



Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County
9700 Uva Drive, Redwood Valley, CA. 95470
BOD Meeting November 20, 2024 6 p.m. – Grange

Welcome & Roll Call @ 6:06pm

- Meeting was moved to zoom due to inclement weather
- Board members attending: John King, Teresa King, Julie Dauer, Wynona Idica, Myriah Surman, Kether Sprague, Tracey McNamara, Erin Moynahan and Jaime Wilkes
- Staff: Jenny Hanzlik, Becca Edwards, Suzanne Coffman
- Guests: Cindy Huhn, Terri Boudreaux, Joe Aplet, Kelsey Radmilovic, Julie Allen
- BoD birthday fundraisers – Discussed opportunity for board members to open birthday fundraisers on FB to increase donations
- Grant submitted to ASPCA – Waiting for December decision
- Vegan/Vegetarian Menu Options for HSMC Events~ Jenny
 - Discussion regarding large rescues converting to vegetarian / vegan menus for events. Recognized that many of those rescues come from large cities vs. rural communities and probably wouldn't be well received here in Redwood Valley. But will continue to provide veggie options at events.

Shelter Operations Report – Becca/Jenny

- Lots of changes going on at shelter. Medical techs can begin wearing scrubs. Cross training between the cat and dog teams.
- 3 long term cats and two long term dogs were adopted in October.
- Jenny looking into more efficient and healthy structures for inside the cat intake shed. Putting together a proposal to present to two of our long time cat donors.
- Jenny and Becca participated in the Jamison Humane free vaccine, microchip and wellness clinic in Lake County. Amazed at the number of people who need this service. Would like to work with MCAC to offer the same in Mendocino County. Kether would like to see materials costs for vaccines and microchipping. Becca said she hoped for a grant that would cover all costs.
- Big kudos for a well written and informative report.

October financials – John – YTD income - \$498.6K / expenses - \$517K with deficit operating budget of \$18.4K, but that includes the \$80K from Community Foundation for spay / neuter services. Due to low donations this year, we've had to pull \$53K from our reserve account to pay bills. Jenny has been doing an amazing job at trying to balance payments, but the reserve account is down to about \$20K, which means we may need to start pulling from our investment account, which we do NOT want to do. Jenny to continue to revise 2025 budget. Will send out prior to December board meeting to review and we will vote on accepting it at Dec. BoD Meeting.

Fundraising Activities – 5 minutes each!

- 2025 Calendar Project- Jenny / Wynona – anyone selling calendars?
 - Kong stuffing – Rainbow Ag – Kether update - \$100 raised in calendar sales. 40+ Kongs stuffed and donated.
 - School groups to sell calendars?
 - Downtown Dogs to sell calendars
 - BoD members to sell calendars – Erin update – Erin confirmed that Ukiah Safeway will allow us to sell calendars and take wreath orders in front of the store Sunday, December 8th from 11am-2pm. Teresa, Erin and ?? will support tabletop.
- Mia Bea Wags & Wines – October 26th – Teresa update - \$1,200 donation from new donor. \$150 in swag sales. \$200 donation from Mia Bea for raffled off items.
 - Mia Bea has enthusiastically offered to host any fundraising events that might be a good fit for their vineyard. Kelsey suggested maybe doing the cornhole tournament there. That would be a great location!
- A treat for a treat? Few attendees but lots of donations – Lots of food and toys donated.
- 2025 Fundraising calendar – Teresa posted preliminary 2025 calendar on shared fundraising drive. Will distribute with meeting minutes.
 - Teresa to transition fundraising to Kelsey and Julie – Had hoped to do last night, but cancelled due to zoom mtg.
- Venue for 2025 Gala event – Teresa
 - Update on tasting activity and steps moving forward – Had delicious food at the tasting. Waiting on revisions to contract. Suggested menu from the caterer:
 - Italian salad
 - Bread rolls
 - butter
 - Olive Oil
 - Cheese
 - Chicken Cacciatore
 - For our vegan/vegetarian friends
 - (portobello mushroom cacciatore)

- Creamy lemon-Linguini (home made gluten free)
- Polenta
- Roasted veggies
- Dessert
- Carlota Lemon pudding
- Maybe hold a costume party in October 2025?
- Wreath making fundraiser update – Cindy Huhn
 - 7 volunteers participated in training 11/20. 2nd training 11/23
 - Pre-orders - 22 wreaths / 5 swags – 16 wreaths and 2 swags due 1st week of pickup
 - Additional info since meeting – Teresa reached out to Terry Montgomery to put together radio ad (thanks, Joe Aplet!!)
- Additional activities:
 - Ukiah Parade of Lights – Kelsey and Julie to register and donate registration fees. Need volunteers to decorate and ride in parade
 - Redwood Valley tree lighting – December 7th. Kelsey to get more information.
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- Construction Projects** – update from Tracey – next meeting
 - Status front signage – Jaime / Tracey

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm

Closed Session

Discussion on 2025 budget