

**MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF  
PWDCA RESCUE INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Monday, November 21, 2011  
3:00 PM PST – Via Teleconference

The 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the PWDCA Rescue Inc. Board of Directors was called to order by Christa Diamant via telephone conference at 3:05 pm PST on November 21, 2011.

Present: Christa Diamant, Interim President, Secretary/Treasurer, Meg DeFore, Vice President and National Rescue Coordinator, Janet Boyd, Director, Deb Zorn, Director, Elaine Suter, Director, Mary Harkins, Rescue Advisor, Ellen Leyda

The Minutes of the August 22, 2011 PWDCA Rescue Inc. Board Meeting were approved and distributed as presented.

E-Motions since last Board Meeting

9/02/2011 MOTION that the letter of financial responsibility to a PWDCA member breeder of a dog in rescue will be sent by the President of PWDCA Rescue Inc. via certified USPS mail return receipt requested, first class USPS mail and email with a copy to the PWDCA President - Christa Diamant - 2nd Janet Boyd.. Unanimously approved 09/07/2011.

09/07/2011 Motion to approve August 22, 2011 Rescue board meeting minutes as presented - Deb Zorn - 2nd Janet Boyd. Approved Unanimously September 14, 2011.

09/27/2011 Motion - When a Portuguese Water Dog has been adopted through PWDCA Rescue by a non-PWDCA member, they will be sent an application for Associate membership to the Club along with one issue of the Courier - Christa Diamant - 2nd Janet Boyd. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY Oct 6, 2011.

Portuguese Water Dog Club of America, Inc. Motions Regarding PWDCA Rescue:

Some of Rescue's Policies and Procedures have been modified to reflect changes made to the PWDCA Inc. Policy and Procedures Manual. PWDCA Rescue policies and procedures will be modified to comply with PWDCA's Policies and Procedures Manual.

Report of the President

Rescue's annual report was included at the PWDCA National Specialty.

Introduction of Ellen Leyda. Ellen is the Rescue Coordinator for Southern California and has acted as rescue volunteer for over 10 years for SCPWDC. Ellen also worked at the Glendale Human Society shelter. She is an educator, now retired and lives in LaCanada, California with her husband and three Portuguese Water Dogs.

The board members welcomed Ellen to our meeting. After a short conversation, it was agreed to ask Ellen to join our Rescue Board.

November 21, 2011 – MOTION – to appoint Ellen Leyda as Secretary to the PWDCA Rescue Inc. board – Christa Diamant – 2<sup>nd</sup> Meg DeFore. Approved Unanimously November 21, 2011.

Report of the Secretary

None.

Report of the Treasurer

PWDCA RESCUE INC.  
EMPLOYER I.D. #26-4821762  
DLN #17053323300029  
PUBLIC CHARITY STATUS #170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

Profit and Loss Statement  
August 1, 2011 to October 31, 2011

Beginning Balance as of August 1, 2011	\$41,119.75	
Donations	\$ 200.00	
Re-Homing Donations	<u>\$ 550.00</u>	
Total Income	\$ 750.00	
Insurance Premium Refund	\$ 127.00	
Interest Earned	\$ 7.18	
	<u>\$ 884.18</u>	
Total		\$42,003.93
Expenses		
Charities	(\$ -0- )	
Admin:		
Insurance/Bond Renewals	(\$1,780.00)	
Tax Returns, CT Annual Rpt	(\$ -0- )	
Board Mtg Conf Calls	( 65.98)	
Rescue Vet Expenses,Boarding,	( 478.30)	
Microchip Clinic in Atlanta	<u>(\$ 364.00)</u>	
Total Expense		(\$ 2,688.28)
Net Balance as of 10/31/2011		\$ 39,315.65

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## Report of the National Rescue Coordinator

PWDCA Rescue Quarterly Statistics  
August 1, 2011 – October 31 2011  
Meg DeFore National Rescue Coordinator

1.	<u>Adoption Contacts:</u>	240
2.	<u>Returned Adoption Applications:</u>	6
3.	<u>Surrender Requests:</u>	7
4.	<u>Counseling Requests - Dog has Bitten/Aggressive:</u>	12+
5.	<u>Surrender Requests – Breeder Took Responsibility:</u>	3
6.	<u>Surrender Requests – Not PWD:</u>	7
7.	<u>PWDs Placed by Other Rescue Organizations:</u>	1
8.	<u>PWDs Owners Kept:</u>	0
9.	<u>PWDs Placed for Breeder:</u>	0
10.	<u>PWDs Accepted Into Rescue w/Age:</u>	0
11.	<u>PWDs Placed:</u>	0
12.	<u>Lost PWD – Found Breeder &amp; Rehomed with Owner</u>	1

Meg went on to talk about the increasing number of contacts received from owners with aggressive/biting dogs. A discussion followed on how to deal with this issue. Suggestions were to educate puppy owners and have breeders take responsibility for their puppy placements and be available to mentor their puppy buyers. Other suggestions were to have the owners contact their veterinarians for advice and/or referrals to a behavior training specialist in their area. Further discussion followed on the possible causes of increased aggression, i.e., medical problems, environmental or genetics.

The Board will continue discussion and research on this issue.

### New Business

The board discussed the proposed PWDCA Rescue Inc. Confidentiality Agreement and agreed to add that the new owner's name of a rehomed dog is to be kept confidential and cannot be disclosed to the owner surrendering a dog.

The finalized Confidentiality Agreement will require signatures from all rescue volunteers.

Rescue Website

It was agreed that a reference or link on where to find PWDCA Rescue Inc. board meeting minutes will be added to the rescue page on the PWDCA website.

The next quarterly PWDCA Rescue Inc. Board Meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2011.

Adjournment at 3:53pm PST

Respectfully submitted,

PWDCA Rescue Inc.

Christa Diamant, Interim President  
Secretary/Treasurer