

CAT WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Board Meeting April 19, 2016, Villa Angela, 5700 Karl Rd., Columbus, OH 43229

In attendance:

Board Members: Peggy Kirk, Erik Diekmeyer, Sue Godsey, Steve Hebenstreit, Barbara Mann, Brenda Martin, Anne Riley, Cathi Eisley (ex-officio), and RoseAnn Ballangee (ex-officio). Executive Director Helen DeSantis.

Others in attendance: Donna Calderone, Mary Jane Ryan, Joy Bush, Randy Kirschner, Jamie Hicks, Melissa Meyer, Linda Schellkopf, and Gail Harbert.

Meeting was called to order by Peggy Kirk at 6:59pm.

Agenda Items/ Points of Discussion:

- Consent Agenda
- Shelter Report
- Old and New Business

Decisions and Reports:

1. **Consent Agenda was approved.**
2. **Helen reported there were 81 adoptions in March. The fundraising event at Alana's had around 60 participants and revenue figures will be provided in the future. The nominating committee has a final slate of applicants and the applications of approved applicants will be posted on the website this week. The kitten shower will be held May 7 from 12-3.**
3. **Steve reported on several estates. Renee Paquin named Cat Welfare as the beneficiary of her IRA valued at approximately \$150,000. Steve presented a resolution that read: BE IT RESOLVED this 19th day of April, 2016 by the Board of Directors of The Cat Welfare Association, Inc. (hereinafter, CWA) that Board of Directors Member, Stephen L. Hebenstreit, has complete authority to deal with The Vanguard Group, Inc. on behalf of CWA concerning the IRA or other accounts established by or on behalf of Renee A. Paquin. Peggy moved that we accept the resolution as read by Steve. Sue seconded the motion & it passed unanimously. The Haycook Trust settled and we received an additional \$30,353.99. We received a \$1000 bequest from Judith De Eulis Ultschy and her family matched it. We received our annual distribution from the Ralph Barnett Legacy fund at the Columbus Foundation in the amount of \$20,721.50. We also received distribution of \$7895.14 from the Marye Jean Barry IRA.**
4. **Steve also reported that we have received notice from Columbus City Schools contesting our tax abatement application for the newly remodeled area. The abatement was filed since the space is being used for cat care now instead of for the garage sale and thus there is no income generated there. He thinks our application will prevail.**
5. **Mary Jane Ryan commented on the number of cats being euthanized due to mouth issues. Jamie said cats are being examined when they are being given their rabies vaccinations but that not all cats let their mouths be checked. Jamie also said about 1-2 dentals are being done each week at Obetz Animal Hospital.**
6. **Cathi said the FIV room is full and inquired how we could help get more adoptions of the cats. Jamie said 1-2 are being housed in the main adoption room and that the staff is trying to**

educate people they think might be receptive to the FIV cats and taking them back to introduce them to the other FIV cats.

Meeting was adjourned by Peggy Kirk at 7:19pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Riley