

Tibetan Terrier Health and Welfare Foundation

Minutes of teleconference board meeting of Sep 12, 2016

Sep 12, 2016 Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Jac Herschler – noted a quorum, as defined by the Foundation's bylaws, was present. **In attendance:** Jac Herschler, Brenda Brown, Stacey LaForge, Kerry Abbott, Joyce Killinger, Camille Manfredonia. Adria Martino and Ron Pankiewicz.

Minutes from 4/3/2016 meeting: Minutes were read by Secretary Killinger. Motion to approve made by Jac and 2nd by Camille, unanimously approved.

Officers for current year: Kerry agreed to serve as Treasurer again this. Discussion was held regarding the responsibilities of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and possible people for the officers. A suggestion was made that someone joining the Board next year be someone who would be interested in serving as President of the Board. Terms of Board service begin June 1 for 2 year terms. Stacey made a motion that the 4 officers stay with their current position for now. Motion seconded by Brenda. All approved

Treasurer's report by Kerry Abbott : Financial reports were provided by email. Brenda will contact Joyce regarding handling of the Canadian donation of items to be sold which are mostly books.

Fall Fundraiser , The mailing of the postcard designed by Gail Toracinta and used for the past 2 years will be mailed again to both TTCA members and past donors and the goal is to mail it out the first week of November. Adria volunteered to stuff and send the mailing envelopes. TTCA treasurer Amy Soderman can generate mailing labels for TTCA members and Kerry can help with nonmember donor mailing labels. Adria will consult with Cindy Douglass for materials.

A proposal that TTHWF offer a free item such as a T-shirt or TT sticker for donations at a certain level was presented by Adria. A lengthy discussion was held and the consensus was that people donate to this foundation to help the dogs and a free gift was not likely to increase the amount of the donation. Also, many would rather have all of their money go straight to the dogs. It also keeps the bookkeeping simpler. Brenda moved to table this idea, motion was seconded by Jac. Motion was approved.

Rescue Report by Camille Manfredonia: The good news is the number of dogs coming into Rescue is relatively light currently which keeps those costs low. A couple of the current dogs have chronic health issues which raises costs for those dogs. Camille proposed the concept of "Sponsoring a Specific Dog" to help fund costs for that dog. Many people want to help but can't foster or adopt because they are not able to take in another dog but they want to offer financial aid. This idea was well received.

Health Report by Stacey LaForge: The DNA multi-test panel test is still not ready. It is anticipated that it will be ready in November. U of Missouri has identified 84 other genes that may be responsible for other canine diseases. If not ready by November, we will request a written status report. One hope is that Dr Johnson can retrofit tests for NCL and rcd4 into the panel test.

Next Board Conference Call is Monday December 12th at 7:00pm.

8:04pm Stacey motioned to adjourn , Brenda seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

TTHWF Board Approved these Minutes on 1/9/17.