

# THS Board Meeting (#11)

## Minutes

Thursday, April 27, 2017, 7:00 pm  
11 River Street, Toronto, Ontario

Present: Gillian Armstrong, Shelley Austin, David Bronskill, Shannon Cameron, Amanda Frank, Lisa Gibbens, Cathy Kinloch, Kathy McDonald, Bronwen Morgan, Andy Robling, Dominique Rouselle, Stephen Steele, Monika Sudds, Keren Troyna

Regrets: Diana Pizzola

Non-voting: Jacques Messier, Claudette Turner, Tiffany Wong

Guest: Angela Young, Audit & Finance Committee

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### **1. Regular Business**

David Bronskill called the meeting to order at 7:08pm and welcomed Angela Young, a member of the Audit & Finance Committee.

- 1.1 THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.  
Moved: Bronwen Morgan      Seconded: Kathy McDonald      **Carried.**
- 1.2 THAT the minutes of the March 9, 2017 Board Meeting be approved.  
Moved: Dominique Rouselle      Seconded: Andy Robling      **Carried.**
- 1.3 THAT the *In Camera* minutes of the March 9, 2017 Board meeting be approved.  
Moved: Cathy Kinloch      Seconded: Shannon Cameron      **Carried.**
- 1.4 THAT the minutes of the April 18, 2017 Special Board Meeting be approved.  
Moved: Shelley Austin      Seconded: Kathy McDonald      **Carried.**
- 1.5 THAT all timely renewals received in the past month are hereby approved.  
Moved: Keren Troyna      Seconded: Stephen Steele      **Carried.**

The May 8 Board meeting was rescheduled to May 16 at 7:00pm and the first meeting of the new Board session was confirmed for June 13 at 7:00pm.

## **2. CEO Report and Questions**

Jacques Messier noted that the Society is in compliance with all government labour and human resources legislation and regulations. It was suggested that a similar report on compliance with government regulations be included as a standing item every February.

The Board was updated on renovations to the dog runs and the status of hiring of behaviour staff, as well as efforts to increase the number of animals in the shelter and any impacts on length of stay. THS is also conducting a study to map the feral cat colonies in the GTA and set baseline population numbers; this will facilitate ongoing monitoring and assessment of the effectiveness of initiatives like spay/neuter and TNR.

The Board thanked Cathy Kinloch for her ongoing fundraising on behalf of the Toronto Humane Society.

## **3. Committee Business**

**AGM Task Force** – As they were up for re-election at the 2017 AGM, Cathy Kinloch and Bronwen Morgan left the meeting. Andy Robling described the Nominating Committee’s criteria and interview process for Board candidates and their recommendations to receive the Board’s endorsement.

- 3.1 THAT the following candidates be endorsed by the Board: Martin Buckle, Cathy Kinloch, Bronwen Morgan, Emily Pang and Christopher Wood, for presentation to the 2017 Annual General Meeting.

Moved: Andy Robling                      Seconded: Stephen Steele                      **Carried.**

The Board thanked the Nominating Committee for their work on the Board’s behalf. Cathy Kinloch and Bronwen Morgan returned to the meeting.

Lisa Gibbens presented the AGM Proxy/Instructions and Notice/Agenda for the Board’s approval.

- 3.2 THAT the 2017 AGM Notice/Agenda be approved.

Moved: Kathy McDonald                      Seconded: Stephen Steele                      **Carried.**

- 3.3 THAT the form of proxy and instructions for the 2017 AGM be approved.

Moved: Lisa Gibbens                      Seconded: Kathy McDonald                      **Carried.**

**Open House** – Lisa Gibbens described the educational, informational and fun events planned for Open House on Saturday, June 3. A number of elements are family-friendly and it is hoped that the high-energy event will appeal to the wider community, as well as an animal welfare audience. Board members were invited and encouraged to attend.

**Audit and Finance Committee** – Tiffany Wong reviewed the audited financial statements and noted that KPMG delivered a clean audit in record time.

3.4 THAT the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016 be approved as audited.

Moved: Stephen Steele      Seconded: David Bronskill      **Carried.**

3.5 THAT KPMG be recommended as auditor for the Toronto Humane Society for the 2017 fiscal year.

Moved: Stephen Steele      Seconded: Bronwen Morgan      **Carried.**

The Board moved *In Camera* at 8:56pm to discuss the CEO’s objectives, rising out of *In Camera* at 9:16pm

#### ***4. Adjournment***

4.1 THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:17pm

Moved: Shannon Cameron      Seconded: Keren Troyna      **Carried.**

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**David Bronskill, Chair**

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**Lisa Gibbens, Secretary**

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