

## THE CAT WELFARE ASSOCIATION

**Minutes of the Board Meeting, December 18, 2018, The Laurels Of Walden Park, 5700 Karl Rd., Columbus, OH 43229**

### **In attendance:**

Board Members: RoseAnn Ballangee, Erik Diekmeyer, Steve Hebenstreit, Peggy Kirk (Ex-Officio), Claudia Plumley, Karen Ramey, and Anne Riley.

Others in attendance: Executive Director Helen DeSantis, Treasurer Judy Vertikoff, and Ann Hailey.

**Meeting was called to order by Steve Hebenstreit at 7:01 pm**

### **Agenda Items/ Points of Discussion:**

- Consent Agenda
- Shelter Report
- Estates
- Approval of Fund Transfers
- Budget Presentation and Vote
- Old and New Business

### **Decisions and Reports:**

1. **Consent Agenda was approved.**
2. Helen reported that 86 cats were adopted in November and year to date 941 have been adopted. Approximately \$5800 was donated to The Cat Welfare Association on Giving Tuesday. The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee met and will solicit additional members to serve on the committee. The Nominating Committee needs to be approved in January for the May election. The cat count will be done in January.
3. Steve reported the first check in the amount of \$325,000 from the Jones estate has been received. Notification has been received that we will be the recipient of 10% of the residual estate of Judith Bell.
4. A total of \$300,000 (\$100,000 on 3 separate occasions) was transferred from the Civista investment account to the shelter checking account to cover expenses in 2018. Board approval was not sought for the transactions. Retroactive approval is now being sought. \$300,000 was transferred from the shelter checking account back to the Civista account today. Steve motioned that we approve fund transfers of \$300,000 from the Civista investment account to The Cat Welfare Association checking account used during 2018 to meet current operating expenses. \$300,000 will be transferred from the shelter checking account back to the Civista account. RoseAnn seconded the motion and the motion passed.
5. Steve requested that the Board have a unified response about the potential building project and our actively raising funds to see if the project is feasible.
6. The proposed 2019 budget was presented to the Board by Judy. The footnote wording in the budget about the Catique has been updated. Staff wage increases have been added to the budget. Steve motioned that the budget be approved as proposed but with the addition to the bottom footnote about the Catique that a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of the Board of Directors is needed. No second motion was received so the motion failed. RoseAnn motioned to approve the budget

as written. There was no second so the motion failed. It was confirmed that the Catique has not been operating using shelter funds and that they have been relying on their own funds. Erik motioned that we approve the budget as written. RoseAnn seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Meeting was adjourned by Steve Hebenstreit at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Anne Riley