

Friends At Your Metro Animal Shelter (FAYMAS)

Board Meeting Minutes

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Home of Bonnie King 10 am

Attendance - Board Members:

Bonnie King, President

Chris Lynch, Vice President

Jen Waalkes, Treasurer (telephone)

Daniel Yaron, Assistant Treasurer

Judy Bucholtz, Secretary

Call to Order: 10:20 am

Minutes: September 17, 2017 – emailed

Reports

- Treasurer (Attending by Phone)
 - Current Bank Balance: \$8,190.10
 - 2017 Budget Update: July & August
- Vice President and Discussions with Metro - Adoption Subsidies page submitted & approved as presented.
 - A concept policy was presented and **Approved**. Chris will work with Metro on the implementation. The policy covers the following:
 - Lowering the age for large breed dog subsidies at the discretion of Metro Shelter staff to 5 or 6 years old
 - Continuing to subsidize adoptions for special needs animals at the discretion of Metro Shelter staff with the approval of Chris or Bonnie
 - Subsidizing all cats and kittens for a period of 1-2 weeks whenever there are more than 10 kittens available for adoption on a single day
 - Subsidizing all adult cats when the cat room is full with the approval of Chris or Bonnie. The length of time is to be decided depending on circumstances
 - Subsidizing 100% of the adoption on a case-by-case basis for special needs animals needing continuing care with the approval of Chris or Bonnie.
 - Microchip clinics – Metro is considering on a Saturday in November
 - First impound payments on a case by case basis to be continued as it has been in the past
- Public Relations
 - Membership numbers: 53 FF, 40 General, 10 Senior 1 student = 104 total
 - FB and website activity: Page view numbers are up. Most views are slide shows of animals available for adoption. Board members are reminded to invite their friends to like the FAYMAS FB page. A new feature allowed the addition of board members to the FB page as team members. This gives a personal touch to the page. Liz has scheduled 20 new posts between now and the end of the year including reminders to donate toward the calendars. Website minutes have been updated and new stories will be added. Because there are multiple kittens now available, Liz was encouraged to include kitten stories.
 - Information on Instagram may mirror some FB stories.

Unfinished Business:

- The 2017 Activities Handout and Calendar Update was presented. Sales going well: 48 sold; 41 comp; 88 dropped off; 130 left on hand to sell.
- Daniel will contact Bill Tanner about getting a new gmail address today.

- Wild Apricot - updated and working well for now. Looking for a new website host is tabled indefinitely.
- Daniel suggested adding a link on FAYMAS website to Metro's adoptable animals. Liz will see if it can be done. Daniel also asked about using UTube, but because of the requirement for maintenance multiple times a week, the idea was tabled for now. There was also discussion of sound proofing the dog kennel area, a problem that has not yet found a workable solution because of the need for City of Puyallup approval and sanitary requirements.

New Business:

- Board member bills presented for review approval & payment: Chris submitted bills for \$696.44 which were **Approved** for reimbursement. Capstar: \$22.82; Door buzzer: \$38.10; Foster veterinary bills: \$325.38 and \$215.14; Large animal stretcher: \$95.
- Chris has other bills for cat litter and miscellaneous expenses if there is a need by year end for additional expenditures to meet the 70% goal of goods and services to Metro.
- Upcoming Events at Tractor Supply: 9:30 set-up. Event 10am-2pm
 - November 4 – Bonnie, Jenn & Daniel
 - December 2 – Bonnie, Jenn & Chris
- Dates for BOD meetings for the rest of the year.
 - November 4 – Saturday following Tractor Supply Event at 3 pm
 - December 10 – Sunday at 10 am. Note: Will set dates for the first quarter of 2018

Other

Adjourn: 11:45am

Bonnie King, President

Judy Bucholtz, Secretary