

**Brian Turco**

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**From:** Marc Hammond  
**Sent:** Friday, August 01, 2014 3:11 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Request to speak at board meeting

My name is Marc Hammond. For the past 22 years I have Co-owned and operated Arizona Animal Experts Inc. I'm requesting permission to speak at the next board meeting scheduled for August 4, 2014. I would like to address the TNR cat program that is listed on the upcoming agenda. If time permits (3 minutes), I would like to address the following issues:

- \* sick and/or injured feral cats. Who is responsible to provide veterinary care?
- \* Who will take care of the feral cat colony if the responsible party has to move or can no longer care for the colony?
- \* pima County ordinance states that the owner of a cat and or dog must provide medical care if the animal is sick or injured. How will this be accomplished?
- \* Schools, hospitals, nursing homes, day care centers, commercial businesses, and the list go on will not agree to sterilize a cat colony and have the colony brought back to their site. As of May, 2014 pima animal care center has enacted a protocol to charge commercial trappers \$75 for every feral cat that is brought into the shelter. For example, if a school has 10 cats that need to be trapped and removed, they will have to pay \$750 to pima animal care center plus the trapper's fee. The majority of my customers who want feral cats removed are the organizations that I previously listed. I fully understand that they need to charge a fee to compensate for boarding and euthanasia fees but The current fee is overkill (no pun intended).

Finally, I would encourage you to read articles from [www.tnrrealitycheck.com](http://www.tnrrealitycheck.com) You may be surprised to learn that TNR is not what you expected it to be.

Thank you,  
Marc Hammond, Arizona Animal Experts Inc.

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