## The Dane County Humane Society

Board of Directors Meeting – June 19, 2018 11:00 a.m.

- Attendees: Laura Murray, Cathy Holmes, Amy Johnson, Maggie Premo, Shirley Crocker, Joel Davidson
- **Excused:** Sara Colopy, Lily Bickers, Joe Goode
- Guests: Marissa DeGroot, Public Relations Coordinator
- Staff: Pam McCloud Smith, Amy Good
  - 1. Call to Order and Opening Business
    - a. Officially called to order at 11:05AM
  - 2. Staff Presentation Melissa DeGroot
    - a. Public Relations include 3-4 regular TV spots and 2 radio spots each week
    - b. Also does writing for Direct Mail, Pawprints, etc.
    - c. Graphic Design and Web front-end including look and feel
    - d. Brought dog Meg who is a transfer from Birmingham.
  - 3. Call to Order and Opening Business continued
    - a. May 15, 2018 meeting minutes to approve
      - i. Motion by Joel to approve. Second by Shirley. Motion carried.
  - 4. Regular Updates
    - a. Executive Director Update
      - i. Pets for Life Program
        - 1. Going well. Animal Services staff also attended the kick-off meeting and was very engaged.
        - 2. DCHS and Animal Services relationship impressed HSUS
        - 3. Media is interested in doing field interviews in near future
        - 4. Pets for Life is a long-term program with statistical feedback during the program, but not a program just for statistical feedback.
        - 5. DCHS is fully invested for four years at this time
      - ii. Centennial Celebration Planning
        - 1. Handout from Development Team regarding steps in planning for celebration was shared
          - a. These plans have been approved by the Leadership Team
        - 2. Recommending Remodel of Cat and Critter Housing as the major fund-raiser during centennial.
          - a. DCHS cat housing is really behind other shelters
          - b. A major donor is very supportive of this effort
          - c. Pam indicated minimum cost to move forward plans with architect to get estimate for actual costs for improved cat housing would be \$50,000
          - d. Cathy moved that \$50,000 from the Vetter funds be used to engage an architect to create plans for the cat housing remodel. Second by Amy Johnson. Motion carried.
        - 3. Reviewed goals for centennial in handout.
          - a. Bring questions and comments to next meeting
      - iii. Annual Meeting
        - 1. Be at DCHS by 5:15PM. No later than start time of 5:30.

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- b. Animal Statistics
  - i. No updates
- c. Development Update
  - i. Reviewed report
    - 1. Busy spring, Directors Council underway with good feedback so far.
    - 2. Web site near completion. Launch date in mid-July
    - 3. Development of web site has helped streamline and improve operations as they have been reviewed
    - 4. Revamping email newsletter
- d. Animal Statistics
  - i. No additional updates
- e. Questions on current financials
  - i. Financials for May not yet available. Will be sent when complete
- 5. Old Business
  - a. Board Interviews and Appointments
    - i. Reviewed updated board candidate listing
    - ii. Shirley brought forward new name of Jay Handy
    - iii. Cathy will move forward re-contact with Dr. Julie Fagen
    - iv. Pam Hart was a no at this time, but keep in mind for future due to other time commitments
    - v. All board members were asked to think of a possible candidate from their contacts
  - b. Board Committees
    - i. Chairpersons
      - 1. Board Operations committee still needs a chairperson
        - a. Cathy and Shirley will assist the new chair in getting familiar with responsibilities
      - 2. Pam will schedule discussion on Legislative committee and legislation in Wisconsin with Joel and Maggie
        - a. Joe will give update to entire board in either August or September on this issue
    - ii. Board Committee Charter Review Deadline (July 31)
      - 1. Finance and Philanthropy charters complete
  - c. Comments on Vision Statements
    - i. Deferred to July meeting
  - d. Board Evaluations and Board Member Agreements
    - i. Due to Cathy before July meeting
- 6. New Business
  - a. Legislative Committee
    - i. Delayed to August board meeting
    - ii. Shirley sent out old committee charter for review
- 7. Committee Activity and Charters
  - a. Finance (Cathy)
    - i. Will be at annual meeting to validate ballot counting
  - b. Philanthropy (Lily)
  - c. Nominating (Cathy)

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- d. Board Operations (To Be Determined)
- 8. Adjourn
  - a. Meeting was adjourned at 12:51PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Cathy Holmes Board Secretary