

SA Greys Annual Board Meeting  
January 13, 2019  
Wilmot Library  
Tucson, AZ

**Meeting was called to order by Board President Mark Westergaard at 2:00 pm followed by a Year End Review in pictures.**

**Approval or correction of minutes:** Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and would be posted on the website

**Financial Report**

The financial report indicated all expenses. Report included the information included the good news of a decrease in expenses/losses compared to 2017 and higher individual donations.

**Fundraising Report**

Greyt Winter Festival will have wonderful art donations, gift baskets, round trip airfare vouchers and vacations. The Greyt Red Carpet will feature doggie designers. Fundraising is looking into new ways to increase donations.

**Operations Report**

Presentation of the Year in Review Report: 45 dogs, 45 adoptions. Desi will not be adopted. Hookworm treatments remain the number one issue followed by dental issues in brood moms. A total of medical expenses was \$63,680; Jackie's Fund \$35,678. SA Greys always says "yes" to take hounds from any source, track, farms, etc. Discussion included the possibility of a huge number of hounds coming from the closure of Florida tracks at the end of 2020. As the need for puppies diminishes brood moms are becoming available. There are no updates on the availability of hounds from the now closed China track. 2019 annual expenses, based on the 2018 example, are expected to be \$78,000; OPS will continue to plan ahead.

**Desi's Story**

Desi, the rebound hound, who suffers from intestinal lymphangiectasia is doing well. Desi visits the vet monthly and has found a permanent foster home.

**Events/Outreach Report**

2018 featured nine events (not including the fundraiser). Credit for the success of these events is given to volunteers - both new and old "stand-bys." Group is in the process of obtaining merchandise which should be available by the spring ice cream social. The "Events" calendar on the website will be display regular events as the anticipated new ones.

### **Adoption Report**

All volunteers who give one on one attention to adoptable hounds to help with familiarizations were thanked. This attention helps hounds to more rapidly adapt to the home environments.

### **Membership Report**

Memberships align with the calendar year. Currently there are ninety-four (94) members with sixteen (16) in the 30 day renewal grace period; this represents an increase in membership. A member survey is coming with advertising for activities.

Election results were announced with all nominees elected.

### **New Business**

An Emergency Medical Fund is being discussed. This fund would be available for extraordinary situations for SA Greys. Recently four hounds have been assisted with donations to this fund. The parameters of this fund have not yet been formalized for access to this fund. SA Greys is one of the few groups in the U.S. to provide assistance after adoption. There will be an application process with a small committee to approve. It is anticipated vet bills would be paid directly to the vet. Further discussions of this fund will provide a more concrete foundation.

### **Call to the Audience**

Green Valley Property: This donated asset really needs to be liquidated. Developers/ builders have been contacted and are not interested in this lot. Specs on property are available and will be updated on the website.

Amazon Smiles and Fry's: Are open for SA Greys supporters. It is easy to sign up on-line on each of these groups.

Reminder to have SA Greys activities listed on the "Tucson Dog" calendar. Reminder was given to and from audience to continue to think of new ideas and new projects.

**Meeting was adjourned with thanks to the audience at 4:00 pm**

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Lopez,  
Secretary