

**Arlington Animal Services  
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday , January 13, 2010  
12:00 Noon  
J. Gilligan's**

**Board Members**

**Larae Mason, DVM, Place 1  
Jerry Tees, Place 2, Chair  
Edna Collins-Harris, Place 3  
Donna Smiedt, Place 4  
Jania Villarroel, Place 5  
Tony Molina, Place 6 - Absent  
Fred Sanderson, Place 7  
Jodi Davis, Place 8 - Absent  
Mike Bass, Place 9**

**Meeting was called to order @ 12:07 p.m. by Jerry Tees, Chair.**

**Roll call - All Board Members were present. Cheri Colbert, Administrative Coordinator, was absent.**

**Edna made a motion, seconded by Jerry Tess, to dismiss with reading of past Minutes since Cheri Colbert, Administrative Coordinator, was absent.**

**Jay discussed Manual for Fostering (availability for signing off for Manual and training). He also discussed the training of Fostering.**

**Jay discussed seizure of exotic animals - they are with Dallas SPCA - refer any questions to Mike.**

**Volunteer program did not start off right away.**

**Discussion on time we can keep an animal ( it was brought up about sometimes being too long). Foster parents can keep animals until they are adopted - case by case basis.**

**Tony advised the Committee of the death of Officer Craig Story, motorcycle cop, he was hit by a school bus that a.m. by Arlington High School.**

**Jerry brought up subject of what to do about puppy/dog selling at Wal Mart?**

**Jerry gave someone Chris' name that was interested in volunteering. Also, someone Chris's name that was interested in a dog at the shelter that is up for euthanization - wants to keep dog,**

**Jerry and Mike discussed surveys - Mike stated that surveys are for anyone.**

**Jerry asked Jodi about Fund Raising - Jodi stated that they do not have the dollars for fosters yet - Jodi will follow-up.**

**Jay stated about fostering - food, crates, (lots of crates per Mike) - waiting for dollars.**

**Jerry stated per Chris five (5) Foster Homes are ready. Jay will send out to Board.**

**Calendar sales was tabled - Chris is out of town - It was noted that a lot of calendars were sold during Christmas.**

**SA Contest packages are to be picked up at the Shelter 21 January and returned 25 January.**

**Jerry asked about Recognition Plaques - Mike stated it will be 3 weeks.**

**Fall Festival was discussed - what kind of event. It was discussed that we need to nail down a date - week-end - Saturday - Logistics will have to be worked out with Library.**

**Arlington branded events:**

- . Regatta**
- . May Festival**

**Donna, Jerry and Larae will work on this.  
Jerry asked Mike about Monthly Report - He will send out  
Monthly report via e-mail.**

**It was noted that we have been in the new shelter a year.**

**Jerry brought up Fall Festival - Improvements in adoption to the  
public - see where dollars are going.**

**Jerry discussed calendars being on line under Pay Pal. Mike  
stated it is in IT Director's hands - Needs City Wide approval.**

**Jerry suggested selling calendars to vendors for \$8 and allow  
them to sell calendars for \$10 and keep the \$2 profit.**

**Jerry asked Board if it was okay to meet at Gilligan's monthly?  
Board agreed.**

**Mike stated that Ordinance Review is by Board Audit - City  
Attorney - Board Members willing to help - this info is to be kept  
CONFIDENTIAL.**

**It was decided to pass Ordinance questions to Jay. Donna  
stated to table until next month. February Meeting will be  
dedicated to Ordinance.**

**Jay stated that is it easier to get laws passed if they are active  
somewhere else, i.e., another city.**

**Mike discussed Article 10 which is based on a lot of issues:  
Nuisance of animals: dog's barking, dogs loose, dogs in trash,  
etc.**

**Jerry discussed a Calendar Fun Party - Studio Works should be  
involved as they have done so much for the Shelter. Working  
with Jerry on this party will be Donna Smiedt and Edna Collins-  
Harris**

**Edna stated how happy everyone is that Ginny Whitaker (passed in October) had a write up in the calendar and her dog is on the cover.**

**Discussion of Sam Houston working partnership with HS&T. Jay stated that they never called Arlington (us) to partner Their main dollars come from donations.**

**Reaching out to schools, etc., to contact Arlington Animal Shelter - go to meetings and tell them about Arlington Animal Shelter was discussed.**

**Remote requires a City employee.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Edna Collins-Harris**