

**ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY, INC.
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NEW MILFORD, CT 06776**

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2013**

Attendees: Jocelyn Basto; Janet Bloch; Pam Bouska; Kris Cassar; Renee Gardner; Katherine Krigsman; Diane Saraceni; Ernie Simo; Danielle Van Doren

The meeting began at 7:33 pm.

Secretary's Report - Karen Marrotte

- Minutes from the January meeting was accepted

President's Report - Danielle Van Doren

- Current budget questions reviewed with suggested budget corrections and update (final due for March meeting)
- Review of investments and Board Of Trustees (suggestions from membership to contact Dean Aida from Aida Financial to review financials)
- Discussion of shelter additions and repairs
- Motion to take out to bid portfolio company
- Calendar project
- Direct mailing project for Bridgewater and Brookfield
- Possible fundraiser at Peter Mays farm (wine tasting and chocolates)

Shelter Manager's Report - Renee Gardner

- Repairs to furnace
- Brought to vote to hire a trainer for dogs - Bruce Caplin will come on Mondays for temperament assessment and work with staff, offering phone consults. \$200/month. Passed vote.
- Cats in house 53, foster 1, placed 6, took in 6
- Dogs in house 12, foster 2, placed 3, took in 4

Vice President's Report - Diane Saraceni

- Grant to be submitted for painting project total \$6880 (will be submitted this week)
- Grant to be submitted for Renee and Danielle to attend training conference in RI

- Purse auction on Facebook went well, took in \$653

Education - Kris Cassar

- Daisy Scouts project and tour of AWS
- St Joes event on 2/26 - need to bring cat and dog
- Youth group from St John's Episcopal Church - bring teens to shelter for community service (can we use them to help with tag sale or Dog Days?)
- Has names and addresses in towns for Red Rover letters

Other

- Katherine Krigsman insulated Isolation Room

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Diane Saraceni
Vice President