

Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe (SGGEE)

Annual General Meeting

September 18, 2021

Held on Zoom as a Virtual AGM

with no actual count taken of members in attendance; visually a quorum attended

Agenda

SGGEE President Clarissa Giese called the virtual meeting to order at 10:20 AM.

1. Approval of minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting

Copies were emailed to all members as well as printed in the June 2021 SGGEE Journal.

Motion to accept the 2020 Annual General Meeting minutes was made by Ray Bloch, seconded by Amanda Kühn Kienlen. There was unanimous approval.

2. Business arising from the 2020 minutes—There was none brought forward nor were there questions to the floor.

3. Committee reports

All reports are printed in the June 2021 SGGEE Journal.

Motion to accept the 2021 Committee reports was made by Rose Ingram with second by David Neumann. There was unanimous approval.

4. New business

There was no new business presented.

5. Appointment of auditor

Larry Schultz agreed prior to the meeting to audit the financial reports of the SGGEE treasurer Arnold Badke.

6. Election of Directors

Two persons are needed to each serve three year terms. Membership was provided with names and brief biographical information and given opportunity to vote by proxy. The nominees were:

Robert (Bob) Frederking—Canada

Bernhard D. Guenther—USA

Joan Boyarzin—Canada\

Elected to the Board to each serve terms of three years were

Robert Frederking and Joan Boyarzin.

7. A “thank you letter” was read from Dr. Mykhailo Kostiuk for publication by SGGEE of his book The German Colonies in Volhynia: the Nineteenth to the Early Twentieth Century. Verbal thanks was given to Richard Benert for his work with Dr. Kostiuk during translation and leading to publication. Thanks also to John Abraham for working with a publisher to get this out to members and for purchase by non-members.

It was announced that Dr. Kostiuk with Alex Brzhezytskyi is working on selecting and placing memorial plaques in places significant German heritage in Ukraine. Further information will be published in the March 2022 SGGEE Journal.

8. Announcement of 2022 convention

If not restricted by COVID, a physical gathering will likely take place in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada with dates to be announced.

9. Adjournment took place at 10:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
Ruth A. Boettcher
SGGEE Board Secretary