

**Kentucky Animal Control Advisory Board
Meeting- September 8, 2022
109 Corporate Drive
Frankfort, Kentucky**

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Attendance

Misti Drew, Doug Johnson, Linda Grimes, Julia Springsteen, Coleen Bray, Michael McNutt, Blake Durrett

Board Members Absent

Sarah Beth Guffey, Bonnie Enlow, Aaron Goodpaster, Terry Rowlett

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. Guests were requested to introduce themselves. Todd Blevins of the Humane Society and Michelle Shane of the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners 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 March 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Minutes from meeting were reviewed and were approved.

Old Business

Clint Quarles and Michael Grant gave their reports on their sections of the updated Animal Shelter Survey. Recent flooding has slowed responses to the survey. The updated version will be posted on the Board website. Blake Durrett said that the Kentucky Association of Counties (KACO) may be able to help with future surveys. Answering a question from Blake, Clint said counties and cities are not required to have animal shelters in order to receive a Spay/Neuter grant.

New Business

Michelle Shane of the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners (KBVE) recounted the status of the Kentucky Veterinary Medicine Practice Act Modernization bill in the Kentucky General Assembly. She proposed a meeting between the KBVE and Board members Misti Drew and Aaron Goodpaster to discuss this bill.

Dr. Grimes and Julia Springsteen discussed the impact of the shortage of rural veterinarians on Spay/Neuter procedures. Dr. Grimes noted that only surgical Spay/Neuter procedures, not shots, were effective on dogs and cats. She stated that the small grants from the Board to Kentucky counties and cities were insufficient to address the problem.

The Board approved the following criteria for awarding Spay/Neuter Grants for 2022 applicants:

1. Grant amount will be a maximum of \$2,000.
2. Counties/Cities that failed to report on full grant/match amounts for 2021 grants would be denied a grant award.
3. Eligible Counties/Cities that offer no match on their applications will be limited to a \$500 grant award.
4. No duplicate awards will be allowed. For example, if a fiscal court and a municipality apply from the same county, only one entity may receive an award.
5. Grant awards will be limited to the amount of their match. Exceptions allowed under the case of #3 criteria above.

Adjournment

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

Approval

Signature

Date