

**MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA – CENTRAL TEXAS
MAY 11, 2004**

Glen Bridge, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at LaMadeleine's Restaurant, Austin, Texas. All Board members were present with the exception of Hannah Baxter.

Officers' Reports

Tim Define, Vice President, reported that there was still no membership or mailing list data from the Underwood computer. He will continue the effort and report to Glen asap. He also reported that the June meeting is regarding CPR and first aid. There will be no July meeting, and the August program has yet to be scheduled.

Barbara Clark submitted a Treasurer's Report as of 5-10-04. The check card has been received. Donna is setting up PayPal on our website.

Bob Trapp reported for the Placement team (copy of which is attached).

Corresponding Secretary Bobbie Wier reported that she was contacting Petco for Jamboree assistance.

Committee Chair Reports

Communications Director – Donna reported that the June newsletter will be ready on time. The brochure work is continuing. She requested and was given a budget amount of \$200.00 to begin production.

With regard to the above, discussion of phone numbers included on GPA info began again. Jennifer will have info from SWBT at the June membership meeting. The discussion was tabled awaiting Jennifer's findings.

Donna also reported that numerous requests have been made to have the adoption application available online. After much discussion Tim made a motion to provide in a PDF format an online application to be printed out and submitted to Sally McIntosh. Bob seconded. The motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Prison Foster Care: There was no report. Hannah was absent.

GPA/CT ID Tags: The Board decided to leave the ID tags as is for now. The phone numbers on the tags are those of the Underwoods and the Trapps.

TLAC Recertification & Status: Sally reported nothing new.

Purchase of Merchandise. Bobbie had gotten prices from our printer, and after discussion was authorized to order 75 (black, white & red) shirts, some containing logos with lettering and some containing only logos. Glen offered to pay the setup fee for both logos. Bobbie volunteered to mail any tshirts ordered online.

New Business

Storage Unit – Saturday, May 29th at 9:00 a.m. was scheduled as the date to move the items in our current unit.

The request for a grant from GPA/National for Billy's surgery was signed and is being mailed by Jannifer.

Donna gave a report on her investigation of Mark Ziller/The Pet Blood Bank.

Barbara reported that she had gotten a franchise tax return for Texas Adoption of Greyhounds. The Board authorized her to dissolve the entity.

Bobbie reported that 24PetWatch.com will mail us a microchip to test on our scanners. If we decide to purchase some we will request a written guarantee of their readability.

Sally brought up the subject of requesting previous and current foster families to volunteer for respite care during vacations, business trips, etc. She will be mentioning the need at the Foster Training on May 29th, and Bob will put a footnote in his newsletter article which features a foster family.

Michelle asked about accepting advertising in the chapter newsletter. After some discussion it was decided that advertising would be allowed. Donna will formulate suggested rates, etc. for presentation at the next Board meeting.

Jennifer gave the following update on the Jamboree: The committee needs seed money in the amount of \$2,000.00 to begin the process. Lana made the motion and Bob seconded to give the Jamboree Committee \$2,000.00 seed money out of the Kennel Fund in order to start the Jamboree planning. The motion passed. Jennifer requested members for the Jamboree Committee. It was also decided that a solicitation letter for Jamboree funds be mailed to the membership. In connection with a solicitation letter, it was suggested that one be sent specifically regarding funds for "special needs" dogs. The Board was in agreement.

Announcements

1. Opportunities: Salado Dog Days, June 26, 2004; Hill Country Rail Fair & Festival, June 26, 2004, in Burnet. The Board decided to go to Burnet.
2. A "dog wash" fund raiser is on hold until more information can be obtained.
3. GPA/National is September 17, 2004 in Richmond, Va. Anyone going is urged to make their reservations.
4. Glen requested we hold another Board meeting on May 25th from 7:00-9:00 pm. Lana will reserve the room at LaMadeleine's.

Sally made the motion and Tim seconded that the meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm. The motion passed.

Lana Henley
Executive Secretary

Approved by Electronic Vote as follows:

Tim Define	, 2004
Bobbier Wier	May 21, 2004
Barbara Clark	May 19, 2004
Donna Seago	May 24, 2004
Bob Trapp	May 21, 2004
Sally McIntosh	, 2004
Jennifer Define	, 2004
Michele Truhlik	, 2004
Hannah Baxter	n/a