



Independent Cat Society
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
July 11, 2016, 6:00pm
Purdue North Central Room LSF170A

Present:

Staci
Kay
Diana
Jocelyn
Jason
Natalie

Guests:

Gail Frieden
Lauren Lafferty

Absent

Jen
Judy D.
Joan

1. Call to Order

1. Welcome and President's remarks

2. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of reports and minutes

6-6-16 Meeting - approved

2. Review of month of email motions and acceptance

1. none

3. Approval of Committee Reports

1. Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee Report (Natalie Cebulski)
2. PR and Communications (?)
3. Fundraising (Lori Hlinsky)
4. Health and Wellness (Carol Abshire/Paulette Gonzalez)
5. Volunteers (Judy Dean/Diana Foster)
6. Membership (Jocelyn Vereb)
7. Foster Care (Donna Daniel)
8. Adoptions (Joan Hildebrand)
9. Admission (Paulette Gonzalez)
10. TNR (Connie Szawara)
11. Human Resources (Stephanie Bradsky) - no report
12. Technology (Staci Trekles) - no report
13. Sponsor-A-Cat (Carol Abshire)
14. Grants (Roberta Jocius)
15. All others received - all approved

4. Announcements and items for information

3. Action Agenda

1. Old business

1. Building committee update: will meet tomorrow and have a regular meeting schedule from here on out, currently choosing who will do what tasks, establishing the tasks that need to be focused on first; new shed looks fabulous - thank you Natalie, Bill, Ron, Joan!
2. Med cabinet and locks - Kay shared that we may be eligible for a discount on a new medicine cabinet that is steel - lockable Steelcase furniture (used - Chesterton); she will work with Paulette and Carol to find a suitable item to replace upper lockable cabinet space
3. No update on a date for changing locks - Brandy's is very busy and can't commit to something

4. Endowment Fund discussion (Unity Foundation visit with Roberta and Staci) – Roberta and Staci did meet with Unity Foundation to understand the endowment fund better; we have a small amount in endowment funds and we may wish to consider doing a targeted campaign with Unity to get people to contribute directly to the fund; this would allow us to grow the fund and bring in money to fund a specific ongoing purpose, such as staffing salaries. The board may wish to consider what their long-term plans are and how an endowment fund could help them get there. Jason recommended talking with other agencies that work with Unity Foundation, Porter County Community Foundation to get insights, more research – may be wise to open an endowment fund with Porter County
5. Updates
 1. Advertising on WE FM Michigan City radio community showcase – ad started running on June 29 – sounds great!

2. New Business

1. Introduction to new intern, Lauren Lafferty from PNW Psychology department
 1. Survey results – helping with helping volunteers and employees work better together; the nature of a volunteer organization like ours is different from profit organizations
 2. Core values exercise – Lauren passed out an exercise to complete on core values; please complete and email to llaffert@pnw.edu by Friday
2. RIP Rascal, a very special kitty – he will be memorialized in the next newsletter

3. Open Discussion

4. Adjournment