



## **Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County**

### **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 6:00pm Grange**

**Meeting called to order:** 6:03pm

**Attending:** John King, Teresa King, Erin Moynahan, Jaime Wilkes, Julie Dauer, Wynona Idica, Tracey McNamara,

**Absent:** Luis Flores, Kether Sprague, Myriah Surman, Elizabeth Bohanon

**Staff:** Jenny Hanzlik, Becca Edwards

**Guests:** Cynthia Huhn, Terri Boudreaux, Christina Irish, and Kelsey Radmilovic

**Agenda:** Jaime made a motion to approve agenda with revisions, John 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

**Minutes:** John made a motion to approve minutes, Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup> motion

**Public Forum:** Kelsey and Christina introduction to group, potentially interested in joining HSIMC board.

#### **New Business:**

- Scheduled Jack & Noel's Adoption event for 10/12/2024.
- Vote for gifts to the departing board members: Joe and Rhona Hurlbut and Holly Bennett.
  - Photo book: email Erin photos of members: [erin@hsimc.org](mailto:erin@hsimc.org)
  - Restaurant gift cards

#### **Shelter Operations:**

- Jenny and Becca's meeting with Mendocino CEO was rescheduled to 8/23/24. Having open dialect surrounding current needs.
- More than typical, things are challenging for HSIMC.
- Hearing "through the grapevine" that HSIMC is taking over County Shelter.
  - HSIMC is not taking over the contract.
  - John reached out to Glenn McGourty for further comment. No word yet. The county board has not convened in two months.
- Propane tank for fireplace to be utilized for future generator.
- Mini Splits complete in Dean's Cat House. Fund the need next year: generator?
- Front gate will be switched out, posts will be added, arms will be added, ASAP for \$50.00.
- Fencing needs repairs in gauntlet. Community service workers may be able to help with this.
- Intake and Surrender policy: does not state that we will always take our animals back should surrender occur. HSIMC cannot help as much as we would like in our current circumstances. The same goes for intake on stray animals. For now, our amazing Fosters are helping and HSIMC is providing food in these circumstances.



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#### **Finance:**

July activity \$37.3K income / \$45.0k expenses

Bank account \$20.5k checking / \$86.0k in reserve

YTD \$307.8k income / \$374.5k expenses (\$66.7k unfavorable, anticipated \$35.5k unfavorable)

LPL account \$1,087.5k / \$4,655 monthly dividend payment

Since June the balance in our general reserve is now \$40.2k, \$33k from payroll, \$8k to go back in with membership, sponsorship, and cash-flow. Community Foundation Grant to help offset expenses (Minimum of 80k to receive). Need to get creative with fundraising activities.

#### **Fundraisers:**

Continuing to look for a new chairperson. Should we drop this down to 5-10 hours per week and take more of the responsibility on as a board?

**New/Exciting fundraisers:** Doggy wedding? Battle of the Bands? Music for Mutts? Children's book about the shelter?

**2025 Calendar project:** Design is complete. Looking for corporate sponsors: SpareTime will sponsor. Wynona will ask the leadership class at Ukiah High School to help sell them again. They may be ready in time to sell for Kritter Karnival. Cost \$5-\$6, selling for \$20.00. 60 calendars sold= recoup costs. Will ask other resources if they would be willing to sell: Senior Center? Downtown Dogs and East Hill? Fire department?

**Appreciation Event:** A very nice event. Would have liked to see more people attend. Suggestions: needed more flyers, posters, and posts surrounding this event. Too long? Wrong time of day? More places to put-up flyers added to the spreadsheet.

#### **Kritter Karnival:**

- \$1 – games / bottled water / sodas, \$5 – Hotdog meal, \$7 – wine / beer, \$10 – Hamburger / Pulled pork sandwich meals,
- What kind of beer are we getting donated? (Teresa to contact Ronnie Richter)
- Need contact info for Jumpy house / Dunk tank from Mary / Elizabeth,
- Have 9 crockpots – should be enough (Jaime, Cindy, and Erin to donate)
- Tables / chairs / setup / teardown – all board members needed
- Teresa and Jaime to work on banner to hang on front fence.
- Need donation letter and thank you letter to Terri for auction items
- Balloon / Facepainting company to participate – Terri to finance
  - They need a table and EZ-up for their booth



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**Ukiah Senior Center Adoption Event:** October 19<sup>th</sup>, Erin will take the lead on this one. Looking for volunteers. Same weekend as PumpkinFest

**Ukiah Tractor Supply:** Erin volunteered to lead, Becca will bring dogs.

**Community Presentations:** “Sons of Italy”, “RedHat” Society, Ukiah Lions Club, Willits Lions Club. 100 Women Strong declined.

**Front Signage:** Stacy and Jaime are working on this: the board will be white with blue writing. Progress next week.

**Construction Projects:** HVAC complete. Will start with old wall in barn that needs to be replaced, it is stone. Concerned with the support for the roof. Need to hold a construction meeting.

**Wine Making Project:** MOU in place with Clay Nesbit, Cesar Toxqui, and HSIMC. We are at an arms length from this project, they are covering the cost of taxes. HSIMC to organize a launch party & promote the sale of the wine. We will have 2 barrels of white wine. Promoting until March or April. Can we sell futures? Toxqui Club members receive a discount. Contest for label?

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Fundraising Committee: Thursday September 12th, 2024 @ 6:00pm via zoom
- BOD Meeting: Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, RV Grange @6:00pm
- Finance Committee Meeting: Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, HSIMC @10am

#### **Keep in View:**

- Drainage-Danny Pardini quoted \$8200 to trench and reinforce
- Grants- Nancy Gots
- Thrift Store- Judy Martin – Coast Humane Society
- Rewrite Bylaws
- Care-A-Van- Selling potentially \$15k

#### **No closed Session**

**AOB- Adjournment 8:03pm**