

2023 Annual Meeting March 13, 2023

In Attendance:

Board: Char Paglini, Lisa Cvengros, Louanna Schulte, Tony Schlafli

Staff: Shanna Gundlach, Hannah Guenther

Board Nominees: Denny Marklein (not Tracie Johnson)

Members: Sharon Shea, Janice Olson, Nancy Nichols

Not Present Board Member: Lisa Schnedler and Donna Griffin

Meeting Called to Order at 6:38PM

Minutes from 2022 Annual Meeting

Louanna moved and Tony seconded to approve the meetings from the last annual meeting. Motion passed.

President Year-in-Review Comments – Char

- Meet Shanna Gundlach, New Executive Director and Hannah Guenther, New Kennel Manager
- Fundraising Highlights – Kennel Sponsorships (\$29K), Garage Sales (\$7K – thanks Char, Sharon), GB Packer Grant for play yard improvements (\$6K), Beers for Betty (\$4K – thanks Commerce St Brewery MP), thanks to others that raise funds on our behalf (Holes for a Cause, Rutting Bucks Bowling event at Midway Lanes) and those volunteers that help us with food booths and events (Lands End Food Booth, Ridgeway Farmers Market and SipnSavor)
- Annual Clear the Shelter event – Food trucks (Jose's, Little Wolf, Udder Brothers' Creamery), Popup Garage Sale, Adoptions of 9 Cats and 2 Dogs during the event and 22 cats and 8 dogs for the month), Channel 27 coverage at the shelter – thanks to Donna, the staff who worked some long hours and Sharon and Char running the sale with a host of volunteers (Janice Olson, Bill Haase, Mike Shea, Samantha Atkinson, Melody, Laurie Mueller, Louanna/Tom, Lisa S and Lisa C)
- Thanks to board member Louanna for 6 years of service and all the building and grounds work
- Thanks to staff and volunteers who keep the day-to-day things cleaning, caring for the animals, getting them adopted out and to those who have worked to raise funds and to our donors who support us.

Executive Director Report – Shanna Gundlach

- Cats – In 2022, 258 incoming and 248 outgoing. Due to promotion specials adoptions strong for start of 2023 (47 in Jan/Feb), so at end of Feb only 36 cats (6 of which are in foster).
- Dogs – In 2022, 106 incoming and 100 outgoing. At end of Feb 8 dogs (2 in foster) 4 adoptions and 6 reclaims.
- Kitten season is starting had 3 neonatals already and they are in foster care. Still need more fosters.
- Dog Walkers are needed too
- Fundraising
 - April – Canine Good Citizen (will also have one in Fall), Garage Sale 4/20-22 (in Fall too).
 - Kiwanis Grant – funded bus to have kids read to animals and assistance with funding of Future Vets Club Day camp in summer
 - Packer Grant – working on play yard plans, also looking to redo holding kennels so need volunteer help maybe needed to shore up holding kennels
 - Estate Sale on March 31 and April 1 at 314 S. Linn, Dodgeville WI all proceeds to shelter
- Getting Volunteers in has made a difference, especially our handyman team of Scott Thompson and Tom Delain who built a new cat condo and many other things, the cat cuddlers (Janice Olson, Laurie Mueller, Karen Riek, Janet) and dog trainers/walkers (James Mattox, Kelly Johnson, Ria Arndt, Pam/Joy Richardson) and others. We do need more and are hearing from them too.
- The two stray doodles that came in are being cleaned up and doing much better, a real team effort.

Treasurer Report (Finance/Investment Committee) – Lisa Cvengros

Net Income for 2022 - \$426K with bequests, without it a loss of \$1,400. Thank you Donors!

In 2022, Revenues \$322K without the bequests. Fundraising down from 2021, Shelter income up due to added dogs and puppies, County support down, Interest income up. No COVID support in 2022 like we saw in 2021.

In 2022, Expenses \$323K up due to increased staff and payroll as we emerged from the COVID shutdown and we had more incoming dogs which drove dog expenses up. Building Expenses up due to more building repairs and increased energy costs. Thanks to the donors that funded replacing two dishwashers and a washer.

The balance sheet is strong. Capital Expense in 2022 Paw Patrol (\$9.2K thanks in part due funding from our donors) and one less liability, the Land Contract was paid off in 2/22. Investment Committee and Board approved 2 CDs in Jan 2023.

Building & Grounds Committee – Louanna Schulte

Lots of projects completed: In 2022, New Dog Kennel Furnace, New Kennel Door, New concrete for front entry, New Water Heater (and Bleach/Flush other one) and water damage from leak repaired, dog galantine doors installed, Cat Condo built, 5 new smoke/CO2 detectors with 10 year batteries in place (should add testing alarms to the seasonal checklist). New Electrical panels with new breakers done and Findorff walk thru in 2023.

Do have a volunteer to do mowing of the interior dog area, Louanna will share contact info with Shanna. Brett from Universal working on quote for LED panels to replace florescent lights. There may be rebates available to help fund this idea. Snow removal reimbursement funds received from UPS, they will do it for themselves starting in Nov/Dec 2023.

THANK YOU Louanna for everything you have done over the last 6 years and thank you Tony for Spring Clean-up coordination.

Board Nomination of:

- Char Paglini (3-year term) – long time dog and cat owner, retired, current President
- Denny Marklein (3 year term) – long time cat and dog owner many from ICHS, owns businesses in town (Marklein Auto Body, Duke Pub).
- Tracie Johnson (3 year term) – long time dog owner, worked at Vet Clinics in past (Office Manager), RN at Cummins.
- Lisa Cvengros (1 year term) – long time dog and cat owner, retired, current Treasurer

Ballots were distributed to members and counted by Shanna. Unanimous decision for the slate of candidates.

Nomination Committee for 2024: Sharon Shea and Lisa Schnedler

(No Bylaw changes)

Member/Public Comment

Janice asked about the Volunteer Program and who is running things, Char stated still working to clarify this, Lisa S and Shanna are involved.

Next Regular board meeting April 3rd at 6:30PM (will be moving to the first Monday of the Month for board meetings)

Meeting adjourned at 7:38PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Cvengros