## **Animal Charity Evaluators**

Board of Directors Meeting
Type of Meeting: Standard Meeting
Date: November 6, 2023

### <u>In attendance:</u>

Chairperson: Verónica Díaz Carrai Vice Chairperson: Zach Freitas-Groff

Secretary: Alanna Devine Board Member: Kieran Greig Board Member: Allison Smith Board Member: Anju Goel Board Member: Mo Esan Board Member: Tom Bilello

Executive Director: Stien van der Ploeg Board Admin. Assistant: Eyren Semper

Absent:

Treasurer: Ravi Mulani

Board Member: Andrea Gunn

Guest: N/A

### Quorum established: Yes

- 1. Call to order
  - a. VDC called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm (PT).
- 2. Board Votes
  - a. Previous minutes were approved via email on October 22, 2023.
- 3. Executive Director items
  - i. Financials:
    - 1. Will review the up to date financials at the next board meeting.
    - 2. Fundraising updates
      - a. On track so far.
  - ii. HR Updates:
    - 1. Recruitment
      - a. Research position posting is now active.
    - 2. Performance management
      - a. 360 performance assessments will begin in early

#### December.

- iii. ED Discretionary Items:
  - 1. Discussion around theory of change for ACE's evaluation program.
  - 2. Charity Recommendations are being released November 8.
  - 3. New staff committee being established for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice optional space for one board member.
- 4. Officer items
  - a. Updates:
    - i. Treasurer
      - Treasurer's update will follow later in the week via email and will include updated information on an investment advisor for ACE.
- 5. Committee/RITW Representative items
  - a. Updates:
    - i. Governance Committee
      - 1. Revised bylaws discussion by board members.
    - ii. ED Evaluation Committee
      - 1. Next EC meeting is set for November 30
    - iii. Board Recruitment Committee
      - 1. Additional information will follow in the new year.
    - iv. Contingency Planning Committee
      - 1. First meeting to be scheduled in December.
- 6. Guest items
  - a. No guests in attendance
- **7.** Staff items
  - a. No submissions
- 8. New business
  - a. No new business.
- 9. Closed session excludes ED and other invited guests.
  - a. Meeting has moved into a closed session at 6:54 pm (PT)

# 10. Next scheduled meeting

a. TBD - possible dates January 8, 15, 21 or 22, 2024

# 11. Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm (PT) on November 6 by VDC

## Submitted by:

Alanna Devine, Board Secretary Verónica Díaz Carrai, Board Chair