

**April 26, 2016**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**6:30 to 8:00**  
**Centre County PAWS, Inc.**  
**Adoption and Education Center**

**Board Members/Staff Roll Call**

Lisa Bahr, Yvonne Riley, Jim Hermann, Chris Kunes, Bill First, Brian Eppley, Chris Faust, Cathy Barefoot, Joan Ritchie, Kristin Dunmire, Bob Conn, Kristine Clark, and Laurie Knisely

**PAWS Members**

Ellen Hermann

**Member Question and Comment Period**

Nothing at this time.

**Action Item - Approval of March 22, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes – Cathy Barefoot**

- Discussed the March 22, 2016 Board minutes – Chris K. [made the motion](#) to approve the March 2016 minutes and Bob C. [seconded the motion](#). All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.

**Reports of Other Officers**

**Report of the President – Dave Abler**

- Dave – Dave did not attend and Yvonne will facilitate the meeting for him.

**Vice President’s Report – Yvonne Riley**

- Yvonne – No report at this time.

**Treasurer’s Report – Laurie Knisely**

- Laurie – Report emailed by Brian. Finance Committee met this month and they will continue further discussions at the next Finance Committee meeting.

**Recording Secretary – Cathy Barefoot**

- Cathy – No report at this time.

**Staff and Committee Reports**

**Director of Finance – Brian Eppley**

- Brian – Emailed his report. We should be at 25 % for the month. Things that jumped out are the Medical expenses which were a little high for dogs. Looking at last year, we are doing a little better this year up to this point. Expenses look good. We have the Comedy Club expenses in there. We have a lot of items that are under budget. The Stocker Subaru event is reflected on the donation line. We did receive one IRA under Planned Giving. We do expect one more to come in. Our spring mailer did go out and we have received many donations. We had a very successful Bingo event. April is shaping up very well.

**Director of Operations – Lisa Bahr**

- Lisa – Emailed the report. We have 6 orphaned Kittens so far. One of our litters of puppies are having trouble. We have an anonymous donor that will spend up to \$5,000 to help with finding a solution for the little dog room drains to help make things easy for us. We did do maintenance on the drains a few years ago and Bill explained what was done.
- We have about 7 people interested in fostering for new our orphaned kittens this year. We will get them started with older kittens first. We were very successful to hold the trainings for fostering the orphaned kittens.

**Director of Development and Marketing – Chris Faust**

- Chris – Emailed the report. We have so many PSU Greek functions, PSU student functions and special projects this spring. It does add up and we are grateful for their efforts. Bingo was sold out a week in advance and it was very successful – we had over 300 people there. It could be close to \$10,000. We have a new initiative going on. A group of women got together to look at opportunities to raise funds and decided to do a “PAWS for Cocktails” at the Ale House, Monday, May 16 from 5:30 to 7:00pm, for a donation of \$25.00. The Ale House is donating a room and is giving us happy hour prices. We will see how this goes. We could have some large donors come to this. We can only have 50 people.
- Centre Gives is next week. This is the 36 hour giving foundation which will be held May 3 and May 4. Centre Foundation changed the prize money this year. They arranged the prizes in categories for the large and small organizations and we are considered a large organization. We are hosting the Yappy Hour (with the most unique donors), on [Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>](#), from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm in the PAWS basement. We are trying to win the 6-7 pm Happy Hour prize. And also try to win the \$500 Final Lap prize between 5-6pm May 4<sup>th</sup>. You can use different names, different credit cards, etc. Chris will send out the web links. This has really raised a lot of money for PAWS in the past. The more money we raise, the more the match is. There are 125 non-profits this year. Please forward on social media to your friends and family.
- We got a lot of TV publicity this month. We were in the Town and Gown magazine. Catherine Spicer has raised \$2,455.00 so far with her “Go Fund Me” account on social media.

**Nominating Committee – Joan Ritchie**

- Joan – No new petitions or no new candidates this year. Everyone is re-running this year in the May elections at the May Board meeting.

**Personnel Committee – Kristin Dunmire**

- Kristin – No report at this time.

**Strategic Planning Committee – Linda Friend and Jim Hermann**

- Linda and Jim – Jim mentioned that the committee agreed with the draft but it is not ready yet. It will be shorter than the others and it should be ready for the May meeting.

Bob [made motion](#) to adjourn the meeting, Kristin D. [seconded the motion](#) – all in favor – none opposed – meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned 7:00 PM.

**Executive Session**

2016 meeting dates – May 24, June 28, July 26, August 23, September 27, October 25, & November 22

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