SAFE REHOMING 2019 AGM

Terrey Hills Community Centre

26 October 2019 1pm

Meeting opened 1pm

Attending: Marissa Mittheumer, Gillian Wares, Garry Neilson, Wendy Calvert, Mary-Anne Rose, Maureen Nisbet, Timothy Crossman, Ruth Farre, Catsie Baker Davies, Helen Thomas, Stephanie Dos Santos, Sandra Dixon Hughes, Barbara webster, Lauren Radford, Joan White, Jacqueline Wheatley and Susan Barber.

Apologies: Rod Patton, Patricia Prossman, Joy Sherlock, Joan Manning, Liz Fitzsimmons, Prue Hill.

President Tim Crossman, welcomed all to the 2nd SAFE AGM

1. Approve previous minutes

Approved by SB / 2nd SDS

2. Any questions previous meeting

SB reminded the floor that we are talking about the financial year 2017/18 while we are currently in year 2018/19. Requested that we hold AGM earlier next year i.e. late August early September

3. Matters arising:

- GST collection (Item 5 from AGM 2018): As a charity we are exempt from income tax and are not registered for GST, downside is that we cannot claim back from expenses until earning over \$100K, upside is we don't have to send GST collected to government.
- Condos: Barbara Webster stored our condos for some time and we acknowledge this and thank her. Anyone with space to store anything in the future please let SAFE know. SB suggested that we are still considering alternative accommodation as we have an expiry date on our lease.
- We still need a volunteer co-ordinator and an events co-ordinator
- SB has been producing newsletters. We thank her for this.

4. Presidents report

- Thank you to all supporters and volunteers. There are 2 vacancies on the committee to be filled
- Last year was tough with cats having several major medical issues, however we have many good rehoming stories. Adoptions were slightly up from the previous year
- SAFE has been working with Avalon and Mona Vale vets and we have added Dr Chris Hong at Vet-O Brookvale. All of these vets discount their fees for SAFE.
- Dog lovers show we missed out this year but have booked in for 2020

5. Finances

• There was a glitch in the MYOB accounting system when producing the end of year accounts – some entries and the expenditure for the last 3 months of the year had not been recorded. The financial statement has been amended and resubmitted to the ACNC and 2018 now has an amended statement. We hope to bring in a volunteer bookkeeper to oversee the

accounts moving forward. Fees are very expensive for GoFundme compared to PayPal. More donors are now using PayPal. The Paypal Giving Fund (For charities) donated \$500 back to SAFE.

- Vet fees are one of the main expenses. Supporters are generous when SAFE makes specific appeals. Expenditure has been less for the last year due to SAFE taking in less animals.
 Travel expenditure will be less going forward as we have premises although we will have to fund expenses on Tim's car.
- Thank you to TC for working to date full-time without wages. There followed a discussion on how SAFE can pay TC. The committee has decided to pay for TC's car expenses and repairs. We are hoping that the extra income from boarding will enable us to pay TC. We have only been at SAFE Haven for 3 months and once we are able to budget more accurately, we should be in a better position pay wages to TC.
- Discussions were held on strata fees and garbage collection. Volunteers are currently taking home garbage and washing from the SAFE Haven.
- We have scraped through the first few months and are remaining in the black and expect that boarding will play a major part in our ongoing finances. The Christmas period is already fully booked and we have had plenty of enquiries from potential boarders for the rest of the Christmas holiday period which currently is about 60% full.

Elections

- No other committee members were nominated. TC proposed Clause 45.11(b) to vote on committee members nominated in one vote, i.e. Stephanie Dos Santos, Jacqueline Wheatley, Susan Barber, Lauren Radford (previously Annette Radford) and himself be voted for together. GN 2nd. The vote was unanimous.
- TC propose that the current committee be elected. 2nd SDH. The vote was unanimous.
- SAFE encourages members to consider becoming committee members.

General Business / Questions

- SB asked for volunteers to coordinate the Christmas auction function
- SB thanked all who have assisted in events and donations so far
- SB updated everyone on Linda's progress

Questions from floor:

Ideas on functions

Volunteers – we are looking for more, especially weekends + extra for school/Christmas holidays and events.

SAFE took in our 200th cat last week

No other questions.

2:20 pm meeting closed