

**Minutes of the Franklin County Humane Society Board
August 29, 2019**

Board Members present: Fred Deaton, Leslie Driskell, Matt Freire, John Hibbard, Sam Marcus, Jaime Rice, Ray Smith, Rodney Williams

Board Members absent: Billie Dollins, Leo Haggerty, Keeuna King

Officers present: Cheryl Broyles, Diana Taylor

Staff present: Kerry Lowary, Terri Sorrell

Volunteers present: Gae Broadwater, Bill Klier, Sharon Parrish

The meeting convened at 5:35 p.m.

President Sam Marcus noted that board member Rodney Williams has announced his candidacy for Frankfort mayor in 2020.

Committee Reports:

Thrift Store (Terri Sorrell)

- Report attached as part of record.
- Total sales in July were \$7,318.67.
- Regular donations were \$265.70
- Building Fund donations were \$454.49
- Grand total for sales and donations: \$8,038.86
- Donations of items have declined; we need to spread the word to bring in more items for sales.

TNR (Gae Broadwater)

- Report attached as part of record.
- The Franklin County Farmers' Market has approved allowing the sale of Lionel's Bowls (spoon rests) on October 26.
- The TNR clinics for September and October are full; scheduling is underway for the November clinic.

Fundraising

- **Trails for Tails (Jaime Rice)**
 - Report attached as part of record.
 - More registrations are expected before the race on September 7.
- Sam Marcus reported that the Franklin County Democratic Executive Committee's cookout raised almost \$3,700. Upcoming events include the Frankfort Chamber Young Professionals' Yappy Hour August 30 at West Sixth Farm, the Josephine Park Arts Festival on September 8, and ongoing donations of 15% of sales from Tacos & Tortas during August.
- The National Night Out event generated a lot of contacts, and two other groups have invited FCHS to share information with their members. The FCHS mascots Wayward and Catnip were there. The weight and heat of the Wayward costume is of concern; a new one that will be more comfortable will be purchased.

Membership (Betsy Kennedy)

- Report attached as part of record.

- We have 592 members; 51 memberships expired at the end of June.
- The 37 memberships that expired at the end of July may be renewed until the end of August.
- The 26 memberships that expired at the end of August may be renewed until the end of September.

Volunteers (Jean Unglaub)

- Report attached as part of record.
- We have received two pallets of food and almost one full pallet of litter from Feeders' Supply.

Shelter Manager's Report (Kerry Lowary)

- Report attached as part of record.
- The current census is 215 animals.
- There has been a big spike in the number of kittens as births are pushed later each year. This year, the spike occurred in mid- to late July; last year, it occurred in May-June.
- The increase in the number of dog adoptions has not slowed, but fewer kittens are being adopted because the animals are younger.
- With the higher number of animals, they experience higher stress levels. An upper respiratory illness moved through the population but was successfully treated and did not last as long as in the past.
- There has been turnover among part-time staff workers this summer.
- Two steps on the deck have broken and are being repaired.
- Grants from the Kentucky Colonels and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture are still pending.

Treasurer's Report (Cheryl Broyles)

- Report attached as part of record.
- The balance for the year ending June 30 was \$69,298.98
- Total assets for the year were up \$84,000 over the previous year.
- The Humane Society received \$6,700 from the estate of Sandy Deaton.
- The Treasurer's Report was approved on the motion of Fred Deaton, second by John Hibbard.

President's Report (Sam Marcus)

- Minutes of the July 2019 board meeting were amended to replace dropped language in a section of the President's Report. The corrected minutes have been included in the board book. The amended minutes were approved on the motion of Fred Deaton, second by John Hibbard.
- The Humane Society is the recipient of one of the 400 bottles of bourbon from the Buffalo Trace 6 Millionth Barrel to auction as a fundraiser. The consensus of the board is to work with Skinner Auction Sales, which successfully auctioned a bottle for the Humane Society last year, to conduct an online auction for this bottle. The company currently has one other bottle to auction and thinks offering up to six will still result in a good return. Last year, the company auctioned four bottles and all did well.
- The Humane Society has received a \$2,500 grant from Frankfort Toyota, making it eligible for a matching grant from Toyota USA. The grant has been submitted. The proceeds will be used in February for the spay/neuter program.

The board went into executive session at 6:25 p.m. The session lasted until 7:05 p.m. No additional action was taken.

Adjournment – 7:05 p.m.