

Fetchin' Retrievers Rescue

Meeting Minutes

5/8/2022

I. Call to order

Kriss Harrigian called to order the Board meeting of Fetchin' Retrievers Rescue at 4:35 p.m. on May 8, 2022, via Zoom.

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 Reports for February, March and April were unanimously approved. Two entries for January were update with more accurate labels. As of 4/30/22, our cash balance was \$74,682.72.

V. Old Business

1. Fundraising update

- Our See's Candy fundraiser brought in \$139.50.
- Kriss applied to Maddie's Fund for the "We Foster Challenge" grant. As part of this, three volunteers received mugs for fostering. There are other opportunities for awards through this grant process, including participating on weekly calls and addressing "What have you done to promote fostering in your organization" as well as inclusivity.
- Kriss will apply for a Pedigree Grant, focusing on fostering and behaviorally challenged dogs. The grant is due 5/8/22.
- Kriss is looking at designing a T-shirt related to Pride for June.

2. Dog update

- Beyaz – Her recovery is going well and the 6-week x-rays look good. Her FH wants to adopt her.
- Theo – Adopted
- Landon – Adopted
- Willow – Adopted
- Giselle – Potential intake puppy who passed away before coming into rescue

- Sunny – She has been spayed. Kriss did an “Interview With a Dog” for our next newsletter to generate more interest in her.
- Kiki – She has another training session this coming week. She’s doing well in her foster home.
- Apricot – Adopted
- Auggie – Adopted
- Levi – Adopted
- Denali – He is doing very well after his surgery and will be neutered next week. His first physical therapy appointment is in June or July.
- Max – He is doing well in his foster home.
- Blondie – Adopted and returned, and is back in her original foster home.

3. Website update

Jackie Smith-Hastie will be helping Jessica with website updates. Nikki Harrigan will be reviewing the website for continuity and inclusivity. Jessica will remove the masks from the website.

4. Database update

Euan Cameron and Julie Wright are working on the database set-up. Sandy will check for an updated target date to go live. Our forms will be migrated to the new database and Sandy will check to make sure they have a list of who gets emails of applications, home visit reports, etc.

5. Foster Home update

We discussed embracing and promoting “Foster to Adopt” to attract more foster homes.

We have a new Foster committee. The objectives are recruitment, retention and providing resources and support to foster homes. Issues and ideas identified in the first meeting are:

Start attending/participating in community events

How do we motivate volunteers to help with recruitment?

Paws4Life – we need temporary foster homes before dogs can go into the program

New flyer for social media and print to post

Review bylaws for inclusivity (Barbara will review)

Possibly offer information in other languages

6. Home Visit Report Restructure update

The report is done and will go live when the new database is up.

VI. New Business

1. Spay/Neuter deposit and policy.

We discussed our deposit and policy, as there have been several adopters who want to push out the spay/neuter of their puppies beyond the required date on the contract. Barbara will prepare a draft of a revised contract and bring it to the next board meeting for approval.

2. Vet care

We discussed what is standard/basic vet care, and how far we go to provide treatment beyond this. Additional treatment, along with costs, will be decided upon by Board members on a case-by-case basis.

3. Volunteer Team Building Social

Kriss discussed having a team building social, but no dates or venue decided on at this time.

VII. Next Meeting

June 18, 2022

VIII. Adjournment

Kriss adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.