

Minutes of ACT Board Meeting October 9, 2013

Location: McKamey Animal Care and Adoption Center

Present: Ann Ball, Barby Wilson, Susie Matthews, Roy Exum, Bruce Baird, Carla Morgan, Mary Dube, Krystye Dalton, Carol Goodman, Hiten Patel, Mark Litchford, Sonia Young, Karen Walsh

Present via Telephone:

Absent: Kevin Lusk

Also Present: Joy Lukachick (Reporter, Times Free Press), Tom Walsh, Paul Johnson (Auditor), Larry Grohn (City Council)

Meeting was called to order at approximately 4:35 pm:

1. The Agenda was approved.
2. The September, 2013 Minutes were approved as revised.
3. Auditor Report (Paul Johnson): Mr. Johnson reported that this year's audit indicated another excellent year with the Center working within the budget. Good records were available to them, as always. The Center has made great strides since the audit that was done in 2009. Costs and salaries, including the Executive Director's, were right in line where they should be. Mr. Johnson said any board member is welcome to speak to him in private at any time if they should have any questions. He asked for questions but there were none.
4. A motion was made to approve the audit; it was seconded and approved.
5. P&P Committee Report, Susie Matthews --- The committee was asked to check into the AAHA accreditation (American Animal Hospital Association). We met and made a decision to table this for the time being as we have other priorities that need our attention at this time.
6. Nominating Committee, Mary Dube -- The committee met to talk about Officer nominations for 2014; Bruce Baird has turned down the nomination for another term as Board Chair so they are hereby nominating Ann Ball; the current officers, Nancy Dunlap, Susie Matthews, and Kevin Lusk, have accepted the nomination for another term. Officers will be elected at the November annual meeting.
7. Special Events, Ann Ball – Lexus Golf Tournament is November 5th. Tee off is at 12:00 noon, lunch will be provided by Texas Roadhouse at 11:00 a.m. We still need silent auction items that would appeal to men and still need about 3 more teams. Also needed are flag and hole sponsorships.
8. Treasurer's report – Kevin Lusk was absent so Karen Walsh went over the financials and asked for questions .
9. ED Report, Karen Walsh:
 - a. Doggie Paddle event at Warner Park brought in over \$5,000.
 - b. We were 5th in the number of animals adopted during the Adoptathon at PetSmart.
 - c. Some volunteers (previous teachers) will have a Paw Pals Storytime for children ages 2 to 5 beginning November 7th, then every 1st Thursday of the month from 1:30 to 2:00 pm at the Center.

- d. Larry Grohn mentioned that the Mayor is promoting reading projects this year so we may be able to partner with the City's programs as well.
 - e. Tricia Sebes and Karen Walsh were speakers at the Animal Care & Control Association of TN conference.
 - f. Krystye Dalton is working on a drive for McKamey at St. Peter's school; Anna Baker came and spoke to the children about pet care.
 - g. Looking at plans for more Dog Parks within the city.
 - h. Best Friends conference coming up in FL – will be sending two staff members.
 - i. 1,148 Center animals as of the end of September were transferred on the PetSmart Rescue Waggin' to shelters in the North.
 - j. Our adoption number of cats is almost the same as dogs which is encouraging and highly unusual.
10. Old Business: Carol Goodman told the Board she was not resigning
11. Larry Grohn invited everyone to the Bark in the Park event.
12. A City Conflict of Interest Questionnaire was passed out (requested by Stan Sewell, City Auditor); all Board members must complete this and return it to Karen Walsh by October 16, 2013.

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Nancy Dunlap, Board Secretary