

BCCA CHARITABLE TRUST MEETING

05/01/2025 7:00PM EDT

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM EDT.

In attendance were Linda Taylor, Rosie Schoeder, Glenn Alexander, Ruth Colavecchio, Don Means, Michele Ritter, Kirsten Andreassend

Guest: Debbie Alexander reviewed her request her grant request for \$5,000 to support Beardie Fest to be held May 19 – 21 at Roberts Arena in Ohio. The organizers of the fest have put a focus on educating members about several health issues facing Beardies and other breeds as well. For this reason, it is felt that their goals are in unity with the mission of the BCCA Charitable Trust. Members of the board asked questions of Debbie to clarify how the grant would be used. There were quite a number of questions and answers which continued until 7:49 PM. At that time Debbie excused herself by leaving the board to make a decision.

New Business –

1. Discussion of Beardie Fest Grant

The grant was discussed with all board members participating and the following motion passed without dissension: **Motion to provide a 2024 grant to Beardie Fest in the amount of \$5,000.**

2. Discussion of 2025 National Specialty

The trust will participate in the BCCA 2025 National Specialty to be held in Howey in the Hills, FL. Details are not totally decided at this point, but we will be given time during the Garden Party to bring members up to date on Trust matters and the upcoming cancer challenge. Lydia McPeck, a representative of the Morris Animal Foundation, will be present to discuss the work being done on hemangiosarcoma which has been a priority for research grants given by the trust.

3. Discussion of Arlene Rubenstein's donations

Arlene has offered several items to the trust for auction. It is not clear how these would be obtained nor how we would be able to auction them. Don Means will investigate this for a future recommendation

Report of the Treasurer -

As distributed by Don Means

For the Good of the Order

Glen thanked the board for their support of Beardie Fest.

At our next meeting will discuss the 2025 cancer challenge.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM EDT

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Schroeder, Secretary