

Approved
Kootenai Pets For Life
January 2, 2025 Special Meeting
At the Ponderosa Room

A. Attending: Linda Andreasen, Marge Sullivan, Tina Green, Juli Hopfer, Toni Crace, Lynn Hagarty, Elaine Hammer, Teanne Johnson, Deirdre Ruark, Randi Birdsell, Ellexa Blacken, Mark Andreasen, Megan Hall, Katie Tingey, Heidi McBride and Leslie Ferguson.

Non-Voting members: Edwina Smith, Susan James, Anna Delask, Roberta McCanse, Eileen Carney, Bonnie Edmundson, Diana Shea, Shelley Fisher and Chris Boothman.

Volunteers: Sindy Filler

Non-members: Ann German.

Linda called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. Robert's Rules of Order-Simplified, were read.

Ann German asked to speak first. She stated she is an Attorney representing Juli and Toni. She continued that this meeting was called illegally according to KPFL's Bylaws. Anything we accomplish in this meeting will be unenforceable and Juli and Toni want the meeting terminated.

Discussion regarding who can vote in a meeting. In a previous meeting it was decided that only the Board could vote, not members. Has this changed?

Discussion that a Special Meeting can be called by 2/3 the Board, making this meeting legal. This was rebuked.

Discussion to reconvene at 7:00pm in order to make the meeting legal. Holidays are exempt from being counted as days of notice unless noted in the

Bylaws, therefore the meeting is not legal because 3 days notice was not given. Teanne responded the Bylaws do not discuss holidays.

Discussion that KPFL receives funds from the government, which means open meeting laws apply, thereby any action taken at this meeting will be voided by a court of law.

Mark requested Ann German be removed due to not being a member of KPFL. This meeting is for members only.

1. KPFL and KPFL Extension

Discussion that our Membership form is not Board approved. The form has never been discussed before.

Motion by Teanne, 2nd by Megan to approve the membership form. Juli stated we cannot vote on this, this meeting is null and void.

The Articles of Incorporation were read regarding membership.

Motion by Bobbi to approve the membership form.

Discussion that the Baylaws don't refer to a form, that KPFL should be able to do verbal membership.

Discussion about the current membership form. It was done to show date of membership paid to prove voting rights.

Linda called for a vote to accept the current membership form.

Yes votes:10

No votes: 5

Motion carried.

2. Secretary Duties – no discussion
3. Treasurer Duties

Linda read the Memorandum of Agreement with the County. She stated the County will cover 72 hours only as stated by Juli, but not in the contract. After that the animals become KPFL's property and responsibility, including their care and expenses, which are also not in the contract.

Discussion: The Board believes \$4000. a month from the County is not enough to cover costs including employee salaries and medical attention needed for the animals. No data has been provided for outside care for the animals housed at the Extension. We discussed terminating the contract with the County.

Motion by Teanne, 2nd by Deirdre to terminate the County contract. Eileen opposes the motion. Edwina would like to renegotiate the contract.

Juli stated she has provided a Year to Date Treasurer Report on the Extension. All numbers are in the positive. She would like to renegotiate the County contract.

Discussion that since we cannot make decisions today, we should use this time to work together and move forward.

Discussion about the Extension costs. If \$3200-3500 is paid monthly in wages, then Workman's Comp and Social Security added in means the County only pays enough for the wages expense. Cost for food for the animals and spay and neuter are the main shelter costs, plus we didn't discuss cats at the Extension.

Discussion: we have not been provided with a financial statement for the Shelter and Extension. We need to set up policies and procedures to work together.

Chris stated she has received emails of financial reports monthly. She would like to do a 1 year contract with the County. Marge disagrees. She would like to separate.

Juli stated she has been transparent. She continually asks for information to provide Treasurer reports, but has not had response. Marge states a motion was made and passed in the last meeting for Juli and Sara to work together, it's not happening. Juli said she has requested a meeting with the Board to discuss. Tina stated that she needed clarification on what "in the black" means.

Discussion that this meeting is not the time to discuss financial matters.

Discussion: who approved Heidi to work 5 hours at the Extension? Juli replied she did.

Diana (Dee) stated that KPFL only helps if they like you. She believes that the President is not above board.

Again, Juli states she has provided a monthly Treasurer report, not in spread sheet form because she doesn't have the program.

Mark questioned Juli about issues with access to Pet Finder. Has she created another account for KPFL? Juli states no. Juli says she has had her own Pet Finder account for over 15 years. Mark questions why Juli is advertising a dog that KPFL has that is not adoptable on her account as adoptable? Juli states she does not have to answer.

Discussion: there is a motion on the table. Motion by Diana to table.

Megan proposes a possible way for KPFL and the Extension to separate yet work together. She will send this out in an email to Sindy.

Discussion again about working together. The Board needs to meet to work on how to best proceed. It's suggested we find an Attorney to look over any decisions. Maybe we should find an Attorney who also wants to be on our Board.

Discussion: do the Articles always supersede the Bylaws. Edwina, a former attorney, says that is usually the case.

Diana (Dee) stated she wants to remove Linda from being President.

Motion by Megan, 2nd by Diana to table KPFL and Extension discussion until the January 22 meeting.

Discussion that Linda was given a box with original paperwork for the shelter. Toni will try to get copies of the Articles of Incorporation with signatures. Bonnie stated when she resigned she turned in all her paperwork in a black box with some original documents.

B. Adjourn

1. January 8, 2025 Bylaws Board meeting
January 15, 2025 monthly Board meeting
January 22, 2025 Board meeting for KPFL and Extension

2. Motion by Megan, 2nd by Heidi to adjourn. Motion carried.

Original Minutes by Unknown

Minutes revised by Bonnie Edmundson