

**MINUTES
OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA – CENTRAL TEXAS
TOWN LAKE ANIMAL CENTER, AUSTIN, TEXAS**

August 2, 2004

Glen Bridge, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Board members present were Tim Define, Bobbie Wier, Barbara Clark, Donna Seago, Sally McIntosh and Lana Henley. A list of upcoming activities and fundraisers had been placed on the board and were discussed one-by-one for the benefit of those attending. Volunteers are critical to the success of any event, and Glen pleaded for involvement on a volunteer basis.

Glen also announced the resignations of Hannah Baxter and Michelle Truhlik from the Board. Glen had discussed possible replacements had asked Pam Cook and Mike Waldon to fill the incomplete terms. They had both accepted.

Sally presented the Placement Team's Report (copy attached to these minutes). With so many dogs being returned lately, Dr. Lisa Willis suggested the chapter consider a financial return policy.

Barbara reported that the chapter's money is low and that fundraisers and new applications are desperately needed. The Emergency Medical Funds amounts to about \$1,300.00.

Glen thanked all those who have/are giving so generously financially or in service to the group's efforts. Those folks are listed in the monthly newsletter, and he encouraged us to patronize the businesses and thank them personally for their help.

New GPA shirts had been printed and were offered for sale.

The current raffle item was discussed...a greyhound stained glass suncatcher. Tickets are \$2.00 each. Proceeds are to help the Greyhound Adoption League of Texas offset the medication expenses incurred in their care of Spiderman, a grey they so generously agreed to take from the Town Lake Animal Center/us in July.

The minutes of the July 7, 2004 minutes as well as recent Board meeting minutes were distributed. Gary Henley made the motion and Donna seconded that the minutes of the July 7, 2004 meeting be approved as presented. The motion passed.

Pam Cook passed around pictures sent from Spain relative to the Paws Across the Pond effort to assist with the rescue and adoption of the galgos. Our sister refuge is Amigos de los Galgos in Spain. She also announced that a group has volunteered to make waterproof coats for the dogs to help get them through the brutal Spanish winter. Frontline, leashes, leads, etc. are still needed.

Dr. Lisa Willis, Great Oaks Dr. Animal Clinic, spoke to the group on parasite-related diseases.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Lana Henley
Executive Secretary