

THS Board Meeting (#11)

Minutes

Tuesday, July 29, 2025, 6:00 pm

By Teleconference

Present: Julie Barac, David Bronskill, Damian Creber, Mark Dilworth, Liz Everett, Charissa Lai, Adrienne Macdonald, Alexandre Rochtchine, Josh Shanahan, Marcie Somers

Staff: Phil Nichols, CEO; Abu Nana, Director of Finance; Claudette Turner, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Alexandra Bratton, Nabila Tisha, Roxanne Yanofsky

Adrienne Macdonald called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

1. Regular Business

1.1 THAT the Agenda be approved.

MOVED: Liz Everett

Seconded: David Bronskill

... **Carried.**

1.2 THAT the Minutes of the June 24, 2025 Board meeting be approved.

MOVED: Liz Everett

Seconded: Alexandre Rochtchine

... **Carried.**

2. Financial Update

Monthly Financial Statements – Abu Nana reviewed the June financial statements. He noted that revenue is slightly under budget.

Line of Credit with Bank of Montreal – This line of credit is almost finalized.

PVS Expansion – Abu provided the status of finances involved with the PVS expansion.

3. CEO Update

Phil Nichols advised that the design work for the PVS facility is complete, and the RFP will be issued shortly. He anticipates a soft opening at the beginning of 2026. PVS is operating well and hitting targets.

The Annual Report for 2024 was distributed with the AGM package and has been well received.

He noted that Paws in the Park is doing well and has good engagement.

Phil advised that the Strategic Plan should be ready for the next Board meeting and will be distributed to the Board in early August.

Phil responded to the Board's questions.

4. Committee Reports

Animal Welfare – Liz Everett reported that the Committee had met and had a productive meeting.

Audit & Finance – Damian Creber advised that Committee matters were discussed earlier in the meeting.

Development – Alex Rochtchine updated the Board on Fundraising programs. Paws in the Park will take place on August 16, and the Humane Open on September 25. He reported on the current financial status for both events and thanked Board members for contributing to and participating in the events.

Facilities – The Committee had no updates at this time.

Governance – Adrienne Macdonald advised that Governance Committee discussed Imagine Canada, governance structure review, and, along with the HR Committee, have been discussing ways to engage new Board members in committee work. Julie Barac will prepare a report, hopefully for the September Board meeting.

HR Committee – Julie Barac advised that Committee matters were discussed under the Governance Committee report. She noted that the Committee is working on new Board member orientation and Imagine Canada.

5. Other Business

There was no other business.

6. Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 26, 2025, 6:00 pm, if needed.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.