

THE PHARAOH HOUND CLUB OF AMERICA

April 2021 Board Meeting

(Videoconference & Phone) April 15, 2021

Board of Directors Members Present: Mary Severino (President), Stephen Sipperly (Vice President), Meredith Wille (Corresponding Secretary), Luciane Terra (Treasurer), Rebecca Stephens, Lynne Tatarowicz, Emily Kerridge, Theresa Harper (Recording Secretary)

Board of Directors Members Absent: Linda Witt

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm (Pacific) by President Mary Severino.

Meeting Minutes

• Stephen made a motion and Rebecca seconded to approve March meeting minutes. All were in favor. Meeting minutes were approved.

• President's Update (Mary)

Recording Secretary (Theresa)

- One new member applicant e-blasted to the membership by Lynne (Kendra Williams). After 30 days for comments, I will send out ballots.
- Also sent out the Preferred Judges ballots and they have to be postmarked by May 15. Should have these votes compiled by June.

• Treasurer (Luciane)

- We have begun steps to add Luciane as an authorized signer on the Wells Fargo Bank accounts, but this effort has been frustrating and as of this date, unsuccessful. Although she is authorized to have 'offline' access, we have been stymied by the Wells process and she is not able to access the accounts online. If this cannot be quickly resolved, she and I will rethink our plan forward for the accounts as it would be impossible to transfer the treasurer position to someone not located within driving distance of the previous treasurer.
- Luciane Terra and Mary Severino are continuing the Treasurer transition and regularly communicate. Luciane has been given access to the PHCA QuickBooks account to orient to the online system that has been established. After receiving Board approval last month, we have upgraded the QB account to allow up to 3 users, an additional cost of \$15/month or \$40/month total.

o PHCA 2020 Audit:

 The 2020 accounts have been reconciled and are ready for handoff to the Audit Committee.

PHCA Online Store:

As reported at the end of September, the PHCA Online Store site on Weebly and our Online Store domain name at www.pharaohhoundclubofamerica.com have been renewed for the upcoming year. The online store is being updated with information pertinent to this year's specialties and will be open for sponsorship sales soon.

Rescue Donation:

A \$2,000 donation to PHCA Rescue was made by Kathleen Deiley. She suggested that the PHCA review establishing the rescue fund as an entity that can allow tax deductions for donations. (post-meeting note: The Board agreed that information regarding establishing the Rescue Fund as a 501 (c)3 corporation should be explored. Luciane and I will follow up.

Current Balances

Current Account Balances: 04/15/21

Business Checking: \$ 6,154.38
Business Market Rate Savings: \$14,413.69
Pam Haig Mem. Rescue Fund: \$26,263.70

Total Accounts Balance: \$46,831.77

Committees (Rebecca)

- Discussed written document. Simple structure based on a structure many organizations utilize.
- Board Liaison for each committee who will deliver reports to board and make sure committees are populated and operating.
- o Some committees can be inactive for periods of time such as the audit committee.
- Do an initial e-blast with committees followed by putting in Scribe to get people involved in committees they are interested in.
- Will need to get committee reports to Recording Secretary one week before board meeting so they can be compiled and sent out to BOD.

Rescue (Theresa)

- Two 8-year old Pharaohs out of Florida named Zora and Luna
 - A woman named Dominique kindly took them in but it did not go well in her condo. She
 had updated their vaccines, got them tested for heartworm and preventive, and Luna's
 extensive eye meds at no cost to rescue.
 - Laurie Laventhall boarded them at no charge until we could get them into a foster home.
 - Shenanoah is the foster home. Zora has been spayed with a free spay cert from her vet. Both girls have been microchipped with free chips provided by Darci.
 - Plan is for Shenandoah's daughter to adopt them pending adoption application.

- One request for rescue to cover the removal of Luna's blind, problematic eye and the board has approved this expense which is covered at \$300 by a donation for these two dogs and \$400 money from the rescue account. Shenandoah is covering teeth cleaning.
- Darci is coordinating all activities.
- One approximately 2.5 year old Pharaoh female located in an animal control in Mt. Carroll, Illinois.
 - Jewel had been running at-large (not the first time) on February 24. Owner contact and told animal control they did not want the dog anymore and had turned her loose.
 - Owner divulged they bought her from a breeder in Clinton, lowa. AC contacted the breeder and the breeder had confirmed the owner had attempted to return the dog and the breeder would not take her back.
 - Jewel is heartworm negative, up-to-date on rabies and the distemper combo.
 - Jewel appears to have been bred and had a litter in the last 6 months or so
 - Christine Johnson (long-time Pharaoh person had dogs from Pam, also a dog trainer)
 was able to get her out of Animal control and has her at her home.
 - Jewel is about 35 lbs, super friendly, and very busy. Good with other dogs and in a kennel. Have not completely tested her with small dogs. Barks a lot and no training – didn't even know how to walk on a leash.
 - Christine getting one lump under her left arm aspirated.
 - Calling per Penny in honor of Pam's GENE-rosity and using P instead of G. Christine is interested in keeping Penny.
- BOD had discussion about how we can promote rescue taking dogs that people do not want.
 Need to review web page blurb to see if we can provide better guidance to people needing assistance.
- Ceiling for rescue funds without need board approval is \$500.
- Once a dog has been adopted, no rescue funds will be used for the dog unless those expenses have been agreed to/approved prior to the adoption being finalized.

• Communications via email to membership (Lynne):

- Specialty proposal blast
- Preferred judges voting ballot
- Kendra Williams membership application blast
- New members blast

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Corresponding Secretary (Meredith)

No update

• Specialties Liaison (Meredith)

- National (approved)
 - AKC has our application.
 - Rest of info due this weekend for premium list.
 - Bonnie helping with trophy list.
 - Meredith needs perpetual trophy descriptions and Stephen will send to her.

- General discussion about trophies for National.
- Western (approved)
 - Jayme has a good plan for a small Western.
 - Challenges for raffle which would not be allowed on show grounds.
 - Still need budget for event. Luciane will follow up.
 - Will be using an external superintendent.
- Eastern (approved)
 - No new updates
- PHCA online store is live for National, Western, Eastern

Education (Sheila)

Not surprising, the number of people watching the webinar has diminished as time goes on.
 Webinar attendees

April 22: 301
Post webinar thru June: 65
Post July thru Oct 13
Post Nov thru Jan 6

Since this has really slowed, I will probably stop reporting unless we see a spike for some reason. They send an update every three months.

- Requests for virtual tutoring have also slowed. I did one the end of December and Dominic did one earlier this month. Both had good interaction and questions.
- The Carolina Dog Show Judges Study Group is sponsoring seminars and workshops for judges at the Greenville, SC cluster July 29 – August 1st. To be held at the TD Convention Center in Greenville, SC in conjunction with the breed show cluster. I have agreed to present our pharaoh hound seminar.
- I was recently contacted about breed seminars at the Windy City Cluster in the Chicago area,
 June 10 -20. I am not sure I can attend this one so need to see if any other mentors would be available. Getting dogs for hand-on in this area will be a challenge.
- Status of Committee:
 - Chairman: Sheila Hoffman Members: Marie Henke, Laurie Laventhall, Libby Leone, Rita Sacks
 - Committee function is to educate judges, aspiring judges, PHCA members and the general public. The original Committee formulated first the "PHCA Breed Brochure" and later "The Pharaoh Hound Illustrated Guide". Most of the present Committee put together the scripted slide show presentation that is currently being used for official PHCA approved judges seminars. The goal of the Committee is to expose as many judges as possible to our presentation and update materials as needed. Wherever possible, a PHCA approved mentor will be a presenter for the host club and if that is not possible, the Chair will select a PHCA member or AKC licensed judge to be a presenter with the approval of the rest of the Committee and BOD.
 - Current approved mentors: Dominic Carota, Marie Henke, Sheila Hoffman, Emily Kerridge, Laurie Laventhall, Libby Leone, Rita Sacks, Stephen Sipperly, Linda Tetreault

• Awards Committee (Sheila)

- o <u>Status of Committee</u>
 - Chairman: Sheila Hoffman (currently) Members: PHCA board of directors
 - This committee manages the qualifications for the PHCA Awards and administration of the annual awards.
 - Status: I discussed with Emily her interest in taking on the chairmanship of this committee as I have not devoted the time to it that is needs. Hopefully she has or will bring this up with the board. I am willing to stay on as a committee member and continue with the annual awards/presentation as needed.

• Audit Committee

o BOD nominated Linda Witt to head this committee this year.

Theresa moved to adjourn the meeting; Stephen seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM (Pacific).

Respectfully submitted by:

Theresa Harper
PHCA Recording Secretary