

## FIDO'S FRIENDS GENERAL MEETING

January 20, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Chic Garner at 1:10pm. Other Board members present were Peggy Perkins, Co-Treasurer-Membership and Carol Tombre, Co-Treasurer-Membership. Absent Allan Keller, Vice President and Franci Buenger,.

Members were asked to introduce themselves and their dogs. It was suggested that the Club acknowledge when a member or their dog passes.

Carol Tombre read the minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS:** Secretary

The Club is seeking nominations for the position of President and Co-Treasurer-Membership as we will be holding our election at our March meeting. If you would be willing to serve notify a Board member. We need to fill the positions in order to maintain our Fido's Friends Club and keep our park safe for our dogs.

Chic spoke about the high usage of the Dog Park especially in the early morning and late afternoon. He updated us on the shade structures and our main problem is finding someone who will install them. He asked if anyone knew someone who might possibly be able to do the job. The problem seems to be contractors are already very busy and are not interested in working through the SCOV and Oro Valley permitting process. There was a question asking if it were possible for the SCOV maintenance crew to do this project. Chic said he would ask. This project is still in process. Also the solar lights are now up around the Park.

Chic reported that Allan is working with SCOV to replace the sign at the entrance of the Park. Allan is maintaining our website. He also is putting together a Resource list. If you have any recommendations please send the information to Allan.

Peggy reported our Bank balance as of 12-21-2021 is \$7,821.37 including the \$2000 donation for the shade structure. Majority of it is from membership dues and fundraising. At this point we have 155 members. The list will be updated and all 2022 members will receive the new code to the gates.

She said we received \$180 from members buying a Legacy brick and designating Fido's Club on the form.

March 15<sup>th</sup> is the date scheduled for the Snake Aversion Training. Cost is \$80 for initial training and \$10 for a retest. Average time for testing is about 10minutes. An email will go out as to how to sign up to be on list to schedule a time slot for your dog.

The Fund Raising committee needs new members to participate and for new ideas. Thinking of expanding to vests, jackets and shirts with our logo in the future.

The Yappy Hour last Thursday was again well attended. Be sure to thank Rick and Golf crew.

Mary Murck is our Facebook Administrator if you have any questions.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Concern was expressed to the Board that the gravel is very thin in some places and needs to be spread out to help keep the park disease free. Chic is going to talk to the Maintenance crew about taking care of that project as they did thinning the trees. Reminder that everyone using the park needs to keep their dog under control and pick up after their dog for everyone's safety.

Kathleen Gonzalez spoke about her sister, Theresa Gonzalez, DVM, who is speaking at our March meeting regarding holistic veterinary medicine.

Chic also discussed the tight parking situation we sometimes experience and how we need to be aware of where we park. Looking into better options.

Our speaker was Joanne Mead. She gave us tips on First Aid for Dogs from her years of experience walking dogs and working with Veterinarians. She spoke about picking out a leash, dog massages and finding an ER Veterinary Hospital. She gave us a handout showing how to create a First Aid Kit, products to avoid, snake bites, poison items to dogs, bee stings, indoor summer fun and hot weather fun.

The next meeting will be March 17<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Tombre, Co-Treasurer-Membership

For Franci Buenger, Secretary