

**APPROVED**

1. Call to Order

Ms. O'Brien called the meeting to order at 4:08 pm.

A. Roll Call

Present:

Kristin Almquist

Tamara Barrick

Laura O'Brien

Gail Smith

Jodi Cavanaugh

Kristen Pogreba-Brown

Kristen Auerbach (non-voting)

Absent:

Suzanne Droubie

Rhonda Pina

Andrew Squire

Erin O'Donnell

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. O'Brien led the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Adoption of January 9, 2020 Special Advisory Sub Committee Meeting Minutes Minutes

No minutes to approve. Continue agenda item for next meeting to approve the March 12, 2020 meeting minutes.

3. Call to the Audience – 3 minutes or less. Please refrain from repeating comments of another speaker

No speakers

4. Standing Items:

a) Friends of PACC – Tammi

- Dr. Wyat received orthopedic training. Working on securing funds for equipment/instruments purchase.
- Arizona Gives Day and funding requests for Bruce and others have been a big success.
- Money to purchase ultra sound machine & training secured.
- Funding for COVID19 received and will help those facing evictions.
- Clinic Outreach funding secured.
- Friends will not be doing any face-to-face events due to COVID19.
- Matching donations received for the Petco \$25,000 Challenge Grant, PACC will receive the \$25,000 grant.
- Development Director Interviews scheduled for tomorrow 6-12-2020. Tammi Barrick has been acting Director.

b) Volunteer Report

No report due to resignation of volunteer committee member. Position recently advertised.

Volunteers will need to vote for representative. Should have a new volunteer representative for the next meeting.

5. Animal Services Report

6. Covid Update

7. Covid Operations Moving Forward

Agenda items 5, 6, and 7 summarized.

Kristen Hassen gave an overview of the May 2020 printed report and summarized 3 months of COVID19 response and changes to PACC operations. She stressed the most important changes and goals moving forward to August 2020.

- About \$350,000 in grant funding secured to provide community outreach for those in need of pet food, basic vet care, keeping pets at home, and sheltering pets when needed.
- County and Staff efforts to minimize human 1 to 1 contact for safety and to slow the spread of COVID19. PACC is committed to providing services safely. Required temperature check for all who enter the facility. All services are by appointment only. Staff must wear masks when serving the public. Staff is planning for a stage 3 opening for August that will include a temperature check station at the gate, an escort for the public to look through the shelter for pets. This will allow PACC to be more open to the public while practicing social distancing. Staff was commend for service and response to constantly changing schedules and protocols.
- PACC has received large and small donations of money and supplies. More pets are in foster care, supplies are being provided for them.
- Working on and implementing new ways of serving the public while limiting the number of people who actually come to the facility. Working on text service so more people can contact PACC.
- Grant received from Spring Point to hire a researcher who will work with Kristen Pogreba. Research will look at pet retention programs, pet support programs, and intake to foster programs.
- Community support for PACC has been overwhelming in last three months. Complaints are down. A sizable bequest was received that will support pet support positions. Appointment based services has improved customer service.
- Domestic Violence Program – Humane Society for Southern Arizona partners with Emerge for domestic violence victims. At any given time, they have from 2-4 pets sheltered. There is a funder interested in funding a foster program for pets needing housing due to domestic violence. There will be meeting next week.
- Tammi Barrick commended staff for the Bighorn Fire evacuation and quick PACC response in addition to housing pets for COVID related issues. Having open kennel space has allowed PACC to temporarily house pets belong to folks who have lost housing due to COVID.

- Gail Smith asked about pets belonging to owners who have died of COVID19. Briefly, next of kin is contacted. If no next of kin, pets are held for 14 days per CDC and AVMA guidelines. If pets are not claimed, they are adopted out.

8. PACCAC Volunteer Liaison

- Working on filling position
- No new volunteers needed yet. Volume of animals at PACC is low. Efforts need to focus more on outreach. Using existing volunteers and staff for outreach now.
- PACC has put safety first. Many of the existing volunteers are vulnerable to COVID19 and are not coming in and may not come back.
- Plans in the works for recruiting more volunteers in relation to the stage 3 opening and an increase in animal population at PACC. Focus will be on more outreach volunteers.
- PACC will be increasing outreach efforts. APS officers handed out 400 backpacks full of supplies within two weeks.
- Desperation is growing for people needing basic services. Petco has funded \$55,000 for pet medical services for owned pets.

9. Shelter Needs and Volunteer Opportunities

- Staying informed and up to date about PACC doings and specific needs.
- Weekly volunteer meetings, noon on Wednesdays. Some of the best communications with volunteers.
- The situation is evolving rapidly with COVID19 things can change daily.
- Volunteer management team working on reintegrating volunteers and bringing in new volunteers. Volunteers are on a split A/B schedule along with staff. There are about 500 new applications waiting for protocols to safely onboard them. We have an active volunteer population and many have shifted to meet current needs.
- Gail Smith commends the volunteer coordinators and staff who have made it easy for the volunteers to continue to come in and work with all the changes.

10. Agenda Requests

- March 12, 2020 minutes.
- Next meeting July 9, 2020. Agenda items due by Monday prior to the meeting. Send to Suzanne Droubie and Laura O'Brein.
- Social media training.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.