

Second Chance Small Dog Rescue of Elkhart Meeting Minutes September 1, 2015

Attendees: Brenda & Dave Spence, Berneda & Don Morse, Carolyn & Augie Sands, Nancy Zinkie, Sabrina Gall, Karen Miller, Jean Pletcher, Denise Hoke, Linda Tunks, Al & Judy Strukel, Marianne Riley, Mary Grove, Wendy Turner, Dee Brady, Karen Alberli, Mary Krause, Mary Beth Deitch & Poona Bhagat

Call to Order/Opening: Mary Krause, 6:37 pm. Mary asked that we go 'round the room stating who we are, how long we've been involved with the rescue & why we became part of it.

Treasurer's Report: Very much in need of money! All bills are currently paid with the exception of the newest Milford bill, which I just received. Don't have check book with me to give actual balance, but it is very low. We did receive \$50 from Pam Chaney's life celebration and \$202.14 from our last event at Martin's in Granger.

Adoptions/Fosters: Faith has been adopted and final papers on Nancy are pending.

Additional Business: Mary took the floor and stated why it was important that so many members attend this meeting – there has actually been some discussion about disbanding our rescue group. We are in desperate need of additional fosters. Those we have are either burned out or have their house filled up. Other things that we really need to keep the rescue running properly are: foster training, foster correlation, media (PR) people, a person to design and keep up our website and pet finders listing, a coordinator for the chicken bbq, a person or committee to obtain corporate donations, coordinator for the newspaper "free" weekly ads and someone willing to keep and update our inventory of dogs and who is fostering each one. A number of people volunteered for various positions. Linda will make up a list of who is willing to do what and e-mail the list to those involved for verification.

We had some discussion regarding the dance and whether or not we wanted to continue to have it. It was decided that some brainstorming regarding places, prices, dates, etc., would be done and then a decision made. People all want 50/50, tip boards & raffles, all of which require a gambling permit. Let's all do some serious thinking and discuss this further next month.

October Events: 10th Year anniversary celebration coming up at Pet Supplies Plus on 10/3.
Lots of exciting things going on , hours will be 11 am to 3 pm.

Mary closed the meeting at 8:00 pm by passing out additional "stolen dog" notices to be posted as many places as possible. She also announced that a large pit bull ring had been shut down in Madisonville, Ky., thanks in part to Linda's contacts around Indiana.

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