

Washington State Animal Response Team
September 7th 2022
1900 – 21:00
Via Zoom
Minutes

In attendance: Josette Holden, Diane Johnson, Greta Cook, Jeremy Kane, Leo Notenboom, Julie Shipman, Bill Daugaard, Gretchen McCallum, Michaela Eaves,

The meeting was called to order by Josette at 1900

Priority Discussion and Decision Items:

Treasurer: Gretchen McCallum

Financial Documents

Total donations deposited August: \$2759.03

Unrestricted \$1,793.23

Restricted \$ 59,056.00

YTD as of August 2022

Gross Profit: \$ 93,955.99

Expenses: \$ 52,107.13

| <u>Net Income</u> | <u>Total Liabilities and Equity</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2022: \$41,613.91 | 2022: \$ 286,114.86 |
| 2021: \$3,851.42 | 2021: \$ 230,642.82 |

Fuel Reimbursement for WASART Vehicles

Bill noticed that the amount of fuel costs for deployments is much higher than the receipts he has been given to get reimbursement from the State.

Drivers of the vehicles need to remember to submit receipts either to Bill or directly to Jason Shirron for qualified deployments.

Greta will locate the list of credit cards and which vehicles they are in

Update: WASART1 is in Aaron Cook's name; WASART2 is in Michaela Eaves' name; WASART3 is in Kenneth Cottle's name

Fraudulent Activity and Action Taken

Last month, due to some unauthorized transactions on WASART's original checking account, the funds were moved to a new checking account.

Shortly after the checking account being hacked, Gretchen's WASART credit card was hacked, so when she had to renew Volgistics, she put it on

Greta's credit card. The future renewal charges have since been moved back to Gretchen's credit card.

Another facsimile of one of our checks, signed by Ritz, was attempted to be used for \$2000 for a gym membership. The gym owner notified Gretchen and will file a report with the Bonney Lake PD. Gretchen will notify the FBI and Sound Credit Union. No money came out of our account due to it being caught in time and on our old account's number

Committee Reports:

Merchandise – Diane Johnson

August Sales \$55.00

August Expenses \$ 8.50

Fundraising – Vacant

Technology and Communications – Leo Notenboom

Radios

Reprogrammed the radios in WASART 2 but found a typo so will be reprogramming them again. Will next reprogram the other radios.

InReach Activation

To minimize our costs, we will sync twice a year. The risk is if we get a call out where they are needed and not knowing the impact if they haven't been synced in several months. Leo will reach out to Valon Miller on ideas

Supply – Greta Cook

Wasp Spray

Greta has put wasp spray in all the vehicles and trailers.

Enumclaw Boneyard

- The Expo Center will be building a maintenance building in the middle of the boneyard.
- Greta has a gotten a key to the padlock from the Expo Center. She will send out

location information to the appropriate people.

Membership – Gretchen McCallum

Membership Statistics

Membership: 138

Base/Ops Support deployment eligible: 62

Base Support deployment eligible: 1

The after-deployment posts from Michaela and Lynn Snow are making a positive impact in our donations and membership. We had 5-6 new members this month.

Volunteer Management – Bill Daugaard

Volunteer of the Quarter

Nominees: Penny Drost, Lynn Snow, Kristi Olarti, Bill Vogel

Lynn Snow and Bill Vogel were voted on and approved

Sheltering – Jeanette Whitmire – not present

- August 20th AKC 5 work party - We inventoried and organized the front of the trailer. The new wheelbarrow was assembled and applied shelf label strips.
- September 18th, 2022, Forms Work Party We will be meeting in person at the Burien Library to work on the forms' totes.
- Greta will be meeting with the director of the Expo Center to discuss a mutual aid agreement

Finance – Gretchen McCallum

Semi Annual Meeting October 23rd

Committee Chairs to present their budgets for the next six months

Technical Rescue – Jeff Dahl – not present

Water Rescue – Rory Kelleher – not present

Board Member Reports

Josette Holden, President –

Answering Service Activity
August = 20

Jeremy Kane, Vice President –

September 28th General Meeting

Jeremy will be sending an email out soon

Euthanasia in a Shelter Policy

Jeremy is working on

DO/CC Document

It is almost complete, and Jeremy will be sending out soon

Jeanette Whitmire – Secretary –

Minutes of August BOD meeting– M/S/P as presented

Reviewed action items

Kimberly Taylor, Training Director

Base & Op's Training September 17th

Currently there are 5 people signed up. Kimberly is still trying to confirm the location with Kathy Vetter at Foothills Veterinary Hospital but hasn't been able to reach her yet.

Establish Curriculum Dates, Locations & Instructors

This requirement is currently listed under the month of July in Policy #2, Section 7.1. Per Greta, it was previously required in July, prior to when we started sending a calendar to KCOEM for DEM #'s each year, in November or December. Now that we submit a calendar to KCOEM, we can move that requirement in the policy, to be completed in November/December. (Action item)

Bill Daugaard, Past President

YTD Metrics presented

Public Relations – Michaela Eaves

FB likes: 13,993

Twitter Followers: 478

Instagram: 599

YouTube Subscribers: 269

Wenatchee BackCountry Horsemen

A couple members, including Michaela, will be going to Wenatchee this weekend, to meet up with Backcountry Horsemen, to discuss working together.

Michaela will also be attending their March 17th-19th 2023 Rendezvous, doing a presentation and/or demo.

Open House

Special guests were Kitsap County Office of Emergency Management, Dana Chambers, State President of Backcountry Horsemen and the new State SAR coordinator Amy Allbritton who is replacing retiring Chris Long

OHSTAR Washington Deployments

Oregon Humane Society Technical Animal Rescue (OHSTAR) SAR has deployed in Washington to the areas closer to the border. They are not insured when making these deployments so it is suggested they join WASART and become Emergency Workers, so they can potentially be covered. We need to verify with Chris Long or Amy Allbritton if they would be covered. (Action Item)

Dingford Creek Trail Dog Packout

There was a 90# dog up a trail in the middle of the night. We did an overnight packout, along with ESAR's assistance.

Snoqualmie Horse on Bridge

Stewie, the horse, fell through a hiking trail bridge in Snoqualmie. When the WASART team arrived, Snoqualmie Fire Department was on scene and in charge. Also on scene was the Snoqualmie PD and three vets, all of whom are equine veterinarians. WASART was told by the fire department to stand down but we tried to help out where we could/were allowed.

Tripod for Oregon Rescue

Kate Beardsley, who founded Mustangs to the Rescue, in Oregon, is working to get a tripod because Oregon only currently has one, located in Josephine County. Greta proposes we help them with training on how to use it

Advising Specialists

Julie Shipman:

No updates

Unfinished Business:

Appoint Election Committee Members Follow up
We need 2 members, Josette volunteered and inquired to General Membership for a second member with no response. Gretchen will send Josette some suggestions on people that might be willing to help

Appoint Bylaws Committee Members

Bill and Gretchen were appointed and will continue with this position

Proposed revision N to Policy 2

Tabled until October meeting

Search for New Truck

Tabled until next meeting when Rory is present

New Business:

Chris Long Retirement

Chris's retirement party will be at Camp Murray. Bill will be attending and would like to see other WASART members attend. He has emailed out special instructions for being able to get into Camp Murray.

Good of the Order

Moved to adjourn at 20:35