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Board of Directors *Meeting Minutes*

September 6, 2024

Attendees: Veronica, Brad, Linden, Heather, Katie, and Karin

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.

Agenda

- Next regular meeting
- Taxes
- Site additions
- Air travel
- Priorities survey
- GreatNonprofits
- Fundraising: raffle, walk
- Peer convention

• **Next regular meeting**

Friday, November 1st at 1:00 PT/3:00 CT/4:00 ET.

Board social: October 11th at 1:00 PT/3:00 CT/4:00 ET.

• **Taxes**

Brad filed the federal and state tax forms.

• **Site additions**

Veronica wrote an article about when to retire/wash a dog and it's in the editing phase.

Brad made additions to Veronica's prospect vs SDIT vs SD article, the article received board approval, and it's now posted:

<https://www.psychdogpartners.org/resources/getting-a-dog/prospect-vs-sdit-vs-sd>

• **Air travel** *(no update)*

DOT is renewing their OMB status on the service animal flying form (required for it to have legal effect), and they've slightly updated the form to clarify that owner-training is fine. We submitted a comment:

<https://www.psychdogpartners.org/board-of-directors/board-activities/advocacy>

The form is in the final stage of the OMB approval process, along with its new companion instruction document. *There's no word yet from DOT on this.*

DOT plans to handle more substantive issues in the future, partly through their ACAAs advisory committee. We'll have to ensure we have their ear before they draft an NPRM in this arena.

- **Priorities survey**

We are constructing our annual priorities survey for the community and will send it out soon. This is the formal way we get community feedback about what community members would like PSDP to focus on in the coming year.

- **GreatNonprofits**

We're soliciting ratings/reviews in the hope of earning our 2024 Top Nonprofit badge from GreatNonprofits.

<https://greatnonprofits.org/org/psychiatric-service-dog-partners>

- **Fundraising: raffle, walk**

Our trial of an online raffle concluded. If we do another raffle, we plan to focus on items that are easier to mail, such as gift cards.

We would like to do a fundraising walk where individuals can do it on their own during a time period. It will not be combined with the convention month; we may be able to do it next September.

- **Peer convention**

The 2025 peer convention planning committee is planning next year's convention, for May 3rd–5th at the Courtyard by Marriott in Long Beach, California.

