

THE CAT WELFARE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 | 7:00 PM

Maple Grove United Methodist Church
7 W Henderson Rd, Columbus, OH 43214

In attendance:

- Board Members Amy Borrer, Sue Godsey, Brenda Martin, Jay Mathew, Lisa Strickland, Katie Thomas
- Others in attendance: Helen DeSantis, Gail Hebert, Anne Riley, Linda Schellkopf

Board President Katie Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Agenda Items/Point of Discussion:

- Consent Agenda
- Shelter Report
- Old and New Business

Decisions and Reports:

1. The consent agenda was approved.

2. Executive Director Helen DeSantis provided the Shelter Report:
 - 74 adoptions in Aug, 3% above last YTD
 - Of the 43 cats abandoned at CWA on July 15, 25 of the cats CWA kept have been adopted
 - Definition of senior cat is changing: Shelter currently IDs as 8yrs+, planning to change to 11yrs
 - Hosted Nomad Onsite Clinic Sept 8
 - Cat Caper 5K is happening on Oct 2, 311 registrations at this time
 - Mon & Thurs next week: Columbus State & First Merchants spending service day at shelter stuffing bags for race
 - Solicitation to recruit Board members will be in upcoming newsletter, application will be online
 - Reserved table at Pets & Vets event, Natl Veterans Memorial, Oct 19-22

3. New Business
 - Board President Katie Thomas summarized the results of the Member Survey:
 - Received 128 responses, a 26% response rate
 - Newsletter is most popular Member benefit
 - Instagram noticeably more important among younger age group
 - Significant interest in donating to capital campaign
 - Bylaws will be reviewed at next meeting
 - Outreach Committee: Open House was a success despite rain
 - Voucher program: have not yet identified service provider to replace TAHO for TNR

Board President Katie Thomas adjourned the meeting to go into Executive Session at 7:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Borrer
Recording Secretary