Pima County Animal Care Advisory Committee Minutes
September 12, 2019
4000 N Silverbell Rd
Tucson, Arizona 85745

1. Call to Order

Ms. Droubie called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm.

A. Roll Call

Present:
Tamara Barrick
Suzanne Droubie
Gail Smith
Kristin Almquist
Erin O’Donnell (late)
Rhonda Pina
Andrew Squire
Jodi Cavanaugh
Sarah Aguilar filling in for Kristen Hassen (non-voting)

Absent:
Laura O’Brien
Patty Peth

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Droubie led the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Adoption of May 9, 2019 minutes

Correction to minutes to add in the Friends of PACC update. Committee voted unanimously with the changes

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

Jane Schwerin – concerns over TNR cats
Amelia Castellanos – concerns over kitten overpopulation and environmental issues

4. Award Presentation

PACC Volunteer of the month - Did not have any for the month

5. Standing Items:

a) Director’s Communication/Monthly Report – Sarah
Sarah went over highlights from the 2019 Director report. Some of the highlights are:
- PACC took in 1,650 pets, including 1,040 dogs and puppies and 582 cats and kittens and achieved an overall live release rate of 93.3%
- Midnight Muttness resulted in over 100 adoptions
- Clear the Shelters event resulted in 122 adoptions
- two large Vet./Chip clinics at Kino Stadium
• public request for watermelons result was so huge we were able to share with other agencies

b) Friends of PACC – Tammi Barrick

• Tammi announced FOP made the top three for the AZ Daily Star Readers selection for Non Profits though Humane Society won the award
• Finalist for the Copper Cactus Award. Ceremony is on September 13th
• Still recruiting for riders in El Tour de Tucson in November
• With a grant from Maddie’s Fund, we were able to relocate 10 long stay dogs to Best Friends Sanctuary
• City High is collaborating with Friends of PACC to place an intern in PACC to work with Foster Team to market pets.

c) Volunteer Report – Bennet Simonsen
Revamping training in certain areas in order to get more volunteers in needed areas. This month we are focusing on the greeter position in the adoption lobby. In addition, we are looking at volunteers for the playgroups so eventually volunteers can run playgroups for easier dogs on their own.

6. 

Elect Vice Chair

Voted to table the item and put on agenda for next meeting to discuss and vote on.

7. Sub Committees (Reports)
Sub Committees did not meet in August and there were no reports.
  • Budget (Chair: Andrew Squire)
  • Strategic Plan (Chair: Sarah Aguilar)
  • Strategic Planning and the Sheltering beyond Walls met
    Sheltering Beyond the Walls (Chair: Bennet Simonsen)
Suzanne wants the full committee to meet on October 10 to discuss the sub-committees and see if they should continue. They were originally meant as a pilot program to see if they would move PACC issues forward quicker. If the sub-committees continue, the committees needs to come up with some ideas to ensure that they do meet every other month. The sub-committees will break off into groups in order meet. This meeting with be a special meeting of the Commission.

8. Update of Community Events – Sarah/Bennett

  Tucson Shelters United – October 18, 19 and 20
  Ward 3 Office – vaccination clinic on October 26
  Z Mansion – vaccine clinic once a month on the last Sunday of the month

9. Shelter needs and Volunteer opportunities

  a) PACC Vision for Volunteerism – Bennett/Monica
Monica is working with Bennett and Bonny on the Volunteer reboot piece by looking for ways to build our capacity at PACC through volunteers. They are looking at ways to make it quicker and easier for volunteers to engage with staff. In addition, a big piece is getting better communication between staff and volunteers.

First step is a vision statement that reflects how we want to use volunteers, how we currently use volunteers and how volunteers want to be used. A survey was sent to PACC leadership and came up with a new volunteer vision.

A motion was made that before the committee votes on the adopting the new vision, the committee wants to make sure the volunteers have had a chance to look at it. A vote will be made at the next meeting.

10. Agenda Requests

- Overview of Shot Clinics
- Overview of Cats Programs
- Discuss transportation policy

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.