reporting-
- a) Foundation camera ready ad, re: our functions, is due to Lindley Henson by 2/1/17. Sherry will work on it.
  - b) Laura needs help manning the Foundation table at the national (Sue & Jo Anne volunteered.) We have many items to sell.
- C. POAG information/measuring-** Anne & Helen will be measuring withers to ground and elbow to ground. Results will be sent to England.
- D. Health Survey-** Helen Ingher reporting: NNTR

**New Business:**

- A. Board Renewals. Blast Email.-** Sue will send out an eblast (the class of 2017 to 2019 is: Bob Cohen, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Sherry Weinstein, Kate Rowinski & Coady Egan). Due 4/1/17.
- B. PBGV Plaques-** Jo Anne reporting- friend made 15 plaques to sell at 2017 National. Bob & Jo Anne Hacker volunteered to cover the costs. She will determine a price.
- C. Greatful Threads-**Laura Liscum- group who did our quilt last year have done tote bags for this year. A wall hanging (curse of the wear rabbit) is also available. Silent auction v. raffle discussion.
- D. Potential Study re: Glaucoma-** (see above “C”)

**Next meeting-** Laura will conduct a doodle poll to determine date & time of our next meeting in February. Jill moved to adjourn. Sherry seconded. All in favor.  
Minutes respectfully submitted, Sue Smyth, Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

**Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
**February 23, 2017 Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:21 pm by President Linda Murray.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Peggy Evanich, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth,

Absent: Kate Rowinski, Sheridan Weinstein

Member applicant: Coady Egan in attendance

**President's report:** Linda Murray: Jo Anne & Linda took care of the biannual filing for 2017 & 2018

**Vice President's report:** Laura Liscum: NNTR

**Secretary's report:** Sue Smyth: Need to approve January minutes. Laura moved to approve the January minutes as corrected. Bob seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report:** Jo Anne Hacker: On 2/23/17 we had \$271.81 in our checking account and \$34,754.35 in our Money Market account for a total of \$35,026.16. In our PayPal account, we have a balance of \$97.54. We also have \$4.86 credit in pending Square transactions. Notable since our last meeting are the following financial transactions: POAG reimbursement \$400; LLC fundraising event raised \$474.03; Amazon Smile raised \$47.84; the ongoing Quilt Raffle has raised, to date, \$620 (collected in the bank or in PayPal); the Bob & Carol Spector Foundation check was received in the amount of \$1000 to support Oxygen Masks gift to the Charlotte Fire Department during the 2017 National. Report approved as presented.

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Fundraising-** Jo Anne NNTR (see "F" under Old Business)

**B. Health/Education/Research-** Helen Ingher & Laura Liscum reported on an article describing the genetic cause of epilepsy in Rhodesian Ridgebacks. Helen reported that the World Health Committee may reorganize as a closed Facebook group. The funds we sent to establish the WHC should be sent to AHT.

**C. Policy and Procedures-** Bob Cohen & Sue Smyth: NNTR

**D. Rescue-** Bob Cohen: 5 dogs were placed within 72 hours.

**E. Social Media-** Laura Liscum: Facebook posts on the quilt raffle and leptos in Phoenix were popular.

**F. Saber Tails-** Helen Ingher: Laura's article regarding Pancreatitis was very good & engaged many members.

**Old Business:**

**A. 2017 Specialty activities relevant to the Foundation-**POAG Information /Measuring. Helen reported that wickets are available for the measure clinic; Nick Frost and Anne Gallant will take measurements with Coady Egan and Helen assisting. Helen hasn't heard from Mary Fluke regarding the blood draw. Helen reported that Vivien is impressed with the data we have in our database.

**C. Potential Study re: Glaucoma-** Helen Ingher reported that the principle investigator of the study has reached out to AHT for assistance with DNA samples.

**D. O2 Mask Project-** Jo Anne will contact the Charlotte Fire Dept. re the need for animal oxygen masks and which nonprofit organization is associated with this type of project in the area.

**E. Board Renewals (Blast Email)-** Sue reporting: Bob & Laura sent Letters of Interest. Kate contacted Linda & is not returning. Need letters from Linda, Sherry, and Coady. Request for letters of interest was sent to Veronica after the January meeting. Request for second eblast will be sent immediately.

**F. PBGV Plaques-** Jo Anne ordered 9" x 11" signs & 10-15 note cards & will bring them to the national to sell at our table. Jo Anne & Bob Hacker paid for these items. The proceeds will go to the Foundation.

**G. Grateful Threads-** Laura said that the quilting group has raised over \$600 through raffle tickets for

the Curse of the Were-rabbit (quilted wall hanging). Raffle tickets available through the Store. Tote bags will also be also available at the National

**H. POAG reimbursement Program-** Linda asked if we should be continuing the program. We have reimbursed \$400 in the last 6 weeks. Bob recommends we continue as there is still a need. Bob moved that we continue reimbursing at the current rate with no end date. Jo Anne seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**New Business:**

**A. Woolfrax.com-** Helen/Linda reported on a **web site** to raise funds for rescues. App on your phone to encourage exercise; as you walk you generate money for shelters & rescue organizations. Helen will gather more information.

**B. Wine-** Peggy is exploring developing a label for a wine we choose and offer through a winery. Muddy Dog wine is an option. We get \$7/bottle back for the club. Bob recommended contacting Cathy Craft. Sue recommended contacting Ellen Johnson, a BHCA club member who owns a winery near Petaluma, CA. Charitablewine.com also offers \$5/bottle back to the club. We agreed this was worth pursuing.

**Next meeting-** Decision not to meet in March at the National as a number of Foundation members are unable to attend this year.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth

Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

**Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
**April 25, 2017 Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:20 pm by President Linda Murray.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Coady Egan, Peggy Evanich, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth

Absent: Sheridan Weinstein

**President's report:** Linda Murray: NNTR

**Vice President's report:** Laura Liscum: NNTR

**Secretary's report:** Sue Smyth: Need to approve February minutes. Laura moved to approve the February minutes. Jill seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report:** Jo Anne: reporting

Audit completed.

First quarter report attached.

Treasurer's report 4/25/2017:

We currently have \$36,131.43 in our combined accounts: \$865.62 in checking and \$35,265.81 in our Money Market Fund.

The amount in PayPal on this date is \$.64.

The Foundation made \$3,159.15 at the National or for events related to the National. Laura Liscum will elaborate on this income later in the meeting.

The amount of money spent by the Foundation at the National is \$2,538.06. This consists of:

- \$999.12 purchase of pet oxygen masks
- \$975.00 for OFA exams
- \$187.47 for supplies at DNA clinic & shipping of blood samples
- \$64.47 to CHIC DNA Repository for processing samples
- \$90.00 Ad in Specialty Catalog
- \$225.00 Health Speaker

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Elections:** Bob moved that all people having submitted Letters of Interest be reelected/elected to the Foundation Board by acclamation. Jill seconded. All voted in favor. Laura nominated Linda as President; Bob seconded. All voted in favor. Jill nominated Laura as vice president. Bob seconded. All voted in favor. Laura nominated Sue as secretary; Bob seconded. All voted in favor. Laura nominated Jo Ann as treasurer; Jill seconded. All voted in favor.

**B. Health/Education/Research-** Helen Ingher & Laura Liscum reporting:

1. DNA & Eye clinic report: 17 of 31 who signed up participated. Suggestion by Laura that participants have to pay up front & get reimbursed upon participation in the future.
2. Blood draw had similar numbers.
3. Measuring Clinic- Helen reporting that it was very successful. 45 dogs were measured, some under a year, therefore 39 measurements were sent to Dr. Catherine Mellersh. The average was 6 ½ to 7. No short legs dogs were in attendance/measured. Some measured over 15" & were under 1 year of age!
4. Glaucoma study- Dr. Allbaugh requested names of known affected PBGVs. Dr. Bedford, (Iowa State) explained protocol needs to be developed to handle this type of request.

**C. Policy and Procedures-** Bob Cohen & Sue Smyth: NNTR

**D. Rescue-** Bob Cohen: Several rescues were taken in Florida. They are young, are being fostered & should not be difficult to place. Foster Guidelines to be posted online by Veronica. It is 20 pgs. long. Currently we have Surrender & Adoption Agreements.

**E. Social Media-** Laura reporting: 1 post regarding a grain free diet got a huge response. Peggy continues to send lots of good links. 788 people follow us including people from different countries! 1071 people like the club. The Foundation has 818 likes & this number is steadily increasing.

**F. Saber Tails-** Helen Ingher reporting: NNTR

#### **Old Business:**

**A. 02 Mask Project-**Jo Ann & Bob reporting: Big “Thank You” to Bob & Jo Ann for coordinating this! Event was photographed & well attended by the fire department. They were very pleased with the gift of the masks. This is a wonderful tradition established by the Foundation!

**B. PBGV Plaques-** Jo Ann reporting: all but 2 plaques were sold. She will order more plaques, note cards & ad magnets for next year: [Bainbridge Mercantile](#)

**E. Greatful Threads-** Laura reporting: The quilt raised around \$1500. We also offered tote bags for the raffle. Suggestion that we offer silent auction items, daily, at the Foundation table in the future. Discussion regarding Harry Taylor books for sale at future nationals.

#### **New Business:**

**A. AKC Conference-**Linda reporting: it is held every 2 years in mid-August, in St. Louis. Jo Ann moved that Laura attend this conference, on our behalf, this year. Jill seconded. All voted in favor.

**B. AKC/CHF Grants for Review-** Laura reporting: #2257 & #2255 may be of interest to us. If any others are of interest email Laura before our next meeting. Discussion to continue at our next meeting.

**C. Request to listen to Foundation conference calls-**Linda reporting: discussion about an associate member with less than 1 year club membership & no interest in joining the Foundation at this time. Suggestion that we post requirements to become a member of the Foundation on the web site. Provide a second call in number for executive sessions. Our meetings are open to all levels of PBGV Club membership. Linda/Helen will contact interested listener with info about the next meeting.

**Next meeting-** Laura will conduct a doodle poll to determine the date of our next meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth

Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

**Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
**June 5, 2017 Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:16 pm by President Linda Murray.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Coady Egan, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth, Sheridan Weinstein

Guest: Sarah Dye

**President's report:** Linda Murray: NNTR

**Vice President's report:** Laura Liscum: NNTR

**Secretary's report:** Sue Smyth: Need to approve April minutes. Laura moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Jill seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report:** Jo Anne: reporting:

As of 6/5/17 we have \$709.90 in our checking account and \$38,375.13 in our Money Market Account for a total of \$39,085.03. We have \$.64 in our PayPal Account. We recently received \$700 in adoption fees and a \$300 gift from the Indiana Hunt Club in addition to other donations.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Health/Education/Research-** Helen reported that Bruce Toenjes sent her an update regarding the potential research of Dr. All Baugh (Iowa State) for the pre treatment of POAG affected, but not yet necessarily, blind PBGVs. Dr. Bedford at AHT responded to Dr. Allbaugh's request for data saying he is already conducting a Controlled prophylactic-treatment study. His findings will be presented so Dr. Allbaugh feels there is no need for the Iowa State study.
- B. Policy and Procedures-** Bob Cohen & Sue Smyth: NNTR
- C. Rescue-** Bob Cohen reported about rescue in Massachusetts on 6/4/17. Also there are 2 outstanding bills that need to be paid. Jo Anne needs a form completed to initiate payment of 1 bill.
- D. Social Media-** Laura reported that she gets many messages about PBGVs in shelters needing identification. She also gets health questions. Discussion-we need a place to post information about health issues and successful remedies, medications, etc.
- E. Saber Tails-** Helen Ingher reporting: Tiffany would like Laura to write an article giving the history of POAG testing for Saber Tails.

**Old Business:**

**A. AKC/CHF Grants:** Laura carefully reviewed & answered questions about each grant identified by a Foundation member as being of interest. Bob moved new fund 3 acorn grants & 3 oak grants. Sherry seconded. All voted in favor. The grants are: 2241, 2257, 2309 and 2175-A, 2238A, 2249-A, for a total of \$10,500.

**New Business:**

**A. Canine Influenza-** Linda reporting: discussion of shows & dogs affected with the latest outbreak of the canine flu. Long process to get well. Nasal swab needed to test affected dogs. Quarantine for 1 month.

**Next meeting-** Laura will conduct a doodle poll to determine the date of our next meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation



**Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
**July 2017 Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:18 pm by President Linda Murray.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Coady Egan, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth,

Guest: Joann Beavers, Sarah Dye

Absent: Jo Ann Hacker, Sheridan Weinstein

**President's report:** Linda Murray: NNTR

**Vice President's report:** Laura Liscum: NNTR

**Secretary's report:** Sue Smyth: Need to approve June minutes with 2 corrections. Laura moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Jill seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report:** Linda reporting for Jo Ann:

Bank balance as of June 30, 2017:

Checking \$397.90

Money Market \$28,712.79

Donations 7/3/17 to 7/11/2017 \$1,768.00

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Health/Education/Research-** Helen Ingher and Laura Liscum reported:

1) Helen-DNA: PBGVCA approved some new health initiatives. When complete, Helen will share with us. Concept is to collect information for the data base. AKC statistics were sent to the Saber Tail editor.

2) Laura- Dr. Allbaugh's questionnaire: The purpose is to document **all** treatments going on in the US involving PBGVs. Discussion followed.

**B. Policy and Procedures-** Bob Cohen & Sue Smyth: NNTR (The new rescue manual is posted online on our club website under "rescue".)

**C. Rescue-** Bob Cohen reported: 3 male dogs taken into rescue. One already placed. A female in rescue is staying at Pam's kennel.

**D. Social Media-** Laura Liscum reported: Incredible response (150 likes or comments) to the post about older rescue dogs ("Abraham"). Another post, about the canine flu spreading, drew several responses.

**E. Saber Tails-** Laura Liscum reporting: Currently working on several articles to be published in Saber Tails. Next deadline is September 1.

**Old Business:**

**A.** We need to renew our liability insurance in August. Will investigate new coverage ASAP to compare coverage and fees. Jill moved that we submit payment for the General Liability that we currently have but in the next month someone will investigate RV Nuccio and Sportsmens. Laura seconded. All voted in favor.

**New Business:**

**A. AHT-** campaign to upgrade AHT's MRI through donations for a bike challenge. Dr. Mellersh is riding in the challenge. Laura offered to make a donation for the Foundation & she will be reimbursed by Jo Ann when she returns from Africa. Laura moves to donate Foundation money for Dr. Mellersh's bike challenge, the funds raised go to the upgrade of AHT's MRI. Helen seconded. All voted in favor. Sarah Dye, visitor at this meeting, suggested we publish our donation on FaceBook to encourage others to think about doing the same. Sue moved that we donate \$500. (approximately 380 pounds), Coady seconded. All voted in favor. Laura will take care of this.

**B. AKC-CHF** Laura reporting: AKC announced matching donations for the Tick-borne disease research and the epilepsy research. Laura will check into this and report back to us at the next meeting.

**C. AKC CHF** Conference in St. Louis is planned August 11-13: Laura will be attending and will report back to us at our next meeting.

**Next meeting-** Laura will conduct a doodle poll to determine the date of our next meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

**Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
**September 12, 2017 Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:19 pm by Vice President Laura Liscum.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Coady Egan, Peggy Evanich, Jo Ann Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray (late), Jill Otto, Sue Smyth, Sheridan Weinstein

Guest: Karen Clugston

**President's report:** Linda Murray: joined late due to Hurricane Irma & having no electric.

**Vice President's report:** Laura Liscum: items will be discussed throughout the meeting.

**Secretary's report:** Sue Smyth: Laura moved to approve the previous minutes. Bob seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report:** Jo Anne reporting:

As of 9/12/2017 the balance in our money market account is \$30,939.15 The balance in checking is \$596.09 for a total in both accounts of \$31,535.24. Notable bills paid recently include a reimbursement to Laura Liscum for \$498.81 for the Health Trust donation and \$799.00 to pay Great American Insurance for our annual premium plus a \$500.00 gift to the AKC's Reunite's Disaster Relief Fund. Notable contributions and other income for the month includes \$1,100 in adoption fees and an Amazon Smile payment of \$62.32.

The second quarter financial statement has been submitted to the President for review. Income in the second quarter totaled \$3,207.93. Expenses in the second quarter totaled \$11,422.03, of which \$9,500.00 was to fund grants. Net of the grant funding, our expenses in the second quarter were \$1,922.03

Just today we received a gift in the memory of Charles Ingher and in remembrance of Jeane Burroughs Birthday.

Ms. Burroughs asks all her friends to give to the Foundation in lieu of a gift to her. Each year this is a sizable amount. This year's gifts total \$900.00. Happy Birthday Ms. Burroughs!

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Health/Education/Research-** Laura Liscum reporting:

1) 2 research projects: one by Dr. Danika Bannasch, studying genetic mutations that lead to short stature as on humans. She wants to investigate other shorter legged dogs to identify their genetic mutations, then look for similarities. Will know if her grant is approved this winter. We may have cheek swabs at the Foundation table at the next National and she has been invited to present at our next National.

2) Dr. Rachael Allbaugh is considering a new study: the pretreatment for PBGVs with POAG.

**B. Policy and Procedures-** Bob Cohen & Sue Smyth: NNTR (The new rescue manual is posted online on our club website under "rescue".)

**C. Rescue-** Bob Cohen reporting: A 12 yr old female at Pam's kennel. Will discuss under new business.

**D. Social Media-** Laura Liscum reporting: current FaceBook posts are mostly scientific in nature.

**E. Saber Tails-** Laura Liscum reporting: She & Coady are working on Health Committee articles following the AKC-CHF conference in St. Louis in August.

**Old Business:**

**A.** Linda will check into insurance policies and prices with Sportsman's and RV Nuccio.

**B.** AKC-CHF Laura reporting: AKC announced matching donations for the Tick-borne disease research and the epilepsy research. We are currently funding 1 tick borne grant and 2 epilepsy grants.

**C.** AKC CHF Conference in St. Louis Laura and Coady attended. They will write an article for Saber Tails.

**New Business:**

Bob reporting: a woman who adopted a female rescue PBGV notified Pam that she was terminally ill & was sending her now 12 yr old back to rescue with a sum of money to look after her care in the future. Sherry moved that we accept the bequest of the funds as soon as they are available. Bob will be our contact person. Helen seconded. All voted in favor.

Bob is also going to contact Pam to get suggested daily boarding fees.

JoAnne moved to adjourn at 9:20.

**Next meeting-** Laura will conduct a doodle poll to determine the date of our next meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

**Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Health and Rescue Foundation**  
**October 10, 2017 Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:19 pm by President Linda Murray.

Members/officers in attendance: Bob Cohen, Coady Egan, Peggy Evanich, Jo Anne Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth, Sheridan Weinstein

Guests: Karen Clugston, Sarah Dye

**President's report:** Linda Murray: NNTR

**Vice President's report:** Laura Liscum: NNTR

**Secretary's report:** Sue Smyth: Laura moved to approve the previous minutes (Helen recommended rewording #1 in her Health/Education/Research report from the previous month). Sherry seconded. All voted in favor.

**Treasurer's report:** Jo Anne reporting:

As of today, 10/10/2017 we have \$494.77 in our checking account and \$30,117.20 in our money market for a total; of \$30,611.97. We have \$.64 in our PayPal account.

There are two notable transactions since our last report. The first is \$100 from the Carolina PBGV Club in memory of Dawn Allen a long-time member of the Hunt Club. Also \$328.00 from Donation Line which are the proceeds from the sale of a car donated by Jill Otto.

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Health/Education/Research-** Laura Liscum & Helen Ingher reporting:

- 1) The PBGV Health Committee Survey was sent out last week to 78 breeder/members. The survey asked breeders to name their top three health concerns and the health tests they require for breeding pairs. Number of PBGV breeders has declined. Helen has discussed (via phone & email) this problem with Mari-Beth O'Neill (AKC). We need to educate and mentor breeders.
- 2) Responses to the clinical health information form are arriving. Helen is contacting owners when made aware of a health problem in a PBGV.
- 3) Laura is taking an Institute of Canine Biology online course, "Managing Genetics for the Future".

**B. Policy and Procedures-** Bob Cohen & Sue Smyth: NNTR

**C. Rescue-** Bob Cohen reporting: Do not know of any PBs in rescue at the moment.

**D. Social Media-** JoAnne received money from someone in NJ who rescued "Archie", who is now working with him in obedience. He is 11 years old. Laura would like to post info on Facebook. Linda requested photos from Archie's adopter for an article in Saber Tails.

**E. Saber Tails-** Jo Anne said she will be submitting "Merci Beaucoup" shortly.

**Old Business:**

**A.** Conversation about bequest/will to be scheduled with Pam at future meeting.

**B.** Still looking for an ophthalmologist in Reno.

**C.** Dr. Bannasch's seminar is scheduled at the Reno National. She is driving in. Honorarium is \$500.

**D.** Oxygen mask donations-JoAnne volunteered to contact the Reno Fire/Rescue Department.

**New Business:**

1) Peggy- contacted people in the wine industry but no responses yet.

2) Sherry- AKC seminar on Refractive Epilepsy is being offered.

3) Jo Anne asked about the bequest/will funds left to the Foundation. Pam was the contact person because she helped the woman adopt a rescue PBGV years ago & took the dog back when the lady became too ill to look after him. She also spent weeks helping this woman train her PB when it was adopted. We need to meet with Pam for details regarding the bequest/will. Sue will find out when Pam is available in November for a conference call. Also try to get a written statement regarding additional expenses for foster families & Pam to be covered for rescue PBs in the future.

Jill moved to adjourn at 8:58. Sherry seconded. All voted in favor.

**Next meeting-** Laura will conduct a doodle poll to determine the date of our next meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, Secretary PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

# PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation

Meeting Minutes November 28, 2017

Meeting called to Order at 8:19 pm

Members in Attendance: Bob Cohen, Coady Egan, Peggy Evanich, Jo Ann Hacker, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Linda Murray, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth, Sherry Weinstein

Guests: Pam Helmer, Karen Clugston, Sarah Dye

## **Officer Reports:**

**President's Report:** NNTR

**Vice President's Report-** NNTR

**Secretary's Report-** Sue Smyth- Need approval for minutes dated 10/10/17. Laura moved to approve minutes, Bob seconded, all voted in favor.

**Treasurer's Report-** Jo Ann reporting-fiscal year end is the end of September. Our tax return was filed. For balance of treasurer's report reference 2 page third quarter report distributed November 26 via email.

## **Committee Reports:**

**A. Health Education Report-** Helen Ingher and Laura Liscum reporting-

1. Our speaker at the Reno National is Dr. Danika Bannasch. Topics are: "general genetics", POAG, results of cheek swabs collected so far, how clubs encourage owners to continue testing, link to program "Genetic Diversity".

2. "Breeder Health Concerns" article & what health tests are being recommended.

3. Health officer Peter Marks agrees with Helen that we need to get more unrelated dogs tested.

4. Mentor applications & process for approval.

**B. Policy and Procedures-** Sue & Bob reporting- NNTR

**C. Rescue-** Bob and Pam reporting-NNTR, discussion followed.

**D. Social Media-**Laura Reporting-NNTR (blurb written about "Archie").

**E. Saber Tails-** Laura reporting-

1. Breeder survey.

2. Coady & Laura wrote an article about the AKC seminars they attended in St. Louis in August.

## **Old Business:**

**A. Specialty Meeting-October 31, 2017-** Stella & Bequest for the Foundation-discussion regarding use of bequest funds. Should we appoint a research committee? Linda- put all \$60K in 1 fund for Stella.

Bob Cohen moved to rescind motion 2017 #10, Laura seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried. New motion: Peggy moved to accept the \$60,000.00 from the Linden Bell Bequest to provide funding for health, maintenance, feeding, care, and transportation for the PBGV "Stella". The use of any future residual funds will be determined at a later date by the PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation. Bob seconded. All voted in favor. Stella is now available for adoption. (Pam exited the meeting)

**B. 2018 National Specialty**

1. Fire Department- Jo Ann reporting- she contacted the fire chief in Reno regarding ourpet mask donation at our specialty. Press also contacted.

2. Helen reported that Jo Quintenz contacted an **ophthalmologist** to offer a clinic in Reno.

3. Blood draw-NNTR

4. Auction Item(s)-will be discussed at later meeting (Jim Scharnberg photo).

5. Jo Ann is collecting items for our table raffle at the National.
6. Sue-offered to take a cart filled with sale items around during the Welcome Party or during the annual dinner to bolster sales. Jill was a big help with this previously & the use of a square was key in making sales.

Meeting ended at 9:40 pm

Laura will send out a doodle poll to determine the date of the next meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sue Smyth, PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation Secretary