

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of McKamey Animal Center
on February 10, 2016 at The McKamey Animal Center

Board Members Present: Krystye Dalton, Elisabeth Donnovin, Jay Floyd, Carol Goodman, Angelika Lingl, Karla McKamey, Cindy Schmissrauter, Doug Swafford, Lee Towery, and Sonia Young

Staff Present: Executive Director Jamie McAloon, Paula Hurn, Jeff Wilhite

President Lee Towery called the meeting to order and the agenda was approved via motion and unanimous vote.

1. Minutes

Krystye Dalton moved to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2016, meeting, as circulated, and Doug Swafford seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Board Chair Report

Lee Towery lead a discussion of MAC's basic pillars MAC: (1) proactive community outreach; (2) in-house care; (3) adoption; and (4) fund raising.

With respect to proactive community outreach, the Board also discussed the low cost spay/neuter program and that officers are handing these out in the community and setting up a tracking mechanism to determine usage and to be able to better target where this help is needed. The Board also discussed the food bank for animals outside the shelter. The Board concurred we need to ensure that the community is aware of these services.

With respect to in-house care, the Board discussed the enrichment program the staff has devised to provide toys, blankets, kongs and other enrichment items to the animals while in our care. Jamie also explained the McKamey Manners program through which volunteers provide attention and basic training for the animals.

With respect to adoption events, Lee noted that Jamie has initiated numerous adoption events including the all-night events and the Black Friday events. Prior to Jamie, MAC had not held on-site adoption events. More than 400 animals have been adopted to date through the adoption events.

With respect to fund raising, the Board asked that the Facebook posts include a donation link and that we include a wish list on the website. The Board discussed the continued need for vigorous and continual fund raising.

3. Committee Reports

The Governance Committee and the Policies and Procedures Committees have not met since the last meeting and did not make a report. Doug Swafford gave the Finance Committee report and he stated that the Finance Committee expected to see results soon from the recent belt-tightening measures. He also reported we were in the black last month due to memorial and other donations. He also reported that the budget for the coming fiscal year already has been submitted to the City for approval. The Board discussed the timing of internal approval of the budget and agreed that we would seek approval of the budget by our board early enough to make changes prior to submission. The Development Committee reported on the brunch at the Walden Club, which was a successful event, and raised more than \$4,300, \$1135 of which was in hand at the time. Sonia Young reminded everyone that the Dogs Do the Catwalk event at Belk's would be on May 1st. The Humanitarian Awards are scheduled for March 3rd and tables are \$800. We would like to get the sponsorship for the Humanitarian Awards to \$20,000 (we were at \$10,500 as of the meeting). Last year the event grossed about \$40,000 and netted about \$32,000. We are hoping to gross \$50,000 this year.

4. Executive Director's Report

Jamie gave the Executive Director's report and said that occupancy was at 197, which was a good number for the time. She reported that the staff continues to work hard to keep the numbers down. The transports are going very well. In fact, MAC staff recently went to Cleveland and HES and brought some of their animals in for the upcoming adoption event.

5. Old Business

The Board presented a gift to Karla McKamey for her excellent board leadership.

6. New Business

There was no new business.

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded.

Minutes taken by Elisabeth Donnovin, Board Vice Chair; approved by the Board 6/7/2016.