

**Kentucky Animal Control Advisory Board
Meeting- March 3, 2022
109 Corporate Drive
Frankfort, Kentucky**

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Teleconference

Michael McNutt, Coleen Rene Bray, Bonnie Enlow, Douglas Johnson, Aaron Goodpaster, Julia Springsteen, Blake Durrett, Misti Drew, Terry Rowlett

Board Members Absent

Sarah Beth Guffey, Linda Grimes

Department of Agriculture Staff Present

Clint Quarles, Michael Grant

Welcome & Call to Order

Clint Quarles called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM and welcomed those present in person and those meeting via Zoom. Guests were requested to introduce themselves. Todd Blevins of the Humane Society, Michelle Shane of the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners, and Sara Coleman of the Kentucky Horse Council introduced themselves to Board members.

Media Notification

Michael Grant confirmed the media was notified about the meeting.

Roll Call

Roll Call was held and a quorum was present.

Approval of the January 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Minutes from meeting were reviewed and were approved contingent upon corrections.

Old Business

Michael Grant stated that the reports for the latest Spay/Neuter grants were due June 30, 2022. If a city or county is unable to complete their spending by then, they may request an extension. He also pointed out that several individuals have emailed or left voicemails with the Kentucky Department of Agriculture requesting Spay/Neuter assistance for their pets. Michael Grant gives these individuals the phone number of the nearest Spay/Neuter grantee for them to call.

New Business

The Board nominated and approved Misti Drew and Linda Grimes as Co-Chairs. Ms. Drew accepted the position and Dr. Grimes has been informed of her election pending acceptance.

Clint Quarles stated that about \$65,000 will be available for Spay/Neuter grants this year. He asked that since Kentucky Law 258.19 stipulates that each county in the state hire an Animal Control Officer, the Spay/Neuter application form include a checkoff box to confirm that applicants' counties indeed have such an officer on staff. The Board approved the Spay/Neuter application form. The form will be posted on the Board's website with a deadline of July 15, 2020. Misti Drew suggested publicizing Spay/Neuter applications. Todd Blevins suggested that the renewal fee for Spay/Neuter license plates be doubled from \$5 to \$10.

Michelle Shane of the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners gave a presentation on the KVME's Veterinary Medicine Practice Act Modernization proposal. She explained the scope of her board's activities. She then discussed the problems of controlled substances being used in Kentucky animal shelters such as their proper record keeping, secure storage, and humane use on animals. Michelle Shane listed the proposal highlights and distributed a handout on allowable drugs in certified Animal Control Agencies (ACA) by Animal Euthanasia Specialists (AES) for euthanasia and euthanasia assistance. ACAB members discussed the issue and Dr. Goodpaster answered questions about possible illegal narcotic use of veterinary drugs. Michelle Shane said the KVME representatives would like to meet with Board members to discuss ways they can partner on this important issue. She is ready to list some dates between this May and July of this year for such a meeting. Her handouts were emailed to absent Board members.

Clint Quarles reported that after consulting the Kentucky legislative website search engine, there was nothing pertinent to the Board to report.

Adjournment

Having no further business to come before the Board the meeting was declared adjourned.

Approval

Signature

Date