

Cat Action Team

2026 Annual General Meeting Minutes April 12, 2026

Board Members 2025

Susan Turner - Chair

Shante Peddle - Vice Chair

Beverly Hillier - Treasurer

Josh Zapf - Secretary

Kathleen Williams

Gayle Adams

Attendance: 23

Meeting opens at 2:41pm

- Susan Turner presents the agenda, and calls for additions. No additions are made. Beverly Hillier motions to approve the agenda. Kathleen Williams seconds. Passes by vote.
- Gayle Adams motions to adopt the minutes from the 2025 AGM. Shante Peddle seconds. Passes by vote.
- Susan Turner delivers the Chair's address. She thanks the entire membership, the AVC and the various vet clinics for their commitment to community cats. She also thanks partner organizations (KCH, PEIHS, PEI Cares) and donors. She summarizes our fundraising efforts. Mention is made of the 25th anniversary of CAT. She explains the work of CAT, including TNR and maintaining stable, managed colonies. She also recognizes ongoing funding challenges.
- Susan Turner recognizes 25 year volunteers Peter Foley, Beverly Hillier and Linda Curtis.
- Beverly Hillier delivers the financial report. She acknowledges that the largest part of our revenue this year comes from private donations, especially in response to our public appeal. Three individual donors donated a total of \$40000, one of which was a bequest. Special mention also made of the catnip mice sales, a \$1000 raffle, the cheer basket campaign, and a Christmas house tour.
- Beverly Hillier also mentions that the organization's current biggest struggle is revenue generation, and fundraising volunteers are desperately needed.
- As of April 1, CAT has approximately \$20000 in cash.
- Josh Zapf moves to approve the financial report, Diane Minick seconds. Vote passes.
- Diane Minick asks if the new financial reporting will be annual with no audit. Beverly Hillier confirms this is the plan.
- Karen Murray has offered to do the financial review again for 2026, with Beverly Hillier as a backup. Krista Adams moves to approve, Kathleen Williams seconds, vote passes.
- Peter Foley delivers the statistical report. 755 cats treated in 2025, with a grand total of 18181 since 2000.
- Approximately half of the cats were treated at the AVC, and half at private clinics.
- Peter Foley pleads with the membership to stay focused on TNR.
- Josh Zapf asks about data, both the digitization of current data (numbers and

- locations of cats treated) and a survey of colonies other feral populations.
- Peter Foley agrees that this is a good idea.
 - Diane Minick reveals that Dr Mitchell Carr (of the AVC) is putting together a study of where the cats are coming from and where they are being returned to.
 - Diane Minick reveals that some forms have gone missing - when people pick up the cats they accidentally take forms home with them. Thus even final data is subject to underestimation
 - Diane Minick asks why we are counting junior surgery cats, when some are owned cats, and none get tattooed. Discussion about revising statistics.
 - Susan Turner introduces Louise Lalonde, who will be producing a 20 min Land and Sea segment for CBC focused on Cat Action Team. Louise Lalonde appeals for participation.
 - Gayle Adams introduces a new bylaw intended to reduce conflict of interest on the board, barring persons who are related or living in the same household.
 - Logan Maclean clarifies the length of the terms: a maximum of two consecutive two year terms.
 - Gayle Adams moves to adopt the the new bylaw, Peter Foley seconds, vote passes.
 - Gayle Adams reports from the neuter committee, from the perspective of Prince County. CAT enjoys a healthy relationship with the West Prince vet clinic. There are currently over 300 cats on the waiting list for Prince County, plus an unconfirmed report of 150 cats from Lennox Island. 118 have been treated so far in 2026.
 - Diane Minick reports from Queens and Kings Counties. AVC Fridays, Saturdays and Montague together have treated 224 in 2026. The current waiting list is approximately 250-300.
 - Susan Turner estimates that \$31000 has been spend so far this year on private clinic surgeries.
 - Gayle Adams reports on shelters. She is currently looking for a way to purchase materials. Holland College built four shelters last year and is wanting to build more this year. There were ten shelters in total placed in 2025.
 - Shante Peddle reports that the fundraising committee did a successful thrift market fundraiser for a colony in Kings county. This was not an event approved by the CAT board. A plan is made to discuss fundraising issues at the next board meeting.
 - Guest speaker Lori Burnell from Keeping Cats Homed explains the workings of her organization and her history of collaboration with CAT.
 - Guest speaker Julianna from PEI Cares explains her organization's mandate, and their focus on legislative change, specifically the adoption of breeding legislation. They also have provided emergency medical care.
 - Beverly Hillier explains the nominations and calls for further nominations. No further nominations.
 - Members vote and all nominations are accepted.
 - The CAT Board of Directors for 2026 will be Norma Brown, Johnanne Gaudet, Julia O'Hanley, Susan Turner.
 - Josh Zapf requests that the organization move away from tattooing and towards ear tipping, in line with TNR organizations across North America. Discussion is postponed until the next Board Meeting.
 - Susan adjourns meeting at 3:48.

