

## **GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL**

Annual Meeting Minutes

Jan. 31, 2015

Lake Elmo Inn Event Center in Lake Elmo, MN



### **Officers present:**

Julie Swinland, President

Cristina McColl, Vice President

Sarah Falk, Secretary

Liz Lunde, Treasurer

### **Officers absent:**

None.

### **Board Members present:**

Lisa Lunde

Denise Gilbertson

### **Board Members absent:**

Ann Jeddloh

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Julie Swinland called the meeting to order.

### **New Business:**

- Website:
  - Cristina McColl recommended the Club invest in software (Dreamweaver) that would allow her to continue to make updates to the Club website in the amount of \$277.
  - Verna Kubik moved we purchase one year of the software.
  - Ginny Altman moved to amend the motion to include that the annual expense is approved until we are notified in a change of its availability or if the price increases.
  - Mada Skare seconded the amendment to the motion.
  - The motion carried.
- Annual Meeting/Banquet:
  - Julie Swinland mentioned a request to discuss having the Annual Meeting (banquet) as an evening event as it was in the past.
  - Discussion ensued around impact to moving to evening: Price impact price, impact on members who live several hours from the metro area; and an opinion was shared that that overall attendance increased once the event was moved to afternoon from evening previously, etc.
  - Mike Pinkosky moved we table the discussion; Virginia Bailey seconded the motion. The motion was defeated.

- Ginny Altman moved we a poll for preference via a rising vote. Greg Biskey seconded the motion. Craig Carson seconded the motion and suggested we pose three options: afternoon, evening and no preference.
- The poll showed the majority voted for an afternoon event in the future (26 for afternoon, 9 for evening and 14 had no preference).
- Indianhead Kennel Club Show in Eau Claire, WI
  - Verna Kubik moved this be a Club-supported show. Craig Carson seconded the motion.
  - The motion carried.

**Election Results:**

- Peggy Simerson received the majority of votes for President.
- Eileen Varhalla received the majority of votes for Vice President (unopposed).
- Sarah Falk received the majority of votes for Secretary (unopposed).
- Diane Blasius-Brown received the majority of votes for Treasurer (unopposed).
- Rhonda Meath received the majority of votes for Board member (unopposed).
- These new officers are in position immediately.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting is Feb. 13, 2015, 8:30 p.m. at the Animal Inn in Lake Elmo.

Minutes submitted by Sarah Falk, Secretary.

Attendees:

The banquet attendees (~49 members) were present.