

## UnApproved

### Kootenai Pets for Life

#### February 18, 2026 Monthly Meeting Minutes

#### Held at Central Charter School at 3:30pm

- I. **Attendance:** Jordan Carlson, Linda Andreasen, Bonnie Edmundson, Joe Taylor, Erin Taylor, Marge Sullivan, Edwina Smith, Leslie Ferguson, Sara Sherman, Katie Tingey, Lily Tovey, Mark Andreasen, Roberta McCanse, Tina Green and Deirdre Ruark by phone.  
**Non Voting Guests:** Sydney Davis, Marchette Cunningham, Larry Hill and Johnny Seals.
- II. **Approval of Minutes:**
  - A. **Motion** by Joe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ben to approve the November Minutes.  
**Discussion:** Jordan wants to check them first for Spay/Neuter information. The Secretary will send them to her for corrections first.  
**Vote:** in favor 14, opposed 0. Motion carried.
  - B. **Motion** by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie to approve the January Minutes.  
**No discussion.**  
**Vote:** in favor 14, opposed 0. Motion carried.
- III. **Financial report:**
  - A. **Motion** by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark to approve the December accountant report.  
**No discussion.**  
**Vote:** in favor 14, opposed 0. Motion carried.
  - B. **Motion** by Marge, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie to approve the January Accountant report.  
**No discussion.**  
**Vote:** in favor 14, opposed 0. Motion carried.

C. **The total income** for January was \$53,234.07 and total expenses were \$9,366.28 for a net income of \$43,867.79.

IV. **Pending bills:**

A. **Motion** by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ben to approve to pay the Accountant bill of \$675.00 for January.

B. **Recently** the Shelter Manager asked for approval for gravel in the amount of \$275.00 for the dog yard. This was approved via email by the Board. The Board agrees this forward thinking is acceptable.

V. **Financial matters:** none at this time.

VI. **Clinic Business:**

A. **Clinic Dates:** it's reported that Dr. Hawkins will do one more clinic on February 27-28<sup>th</sup>. There will be a new to us vet, Dr. White, visiting during the clinic.

B. **Spay Montana:** there are 2 clinics scheduled: one on June 20-21 and one on August 29-30. Pam will again do the scheduling. We are looking for volunteers!

VII. **Shelter stats:**

A. **Current animals:** January dogs in house 7, in foster 1, adopted 1. Cats in house 24, in foster 1, transferred to humane society 5, adopted 9.

**Discussion** about not needing Sydney to give report anymore. We would just like to have the updated animal situations reported.

B. **Adoptions:**

**Discussion** regarding many applications for animals.

VIII. **Committee reports:**

A. **Dog committee:** we have lots of interest in fosters. Marge is looking into vests for KPFL dog walkers and functions.

B. **Cat committee:** the Cat Policy and Procedure is being worked on.  
**Discussion:** the County uses Animal Control to vet applications. Can we do that?

C. **Employment committee:** Kai is now working Wednesday and Friday thru Sunday. The committee are looking over current applications and accepting new applications.

D. **Fundraising / Events:**

1. **Cats** were taken to The Fix on Saturday January 24<sup>th</sup>. All went well and we received \$140.00 as a portion of the proceeds.
2. **Joe** presented a policy to establish a Fundraising/Marketing Committee.

**Discussion** about the pros and cons of the Committee. We need consistency and information to be effective. No budget is needed. It would encourage community engagement. The Committee would be rule based, adhere to guidelines and encourage discussion.

**Erin** left the meeting.

**Motion** by Ben, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonnie to approve the new Fundraising/Marketing Committee.

**Vote:** in favor 13, opposed 0. Motion carried.

IX. **New business:**

A. **Marchette and the Freedom Riders** would like to do another fundraising event for KPFL. Last year was a success and they voted to continue to help us. They are now a 501C3. They would like to kick-off each year with a KPFL ride which this year will be on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Cars are welcome. Teanne will be a liaison. The Freedom Riders will reconnect at the April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting with more information. Sign-ups will be the morning of the ride at 10-10:30am at KPFL. We are looking for volunteers.

**Motion** by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie to welcome the Freedom Riders ride.

**Vote:** in favor 14, opposed 0. Motion carried.

(This presentation was done first in the meeting today. Thus the vote had Erin included.)

B. **Flathead Industries** has contacted us regarding wanting to send a volunteer with a disability and her escort to work on Monday's and Wednesday's. Tina and Sydney will work out the details. The company helps to rehabilitate people back into the workforce. They may have others in the future.

C. **IT updates and proposals:** Joe proposes we move to Google Workspace for Non-Profits. This is a zero cost to the organization because we have a non-profit status.

**Discussion:** Mark reports that Microsoft does the same but with more security. Pros and cons were discussed. Mark would like to resign from IT. Jordan would like him to stay while we transition.

**Discussion:** for account architecture, these new accounts should align with our existing internal committee titles for consistency and can be used for scheduling committee and monthly board meetings as needed. A unique Google Meet ID will be available for meeting attendees who cannot attend in person.

**Motion** by Ben, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie to investigate further with the process of KPFL as a 501C3 applying for Google Workplace and testing if this is beneficial for us.

**Discussion:** we would like a trial demo at the next meeting.

**Vote:** in favor 13, opposed 0. Motion carried.

D. **A reminder** that Boutique Brielle accepts our donations and gives profits to our account.

**Motion** by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie to adjourn at 5:48pm. Motion carried.

Minutes by Bonnie Edmundson, KPFL Secretary

