

Minutes of the Meeting

Thursday January 14, 2010

GOLDEN VALLEY LODGE NO. 616

The meeting was called to order at 6:44 p.m. by Chairman Kerstin Wendt.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited, and the Opening song was sung.

The Chaplain's message was read.

Roll call was taken by Bill Wendt.

Bill asked if everyone had received their copy of the minutes of the last meeting so we could forgo reading them.. Moved by Isabella Muscarella and seconded by Bertil Winther. The minutes stand as read.

There were 5 new membership applications.

Brad and Mary Fagerstrom

Michael Eneberg

Delphine Trowbridge of the Thule Lodge Requesting Dual Membership

Dorothy Burns of the Thule Lodge Requesting Dual Membership

New members will be installed in March.

There were 52 members present.

FINANCIAL REPORT Ann-Kristin Karling reported that at the end of 2009 there are 152 members and 9 members were dropped during the year.

2010 membership dues are due by April.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SICK COMMITTEE Gunn Bruget has had knee replacement surgery.

Ruth Wilkening's husband had a heart attack and is in Northridge Hospital.

BUILDING CORPORATION Bertil Winther reported that the audit committee is made up of Marie Mickelson, Nathan Coddng and Kerstin Engblom. They should have the report finished soon.

The meeting discussed setting limits for expenses at the District Convention.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION Nathan Coddng reported that The Central Association is having its Installation dinner this Sunday at Beckham Grill in Pasadena. The cost is \$30.00.

At Midsummer, Golden Valley Lodge is responsible for the meatball stand, the tombola Stand which Maidie Karling will handle and Drinks which Nathan Coddng will be in charge of.

Golden Valley need a Midsummer candidate and the court selection will be on April 24th or May 15th; at Scandia Hall.

The raffle this year will be a 50/50 and will only be sold at the Park.

VASA PARK ASSOCIATION Frank Muscarella reported that the VPA is still discussing the water line that need to be put in.

They also elected new officers and Frank Muscarella is no longer the Chairman.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE Bertil Winther reported that a new chairman needs to be elected tonight.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS Maidie Karling moved to pay the extra \$5 for the ad in our District Convention program book. Seconded by Isabella Muscarella and passed.

Maidie Karling moved to take out a ¼ page ad in the Grand Lodge Convention Program Book for \$250.00. Seconded by Isabella Muscarella and passed.

CORRESPONDENCES We received a thank you card from Tommy Eneberg for the Hydrangea Plant and box of chocolates.

A Thank you card from Deidra DeHart for her scholarship monies.

A Thank you letter for the donation to Children's Hospital.

A Thank you letter from the Livingston Memorial Hospice for the donation.

A letter from Ken Murphy asking for donations for the District Convention raffle table.

Received the Scandia Nytt newsletter.

PLANNING FOR FUTURE EVENTS Maidie Karling did some research on the rooms available at Santa Anita racetrack. The first one is called the Front Runner and at \$56.00 a person is fancier, with big screens, sit down tables, close to the finish line, and includes parking passes. Second is the Sierra Vista room at \$39.00 a person. This room is past the finish line. A vote was taken and The Front Runner was chosen. This trip will be held on April 11, 2010.

At the meeting 30 confirmed that they will be attending.

Maidie will start accepting a check for \$56.00 per person starting tonight. A new e-mail will go out to members not present tonight giving them January 19 as the reservation deadline.

Frank Muscarella made the motion to reserve for 40seats. Seconded by Nathan Codding and passed.

Volunteers are needed at the District's Convention Cocktail Party on Friday night, February 26th.

Maria Jacobs agreed to be in charge. We need people to help serve food, be bartenders and help with clean up. Please see Maria Jacobs to sign up.

NEW BUSINESS Bertil Winther moved to follow the Building Corporation's recommendations to save money by reimbursing Convention delegates ½ of the Hotel expenses except for the Chairman. Kerstin Engblom seconded it. Tommy Eneberg amended the motion to have the Lodge pay for the banquet in full and 50% of all other expenses except for the Chairman. Lage Engblom seconded the amendment. The amendment vote failed. The original motion vote failed. Nathan Codding moved to set a dollar limit for the delegates up to \$250 with receipts and Tommy Eneberg seconded it. Vote failed. Isabella Muscarella moved to pay in full for the delegates, Past District Masters and all other District Officers. Bertil Winther seconded it. Vote passed.

District Convention Delegates are:

Gunilla Thelin

Bill Wendt

Bertil Winther

Mona Steffen

Gerti Lingstrom

Alternates are Maria Mickelson and Andrea Tabanelli

Isabella Muscarella moves to donate the Vasa Park \$2000.00 check to the District Convention and Maidie Karling seconded it. Bertil Winther amended it to \$1500.00 and Nathan seconded it. The amendment passed. .

Bertil Winther nominated Hubert Pitters to head the Scholarship Committee and he accepted it.

Maidie Karling moved to buy our own tape recorder to help with the meetings and it was seconded by Brigitta Clark. Vote passed to spend up to \$60.00.

Nathan Codding moved to spend up to \$500.00 on the cocktail party for the District Convention and Kerstin Engblom seconded. Vote passed.

ACTING ON BILLS RECEIVED Reimbursable Expenses for our officers are as follows.

Chairman \$150.00, Vice Chairman \$50.00

Recording Secretary \$650.00, Assistant Recording Secretary \$100.00

Financial Secretary \$150.00, Treasurer \$250.00

Other Bills are:

Bertil Winther \$20.75 for postage.

Lena Osman \$20.73 for liquid refreshments.

Bill Wendt \$4.62 for mailings.

Laila Jensen \$23.03.

Karin Coleman \$156 for dinner.

Maidie Karling made a motion to amend the reimbursable expenses to give the Secretary \$500.00 in and give Bertil an additional \$150.00 for the newsletter he sent out during 2009. Seconded by Isabella Muscarella. The amendments passed.

Bill Wendt moved we pay the bills. Seconded by Frank Muscarella and passed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER We had our installation of 2010 officers.

Chairman, Bertil Winther

Vice Chairman, Steve Tabanelli

Recording Secretary, Maidie Karling

Assistant Recording Secretary, Mona Steffen

Treasurer, Ann Kristin Karling

Financial Secretary, Emily Wendt

Chaplain, Brigitta Glad

Master of Ceremony, Frank Muscarella

Assistant Master of Ceremony Andrea Tabanelli

Historian, Maria Jacobs

Inner Guard, William Osman

Outer Guard, Lena Osman

Trustees 3 years, Sonia Andonian

Auditor 3 years, Nathan Coddling

Vasa Park 3 years, Frank Muscarella

SACA 3 years, Nathan Coddling

Banner Bearers, Lage and Kerstin Engblom.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial report was read by Maidie Karling. We are told that the bank has yet to send the January statement out..

The yearly report statements at the end of 2009 is \$4,614.40 in checking. \$2,638.56 in the money market account, with a .36 cents interest, and \$6,171.90 in the Ake Boshen account.

Building corporation transferred \$40,000 for a final amount of \$11,000.

FLOWER MARCH The flower march took in \$49.

Closing song was sung. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Our next meeting will be on February 11, 2010.

Maidie Karling – Secretary of the Golden Valley Lodge