

THE SCHIPPERKE CLUB OF AMERICA RESCUE & HEALTH FOUNDATION, INC.
2023 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting began on 9/21/2023 at 7:30pm. Present for the meeting were: Lee Ann Stusnick, Kristin Morrison, Jaime Stanchina, Lezlie Hall, Kat Call, and Katharine Baptiste.

Kat Call moved to discuss business out of order, Jamie seconded the motion:

Embark Updates:

We discussed again the lack of communication and partnership with Embark, and that we should explore new opportunities, and not count on a partnership with them moving forward. All members present expressed common frustration/lack of communication/lack of priority for the breeder specific side of their business.

We also discussed the failure on Embark to re-run the panel for MPS IIIb on Schipperkes as it had been previously promised in our earlier agreement. They will run the panel for an additional cost. Apprx \$100

Sue DeBruehl was the one outstanding request for access to Embark results. She is now a member so Lee Ann updated her email address and we will get her access to her dogs results.

At this time all requests for Embark access via the Microsoft Forms survey have been granted access. Katharine will continue to monitor and update the foundation on any new requests for joint access.

The board agreed that we need to communicate our current position with Embark to the SCA Membership.

Kristin will write up a draft of where we stand with Embark to send to membership.

AKC DNA project

Lee Ann shared updates to the AKC DNA Program update. She was able to push for MPSIIIb to be added to the panel for AKC DNA.

Current list of MPS IIIb Labs:

Upenn

Embark

AKC DNA Program (328 health, DNA parentage) Apprx similar in price to Embark

Mutual agreement was made that the AKC DNA project is very exciting, however we need to work on building back trust with the broader SCA membership after the Embark falling out.

SCA National 2024:

SCA has us penciled in for the afternoon of Thursday, April 25th

Discussed Dr. Greer Seminar - Kristin had reached out to Revival and requested information and cost on hosting a seminar. She is still waiting for an update, and will follow up.

It was agreed that we NEED to have a presence at the 2024 National. There was mutual agreement to support a seminar.

Possibly host AKC DNA Banking if the program is up and running at that point. Lee Ann will continue to provide updates on this program.

We discussed having the Health Survey available onsite at the National. Either using Ipads or an anonymous drop box for hard copies.

We discussed a seminar or providing education around the Bobtail Gene, VWD, or Factor Deficiency.

We need to reach out to Embark to find out what statistics are available for carriers etc.

Discussed donating to the Welcome Bags - something with SCA Foundation Logo and Mission Statement.

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Website Updates:

Loren has not been responsive as per Beth Lily.

We need updated forms for grants and rescue assistances.

We need to remove old board members names and contact information from the website as many are still listed.

We also need to continue to update social media, and try to engage followers.

Secretary Report Provided by Katharine :

199 total health survey responses vs 29 from minutes of last Zoom meeting
Epilepsy, Cushing's and Hypothyroidism continue to be the top responses.

At our previous meeting we discussed starting to communicate with the broader Schipperke Community on the "Dancing Dog Syndrome". We had discussed sharing videos on social media and possibly at the National. Kristin and Jaime were going to find the videos that should be shared.

Other Business:

Jamie discussed the Darier disease skin issue

We discussed having a regular scheduled meeting cadence as to not fall behind in meetings again. January, March, June, and Sept/Oct were discussed as possible months.

We also discussed setting a date for a January meeting to plan for the 2024 National. Lee Ann suggested us coordinating this via e-mail.

Motions:

I, KristinMorrison move that the SCA Health and rescue foundation donate \$1500 to each the Midwest Schipperke Rescue and Schipperke Rescue Net and \$750 to Recycled Pomeranians and schipperkes for use for schipperkes only. Second provided by Kat Call/Jamie Stanchina. All in favor.

I, Katharine Baptiste move that the SCA Health and Rescue Foundation begin accepting bids to update our logo. The new updated logo should include exclusive rights for the SCA Health and Rescue Foundation to use this logo for merchandise & marketing purposes. Second provided by Jamie Stanchina. All in favor.

I, Kat Call move that we move the majority of our funds to laddered CDS (denomination term and timing to be determined by the Treasurer) totaling \$70,000 from savings and \$15,000 from the checking account. Jamie second. All in favor.

Kristin moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:37, seconded by Jaime/Kat/Katharine