



Animal Care Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

Thursday, June 25, 2026, 4:00 pm

Broward County Animal Care - Multi-Purpose Room

2400 SW 42nd Street, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

CALL TO ORDER

- I. Roll call (1 minute)
- II. Approval of the April 9, 2026 and May 14, 2026 meeting minutes (Attachments 1 and 2) (3 minutes)
- III. Old Business – The committee will present the “Campaign to Increase Pets Spayed and Neutered in Broward County” to the Community Foundation of Broward followed by discussion. (85 to 100 minutes)
- IV. Public Input - The Chair establishes the length of time allotted to speak. Three minutes is the usual time allotted for each speaker, but the time allocation may change based on the number of speakers. (Up to 15 minutes is allocated for Public Input.)
- V. Animal Care Division announcements (10 minutes)
- VI. Non-Agenda Items (5 minutes)
- VII. Good and Welfare (1 minute)
- VIII. Adjournment

BROWARD COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Animal Care Advisory Committee



Meeting Date

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Time Called to Order:	Time Adjourned:	Location:	Minutes By:
4:05pm	5:01pm	Animal Care 2400 SW 42 nd Street Main Conference Room Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312	Lisette Murado Committee Liaison 954-359-1313 x9606
Members Present		Members Absent	Other Participants
Danny Finkelstein – Vice Chair Dr. Lisa Feinstein Kelly Kandibovich Buz Oldaker From Broward County: Doug Brightwell – Director Alyssa Dazza – Assistant Director Lisette Murado- Administrative Coordinator		Grace Johns – Chair Tracey Paige – Secretary	
Item	Action/Discussion/Recommendations	Due Date	Status/Staff Responsible
A. Opened Meeting	Purpose is to conduct the Animal Care Advisory Committee Meeting. Roll Call by Lisette Murado. There was a quorum.	N/A	Danny
B. Approval of the minutes	Minutes of the 02.05.26 meeting were unanimously approved. Motion to approve by Kelly and seconded by Buz.		All
C. Animal Care Division Announcements	Doug informed the Committee that construction of the new Surgery Suite, containing five new kennels, is set to start in May. He added that construction on the new play yard will begin in June. PetData, the license processing company the County has contracted with, has sent us the tag sales data for the months of December through February. The total tags sold were 8,122 for a revenue amount of \$250,000. Doug said that only about 1/3 of the re-sellers are onboard so far. There are currently two positions open, Animal Care Officer and a Kennel worker position. We are hoping to get four more positions approved for hiring.		Doug

D. New Business	<p>Danny wished to talk about the recent Trust Fund Subcommittee meeting. It was discussed that the subcommittee members should look at each case independently, as opposed to all the cases as a whole. Conversely, it was said that the subcommittee should not compare each case separately but look at precedent instead. It was pointed out that the trust fund's rules say the subcommittee should look at each case fairly. Danny asked for opinions on possible changes to the rules. Kelly moved to table this item, Buz seconded it. A vote to table this item was taken and passed unanimously.</p>		Danny
E. Old Business	<p>Although Grace could not attend this meeting, she provided two handouts for the committee. Her draft PowerPoint presentation was reviewed, and Buz stated that they only have a brief time to keep people's attention. He asked if there were alternative ways to get money from cities.</p> <p>Discussion turned to tag sales, and Doug said that we are trying to build up the programs that have withered over the last decade; he said the license program took seven years in Pinellas County to get moving. So, we must be diligent, nagging, give 30-day warnings, and issue citations – to get people out there to get a license. Doug stated that all conversations – internal and external – are about people having to get their pets licensed and microchipped. Eventually all pets will be vaxxed, chipped, and licensed.</p> <p>Several Committee members said they were uncomfortable asking for donations. It was said that Grace is good at fundraising, but members detailed their inability to ask people for money, and their desire not to have to. Buz spoke about making a presentation to the League of Cities.</p> <p>After review, Kelly reminded everyone that there were still some words in the PowerPoint that were supposed to be removed. She asked for another meeting to go over this presentation one more time and finalize it before we invite others to our meeting,</p>		All
F. Non-agenda items	<p>In speaking about the County's annual budget, Doug said that FY 2027 is going to be worse for Animal Care than FY 2026. In '26, we lost two positions and 5% of our budget.</p> <p>Danny spoke about the Adult Autism Social Mixer set for April 30th at the Riverside Hotel.</p>		Doug Danny
G. Meeting Adjourned	<p>Motion to adjourn was made by Kelly, seconded by Danny, and passed unanimously.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 5:01 pm</p>		

C. Animal Care Division Announcements	No New Business to present		Doug
D. Public Input	N/A		
E. New Business	<p>Review of volunteer appreciation event where Commissioner Beam Furr requested that we make changes to Section 4-35. Changes suggested were reviewed in a draft letter sent to the advisory committee members in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>Discussion around potential loss of revenue which might result in a decreased budget for animal care. Estimate of impact of this decrease in budget would equal 10 employees.</p> <p>All divisions/depts in the county have a 10% reduction in budget for 2027.</p> <p>We will be putting a letter together to send to the commissioners with our changes as discussed</p> <p>Grace will send a copy to Lisette to share with the advisory council, then Doug will send it to the commissioners.</p> <p>Motion to approve by Tracey, 2nd by Danny. All in favor except for Kelly</p>		ALL
F. Old Business	<p>Review outreach campaign. Purpose of the campaign is to increase opportunity for funding the sterilization fund.</p> <p>Changes to the presentation: Add in price of average spay/neuter on slide 7 Slide 8 - add in picture of a large dog Increase number of cat pictures. Zack to send selected logo for the campaign to Grace Grace and Tracey volunteered to be presenters of the campaign – If we get the opportunity to present to the Community Foundation of Broward, Lisette will find out if we need to Sunshine. Grace to invite the Community Foundation to attend our meeting on June 24 or June 25. June 25th is selected.</p>		ALL
G. Non-agenda items	<p>Dr. Donna Watson presented an instruction sheet she created, directed at owners of pets who have been attacked. She asked that animal control officers hand it out to attack victims. Its purpose is to provide next steps for pet owners to ensure their pets get the care they need after an attack. Grace will give the letter to Lisette to give to Doug.</p> <p>Review of Julio Figueroa's letter with suggestions for community cat colony improvements- Doug will answer the request.</p> <p>Trust fund subcommittee meeting is TBD</p>		Grace/Lisette/ Doug
H. Good and Welfare	Danny shared his success with the adults with autism events.		Danny
I. Meeting adjourned	Meeting adjourned- 5:50pm. Motion by Tracey, 2 nd by Kelly.		