

## Minutes of EDOA Board Meeting

May 19, 2022

Attendance: Tracey Plantier, Dianne Cullen, Ruth Bentsen, Edward Daniels, Cindy Nicholson, Karie Miller, Vicky Anderson, Tony Cantore, Bev Hobbs.

- Quorum was verified by Tracey and meeting was called to order.
- Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting were not readily available. No action.
- Correspondence: Tracey: A letter of acknowledgement and thanks to EDOA from Animal Rescue League was received thanking EDOA for a \$500 contribution.  
Ed: Several communications involving memberships and corrections to our database were received and addressed.
- Treasurer's Report – Ruth: individual transactions were itemized credits including \$54 in donations, \$3 interest, \$80 in membership dues. \$137 total receipts.  
Debits itemized were \$3000 for Buddy Scholarship, \$484 for two dispensers & waste bags, \$75 donation to Eastham Vet Hospital relative to the rabies clinic.  
It was remarked that the later transaction was not properly approved by the Board.  
\$4000 total debits.  
\$22,358.47 total assets.  
Motion to accept Treasurer's report – Vicky. Seconded – Karie. No discussion – Vote Yes unanimous.
- Education Report – Tony: Information on a new tick-borne disease from Texas and other infectious diseases is to be included in our next regular e-mail blast to members.
- Lost Dog Network – Tracey: Brewster dog lost in Orleans, Kent's Point. Missing Dogs Mass called out. Many searches including w camera. No sightings.  
Officer Desmond is now full time ACO for Eastham.
- Lower Cape Animal Shelter Team – All: Given the resignation of Kathy Herrick from the post of coordinator a new coordinator must be found. A call from all sources will be made. Cindy: a description of duties and responsibilities should be made for this position and all others in the organization. Such a document may exist. Kathy has offered to train the replacement.  
A shelter drill may be scheduled in June by the county shelter team.
- Membership – Cindy and Ed: There is a slow increase of new members. Exact number not readily at hand.
- Scholarship – Ed, Tony, Karie: EDOA is ready to distribute \$3000 to two candidates at the Bow Wow Bash.
- Store – Tony: An assortment of totes was displayed as possible new products. Ed remarked that a Store Manager volunteer would be a welcome addition as those doing the work now have little experience in retail. Vicky offered that she will inquire of a potential candidate.
- Vendor Relations – All: With the passing of Linda Woods the position will need to be filled. A discussion of the tasks involved was discussed. There was consensus that this is work that should be continued so as to serve the vendor / supporters who serve our members. Karie made the mistake of getting excited about the need. Vicky and Karie volunteer to keep things moving.
- Motion to accept the committee reports - Vicky / Cindy second / Vote: unanimously Yes.

- Wiley Park update - Cindy. Playground soon to be opened according to Christine Mickle. Tracey: 1651 group put up flags and fencing barricading general areas and access to water. This work seems to have been exempted from a management plan. It was noted that work proposed by EDOA for a less intrusive access point was summarily dismissed. Conservation Commission controls park usage. Changes that affect dog owners' access so far seem minimal and water access is actually not being currently restricted. The situation will be watched. Participation at 1651, Open Space committee and Conservation Commission meeting was recommended.
- Bow Wow Bash – Bev: Amended chart of tasks was provided. The completion of several task and duties was affirmed. All is ready for the event at Campground Beach on Saturday, May 21, 2022.
- Hands on the Arts - Tony coordinates. June 25 – 26. EDOA will participate at least one day of this event.
- Board – All: Board Opening: Keep looking. Members expressing interest in the past will be contacted starting with an associate of Bev.
- Poop Dispenser – Cindy: new items has been given to DPW for placement at T-time and Sandy Meadow. Cindy to contact and confirm Ellen Murray to maintain. Ed will attach sign acknowledging EDOA donation.
- Donation – Tracey: Crates for Animal Rescue Front were recommended for purchase by EDOA. Tracey will coordinate purchase.  
Motion - \$300 for ARF crates donation Vicky / Tony seconded / Vote: unanimously Yes.
- Announced that the old Nauset Pet Services site will soon be opening with a new and enthusiastic owner. Name changed to Nauset Canine, Inc. Recommended that they be approached as a supporter vendor offering services to EDOA members at a discount. Follow-up needed.
- Motion to adjourn: Vicky / Cindy and Karie seconded. Everyone voted with their feet.

Respectfully offered for clarification and correction – Ed Daniels.

Minor changes: 5/20/2022 (cln)