

Minutes of ACT - Regular Board Meeting
April 13, 2016

Location: McKamey Animal Center

Board Members Present: Lee Towery (Board Chair), Nancy Dunlap (Secretary), Carol Goodman, Ashley Sorrow, Jay Floyd, Naiara Cancel, Angelika Lingl, Carolyn Varnell, Cindy Schmissrauter, Bruce Baird, Sonia Young

Absent: Doug Swafford, Elisabeth Donnovin, Karla McKamey, Susan Lindner

Also Present: Jamie McAloon (ED); Center employees: Jeff Wilhite, Paula Hurn; public visitor/MAC Volunteer Bryan Harrison

Meeting was called to order at:

1. The Agenda was approved.
2. The February, 2016 meeting minutes are not yet available.
3. Nancy Dunlap introduced Bryan Harrison, a McKamey Center volunteer who is interested in being on the board; Bryan told us a little about himself, volunteer opportunities he's participated in and fostering he has done.
4. Activities Report, Lee Towery: Humanitarian Awards Dinner event has so far netted around \$33,000. All in all it was a great event.
5. Upcoming activities: Reunion Dog walk on May 14th. First event of this kind. Not only "McKamey Dogs" but all dogs are welcome. Hoping for a good turnout. Looking for sponsors.
6. May 1st is the 4th annual Dogs do the Catwalk event at Belk in Northgate. 6:30 p.m. Lee Towery is catering. \$50 donation this year. As in the past there will be a 20% discount on all Belk merchandise for all who attend.
7. Finance Report – Jeff Wilhite reported in Doug Swafford's absence; overall financials look good. No major issues. He noted that the cost of events is over budget because the Humanitarian Awards expense was budgeted for March not February (it was scheduled a month earlier this year).
8. Jamie McAloon, ED, showed a PP presentation showing the sequence of events when an animal comes into the Center.
9. YTD the Center has had the best Live Release rate on record of 83%! Return rates have decreased due to better adoption counselor training; Animal Transports are up as well.
10. The recent "Kitten shower" event brought in many more Foster Parents which will be needed during the upcoming kitten season.
11. Staff turnover continues to be an issue. Training was the number one issue brought up when employees were surveyed on how turnover can be reduced. The Center is going to be using training webinars and free training from vendors. The HSUS training on animal abuse that McKamey hosted was very successful and was attended by many local law enforcement personnel.
12. The Center continues to work on Center policies and procedures for all departments. The Board Policies and Procedures committee offered their assistance as requested.
13. The Center's annual budget was submitted to the City; a 3% increase in funding was requested.

14. Need volunteers for Rabies clinics to sell licenses. See schedule. Please let Jamie know if you are able to volunteer.
15. **Board members attending the May and June Board meetings were asked to come about 30 minutes early if they wish Jeff Wilhite to take their picture for the Board of Directors "wall". Jamie indicated that these pictures are helpful when giving tours and discussing the Board.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM

Minutes submitted by Nancy Dunlap, Board Secretary



Minutes approved by the board: May 11, 2016