

Greater Minneapolis St. Paul Basset Hound Club
Meeting Minutes
Saturday, September 19, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by President Vicki Russell

Present: Vicki Russell, Robin O'Rourke, Lisa Ritchie, Eva Kotilinek, Kathi Janovsky, Dan Hatchell, Nancy Klenke, Barb Sorensen, Neal Sorensen

Absent: Melissa Jokela

Approval of previous meeting minutes
Not available

Treasurer's Report: Checking balance is approximately \$1,600, PayPal balance is \$840.53

Old Business:

- We need a date to shoot for to raffle items. We could shoot for a December start or wait for the January slump (Winter Blues?) and/or a summer event. We also need to determine how often do we want to do this, for how long, per item, etc.? There is also a suggestion of a silent auction. Vicki has about 25 crates filled with dog toys, we could also raffle play pens, dog beds, etc. We should email club members to ask for donations.
- Elections nominations were held, voted on, and current positions are as follows:
 - Vicki Russell – President
 - Lisa Ritchie – Vice President
 - Robin O'Rourke – Treasurer
 - Candy Sartell – Secretary
- Presentations to offer membership were discussed to plan periodically. We can shoot for mid-November to announce a series or a particular subject of interest. We need suggestions. A few include Basset health issues including ear, eye, yeast infections, and more. Vicki offered that we could reach out to Rosemary Ryan (BHCA research) regarding testing of genetic issues such as glaucoma, dental hygiene, and more. There are also education videos that could be tapped for this.
- Specialty is planned for Nationals in Rockford, IL 2022
- Do we want to announce litters in our newsletter along with pictures. It could be something upbeat and fun – we could have short success stories and/or “how to...” questions for a column we could call “Happy Tails” as suggested by Lisa as an idea.

New Business:

Candy reminded all to let her know of anyone who lost a beloved pet so she can send out sympathy cards. She also has a supply of Basset hound thank you cards that can be sent when appropriate.

Vicki called for a motion to close the meeting – Eva made a motion, seconded by Lisa.

Meeting closed at 1:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Candyce L. Sartell