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PSDP Board of Directors Minutes
12/16/16, 12:30 p.m. PT/3:30 p.m. ET

Attendees

Veronica, Elaine, Chanda, Brad, & Linden

Agenda

- Next regular meeting
- One vs. many work or task items
- Book under review
- Housing clarification
- Personal Impact and Community Photos
- Fundraising
- Revision of emergency card
- Supreme Court case
- ACAA regulation update
- Treasury Report

This regular meeting was called by verbal agreement during the prior meeting, or by intermediate written reasonable notification made in good faith and agreed to by a majority of board members through email or phone, and was held through videoconferencing.

- Next regular meeting
Friday, January 20th at 12:30 PT/3:30 ET.
- One vs. many work or task items
It is common in the service dog community for people to be confused about whether more than one work or task item is required for a dog to (legally) be a service dog. Brad drafted a message about this, which has now been modified and posted to the site in the Laws FAQ and as an article:

<http://www.psychdogpartners.org/resources/work-tasks/number-of-tasks>

- Book under review
An author contacted PSDP soliciting an endorsement for her forthcoming book on psychiatric service dogs. While we do not normally consider endorsements, we are evaluating this project to see whether it meets our standards.
- Housing clarification
The interplay of laws affecting housing situations is complicated. We recently updated our single FAQ answer on the topic to reveal more of this situation, and we are considering putting out an article to help housing providers and seekers better understand the rules in play.
- Personal Impact and Community Photos
Community Photos to be solicited soon, due at the end of December.
- Fundraising
Giving Tuesday did not raise the funds we had hoped would sustain us, but we are optimistic about people donating before the end of the year.

Future years: Alternative gift fair(s). Will solicit: Sam's Club donation. NAMI-Piedmont Tri-County will

sponsor our convention by paying for the registration of three local registrants. We will look into corporate sponsorship.

Chanda and Wes held a puppy kissing booth at their tasting room and raised \$60. We will investigate "Coin Up".

- Revision of emergency card

We are revising our emergency card to be additionally available as a fillable pdf. We've made new progress and are updating a draft based on board input.

We are also drafting a first-responder refrigerator notice, and will be doing so based on the 2016 convention's first responder discussion.

- Supreme Court case

The case for which we submitted an amicus brief had oral arguments on October 31st. We are waiting to hear how this case is resolved. In the meantime, have posted a transcript on our site.

<http://www.psychdogpartners.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/fry-oral-argument-transcript.pdf>

- ACAA regulation update

We had great community support for a three-day survey to gather information requested by Econometrica (DOT's contractor) about the burdens of the current medical documentation requirements. With Jenine Stanley and under the banner of "United Service Animal Users, Supporters, and Advocates" (USAUSA), we then issued a 19-page report exhibiting the results.

<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=DOT-OST-2015-0246-0296>

- Treasury Report

The treasury report includes changes to and progress in the categories of: income, expenses, current funds, the budget, earmarked funds, and fundraising.

