

SA Greys Board Meeting
May 8, 2016 - 2:00 PM
Murphy-Wilmot Library,
530 North Wilmot Road
Tucson, AZ 85718

Call to order

Steve Machtley, Mark Westergaard, Eric Schaefer, Renee Bennett, Taryn Westergaard, Paul Huter, Jeff Hawks, Linda Begega, Marcelle Cox, Mary Freeman, and Mary Bahmer were present.

Approval or correction of minutes

The minutes for April, 2016 were approved.

Reports of Officers, Directors and the Advisory Board

- President – Steve Machtley
Meeting called to order

- Treasurer – Eric Schaefer
April was a good month. We have \$49,983.05 in the bank and we received the \$10,000 bonus check from Arizona Gives in May. Total Vet Services for April was \$11,123.79.

- Operations Director – Renee Bennett
For the month of April we had ten intakes. Three injured dogs. Three pending adoptions and eleven adoptions completed. We have nineteen dogs on hand.

We have had an increase in adoption applications. We will need help with home visits. For adoptions contact Renee Bennett or Paula Huter. For transportation contact Shirley Schlinker.

- Vice President – Mark Westergaard
Mark met with Leslie Kaper at Platinum management. Gate codes have been updated and we have a new remote. There is an HOA Board of Directors meeting on May 18th. Steve, Mark and John will decide who will attend. Caroline with Dorn Homes is discussing with their marketing team about the property and the possibility of buying it back.

- Outreach Director – Taryn Westergaard
The storage facility at Ina Road & I-10 is closing. We will need to find a new storage unit that would be more centrally located.

- Advisory Board Chair – Mary Freeman

- Volunteer Director – Linda Begega
 - Wooftrax Fundraiser: Linda has 75 bags of shoes at her house. Renee has 7, Judy Weiser has 2 and Marcelle has 3. We are very close. We may have an extra week to collect shoes. If we collect 100 bags of shoes we do not have to pay for shipping. If we do not collect 100 bags we will have to pay \$250 for shipping.

- Communications Director – Jeff Hawks
 - Since we posted the article about the possible closing of Tucson Greyhound Park on April 27th, we have had a major increase in hits on our web-site.

- At Large Director – Marcelle Cox

- At Large Director – Paula Huter

Other Business

Alliance of AZ Non-profits has asked us to renew our membership. This is mainly for grant resources and they do not have many for animals. It was decided that we would not renew the \$85 membership fee.

The Annual Membership Meeting and Election has been postponed to Sunday, July 10th due to travel commitments for several board members.

We need to do a call for nominations for the following positions: President, Vice President, Operations Director, Fundraising Director and Volunteer Director.

We are working with Tucson Greyhound Park on the possible closure of the track. We have a good relationship with most of the kennel operations at the track. We are also working with NGA on what is going to happen once the track actually closes such as food, electricity and water for the kennel. Kennel operators said they would stay until all the dogs are distributed. GPA will help with transportation and NGA has other groups ready to take dogs. Approximately 125 dogs will need to be placed at the end of June. Wanda can take up to 15 dogs in a crisis. We are looking at other facilities, locally, for temporary housing. We anticipate being very busy from mid-June to mid-August. We are communicating on a daily basis with NGA, GPA and the kennel operators.

SA Greys organization will continue to exist if the track closes to support the people who have adopted from us. There will still be other places that we will be able to obtain greyhounds from. GPA is interested in partnering with us to help injured dogs. We have a working group and Advisory Council meetings to discuss further.

Call to Membership

Phyllis has booked the hay barn for the fall potluck on November 6th but does not want to lead the event.

The Dog Wash was a success. We made about \$1,500.

Date, Time, Location of next meeting

- Sunday, June 12th, 2016 – Murphy-Wilmot Library, 530 North Wilmot Road, Tucson, Arizona.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.