



Sonoma CHANGE Program Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. Director's present: Grant Miller, Katie Moore, Dana Petersen, Jane Mesics. Tim Dempsey present for 30 minutes. Shirley Zindler and Carol Skaggs absent with excuse and prior notification. Betsy Bueno absent with no explanation or notification.

GENERAL ITEMS

Meeting minutes from the 1-26-10 meeting were approved and will be posted on the website.

ITEMS:

1. **FUNDRAISER:** BB has resigned her position as the fundraising chair. GM has taken over fundraiser leadership.
 - a. The September 19, 2010 Annual Fundraiser is slated to take place at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds, prices and logistics were presented by GM. A spaghetti dinner and award ceremony with small silent auction is the rough overview of the fundraiser at this point. TD will contact food vendors to discuss pricing. GM will continue to work with Sonoma County Fair on logistics. Volunteer core is coming together but more are needed. Board members signed up to provide food/ drinks.
 - b. Tack Swap for late summer is also in the works.
 - c. GM has been selling items out of the tack room by bringing them to client ranches and selling them on the farm,
 - d. KM sold three horse trailers last month.

2. **WEBSITE:**
 - a. CHANGE blog has been updated with a profile on Cici.
 - b. Balou and Socks have been moved to "Available for Adoption"
 - c. Nonie's profile was updated.
 - d. Donation page is up and running.
 - e. GM to write a new blog entry.

3. BB did not fulfill her obligation of developing an Adopted Horse Check-Up Check List and so JM will take over this responsibility.

REPORT ON PROGRAM HORSES

1. Crystal has been moved out of foster care home to a training facility. Her training is going well and a suitable adopter has been located. She will likely be adopted within a couple of days.
2. “Nonie” is slowly gaining weight. Her feet were trimmed, and GM powerfloated her. Fecal results show >100 eggs/ gram- deworming has been started. Cushing’s test will be run. Updates posted on website.
3. “Balou” is gaining weight. GM trimmed his feet, dewormed him, powerfloated his teeth and cleaned his sheath. Updates posted on website.
4. “Socks” is also gaining weight. GM trimmed her feet, dewormed her, and powerfloated her teeth. Cushing’s test will be run. Updates posted on website.

TREASURY

2/10 financial report was presented. Tax documents to be completed in March.

MISCELLANEOUS

CHANGE window decals were presented and distributed.

Strategic planning session with CHANGE Strategic planner is slated for a Sunday in March. TD will research DA office conference room as a possible venue.

Horse Trailer on order, slated to be completed by mid- March.

People v Caroline Epperly will be researched by TD
People v. Monico Mijarez to be researched by TD.

Several policies were revised / updated:

- Ranch Check-Up Check List (JM started with board input)
- Foster Care Guidelines
- Foster Care Agreement
- Adoption Questionnaire
- Adoption Policy

Board decided that an email posting the following rules should be distributed:

1. No members can visit CHANGE horses in foster care without clearing the visit in advance through the veterinarian on the case
2. If a Board member cannot make it to a meeting, they must inform the President by email or phone with as much advance notice as possible.

NEXT MEETING:

- ♦ Regular board meeting will be merged in with Strategic Planning Session on March 28, 2010. Location TBA.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

APPROVED and ADOPTED, March 28, 2010 by quorum decision.

Witness:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Grant Miller". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GRANT MILLER