Oregon Coast Humane Society Board Meeting Minutes Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue, 2625 Highway 101, Florence, OR Saturday, October 5, 2019 10:00 am

Attendees included President Shauna Robbers, Vice President Jackie Parker, Treasurer Sandy Davidson, Director Judy Roth, Director Sharon McLeod, Director Carlla Van de Vyver, Director Dr. Amato, Director Judy Thibault, Executive Director Mark Curran. Members: Sam and Carolyn Saiia, Elaine McGill, Tony Caverno, Tyll Parker, Barbara Burke. Absent: Secretary Jan Barker

- 1. President Shauna Robbers started the meeting at 10:00am
- 2. Motion to approve the last months' minutes was postponed due to Secretary's absence.
- 3. President Shauna Robbers requested comments from attendees. Christmas store coordinator Elaine McGill said she would like to defer comment until discussion of Christmas store comes up. Member Sam Saiia commented about the current number of dog and cat litters and why nothing is being done and why Humane Society USA is not involved. Shauna explained that OCHS is not part of Humane Society USA, and that Humane Societies do not have an umbrella organization but all are independent organizations. Board member Sharon McLeod suggested he call his congress person if he wanted to see a national policy on the issue of spay and neuter.
- 4. President Shauna Robbers reported on the Estate Sales recently held, stating that \$3200 profits made and that OCHS received positive comments from Cindy Wobbe for the good work done. President Shauna Robbers especially attributed much of the success to volunteers Barbara Schirmer and Vicki Dresselhause. Board member Sharon McLeod suggested a thank you note be sent to both.
- 5. President Shauna Robbers reported on the search for a Christmas store location. There are still has 2 more options, and the location on 15th and 101 for \$600 a month, which is small and has limited parking.
- 6. The benefits of using the thrift store as the Christmas store was stated: bringing customers to our regular store location so they can see how much nicer it is, we can put a temporary structure to connect Boutique to TS and use the outdoor space. ED Mark Curran stated he and his wife will donate 20 to 40 live Christmas trees as they own a Christmas tree lot. ED Mark stated he will talk with the City to see if there is a need for a permit for the structure.
- 7. President Shauna Robbers announced that there will be a wine and Chowder Trail with 23 glass floats placed around town.
- 8. Roundtable: Director Judy Roth stated sales of estate sales jewelry was disappointing. And Ebay sales also not good in September. \$142 in sales, \$46.00 in charges. Ivy has offered to help, and has taken pictures and written some descriptions. Director Dr. Amato is working on a grant for a commercial washing machine. Director Sharon McLeod will not be here for the November Board meeting as she will be in Europe.
- 9. Executive director Report: Mark Curran said he gave a presentation to the City Club. 15 people were there. He said our finances are improved in that the deficit per month was halved from \$14,944 to \$7,143. Position recruitment-15 responded to Facebook ad, and 5 were interviewed. \$11.25 fulltime, no benefits. Pam will do the training. We are missing opportunities by not advertising Amazon Smile and Fred Myers community awards. According to Mark, no one has linked to OCHS. New hats are in. Price is \$20; Mark accepted funds for hats he brought to the Board meeting for board members. 25 bricks sold so far on the Shirley Wilson Way. We have 27 lifetime members and OCHS bought bricks to honor them. The last lifetime membership was purchased in 2005. We should be considering ways to encourage more lifetime memberships.

- 10. Director Carlla van deVyver made a motion for \$15,000 to purchase an industrial washing machine. Motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 11. President Shauna Robbers presented a short list of requested priorities for Executive Director Mark Curran: To get the lease done, to finish the Bequest brochure, and to have Chamber of Commerce ED Bettina Hannigan sponsor him into the Rotary.
- 12. Meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm
- 13. Respectfully submitted by Sandra Davidson, acting secretary