PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation

January 26, 2021 Minutes

Members in attendance: Donna Bruce (attended briefly), Bob Cohen, Karen Clugston, Jo Anne Hacker, Pam Helmer, Helen Ingher, Laura Liscum, Jill Otto, Sue Smyth, Sherry Weinstein

Guests: Gisele Romanace

President’s report: Meeting called to order at 7:04 by President Laura Liscum: she has been busy with multiple projects including a newsletter coming out soon. Contact her if you have info to contribute.

Vice President’s report: Jill Otto- NNTR

Secretary’s report: Jill moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting; Sherry seconded. All voted in favor. Secretary asked to send an email to each person needing a Letter of Interest to remain on the Foundation Board, including our guest, Gisele.

Treasurer’s report JoAnne reporting- As of January 26, 2021, the Foundation has $1,378.76 in checking and $91,614.04 in Money Market for a total of $92,992.80 in all Foundation Bank accounts. There is $.64 in our PayPal Account.

December of 2020 yielded $2,608.75 in contributions and the reply envelope inserted in Saber Tails seemed to help many of these donors get their gifts to us.

Discussion of Annie’s health (Donna reporting): Annie’s teeth are in poor condition. Concern about a 14 year old PBGV female being able to go through sedation for a dental procedure. She also needs updated Cushing’s & thyroid testing. Estimate is $950. Karen moved to ad $500. to the current Annie medical fund. Jill seconded. All voted in favor, with Donna abstaining.

Committee Reports

1. Health, Education & Research (Laura reporting): 1. Laura wrote an announcement for the health survey. 2. She asked for names of those attending the National: Sue, Helen, Karen, & Pam. Karen & Helen agreed to be Dr. Alvarez’s host & to help her set up her seminar on Friday. 3. Helen has been looking at various parent club websites to assess presentation of health info to the membership. 4. National- no blood-draw; there will be an eye clinic. Budgets to follow. 5. Dr Kessler - progesterone testing seminar (virtual) Friday afternoon, curtesy of Royal Canin.
2. Policy & Procedure (Sue & Bob reporting): see old business
3. Rescue (Pam reporting): Teri King has 1 rescue yet to place and Deborah Mills PBGV (10 years old) has been re-homed. Two additional PBGVs need new homes when they are ready. Discussion.
4. Social Media-(Laura reporting): The big story was the rescue of the Elite Bassets.
5. Saber Tails (Helen & Laura reporting): The current issue will include an article about Canine Health Foundation Grants.

Old Business

1. Policy & Procedures Review- will be dated 2021, Laura will make a change in objectives #1. Recommendation that we review these annually (after each National when we may be adding new members). Jill moved to accept the revised Policy & Procedure amended document. Karen seconded. All voted in favor.
2. Health Education: Helen is reviewing various parent club web sites to assess their breed health membership education, etc. Discussion: What are the Parent Club responsibilities v. the Foundation responsibilities?
3. Foster Home Reimbursement Policy-vet bills are paid when approved by the rescue committee. Should rescue homes be reimbursed for additional expenses (gas for travel, in-kind donations for tax return, food, toys)? Bob will amend following tonight’s discussion.

New Business

1. Canine Health Foundation membership fee $200. annually. Sue moved that we pay the $200 annual membership fee. Sherry seconded. All voted in favor.
2. Breeder Tool Kit-Being developed by Helen and Veronica. Let them know if you are interested in participating in discussion and development.

Jill moved to adjourn at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Smyth, Secretary PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation