MEETING: **Rescue a Golden of Arizona Annual Membership Meeting**
DATE: **November 14, 2026 10:00 AM via Zoom**
BOARD PRESENT: **Officers: Pres-Mike Rennie, VP-Cindi Mullin, Treasuer-Pam Whitney, (Past)Secretary-Judi Schillaci, Directors: (Past) Golden Intake Operations-Kerri Crabtree, Golden Placement and Care-Bob Schillaci, Community Engagement-Kymber Horvath, Member At Large-Michelle Dalby**
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: **Kathy Mutch-Nominating Committee Chair, Committee Members Sue Norton-Scott & Jayce MCaleb Newly elected Director-Golden Intake Ops Carlynn Sawyer, and a number of RAGofAZ members**

AGENDA ITEM	QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
1. Call to Order: President Mike Rennie	Meeting was called to order by Mike Rennie at 10:03 AM	Mike welcomed everyone to the Annual Membership Meeting.
2. Minutes: Judi Schillaci	Minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on November 8, 2025 were reviewed recapping highlights from 2025: • Governance: strengthen financial controls (accounting policy); process improvements and expansion of tech across operation- al teams, i.e. TB, Zeffy, DocuSign, C-panel emails • Financial growth: short term CD, grants/bequests/donations and success of Season of Giving campaign. • New volunteers added to Intake, Home Visit, Placement, Transport, Vet Team; expanded # of vet facilities/Dr. Kelly's allowed us to respond instantly to emergencies and provide a level of care other rescues might not. • Explosive growth on social media, participation in local and regional events, holiday gift wrapping and Fiesta Bowl Parade. Judi asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Minutes of the 2026 meeting will be posted on the website under "About Us" along with the Power Point deck, which Mike will present.	Motion to accept Minutes: Pamela Whitney Seconded: Becky Buck-Wetzel All in favor: Unanimous Opposed: None Minutes from November 8, 2025 Annual Meeting are accepted.
3. Officer and Director Reports	**SEE ATTACHED POWER POINT SLIDE DECK FOR HIGH-LIGHTS COVERED IN OFFICER AND DIRECTOR REPORTS:** President - Mike Rennie Vice President - Cindi Mullin Treasurer - Pamela Whitnely Secretary - Judi Schillaci Golden Intake Operations - Kerri Crabtree Golden Placement and Care - Bob Schillaci Community Engagement - Kymber Horvath Member At Large - Michelle Dalby	Motion to Accept Treasury Report: Motion made: Kerri Crabtree Second: Cindi Mullin Treasurer's Report was unani-mously accepted by all in attendance; all other Officer and Director reports were reviewed with questions and comments held until Q&A session.
4. Introduction of Nomin-ating Committee	Judi Schillaci introduced Kathy Mutch, Chair of the Nominating Committee, and Committee Members Sue Norton-Scott and Jayce McCaleb with thanks for conducting a flawless election. Kathy has documented the election process, which is retained in our Google Works files.	The Board also acknowledged the longtime service of Dianne Nevius, who served on the Nominating Committee for at least a decade.
5. Election Results and Announcement of the New Board: Kathy Mutch	Kathy Mutch thanked all the candidates and voters and announced that 643 ballots were sent to current members (493 members, plus 150 family members who received 2 ballots). 89 votes were cast. New and re-elected board members are: President-Mike Rennie, Secretary-	The Board expressed appreciation to Kathy Mutch, Sue Norton-Scott, & Jayce McCaleb for their service on the Nominating Committee.

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	Michelle Dalby, Director-Golden Intake Ops-Carlynn Sawyer, Director-Community Engagement-Kymber Horvath.	The new Board of Directors was then duly seated.
6. Questions and Comments from Members	a. Michelle Dalby asked if the Board has a candidate for Member At Large (MAL); that search is under way. Michelle had resigned from her position as MAL to run for Board Secretary. b. Volunteer Susan Neuland reported on the very successful gala dinner that Desert Labrador Retriever Rescue (DLRR) recently held and suggested that RAGofAZ might want to consider holding a similar fundraising event. Kymber Horvath thanked Susan for her recommendation and explained that we have held many events in the past. The challenge has been finding a lead person and small committee to plan and execute these events. Judi Schillaci added that as a former Director of Fundraising, RAGofAZ once held golf tournaments, wine tasting, gift wrapping, walkathon, Bowlarama, and annual campaigns. Since moving to a digital fundraising format we have raised tens of thousands of dollars including challenge match offers from donors. Mike Rennie commented that our upcoming seasonal online campaign will likely yield up to $50K without the intense labor investment of time, energy, and human and financial resources required for large events. c. Volunteer Liz Bechen asked if we will be providing new doggie donation vests with our new colors, and offered the services of her husband Denis, who could make them.	a. When a replacement for MAL is identified the Board will appoint him or her to complete the term. b. Our 2026 Season of Giving Fundraising Campaign will kick off in early December leading up to Giving Tuesday. c. Kymber Horvath and Michelle Dalby will follow up with Liz and Denis Bechen to brainstorm ways to create new donation vests for the Fiesta Bowl Parade.
7. Adjournment	There being no further business brought to the floor Judi Schillaci asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion: Bob Schillaci Second: Pam Whitney	All in favor: Unanimous Opposed: None Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM

Respecfully Submitted this 14th day of November 2026 by Judi Schillaci, Secretary (Attachment: 2026 Power Point Slides)