

McKamey Animal Center / Animal Care Trust
Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
Via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Lee Towery (Chair), Karla McKamey (Vice Chair), Doug Swafford (Treasurer), Robert Jackson (Secretary), Cynthia Dale, Allie McKamey, Ellie LaPorte, Tripp Sawyer, Chip Chapman, Charles Sanford, Jay Floyd, Maggie Marsh

Board Members Absent: Sonia Young, Bruce Baird

Staff: Inga Fricke (ED), Paula Hurn, Jeff Wilhite, Crystal Evans, Buck Gentry, Lauren Mann

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Consent Agenda Items:

- Minutes from the April Board meeting
- Financials from March
- Agenda for May meeting

The Chair asked for a motion to acknowledge/approve Consent Agenda Items
A motion was made by Doug Swafford, seconded by Jay Floyd
The motion passed unanimously

Chair/Vice Chair Report

ED Report

Inga reported on the following:

- Best Friends visit
- Announced four (4) new staff members
 - Tracy Parsons – Director of Veterinary Services
 - Lauren Mann – Advancement Manager
 - Learyn Miller – Foster Coordinator
 - Tyrone Johnson – Volunteer Manager

Animal Services Director Becca Ross has been asked by the Chattanooga Police Department to provide training for their academy candidates on animal cruelty matters

Animal Care:

- Admissions
- Adoptions/Foster
- Animal Services
- Veterinary Services
- Volunteer Program

She also discussed progress at MAC since November 2021

Governance Committee

Did not meet but is planning an upcoming meeting

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Finance Committee

Doug Swafford and Buck Gentry gave the Finance Committee report. Buck reported that results through 9 months were favorable compared to both last year and budget. Although Service Revenue is down \$166K against budget, upon closer examination, the budget set last year assumed a different operating strategy that has been replaced with a leaner approach to accomplishing our mission. Lee Towery emphasized that de-emphasizing funding through fees and focusing on a support and development centric solution was the new strategy adopted when we hired the new ED. Buck pointed out that service revenue was only down \$20K actual year over year. Buck also reviewed our cash position and highlighted the three main sources of revenue / cash flow over the last 12 months: PPP loan, refinancing of the mortgage and a major estate gift all in the last year. Again, we would project to lose \$80K this year if not for either the PPP loan or the major gift. Maggie Marsh confirmed that the City budget process would be elongated due to leadership change (new mayor).

Development Committee

The Gala planning committee continues its work for the Gala for June 25th.

Policies and Procedures Committee

No report

Old Business

Board retreat

The John Williams Memorial ceremony has been postponed until a later date due to Covid-19

New Business

None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06