Ohio Association of Guide dog users, Annual business meeting, November 15, 2024.

Held in person at the doubletree Hilton Westlake hotel.

Meeting minutes prepared from the recorded meeting, and submitted reports and notes from officers by Shane Popplestone.

Luanne called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Attendance and introductions were taken, but due to the size of the room and outside interference, a clear list could not be obtained.

But a quorum was present.

Elections were held.

The chair of the nominating committee this year was Asia Quinones-Evans and the following slate of nominees were submitted.

Vice President: Paula Jordan

treasurer: Marianne Denning

Board Member: Deanna Lewis

Moved acceptance of the report by Shane, seconded by Jackie, motion passed with no abstentions

The election for vice president was held.

The nominations committee has placed into nomination Paula Jordan for Vice President.

Nominations were called from the floor three times by Luanne.

Shane moved that elections close and Paula Jordan be elected by Acclimation. Seconded by Asia. Motion passed

The election for Treasurer was held.

The nominations committee has placed into nomination Marianne Denning for Treasurer.

Nominations were called from the floor three times by Luanne.

Deanna moved that elections close and Marianne Denning be elected by Acclimation. Seconded by Shane. Motion passed

The election for Board member was held.

The nominations committee has placed into nomination Deanna Lewis for Board Member.

Nominations were called from the floor three times by Luanne.

It was moved that elections close and Deanna Lewis be elected by Acclimation. Seconded by Marianne. Motion passed.

Shane read the minutes from the September 8, 2024 meeting.

Marianne moved the September 8, 2024 minutes be accepted as read. Seconded by Deanna. Motion Passed.

Shane read the OAGDU Annual business meeting minutes from November 17, 2023.

Deanna moved that we accept the Annual 2023 business minutes as read. Seconded by Shane. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s report.

OAGDU had a beginning balance of $1027.07

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Marianne reminded people about their dews and the amount, $5 per year, and she can take cash after the meeting for renewals or new members, or you can submit via paypal.

Reminders about the dog Christmas party.

Shane made the motion that we move the Christmas party from December 8, 2024 to December 15, 2024 at 7:00 PM, seconded by Asia. Motion passed.

Deanna gave her fundraising report, that she’d be sending out the honey baked ham link, and it will run until January 15, 2025.

A number of items were auctioned off at this point in the meeting.

Deanna gave a report on her experience at the right to ride rally in San Fransisco.

Each rally was between one and one and a half hours in length, with 200 people at the Uber location and between 100 and 150 at the Lyft location.

The hashtags used for this event were #RightToRide and #StopGuideDogDenials

We had 48 states represented.

Next meeting to be held by zoom January 12, 2025.

Shane moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deanna.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Shane Popplestone