LOLPETS Committee Conference Call March 12,2020

Attendance: Larry, Terry, Jessika, Joe, Ray, Dale, Ron, Heather, Kevin, Shari, Connie, Jill, Wayne, Mike S., Mel, Jeff T, Lorraine, and Laura.

Larry stated the following PETS have been cancelled due to the CorVir 19: New England, MidSouth, All Ohio, and Midwest. Great Lakes is going on right now.

Wayne:

- As of today, we have \$24,247.00 in the bank account. We have already given the convention center a deposit of \$15,000.00. Patti and Wayne went over the numbers and deducted the 75 attendees we are down from last year. They came up with \$10,500.00 which we still owe the convention center.
- 2. The Folio's have been invoiced from Russell Hampton. Wayne has asked to have them shipped directly to the DGE's. The extra shipping will be \$417.00.
- 3. We have to refund all the AG's, PDG's, PN's, Guest PE's and other guests. This will total \$5825.00.
- 4. We have already paid Micheal Angelo Carruso \$750.00 for speaking fees.
- 5. The programs have been printed and paid for.
- 6. Hotel costs: The Holiday Inn corporate put out a release that stated there would be no cancellation fees due to the CorVir 19. That will save us \$8567.00.
- 7. We need to get the word out that all the people that registered need to cancel their hotel reservations on their own.
- 8. We started the year out with \$3300.00 in the bank.
- 9. After all expenses we will close 2020 LOLPETS with \$7500.00 in the bank.

Larry has asked the DGE's what will their alternative training plan be.

- 1. Mike from 6490 stated he will set up face to face meetings in different areas on Saturday mornings. He will wait and take a 30-day break.
- Jessika from 6580 has two options: First, we will have a 6 to 7-hour district pets on 3/21. Or we will do meetings via zoom but will need a couple of weeks to prepare. We will take videotaped speeches from our main speakers and play them for our PE's.
- 3. Joe from 6560 stated he will have cluster meetings in 30days and for those who cannot come he will have individual training for them.
- 4. Lorraine from 6510 stated they will do web-based training and will try to offer it 2 to 3 times within a short period of time.

Jill stated that RID Floyd and RIPE Holger Knaak were on their way to Great Lakes PET's however they were going to do things a bit differently. They were going to keep the districts together and live stream the speakers. Keeping the groups small. Dale recommended we use videos of our main speakers and make them available to our district president elects, assistant governors and president nominees.

Lorraine make a motion that LOLPETS 2020 will be cancelled due to the CorVir 19. Mike S. seconded the motion. A vote was called: Yes to cancel – No to go forward with lolpets.

- Lorraine yes
- Jessika yes
- Joe yes
- Mike S. yes
- Wayne yes
- Mike N.- not on the call
- Laura no
- Shari no
- Larry no

The DGE's will need to explain to their districts that there will be no refunds to the districts. All acknowledged they were ready to explain our decision.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Laura Carie LOLPETS Secretary