

THE CAT WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Board Meeting, January 15, 2019, The Laurels Of Walden Park, 5700 Karl Rd., Columbus, OH 43229

In attendance:

Board Members: Steve Hebenstreit, Claudia Plumley, Karen Ramey, and Anne Riley.

Others in attendance: Executive Director Helen DeSantis and Ann Hailey.

Absent: RoseAnn Ballangee, Erik Diekmeyer, Peggy Kirk (Ex-Officio), and Judy Vertikoff.

Meeting was called to order by Steve Hebenstreit at 7:08 pm

Agenda Items/ Points of Discussion:

- Consent Agenda
- Shelter Report
- Nominating Committee
- Community Shares Committees
- Old and New Business

Decisions and Reports:

1. **Consent Agenda was approved. Financial reports were not yet available and will be voted on at the next Board meeting.**
2. **Helen reported that 98 cats were adopted in December and year to date 1039 have been adopted and 1098 cats were admitted to the shelter. Holiday gift wrapping netted approximately \$3000 in donations. The 2019 Cat Caper 5K will be held at the Grange Insurance Audubon Center and Jennifer Howell will chair the committee. The volunteer appreciation party will be held on April 14. The annual cat count has been completed and figures were off by four cats.**
3. **Helen reported that the shelter's main furnace is not heating properly. Karen motioned that we approved the needed \$6340 to have Bruner replace the heating and air conditioning units. Steve seconded the motion and it passed.**
4. **The Nominating Committee is to consist of 5 members to solicit Board membership. The application deadline to become a Board member is March 15. Steve motioned that we have a Nominating Committee consisting of Helen DeSantis as chair and including Sharon Hebenstreit, Linda Schellkopf, Claudia Plumley, and Karen Ramey on the committee and that they seek to fill a total of 9 Board positions including those already serving on the Board. Claudia seconded the motion and the motion passed.**
5. **Steve reported that Community Shares has expressed an interest in having Board members serve on their various committees. Steve will advise once Community Shares sends him the days and times the various committees meet so Board members can consider joining.**
6. **Steve reported that an additional \$65,000 came in from the Jones estate. Approximately \$48,000 was also received from the Estate of Helen Lieblein.**

Meeting was adjourned by Steve Hebenstreit at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Anne Riley