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ECAD Board Meeting

Meeting Date:	8/17/2015	Meeting Time:	5:00 pm		
Facilitator:	Dale Picard	Meeting Location:	Children's Village; Dobbs Ferry, NY		
Minutes taken by:	Leslie Pihonak	Next Meeting Date:	TBD		
Meeting Attendees:	Board Members: Hector Torres, Kathy Forte, Anne Hoenig, Jim Hoenig; Other Attendees: Dale Picard, Carrie Picard, Lu Picard, Tammy Moffit (remotely)				
With Apologies:	Geri Corrigan				

Meeting called to order by: Dale at 5:12pm; seconded by: H. Torres

Discussion:	Review of previous Board Meeting Minutes Suggestion Plan guidelines completed for ADI according to the provided in the p	
	 Succession Plan guidelines completed for ADI accrediation Unanimous approval of Succession Plan 	
	 Unanimous approval of previous minutes: motion to accept: D. Picard 	
	2 nd : H. Torres	
	 Executive Officer's Report – D. Picard [presenter] 	
	o 990 reviewed:	
	 Unanimous Approval of 990 	
	o Board Trustees reviewed:	
	 H. Torres suggested implementing a Board of Trustees to be responsible for internal audit of the Board 	
	 To be explored further 	
	 Recent Board Resignations reviewed: 	
	J. Joseph, K. Batterton, S. Batterton, V. Paisner, A. Forstmann, L. Shantz	
	 Tavrow Lund impact on Board position reviewed 	
	 Review of direction for sub-committees formed under resigned leadership –to be finalized at a later date 	
	 Eric McWilliams and Capital Campaign reviewed: 	
	 Website has been launched 	
	 Ready for S& P 500 direct mailing to launch 	
	Dale to have hard copy mailed to him via USPS for final approval	
	 Retainer paid –no further financial obligation until \$750k mark is reached 	
	Polo cancellation reviewed:	
	 Difficulties w/ operational staff @ Greenwich Polo Grounds 	
	Low response rate	
	Noted that Dale will be attending LEAP Seminar at CFNWCT	
	Executive Director Coaching	
	Relationship building w/ the foundation	





- Board Recruitment
- Board Governance
- o Capacity Building in Torrington reviewed:
 - Winsted | Torrington very supportive of building project
 - Two possible building structure: kennels and offices
 - Leech field testing scheduled
 - Excavator survey scheduled
 - Exploration being underwritten personally by Lu and Dale
- Accreditation reviewed:
 - Two Board Members needed for one of the days
- Financial Report T. Moffit [presenter]
 - Balance Sheet reviewed:
 - Reviewed highlighting the main sections
 - Noted \$10k+ in discrepancy in YTD v. Actuals [K.Forte]
 - Timing of funds being received in-house
 - Expectations of deliverables v. actual deliverables
 - P&L reviewed:
 - Reviewed line by line
 - Annual loss of \$269K noted
 - Cost Saving Measures Reviewed:
 - \$149k in cash savings implemented by cutting budgets \ salaries \ expenses
 - W/C accessible van, Ford Ranger and commercial generator to be sold
 - % reduction in kennel supplies [kennel cleaners, leashes, bowls, etc] –can be campaigned on social media
 - Reduction in vet costs [puppy hip x-rays, reduced spay and neuters through a new vet, etc.]
 - Staff layoffs reviewed:
 - Melissa
 - Brian
 - Tara w/ severance
 - Joy (reduced hours)
 - Tas (reduced hours)
 - Torrington staff (reduced hours)
 - Layoff impact to be evaluated in the next month (mid-Sept) w/ Tammy

New Actions						
Ref	Action Items	Status	Who	Due By		
	Assemble Emergency Leadership Team for Succession Plan		Executive Committee	TBD Next Board Meeting		
	Request hard copy invitations for Board Members from McWilliams		C. Picard	ASAP		





Outstanding Actions						
Ref	Action Items	Status	Who	Due By		
	Evaluation of subcontracting obligations to be added to the Succession Plan	On Hold	ECAD Administration	TBD		
	Verify if Board should be soliciting for CC/Polo event GIKs/sponsorships	On Hold	C. Picard	ASAP		

Motion to adjourn by: K. Forte at 7:15 pm; seconded by: H. Torres