

**GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.**  
Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: January 8, 2011

Place: Quail Run Assisted Living  
9900 Walther Boulevard  
Baltimore, MD 21234

Officers Present:

Barb Schaefer (President)  
Dana Cubbage (Vice-President)  
Donna Blake (Treasurer)  
LaDonna Puryear (Board Member at Large/Adoption Applications Coordinator)  
Tamara Webb (Intake/Foster Home Coordinator)  
Faye Fink (Board Member at Large)

Officers Not Present:

Janie Heishman (Secretary – Melissa Bageant filling in as secretary for meeting)

Lunch was served first.

24 members (including board members) were present.

At 1:02 pm Barb Schaefer called the meeting to order.

2010 Annual Meeting minutes were read by Melissa Bageant and accepted by membership present.

Barb Schaefer introduced “Archie”, who was there, and is a permanent long-term foster with a heart condition. She also talked about “Luke” who is a 7 year old in long-term foster care with a seizure disorder, and “Toby” who is a long-term foster with renal failure. Several thousand dollars in donations were collected for Toby’s care.

Operational reports were given.

**OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

**Dana Cubbage - membership report:**

GoldHeart currently has 133 paid members (includes foster homes)

**LaDonna Puryear – application report:**

There were 248 applications in 2010 –

158 from Maryland  
70 from Pennsylvania  
4 from Virginia  
11 from Delaware  
1 from New Jersey  
4 from D.C.

There were 145 applicants approved this past year.

7 non-approvals.

10 applications on hold.

14 paying by check where no payment has been received.

7 rejected for being out of service area.

1 rejected since applicant wanted to adopt a dog and give it to her mother in another state.

16 got dogs from another source and canceled their application.

28 applications are inactive due to either bad vet checks, no response back to GoldHeart or other reasons.

### **Tamara Webb – Intake/Foster Home:**

70 dogs came into GoldHeart in 2010:

25 female

45 male

Of the 70 dogs that came in, 35 were already spayed/neutered and 35 were not. Out of the 35 not spayed or neutered, 34 were spayed/neutered by GoldHeart, and 1 (Toby) was not due to medical issues.

GoldHeart brought in 4 long-term fosters in 2010:

2 yr. old Toby

7 yr. old Luke

9 yr. old Chance

14 yr. old Chance

The highest number of intakes were dogs in the 2-5 year old range.

The second highest number of intakes were dogs in the 6-10 year old range.

The third highest number of intakes were dogs under 2 years of age.

The lowest number was 2 dogs over 10 years old.

Two dogs that came in were returns, and have already been successfully re-adopted and are cherished companions in their new forever homes.

One foster dog was lost due to a large, cancerous tumor on the spleen.

Two dogs were sent to other rescues due to behavioral issues. The rescues that took them were better equipped to correct the problems the dogs presented and had a better chance of re-homing them.

Currently we have 3 dogs in foster care.

GoldHeart adopted out 55 dogs in 2010.

3 dogs have adoptions pending.

One dog had to be euthanized due to bite incidents.

**Donna Blake - Treasurer's report:**

For the calendar year ending 12/31/2010 –

Total income \$62,896.20 (adoption income, adoption application income, Clay Fund, donations, fundraising, dog give-up donations, membership dues, merchandise sales, microchipping, interest)

Total expense \$53,208.24 (adoption, bank fees, boarding, dog food, fundraising, grooming, insurances, merchandise, microchips, postage, newsletter, office supplies, picnic, supplies, cell phone, obedience training deposit refund, vet care, website hosting)

On 12/31/2010 we had a net income left of \$9,687.96

A motion was made to accept operation reports. Motion accepted by all present.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There were 24 GoldHeart members present that were eligible to vote.

Barb Schaefer introduced the current board members running again for re-election. They were:

Donna Blake for treasurer  
Dana Cubbage – VP  
Tamara Webb – board member at large  
Faye Fink – board member at large

**ACTION:** Vote was taken to elect Donna Blake for the position of Treasurer for a 2 year term and approved by all 24 members present.

**ACTION:** Vote was taken to elect Dana Cubbage for the position of Vice President for a two year term and approved by all 24 members present.

**ACTION:** Vote was taken to elect Tamara Webb for the position of Board Member at Large for a two year term and approved by all 24 members present.

**ACTION:** Vote was taken to elect Faye Fink for the position of Board Member at Large for a two year term and approved by all 24 members present.

**ACTION:** Vote was taken to keep Janie Heishman in the Secretary position for one more year, until it comes up for re-election in 2012, and approved by all 24 members present.

Barb Schaefer talked to the membership present about the World of Pets Expo coming up at the end of January, vaccine clinics in PA. Out of the \$10.00 charged for each vaccine, GoldHeart gets \$8.00. Trying to figure out how to set up vaccine clinics in MD also.

At 1:44 pm Barb Schaefer declared the annual meeting adjourned.

**At 2:36 the Board held a board meeting, which president Barb Schaefer called to order.**

Discussion about new ways to earn money, fundraisers. Barb Schaefer talked about having an event similar to Delaware Valley GRR's "Wine & Dine for Canines", a Mardi Gras type event. Talked about having another Vera Bradley bingo. Also, a new purse on the market called the Miche bag, where the outside is changeable. Donna Blake does their accounts and we may be able to use their product as a fundraiser. Other ideas were karaoke and an all you can eat shrimp event.

All GoldHeart forms on the website need updating with the new Owings Mills address. Melissa will do and send to Jen Brechin to update the website.

At 3:35 pm Barb Schaefer made a motion to adjourn the meeting – accepted by all.