**HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE OHIO VALLEY, INC.**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**June 8, 2022 || 6:00p-7:20p**

PRESENT: Leight Murray, (President), Amber Dennison, Esther Salem, Michele Newbanks, Mike Montgomery (Treasurer), Flite Freimann

Absent: None

1. Call to order at 6:00PM. Approval of Minutes of the Board meeting in May 2022:
   * Motion – Mike
   * Second – Michele
   * Unanimously approved
2. Public comments
   * None
3. Treasurer’s report – Income was approximately $12,600, Quarterly payment from Trust approximately $23,600, Misc. income approx. $640, etc. Total income was $57,938.22. Total expenses for the month were $53,553,77 although there are some outstanding bills totaling about $9,800. Year-to-date expense have outpaced income by about $48,000
   * Motion to accept Treasurer’s report – Flite
   * Second – Amber
   * Unanimously approved
4. Executive Director’s Report
   * Intake of 25 dogs (15 from the Dog Warden), 1 to rescue, 15 adopted, 9 return to owner, 2 euthanized due to aggressive behavior, 1 for health issues.
   * Intake of 64 cats, 1 to rescue, 15 adopted,
   * Shelter is completely full. We are seeking additional fosters.
   * Karissa is working on hiring new employees. There are ongoing issues with call offs, lateness, etc.
   * Karissa is working on spay and neuter focused grants from Pedigree and Bissell.
   * HSOV fixed two dogs on behalf of someone in the community who needed financial assistance to neuter their dogs.
   * Discussed putting a sign up in the receiving area for police officers bringing dogs to the shelter after hours. This would instruct them to place dogs in a different location when the normal drop off location is already occupied.
   * Motion to approve – Flite, Second – Mike, Unanimously approved.
5. Operations
   * Shelter is extremely full
   * Someone wants to make a $10,000 matching donation.
   * Need Volunteer Coordinator
   * Need more fosters
   * We can take dogs to the Buckeye Hills event to support APS.
   * Mike will follow up with insurance companies about possible health insurance for shelter employees.
   * PetBrand to donate more dog/cat food and supplies from their location in Columbus. We are considering transportation options.
   * Applied to Red Rover for money to help APS with animals needing temporary housing while their owners are receiving medical treatment.
6. Fundraising Report
   * Quarter auction – 6/11 Buckeye Hills
   * Still working on possible Golf outing and Bingo
   * Howlin’ Blues Party – 8/12 inside the Lafayette Hotel Ballroom.
   * Rails, Trails and Ales – 8/13 in Muskingum Park
   * Possible Fur Ball Date – March 25,2023
   * Rummage Sale 7/29 and 7/30. Need volunteers to help set up tables and goods on 7/28
   * Committee will meet Face-to-face monthly as we begin our capital campaign
7. Technology
   * Esther met with Michael Stoffel at iTech at the shelter to review upgrades to our phone system and network. A week later Michael met with Esther to share his proposals which he will present to the Board in Executive Session
   * Corey and Esther installed RAM in Karissa’s computer and pulled an ethernet cable for Internet access.
   * Eventually, we need to work on trying to import data from Shelter Pro into ShelterLuv.
8. New Building
   * Leight discussed his intention to increase fundraising efforts.
   * Due to the volatility of pricing and availability of materials we cannot get an accurate cost estimate for the new building project at this time.
9. Facilities
   * REA & Associates are sending 11 people to help paint the outside of the shelter building
10. Finance
    * Rea & Associates told us we would be getting close to $79,000 in Employee Retention Credit (COVID related)
    * We are experiencing higher than usual Vet bills due to extremely high numbers of animal in our care, and the poor condition of many when they arrive or are surrendered.
11. Volunteer
    * Reminder to log volunteer hours
    * No one has expressed interest in being the Volunteer Coordinator
12. Membership
    * The committee will meet this Friday 6/10 to formulate plans for seeking corporate sponsors.
    * Flite suggested giving someone who adopts a dog a free 1-year membership to the HSOV.
      1. There was some discussion at to how this would be tracked and whether this person would then have voting rights.
13. Homeward Bound
    * See Executive Director report
14. Public Relations – Karissa will write a column for the Marietta Times to make the public more aware of our on-going efforts and financial needs.
    * Sharon Paul is struggling with changes made by Facebook so tracking adoptions has been difficult for her.
15. New Business – none
16. Unfinished business - none
17. Motion to Adjourn
    * Flite
    * Second: Mike
    * Passed Unanimously
18. Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 pm. Next meeting is July 13th, 2022