

Dalmatian Club of America Foundation  
Board of Governors Minutes  
Zoom Meeting  
Thursday, August 18, 2022

**I. Call to Order**

The third quarter meeting of the Dalmatian Club of America Foundation's Board of Governors was called to order by President Toni Linstedt at 7:00pm CDT on Thursday, August 18, 2022, conducted via Zoom. DCAF Board of Governors in attendance were. Mrs. Kris Benoit, Ms. Rosie Branaman, Dr. Kelly Flannigan, Dr. Charles Garvin, Mrs. Deby Harber, Mrs. Meg Hennessey, Dr. Ginger Iwaoka, Mrs. Barbara Kaplan-Barrett, Mrs. Carol O'Brien, Mr. Kevin O'Connell, Ms. Paula Olcott, Mrs. Betty Pirs, Mrs. Stephanie Podejko, Mrs. SarahAnne Vancleeve, Mrs. Michele Wrath and Mrs. Sheila Wymore. Those absent were: Mrs. Ann Ball, Mrs. Barbara Lyons, Ms. Julia Soukup.

**II. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting – May 2, 2022. A big thank you to Dr. Iwaoka for taking the minutes! Mr. Kevin O'Connell moved to accept the minutes, Mrs. Meg Hennessey seconded, motion passed.**

**III. Report of Officers**

**A. President's – Toni Linstedt**

Mrs. Linstedt reported that our fundraising events at DCA this year were much better than anticipated. Thank you to all who participated in making it so successful. The art show did extremely well, the pendant did quite well and the thrift store did wonderfully. Mrs. Linstedt broke down what we needed to accomplish at this meeting.

**B. Vice President – Kelly Flannigan**

Nothing to report at this time.

**C. Recording Secretary – SarahAnne Vancleeve**

Nothing to report at this time.

**D. Treasurer – Meg Hennessey**

**1. Income & Expenses Through July 31, 2022**

a. Total Income	\$41,687.74
b. Total Expense:	\$25,485.25
c. Net Ordinary Income	\$16,202.49

**2. Balance Sheet:**

a. Total Assets:	\$1,016,141.32
b. Liabilities	\$1,475.60
c. Equity	\$1,016,141.32

**3. Wellington Account (savings) as of July 31, 2022**

a. Book value:	\$ 366,541.76
b. Market Value 7/31/2022	\$ 318,262.67
c. This still represents a gain of	\$11,781.71

**4. Endowment Account as of July 31, 2022**

a. Book value:	\$621,154.98
b. Market Value 7/31/2022	\$560,265.41
c. This still represents a gain of	\$705.28

5. Wellington Funds are still where we want to keep our funds. The Wellington Fund is slowly recovering.

6. Annual Campaign: October 1, 2021, through July 31, 2022

a. Income: \$5536.00

b. Expenses \$1278.51

c. Net: \$4257.49

d. The amount shown in the income and expense statement is for the fiscal year.

7. Donations/grants

a. Target 5% \$49,258.64

b. Donations/grants 2022: \$23,692.43

c. Balance to be made \$25,566.21

Donations/grants numbers have changed since 7/31 due to paying some bills; DCAF needs to donate \$22,590 prior to the end of the year.

8. Total Liabilities and Equity \$1,016,141.32

9. NetSuite Oracle: The system has a steep learning curve. Mrs. Hennessey is taking online classes for it currently.

#### **E. Corresponding Secretary – Deby Harber**

The following correspondence has been received and acknowledged from April 21, 2022 through August 14, 2022:

In Memory of Donors—22 canine

In Memory of Donors—6 humans

Acknowledgements—25 letters

General Donation Donors—25 letters

Facebook Donations—14 letters

Litter DNA Donations – 14 letters

Total correspondence—101 letters

In addition to what was sent above Mrs. Linstedt sent 49 letters to artists for the fundraiser, the people who purchased the art and to Kathy Norris for the pendant at this year's National.

**Mrs. Betty Pirs moved to accept the Officers Reports, Mr. Kevin O'Connell seconded, motion passed.**

#### **IV. Committee Reports**

##### **A. DCARE – Kevin O'Connell**

1. DCARE Committee would like the DCA Board to prioritize with the

DCA Webmaster/Website Committee several key updates to the DCARE pages on the DCA website. In addition, it has been suggested that the web pages for DCARE have a more prominent location on the home page of the web site and not "buried" in the "Looking for a Dalmatian" section. The DCARE committee is more than ready to work with the Webmaster/Website Committee on the required and essential updates and changes.

2. A matter which needs to be addressed is an issue with links from the AKC website to the new DCA website. Some links on the AKC website for DCA are utilizing the URL for the old DCA website which contains outdated and or erroneous information.

One new article will appear in the upcoming issue of *The Spotter* with possibly a second one if space permits.

## **B. Health Committees – Ginger Iwaoka/Kelly Flannigan**

Topic Managers have been named for every category except Renal. We are trying to get the website updated. Health articles for *The Spotter* are being submitted regularly.

### **1. OFA CHIC DNA Repository – Ginger Iwaoka**

As of June 30, 2022 we have had 14 litters banked for 2022. Thank you for the banners from DCAF which lists all full litter donors. Thank you to Deby Harber for sending out acknowledgement letters to everybody that submitted full litters.

### **2. James W Smith Memorial Health Clinics – DCA 2023 – Kelly Flannigan**

Found an ophthalmologist who will also stand in as the state licensed veterinarian in order for us to do blood draws for the 2023 National.

### **3. Copper Toxicity – Ann Ball**

The study is progressing. Submitted proposal to CHF for an Oak Grant to continue the Copper Storage Research. Letters were sent to CHF from DCAF and DCA strongly supporting that the research be continued to a successful conclusion.

### **4. Deafness**

Interested in seeing a copy of the article printed in the Journal; however, we would have to purchase a subscription. No desire to do that for one article. It was suggested to go to the author and request it from them.

### **5. Renal Failure**

No report

### **6. Urinary Stones – Tracie Tepke**

No report.

## **C. Development Task Force**

### **1. Annual Drive – Kevin O’Connell/Barbara Kaplan-Barrett**

Will do the annual drive via USPS like in past years. The cost should be close to the same as last year. Tweaking the brochure slightly with Mrs. O’Brien’s assistance. Suggestion of having an insert that lists bullet points of research in progress. Shooting for getting it out around November 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **2. Endowment Fund – Betty Pirs**

The fund is fluctuating on a daily basis. The best course of action is to stay where we are and ride it out. If there are any additional funds to add to the Endowment, now is the time to do it.

**3. Fund Raising Events – Toni Linstedt**

Need suggestions for 2023 National. Ann Ball, Pam Joyce and Barrie Essner are working together to come up with some ideas.

**4. Heritage Society – Carol O'Brien**

People who indicated they might consider a Heritage pledge this year have been contacted. Carola Adams finalized her pledge for the Heritage Society. If any of you are aware of people who may have indicated an interest in learning more about the Heritage Society or who have stated they already have DCAF in their wills, please let Mrs. O'Brien know about them, so she can follow up and, hopefully, finalize their pledges.

**Donor Recognition – Toni Linstedt**

Fall Donor Recognition activities were discussed.

**D. Website – Julia Soukup**

Did updates to the website as requested.

**Mrs. Meg Hennessey moved to accept the Committee Reports, Dr. Ginger Iwaoka seconded, motion passed.**

**V. Unfinished Business**

**A. Website Redesign** – Proposals from developers are being reviewed. A suggestion was made to use the Parent Club e-list to find out what other clubs use. This will be pursued.

**VI. New Business**

No new business at this time.

**VI. Adjournment**

**Mrs. Meg Hennessey moved to adjourn, Mrs. Betty Pirs seconded, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10PM CST.**

Respectfully Submitted,

SarahAnne Vancleeve