
Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: September 20, 2023

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and hold discussion regarding the 2023 Paw Pals Academy. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

Burleson Animal Services PawPals 2023 was a great success! 15 kids from 8 different schools throughout Burleson, as well as a homeschooler participated. This special summer academy is designed to teach children about proper care for animals and many of the career opportunities in the animal field. This is a three-week program, with academy participants meeting for 90 minutes, 12:00 pm—1:30 pm, three Saturdays during June.

- On June 3, Burleson Small Animal Clinic joined us and walked the students through the steps of animals taken to rescue for medical care to find a new home. The clinic vet, Dr. Winqest, the Practice Manager, Melissa Stiles, and the lead technician Tere Davis.
- On June 10 Alpacas from Easy Acres Alpacas joined us. The students learned all about the Alpaca breed, and how to groom, feed and show them.
- On June 17 Eric Brittingham with Wildlife on the Move allowed the student to interact with all kinds of lizards, snakes, and creepy crawlers.

OPTIONS:

N/A – informational only

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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