

Fetchin' Retrievers Rescue

Meeting Minutes

7/7/24

I. Call to order

Jessica Sutton called to order the Board meeting of Fetchin' Retrievers Rescue at 4:05 p.m. on July 7, 2024, via Zoom.

II. Attendees

Kriss Harrigian
Barbara Renken
Sandy Diamond
Jessica Sutton
Carole Spies

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

IV. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for June was unanimously approved. As of 6/30/24, our cash balance was \$82,209.37.

V. Old Business

1. Fundraising update

Kriss will look into additional Tailwaggers grants.

2. Dog update

Clifford/Benny

Foster: Jennifer Stavish/San Diego

Medical: He is now on 40 mg daily of fluoxetine and 300 mg x 2 per day gabapentin. This appears to be working better than the clomipramine.

Otherwise, he is healthy.

Behavior: Continues to show signs of stress when left alone but he's not destructive. Can react to other dogs when on leash. His foster continues to work with him on exercises provided in multiple Zoom sessions with B. Davis.

Action plan: Write a new bio and change out photos on the website. Ask volunteers to post him on their own social media pages. Continue to look for an adopter willing to continue medication and training.

Adoption Outlook: He needs a very special family so it will take time.

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Doc

Foster: Bithika Mehra/Los Angeles

Medical: Several vet visits to address possible parasites, minor surgery for deep cut in one paw, ear infection probably caused by his need to wear a cone 24/7 to protect his paw. All resolved

Behavior: Can react to other dogs when on leash and needs careful introductions. Is starting to bark more often and in more environments.

Action plan: Continue to assess applicants and promote him

Adoption outlook: The foster is possibly interested in adopting him.

Popcorn

Foster: Diane and Christopher Johnson

Medical: None. On behavioral medications and supplements

Behavior: Unruly and general anxiety

Action plan: Foster to adopt, adoption TBD. Will be introducing training exercises next week and evaluate if B. Davis is needed for further training.

Adoption outlook: F2A

Lady G

Foster: Mariet Zograbyan

Medical: Lubricant in eye for the rest of her life. Mass on iris, possible melanocytoma vs melanoma.

Behavior: None

Action plan: 10/15 recheck growth of tumor with Animal Vision Center.

Adoption outlook: Home with another dog is fine, walks are one of her favorite things.

Lea

Foster: Lynn Gjertson

Medical: Rear legs missing digits on one leg and the paw on the other leg.

Behavior: None

Action plan: Look for home with yard/grass/soft ground for her to use her rear leg more to keep muscles active. Other playful dog.

Adoption outlook: On medical hold.

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Wyatt

Foster: Lily T

Medical: None

Behavior: Some barking at strangers, uneasiness in the car

Action plan: Social media courtesy listing

Adoption outlook: Other playful dog needed since we think his energy would be high if he is not given the opportunity to play with other dogs, hikes, etc.

Cardi B

Foster: Deanna Burt

Medical: None

Behavior: Bolts out the door, pulls on the leash, humping dog and people so stressed/excited

Action plan: Spay and vaccines needed

Adoption outlook: Good.

Leo

Foster: Jessica Sutton

Medical: TBD (Urinary analysis, bloodwork and fecal done on 7/5 and awaiting results)

Behavior: Resource guarding, nipping/snapping, excitable play style, counter surfing

Action plan: After we receive the results of his UA/fecal/blood tests, schedule a session with B Davis. Need a new foster home.

Adoption outlook: Good/optimistic

3. Foster home update

- We have had six new foster applications in the past six weeks. We need a social media push to recruit experienced fosters. The Foster and Events Committee decided to give Poorly Drawn Pet Portraits as a thank you gift to fosters. Kriss and Jo Anne will coordinate.

4. Events update

- We did not participate in the Venice event due to the heat and lack of parking
- There is a possible event in Long Beach in October. Kriss will look into it.

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5. Cash investment options
 - Kriss will talk to her investment advisor about setting up a money market account for the rescue funds to earn interest
6. Knack database
 - No report

VI. New Business

1. Dog intakes

Discussed intakes and owner surrenders versus shelter pulls. We will space out intakes so we are not over-stretched if we have to move a dog.

2. Shelter Scouts

We need new shelter scouts. Kriss has a list of people who previously expressed interest in helping. She'll send the list to Jessica.

3. Vet locations

Jessica will compile a list of the vets we use.

Carole suggested putting a list of urgent care/emergency/overnight vets together.

4. Surrender Applications

All board members will receive the surrender apps and vote on intakes.

5. Donation thank you cards and tax letters

We need to find a new volunteer to handle these jobs

VII. Next Meeting

August 11, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom

VIII. Adjournment

Jessica adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.