

Washington State Animal Response Team
December 1st, 2021
1900 – 21:00
Via GTM
Minutes

In attendance: Gretchen McCallum, Jeff Dahl, Bill Daugaard, Jeanette Whitmire, Josette Holden, Kimberly Taylor, Julie Shipman, Leo Notenboom

The meeting was called to order by Josette at 19.02

Priority Discussion and Decision Items:

Treasurer: *Gretchen/Ritz*

Financial Documents

Total donations deposited November 2021:
\$9,157.14

YTD as of November 2021

Gross Profit: \$ 92,104.69
Expenses: \$ 76,290.79

<u>Net Income</u>	<u>Total Liabilities and Equity</u>
2021: \$ 15,813.90	2021: \$ 242,566.60
2020: \$ -(2,056.59)	2020: \$ 226,128.63
2019: \$ 3,359.50	2019: \$234,099.69

(includes \$2,000 revenue from 2019 Gala)

Committee Reports:

Merchandise – *Diane Johnson – not present*
November Sales \$ 55.80
November Expenses \$ 355.40

Fundraising – *Michaela Eaves – not present*

Raise the Hoof Fundraiser

The November 5th online event raised \$10,461
Expenses totaled \$824

Giving Tuesday 2021 – November 30th

We received \$3,701.34 from 14 donors

Technology and Communications – *Leo Notenboom*

No updates

Supply – *Greta Cook – not present*

Membership – *Gretchen McCallum*

Membership Statistics

Membership: 162

Base/Ops Support deployment eligible – 52

Base Support deployment eligible – 3

There are still some members who have not submitted their COVID vaccination record and members who have not submitted their updated First Aid/CPR credentials, so they have been removed from the deployment eligible list.

KCOEM Partnership

WASART is now considered a partner of KCOEM and Gretchen has been added to their mailing list. Whatcom County OEM is looking for relief people for their EOC but we cannot fill any of the positions requested, except possibly PIO for a short time.

Volunteer Management – *Bill Daugaard*

Volunteer of the Quarter Nomination

Penny Drost was nominated and voted on by the Board

Sheltering – *Jeanette Whitmire*

Finalized the new and revised Intake Forms during our November 24th meeting.

Finance – *Gretchen McCallum*

Technical Rescue – *Jeff Dahl*

Had our first virtual rescue training last week and the video is posted on the WASART website

Submitted dates for optional supplemental trainings for those who cannot make the regular monthly trainings

Water Rescue – *Rory Kelleher – not present*

Board Member Reports

Josette Holden, President –

Answering Service Activity
November = 16

Update on TL Nominations
Kelly Thomas has accepted

The other members who have accepted are Molly Dols and Kimberly Taylor

Jeremy Kane, Vice President

No updates

Jeanette Whitmire – Secretary

Minutes – Jeanette will update with TL notes from Jeff then email out to the Board for approval

Reviewed action items

Kimberly Taylor, Training Director –

No updates

Bill Daugaard, Past President

YTD Metrics presented
2 deployments in November
We should have an all-time high in membership by the end of the year

Thurston County DEM Protocol

We found out that Thurston County was unaware that animal rescues needed DEM numbers. Bill sent them the protocol we have had set up with them since 2017 and they were unaware of the protocol.

Bill asked them to contact Chris Long at KCOEM, which they did, but Bill has not heard an update. Thurston County was to get together with the Sheriff's office and emergency management to work it out. If Bill doesn't hear back from them soon, he will recontact.

Public Relations – Michaela Eaves – not present

- Michaela and Gretchen did a conference for the Washington State Animal Control Association on November 4th

FB likes: 12,466
Twitter Followers: 477
Instagram: 475
YouTube Subscribers: 152

Advising Specialists

Jeff Dahl: nothing to report

Julie Shipman: nothing to report

Rory Kelleher: - not present

Unfinished Business:

Status of 2020 annual report

Michaela is still working on and sent out the progress to the Board

Pet Cooling Shelter AAR of June 27-29th

Kimberly and Greta are working on it together

Status of Finance Review Committee Report

Barb Archer and Laura Stock are not able to be the Finance Review Committee this year. Marijes Jones and June Mansfield have offered to help

New Business

Proposed Policy Changes

The board voted and approved on adopting the presented version of Revision M of Operating Policy #2 as presented

Fundraising Committee Issues

Michaela is stepping down as Chair

With the lack of members helping with fundraising, we need to decide if we want to continue with the yearly gala or come up with other methods for raising funds.

Current income comes from the following

- Donations
- Giving Tuesday
- Raise the Hoof Fundraiser
- Give Big
- Leo's Foundation

Other methods to raise money

- Grant Proposals
- Email or put on Facebook current/recent rescue information to motivate donations
- Subaru
- Outreach
- More communication on Facebook

Bill found out we are not listed on the BBB (Better Business Bureau) so will find out how we can get added.

New Fundraising Chair

Bill will email the members asking for input on raising money and seeing if anyone is interested in Chairing the committee

Duty Officer/Call Coordinator Course on January 9, 2022

The following people have signed up:

- Penny Drost
- Jennifer O'Neal
- Jeremy Kane
- Kelsey Diller
- John Marra
- Josette Holden
- Jeanette Whitmire
- Bill Daugaard
- Julie Shipman
- Kimberly Taylor
- Kelly Thomas

Gretchen is reviewing the PowerPoint and other documents related to training. Once she has it organized, she will send it out to the Board for review.

East Pierce Interlocal Coalition for Emergency Management (EPIC EM)

Mission: "The mission of EPIC is to protect lives and property through preparedness and mitigation activities. It develops and refines emergency preparedness and recovery."

The cities of Bonney Lake, Buckley, Carbonado, Orting, Puyallup, Sumner and Wilkeson, have joined together into a regional consortium on planning for disasters.

Pat Donovan, the emergency manager for the city of Puyallup, contacted Gretchen to see if we would like to work with them on setting up a sheltering planning system. Gretchen suggested the group sends personnel from each city to the next shelter training.

KCOEM Procedure for Sheltering Request

Greta & Gretchen met with the KCOEM Director and operations lead, Along with RASKC's Director and PIO, to discuss the issues we had with the Pet Cooling Shelters. RASKC has no idea what to do when it comes to the emergency sheltering of pets and does not have any preselected locations for shelters. KCOEM did not contact WASART regarding the pet cooling shelters, as should have

been the procedure. Instead KCSARA made the initial contact to Gretchen

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Tim Anderson, ACO Supervisor at RASKC, and Gretchen, have worked out a deployment procedure that is acceptable to KCOEM. From now on if there is a need for any kind of animal focused event they will notify Tim along with WASART's answering service.

Moved to adjourn at 20:25