



**INDIANAPOLIS
ANIMAL CARE SERVICES**

**Indianapolis Animal Care Services Advisory Board Meeting
Minutes from Thursday January 14, 2021 Meeting**

Board Members Present

Brett Kruger, Indy Humane Representative
Karen Celestino-Horseman, City County Council Appointee
Katie Trennepohl, Deputy Director of Animal Care Services
Samantha Swartzentruber, Vet
Sarah Williams, Mayoral Appointee
Stacie Hurrel, Marion County Health Department Representative

Approval of December Meeting Minutes

Sarah Williams motioned to approve, motion passes, minutes approved without changes

Field Operations (Katie Trennepohl)

- Reviewed December statistics report
- 228 total reports, 37 bite reports, 198 citations, 74 investigation impounds, and 1667 service calls
- Avg. response time 7 hours 50 mins
- Citations were broken down by code and read
- 1 ACO in training, paperwork was submitted to fill the part time CRO position, 2 open ACO positions after 1 promotion and 1 resign, paperwork was submitted to fill 1 of the ACO positions
- Increase in response time due to holiday schedules and cold weather

Kennel Report (Katie Trennepohl)

- Reviewed December statistics report
- Intake: 367 dogs, 180 cats, 8 birds, 0 livestock, 46 others, for a total of 601
- 333 adopted, 90 returned to owners, 119 transferred, 14 shelter-neuter-return, 80 euthanized, 3 missing, 18 owner requested euthanasia, 19 died in care, and 7 others.
- The live release rate is 87.01% for all animals and 92.18% for dogs and cats
- Length of stay 26 days
- 8 adoption returns
- Started 2021 w/ 414 animals in ACS care, 148 of those are in foster
- 75 Indy CARES Diversions
 - Diversions: 18 supplies, 22 rescues, 6 spay/neuters, 3 trainings, and 26 medicals

Volunteer Report (Katie Trennepohl)

- 0 new volunteers, 11 applications processed, 50 in training, 226 active volunteers
- Hours volunteered at the shelter/for the month 1175
- Orientations and acceptance of new volunteers has not resumed

Community Outreach Report (Katie Trennepohl)

- Reviewed social media interactions
- Hosted 2 adoption events at the shelter

Old Business

- Hiring: Filled Adoption Coordinator position internally leaving 1 Kennel Shift Leader position open, 1 vet assistant position open
- Facebook Donate Button: The Friend's Foundation currently does this with their posts, it has not yet been discussed about doing this with ACS posts

New Business/Sub-Committee Update

- Sub-committees were explained to the new board members

- Sub-committee updates
 - Volunteer (Sarah Williams) – Did not meet, waiting to discuss meeting details with Volunteer Coordinator
 - Enforcement (Stacie Hurrle)–Met last week
 - ACS working on their follow-up procedures for after citations have been issued
 - Discussed stray dogs being considered as community cats (if not sick, aggressive, or injured) many committee members felt that dogs are less savvy and more likely to be hit by cars
 - Maybe vaccine and spay/neuter clinics this year in targeted areas
 - Request Indy (app used to submit requests) is being updated
 - FIDO is applying for a \$75,000 grant to target 8 areas of Indy w/ the highest numbers of runs-Partnering with ACS, FACE and Indy Humane.
 - Meeting invites will start going out an extra week earlier

Public Comments

- Stacie Jasorka-How are the advisory board meetings being shared? Not many community members seem to join the zoom meetings.
 Trennepohl-They are shared through our website and Facebook page prior to the meeting. Sharing the social media posts would probably be the easiest way to get the word out.
 Hurrle-How far in advance are they shared? Maybe post meeting invites sooner?
 Trennepohl-Must wait for a quorum. Can work on getting those posted sooner if they believe that will help.
 Hurrle-Maybe get the post shared in animal welfare groups that might be interested-Swartzentruber offered to help w/ this

Adjourned at 6:28 p.m., the next meeting is February 11, 2021