

# **Fetchin' Retrievers Rescue**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **9/27/2020**

#### **I. Call to order**

Kriss Harrigian called to order the Board meeting of Fetchin' Retrievers Rescue at 4:01 p.m. on September 27, 2020, via conference call.

#### **II. Attendees**

Kriss Harrigian  
Barbara Renken  
Sandy Diamond  
Jessica Sutton

#### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Minutes approved by unanimous vote

#### **IV. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report for August was unanimously approved. As of 8/31/20, our cash balance was \$22,649.30.

#### **V. Old Business**

1. Social Media update. Jessica reports that our Facebook followers have increased by 29 and Instagram followers have increased by 45 for a total of 239 for each platform. Sarah is helping Jessica and Pam on social media and the newsletter. Kriss has another new volunteer she'll send to Jessica to follow up with. Kriss or Jessica will send a monthly email to Foster Homes with a reminder to use Airtable.

2. Fundraising update.

- Masks: 14 more masks were sold
- Amazon Smile: Kriss has signed us up for auto deposit for Amazon Smile payments
- T-Shirts: Kriss has been researching. For fundraising, there needs to be a minimum of 50 shirts ordered, with no money down and people can order whatever size they want. Kriss is also looking at face masks with our logo on them.
- Strut Your Mutt: With 34 days left, we've raised \$8,380 – 56% of our goal. 15 participants have signed up.

3. Volunteer and coordinator roles. Kriss is looking for a Foster Home coordinator. We also need a back-up for the website.

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4. Newsletter. The September newsletter went out on 9/13. Jessica has several MailChimp announcements scheduled including for the Turkey dogs that are coming in and Strut.
5. Dog update.
  - Puppies: 7 puppies have been adopted and 2 are left.
  - Kelly: She has separation anxiety. She's on new meds to help with this and needs more exercise.
  - Charlie: Adopted.
  - Luna: Doing well. He has anxiety and the foster home is working with him on this.
  - Clyde: Doing well.
  - Blondie: Doing well. Still needs a behavior evaluation.
  - Maverick: He has been put on meds and the foster is working with Barbara Davis.
  - Spirit: Liver values have returned to normal and his neuter surgery has been scheduled.
  - Benny: Adopted.
  - Oreo: Returned to the rescue. He needs more work on his introduction to strangers.
6. Website update. Kriss wants to add "How did you hear about us" to the Volunteer and Foster Applications. Jessica will update.
7. Shelter scout update. No update.
8. Turkey dogs. Scheduled for November, although there may be two dogs coming in before then.
9. Volunteer manual. Barbara is sending out sections for review.
10. Database. Kriss has collected the names of several databases used by other rescue groups: Trackabeast, ShelterBuddy, iShelters, Quickbase. Barbara checked out what is available on TechSoup, but there is nothing there that is appropriate. Jessica will look into the various programs Kriss mentioned.
11. Home Visit Volunteer training. Kriss is working on it.
12. Plug-ins. Jessica will work on new plug-in for HV reports.

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### **VI. New Business**

1. Fostering. We need more foster homes in order to take in more dogs. Kriss heard about a Paws For Life program through Best Friends and she'll check on that.
2. Adoption fee for senior dogs. We discussed reducing the adoption fee for senior dogs. We decided to keep our current fee structure with the flexibility to adjust the fee dependent on the dog.
3. Process for In Memoriam donation notification. Kriss will let Joan know when to send a card.
4. Paypal. Some applicants don't want to use Paypal. Barbara has asked if there is another option for these people to make their donation besides mailing in a check.
5. ResQWalk. We need to do more to promote this app since the rescue gets money when people use it.

### **VII. Next meeting**

October 25, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

### **VIII. Adjournment**

Kriss adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.