

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
TRIPAWDS FOUNDATION**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Tripawds Foundation was held at via telephone conference call on November 11, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. Pacific time. The following directors were present: Rene Agredano, Secretary, Ralph Kanz, Director, Jim Nelson, President. A quorum for the transaction of business was present at all times.

The [President] called the meeting to order.

**ITEM 1: Organization Financial Review**

**WHEREAS** Tripawds Foundation balance sheet and profit and loss statements were reviewed. Total liabilities and equity, including a significant anonymous donation in November, enable the organization to continue current programs and activate two additional direct-assistance programs on a trial basis in 2017. A total of four foundation programs will run concurrently in 2017 to significantly increase direct assistance outreach disbursements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED** that the Board makes the following determinations:

1. Board Member Kanz recommended a higher monthly service payment for technical support contractor Agreda Communications. Contractor rejected this request, tabling it for discussion until late 2017.
2. Board Member Agredano will investigate banking options to secure \$5,000 of current financial assets. Board agreed that funds will be deposited in an interest-bearing account. Board also agreed that funds will only be used for operational emergencies threatening survival of the organization. Any disbursement must first be reviewed and agreed on by the Board prior to withdrawal. Agredano requests board review of investment vehicle prior to account activation.

**ITEM 2: Additional Direct Assistance Programs**

**WHEREAS** The Tripawds Foundation financial status enables the organization to create two new direct assistance programs, the "Tripawds ASAP!" (*Amputation Surgery Assistance Program*) Fund and the Tripawds Gear Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED** that the Board makes the following determinations:

3. The Tripawds ASAP Fund is a need based, first-come-first-served program for financially distressed individuals who cannot afford amputation surgery. Applicants must provide proof of income based on pre-determined guidelines set by the Board. One grant per month in the amount of \$500 will be disbursed in the first six months of 2017. In June 2017 Board shall determine feasibility of continuing the Tripawds ASAP Fund, after grant #6 is granted and a total of \$3000 in funding has been disbursed.
4. Tripawds Gear Fund is also a need-based, first-come-first-served program for financially distressed individuals who cannot afford amputation surgery. Applicants must provide proof of income based on pre-determined guidelines set by the Board. Two Ruffwear Webmaster Harnesses will be disbursed in the first six months of 2017. In June 2017, Board shall determine feasibility of continuing the

Tripawds Gear Fund after harness #12 is granted and a total of \$600 in funding is disbursed.

After discussion, the Board agreed that the next meeting will take place at a time to be determined by the board.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rene Agredano, Secretary