



Minutes for Angel-Paws Inc. Animal Rescue North Queensland Annual General Meeting 2015

Call to Order

The annual general meeting of Angel-Paws Inc. Animal Rescue North Queensland was held on 24 October 2015 at That Place on Sturt, Townsville. The meeting commenced at 2.20pm and was chaired by Larissa Huxley, with Raelene Wagg as minute taker.

Attendees

Larissa Huxley, Raelene Wagg, Tia Thomson, Verena Evans, Louise Holder, Trisha Anderson, Kate Ross, Zoe Carr, Alana Dixon, Jo Janse, Megan Flannery.

Apologies

Emily Rafter, Ayla Watt, Megan Watson, Georgia Mullins.

Approval of Minutes

The members were presented with a copy of the minutes from the 2014 AGM. The minutes were read out by Raelene Wagg.

Motion 1 – To accept the 2014 AGM minutes as true and correct.

Moved – Raelene Wagg

Seconded – Verena Evans

The motion carried with all in favour.

Receipt and adoption of the annual financial statement

Financial Statement for Year Ended 30 June 2015 was tabled. The Financial Statement was adopted by all members present.

President's Annual Report

Welcome to our 2nd Annual General Meeting. Many thanks to all of you for taking time off your hectic and busy schedules to attend today's Annual meeting.

Financial

Angel-Paws Inc. has had an incredible year. We started the year off with a 13,000 vet bill and about \$1000 in the bank. Within 3 months we paid the vet bill in full and have done so every month since. We currently have approximately \$25,000 in the bank.

We have implemented an accounting program and recruited a qualified accountant (volunteer) to assist us with our books.

Membership and the Executive Committee

The first half of the year was more about getting a structure in place. The current committee have spent a lot of time restructuring Angel-Paws Inc. to make it run more effectively. We streamlined the coordinator roles and removed some of the positions. These changes were necessary for the committee to get a complete picture of how Angel-Paws Inc. operated. We filled the position of Fund Raising Coordinator which had been a very difficult role to fill the previous year. It has taken 10 months but we finally have all positions filled.

Fundraising

Fundraising has been the major key in clearing our debts. We started the year off with a bake stall that made \$500 at Bunnings, and are finishing it with a calendar that should raise over \$7,000. In between we held an auction that raised \$15,500. We have actively been promoting donation boxes and are averaging \$60 a month per box. We currently have 10 boxes in circulation and have another 10 on order. We have introduced promotional stalls at markets and Castletown Shopping Centre which is showing great results to raise awareness to recruit foster carers and volunteers plus donations. On average a Castletown stall raises \$300 and gains 3 – 6 more volunteers.

Our Animals and Foster Carers

The second half of the year has seen us pick up a lot more foster carers therefore more animals. We are working closely with the Burdekin Shire Council to help reduce the number of animals that get euthanized and also work with several regional vet clinics.

We have rehomed approximately 150 animals so far this year.

Earlier in the year we had a parvo case which caused the euthanizing of 5 puppies, then another one 2 weeks later. New protocols were put in place to prevent this from happening again. We have lost 7 other animals due to untreatable medical issues.

We have extended our network of vet clinics to include Palms Vet Group and JCUVets.

We relocated our monthly adoption days to PETstock and are also doing cats only on a monthly basis at Pet Café.

Our Volunteers and Events

We have reinvigorated the NQ Street Team and have approximately 45 members of which most of them are still active. We held a stall and photo booth at the RSPCA Million Paws walk, a stall at the Townsville City Council Pet Expo and a stall at Townsville Run where we were one of 5 charities people could chose to run for.

Our most famous animals this year would be Apple and Love who got a TV interview on Win News. Bruiser also got another interview and we had several newspaper articles and radio interviews.

The Committee would like to extend their thanks to all the volunteers and businesses that contribute to our ethos 'saving the lives of unwanted animals'. Thank you for the support that has been shown to us over the past year. I would also like to thank those retiring Committee members for their time and commitment in running the organisation and to welcome and congratulate any new committee members joining us this year.

Moving forward, we will reassess the current structure of roles for Angel-Paws Inc. and I look forward to working with you all.

Annual Financial Report

Tia Thomson presented to the members the 2015 annual financial statement.

Motion 2 - That the 2015 Annual Financial Statement be accepted as correct

Moved – Tia Thomson

Seconded – Zoe Carr

Election of Management Committee Positions

President – Larissa Huxley was nominated by Raelene Wagg for the position of President. Larissa accepted the nomination. Seconded by Jo Janse.

Vice-President – Verena Evans was nominated by Megan Flannery for the position of Vice-President. Verena accepted the nomination. Seconded by Kate Ross.

Treasurer – Tia Thomson was nominated by Zoe Carr for the position of Treasurer. Tia accepted the nomination. Seconded by Alana Dixon.

Secretary – Raelene Wagg was nominated by Verena Evans for the position of Secretary. Raelene accepted the nomination. Seconded by Louise Holder.

Motion 2: That all financial accounts associated with Angel-Paws Inc. have the signatories amended to reflect the new management committee members by 31st January 2016.

Moved: Tia Thomson

Seconded: Raelene Wagg

The motion carried with all in favour

Appointment of the Association’s Auditor

The members agreed to appoint Christine Johnson CPA for the 2015-2016 financial year.

Meeting closed at 3.00pm

Secretary

Angel-Paws Inc. Animal Rescue North
Queensland

President

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Date of Approval