



# 2021-2022 Professional Board Application

Tasked with raising funds and awareness of PAWS Chicago’s lifesaving work, the Professional Board are role models in the community and our members are a direct line from the animals into the community. To remain in good standing, members must complete all requirements as outlined below during each season of membership (August 1, 2021 - July 31, 2022). For more information, please email Carrie Cihasky at [professionalboard@pawschicago.org](mailto:professionalboard@pawschicago.org)

## **2021-2022 REQUIREMENTS**

*These requirements go into effect starting August 1, 2021*

### **For NEW MEMBERS:**

- Attend a Fundraising Workshop
- Attend a [New Volunteer Orientation](#)

### **FOR ALL MEMBERS:**

#### **FUNDRAISE YOUR GIVE/GET of \$850**

**SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL BOARD’S TWO SIGNATURE EVENTS:** As the Board puts on two annual events, Animal Magnetism and the PAWS Chicago 5K Walk/Run For Their Lives, full support of the Board is vital in their success. Purchase a full price ticket to BOTH Animal Mag and the PAWS 5K. Even if you cannot attend in person, this is still a requirement. Ticket purchases WILL count towards your give/get.

**MAJORITY ATTENDANCE AT PROFESSIONAL BOARD MEETINGS:** We will begin meeting in person with optional networking from 5:30-6:30pm, meeting from 6:30-7:30pm and optional post meeting social immediately following.

#### ***2021-2022 Dates***

Thur., Aug. 19, 2021  
Wed., Oct. 20, 2021

Thur., Dec. 9, 2021  
Wed., Feb. 9, 2022

Thur., April 21, 2022  
Wed., June 22, 2022

### **VOLUNTEER AT ONE\*\* OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- PAWS Chicago event or office help (these will be announced via our Calendar of Events with each email)
- Serve on a committee
- Medical Center Day with the Professional Board

*\*\*If you are a regular LPAC or MC volunteer, this requirement is waived*

**Examples of what items count towards the give/get fundraising requirement are (but not limited to):**

- Become or recruit a [lifeline donor](#) to PAWS Chicago
- Securing in-kind donation of meeting space, food and beverages for PB meetings (value of donation)
- Recruiting a company or business to conduct a third-party fundraiser
- Purchase a Month/Week/Day in the PAWS Chicago Desktop Calendar
- Set up a Create Your Own Fundraiser page with PAWS Chicago
- Join [TEAM PAWS Chicago](#)
- Any purchase/donation made to PAWS Chicago (examples include Desktop Calendar, recurring donations, donations made during adoptions, etc.)
- Secure any of the following for any of our PAWS Chicago events (Fur Ball, Animal Magnetism, PAWS 5K, Golf Outing, and Beach Party)
  - Sponsorships
  - In-kind donations of products or services
  - Silent auction items
  - Live auction items
  - Prize donations
  - Ticket sales (purchased by yourself and/or by friends, family and coworkers you recruit to purchase tickets)
  - Winning bids on silent/live auction items
  - Donations made during “Bid to Save Lives” (Fur Ball, Animal Magnetism and Beach Party)
  - Total fundraising by you and/or your team if you create and lead one (PAWS 5K)
- Any additional fundraising opportunities as they arise throughout the year

Only fundraising revenue generating items are counted towards the give/get. For example, the collection of donations for our adoption center (such as but not limited to: toys, blankets, leashes, etc.) do NOT count towards the give/get requirement but in-kind items such as silent auction items DO count since they bring in fundraising revenue.

**Failure to Fulfill Requirements**

Raising life-saving funds for PAWS Chicago is vital to the success of both the Professional Board and carrying out the mission of PAWS Chicago. As a result, those who fail to meet the fundraising requirement will be removed from the Professional Board on August 1, 2022. Those who meet the fundraising requirement but do not meet the remaining requirements will be placed on a probation year for the 2022-2023 season. They will then have a second year to successfully meet all requirements to be placed back in good standing with the Professional Board.

Those who fail to meet all the requirements by July 31, 2022 will not be eligible for any Professional Board Awards.



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Please completed all the below fields so we can get to know you a little better! Once completed, please email to [ProfessionalBoard@pawschicago.org](mailto:ProfessionalBoard@pawschicago.org). Prior to submitting your application, be sure you have included both your application **AND photo for us to share in our welcome portion of our meetings (ideally one with your pet(s)!**

## PERSONAL

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Referral \_\_\_\_\_

Are you on TEAM PAWS Chicago? (Please list date joined): \_\_\_\_\_

Your pet(s) and their name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## INTEREST/EXPERIENCE

How did you hear about PAWS Chicago?

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Why do you want to get involved with PAWS Chicago's Professional Board?

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What PAWS Chicago events have you attended or volunteered for in the past?

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What is your fundraising experience to date?

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Please list all philanthropic/fundraising boards you are currently involved with.

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**EMPLOYMENT**

Are you currently employed?    Yes    No

If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your title and job description?

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Do you own or support an animal related business?    Yes    No

If yes, does this animal related business sell or profit from the sale of pets?    Yes    No

If yes, please explain.

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**REQUIREMENTS**

Do you believe you can complete the Professional Board's requirements?    Yes    No

**TERMS OF AGREEMENT**

I am aware that to remain in good standing with the PAWS Chicago Professional Board, I must complete all requirements as outlined above during each year of membership, including General, Program, Fundraising and Event Requirements.

I fully understand that all PAWS Chicago Professional Board mailing lists, addresses and emails are to be used exclusively for the benefit of PAWS Chicago fundraising and not to be used for outside solicitations.

\_\_\_\_\_ Print  
\_\_\_\_\_ Signature  
\_\_\_\_\_ Date

Thank you for your interest in joining the PAWS Chicago Professional Board. Please allow one week for review of your application.