

**PBGF Meeting Minutes**  
**Sunday, January 9, 2022**  
**Online Virtual Event**

**Delegates in Attendance:** Bald Eagle, Beechton, Blue Juniata, Carlisle, Central, Conemaugh Valley, Eldred, Indiana County, Lebanon County, Lykens Valley, Mason-Dixon, Northern Lancaster, Presque Isle, Pucketos, Rainbow, Shamokin, Sharpsville, Susquehanna Valley, Webster.

- I. **Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order by Toby Fauver at 2:00 PM
  
- II. **Approval of Minutes-** October Meeting Minutes were emailed out in advance of this meeting and were accepted with updates below (Motion by Shamokin and Carlisle- all approved)
  1. Judging votes for 2022 AKC SPO Nationals – Top 4 – Jeremy Hooks (12), Sal Amato (9), Ryan Conley (8), Jeremy Bowles (7).
  2. Vote email communication missed on National Judging was not received via email, only through facebook communication.
  
- III. **Introduction of Guests-** No guests.
  
- IV. **Officer's and Director's Reports**
  - A. **President-** Toby Fauver- None.
  - B. **Eastern Vice President-** Taylor Lewis- None.
  - C. **Western Vice President-** Craig Chelednik- Distributing 2022 Field Trial Schedule. Please make sure all planned trial dates and any cancellations are sent to Craig ASAP.
  - D. **Treasurer's Report-** Dave Sharer gave a detailed treasurer's report:  
Opening Balance \$15,087.08 & Ending Balance of \$17,352.97. Dave noted that there is approx. \$7K in outstanding expenses to post shortly. A motion was made by Bald Eagle, seconded by Conemaugh to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Motion passed unanimously. Robert Massella declined the duties of Treasurer Responsibilities due to other commitments.
  - E. **Secretary-** Brian Phillips- None.
  - F. **Communications Liaison:** Claire Spettell- Updated the website with the active judging list form to accept email or phone.
  
  - G. **Board of Directors:**  
Norm Prycl- Not present.      Mike Bickhart- None.  
Jim Roush- None.      Mark Malloy- None.

V. **Committee Reports**

- A. **Treasurer's Annual Audit Committee-** Roger Savor will connect with Dave Sharer to review in the near future.

VI. **Old Business**

- A. **PBGF Raffle Tickets and Club Dues are Due-** Please get to Dave Sharer ASAP, if your club has not done so already.
- B. **2022 PBGF All-Age and Derby Championship to be Held at Blue Juniata Beagle Club-** Possible trial date changes discussed, but going to be difficult move due to the current field trial schedule. Toby Fauver mentioned a club in Maryland has a trial on the same weekend. Mark Malloy is working on possible changes, getting with the gundog brace national committee to discuss, due to overlapping dates. Will discuss further after more review, but doesn't see any other dates to move, and will more than likely be staying on the same date as prior years.
- C. **Finished Hound Section on the PBGF Website-** This was mentioned at the fall meeting. People with finished hounds can correspond with Claire Spettell on the needed information. Current format will be done by year. This will add lasting recognition to the achievement of Field Champion status.
- D. **PBGF Hall of Fame-** No nominations were received for 2021. Taylor Lewis will be working on 2022 coordination of nominations this Spring.
- E. **Swatara Beagle Club joins the Federation-** The club will be having a 2022 Plan A Trial.
- F. **2022 Youth Day Event-** Norm Prycl and Ryan Grube to help coordinate the effort. Will be hosted at Breakneck Beagle Club. The date planned is July 16, 2022.

VII. **New Business**

- A. **Championship Trial Package** – Proposed \$20K ticket raffle 1,000 tickets @ \$20 per ticket at approx. 30 tickets per club. Run on the 3-digit lottery daily number for convenience.
- a. This would remove the existing \$5 per ticket in the future (starting 2023).
  - b. Ryan Becker asked if this would be mandatory for the clubs? Toby Fauver said the intent is not to hold the club accountable, but rather have a point of contact at the club that we can correspond within due time to help sell.

- c. Where does small games of chance keep up us in check? Amount has to be under \$25k and each individual prize under \$600. If over the amount, the organization has to issue a 1099 tax form.
- d. Taylor Lewis recommended we do as voluntary and Mark Malloy recommended we ask upfront from each club and if they have intent to sell, if not need to let us know. Toby Fauver would like for each club to at least attempt to sell tickets and get back to us in time. Similar process to last year. The intent is to help keep revenue coming in to support trial and future expenses such as youth day programs, etc. With most of the investment going to the trial.
  - i. In terms of guns, Taylor Lewis proposed – \$5,000 in guns and \$5,000 in cash prizes. 1 option 10 prizes of \$500 or differing prizes \$1500, \$750's, \$500's. Mark Malloy likes the cash prizes at \$500, then we are under the small games of chance limit. Dave Sharer likes cash because everybody has an interest. Taylor Lewis wants to do in August this year for the drawing.
    - 1. Shamokin makes a motion for \$5,000 set aside for guns and \$5,000 for (10) individual \$500 cash prizes and eliminating the \$5 club raffle ticket next year (2023). Reach-out to Taylor Lewis (email or text) for the number of tickets your club would like to sell. (unanimously approved).

- B. **2022 PBGF Trial Schedule-** Let Craig know asap. Jay Long confirmed– Shamokin's Derby trial is a go this year.
- C. **PBGF Treasurer Position-** Robert Massella was elected in the fall to hold the current position. Bob Massella contacted Toby Fauver that his schedule is to full for the coming year to fulfill the treasurer responsibilities. Dave Sharer is willing to help out in the interim, but would like to transition the responsibilities. Breakneck nominated Kelly Hooks for the Treasurer Position. Kelly Hooks accepted, and Conemaugh Valley Second, all approved. Toby Fauver thanked Dave, Sarah and Family for all their support over the years. In the works of finding a new space for the PBGF Merchandise that Dave currently has at his house. Possible opportunity for Blue Juniata to store merchandise.
- D. **Steubenville Beagle Club-** An application was received by Steubenville Beagle Club in Ohio to join the PBGF. Craig Chelednik asked for the current By-Law reading on guidelines for out of state clubs to join the Federation, and was confirmed acceptable. Rainbow made a motion to accept, Sharpsville second, all approved. The Board will work with Steubenville for their Plan A Trial. Dave Sharer to send Claire Spettell their club information for the website.
- E. **Field Trial Cards and Judge's Books-** Reach-out to Dave if your club has a need.
- F. **Zafar's Groto Club-** Dave Sharer said the club that we previously had the January Banquet notified him that the facility is now back open and has made improvements to their internet connection, if virtual meetings are need for future events.

**G. Purina Dog Food Overage-** Purina accidentally sent 24 extra bags of Salmon 30/20 dog food to Jeremy Bowles as winner of the PBGF consistency. Purina has agreed for the bags to go back to the Federation. As a Federation we came up with the option to auction 12 bags to support the youth day and 12 bags to auction to support the Eastern Junior Handler Program. The difficult part is the dog food has to be picked up at Jeremy's house. Look for more information on the Federation facebook page for raffle information.

**H. Upcoming BAC Meeting-** Mark Malloy asked for any items for upcoming meeting, send to Mark.

**I. AKC National Committee Meeting-** There is an upcoming AKC SPO National Committee Meeting and an item to be discussed is the Northeast Beagle Gundog Federation not having a judge for the 2022 AKC SPO Trial.

VIII. **Adjournment:** Rainbow made motion, second by Blue Juniata. All approved.