

Kitty Revolution Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, August 19th, 2021

The meeting of the Board of Directors of Kitty Revolution, a Minnesota corporation and 501(c)(3) non-profit, was held from 6:04 PM – 6:41 PM via Zoom virtual meeting space.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Elizabeth Thompson, President; Charlotte Elva, Secretary; Selma Saba, Member at Large; and Julie Doherty, Member at Large; Ravyn Gibbs Member at Large; and Penny Gronbeck Member at Large.

DIRECTORS NOT PRESENT: Michelle Robison, Member at Large; Robin Holland, Executive Director.

ALSO PRESENT: Terri Hecimovich, Treasurer (joined during Committee reports and left after financial report); Christine Groetken, Kelly Sisk (arrived after the financial report).

CALL TO ORDER

Elizabeth called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Selma moved to approve the July minutes; Julie seconded. All approved, with no further changes.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Terri talked about the finances for June.

- Ending balance as of 07/31/21 \$9,078.95
- Bank balance as of 8/19/21 of about \$7,727, PayPal giving fund \$7,912, regular PayPal \$4,787
- Spent \$11,588.13 in Veterinary services in July.
- More expenses that we do not have out of the account yet; several different cats (Squishy, Saffron) contributed to a vet bill from Maple Brooke of \$2,100.
- We are open for intake on a limited basis, mostly due to us needing cats for St. Paul Woody's Pet Food Deli to adopt.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Elizabeth reviewed the Executive Director's report for July, typed up by Robin Holland.

- Opened intake on a limited basis.
- We've partnered with the St. Paul Woody's Pet Food Deli for adoptions. They have 2 cat "rooms" that the manager of the store has offered to us. Cats that are ready for adoption live in these rooms at the store until they get adopted. We've had three pairs get adopted so far with a quick turnaround.

We have been scrambling to fill these rooms. We're trying to button down the process of having "ready to adopt fosters" in temp foster homes waiting so that we can fill the rooms as soon as the ones at Woody's get adopted. This is practice for next year when we start working with the new Cafe Meow location.

- Recognizing Selma Saba and Michelle Levy for the outstanding job they do organizing the events, staffing the events, setting up and dismantling the booth/table/tent at the events. They're doing everything they can to help the rescue generate funds. They are amazingly dedicated. In addition to all the events work they do, they also handle; 2/3rds of the adoptions, majority of the work with the Woody's partnership, the Chip 'n Clips and the Meet & Greets! They are amazing people and I'm so thankful they're with Kitty Revolution.

- And for a bit of a bombshell: We have a foster cat that has escaped her foster home (out a 2 story window) and hasn't been seen in a week and a half. There was a black cat sighting for a couple of days and Sunday morning, a black cat got in the trap. Sunday night, Peggy contacted me with a concern that this black cat was not Doris. This cat was not Doris. It was a neutered male named Sylvester. Turns out this cat escaped his home - he wasn't supposed to be out! Peggy as able to return him to his people. So there's a faint rainbow to this otherwise sad story. After so many sleepless nights for Peggy and Beth, we have called off the trapping. Peggy will put out feeding stations - no traps - with a camera. In the morning she'll review the camera's activity clips to see if there even is a Doris sighting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Robin reviewed the Marketing report for July.

- Crafts 4 Cats donated all their proceeds to us of \$1,900.
- Aug 8th PAWS on grand was successful.
- Aug 12th Cat Video fest, we will had a table. Made \$643
- State Fair Wednesday Sept 1st. Still looking for volunteers.
- Sept Chip and Clips x3.
- Sept 18th Veg fest on Harriet Island in St Paul, filling out application now.
- Sept Coffee fundraiser in Chaska.
- Sept 25/26th Twin Cities Cat Fanciers cat show we are the official charity for the show. Volunteers are stewards in each judges ring to clean cages and help judges as needed.
- Garage sales, canceling for Sept in Lakeville.
- Oct is Butter Braid fundraiser.

NEW BUSINESS

No items to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS

- Get the policies firmed up.
- Waiting on Robin to provide a list of items that can be delegated.
- Waiting on Robin to provide the changes to the foster manual updates and Charlotte will help to update.

LAST MINUTE ITEMS NOT COVERED ABOVE

- Welcome to our newest volunteer Rose Porwoll. Will be doing foster screening, prior to Julie doing a home visit, then them being approved or denied to be a foster. She is the foster coordinator for Bitty Kitty Brigade.

ADJOURN

Elizabeth motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Selma seconded the motion. All approved and the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 PM.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 19, currently via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Elva, Secretary