

Minutes of the annual delegates meeting of the International Union for Leonberger Dogs on 28 September 2019.

Location: Leonberg. Amber Hotel.

Time: 28 September 2019, 10.08 am - 2.00 pm

Presence:

The delegates of the member clubs in:

Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the USA.

(So 17 members with voting rights are represented).

Excused: The member clubs from Ireland, Canada, Slovakia and the Czech Republic.

From the board of the I.L.U. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Adjutant / DCLH were present.

Chairman of the meeting: Willi Güllix, President of the I.L.U.

Taker of the minutes: Hein Sibrijns, Secretary of I.L.U.

Agenda:

1. Welcoming introduction / check on presence of quorum / approval of the agenda / approval of the minutes 2018.
2. Reports:
 - a. of the president.
 - b. of the treasurer.
 - c. of the secretary.
 - d. of the auditors.
3. Discussion of the reports and discharge of the committee.
4. Budget 2019/20, Membership dues 2020.
5. News from the member countries (reports from the member countries).
6. Breeding problems in the Union / report of the Health Committee.
7. IULH World Cup (see attachment "proposal point 7").
8. Proposals from Switzerland, Russia and Italy. (see attachments).
9. Miscellaneous.
10. Closure.

01. Welcome:

The President opened the session at 10.08 am and welcomed those present, in particular the representative of the New Zealand club who had the longest journey.

It was noted that the General Assembly was convened on time and in form.

The Management Board was pleased that Ms. Mayra Huber was again available as interpreter "German-English" to this General Assembly.

Daniela Lutz had sent a shortened version of the 2018 minutes 3 days before this General Assembly. With 6 votes in favor, 5 against and 5 abstentions it was agreed that the minutes proposed by the board were to be replaced by Daniela's version.

Hein Sibrijns was unanimously named as taker of the minutes.

02. Reports:

a. of the president

The report of the president was read in German (see attachments for the report),

The translation into English was done by the interpreter Mayra Huber.

b. of the treasurer

Financial reports were sent to the delegates on 16.09 by email.

The Treasurer, Thomas Walker, explained the following: All member clubs have paid the contributions. We pay a fair price for the catering. The membership of the member clubs is constantly decreasing, and we therefore have to expect falling revenues.

c. of the secretary

The homepage was visited as always very well. The number of views of Mr. Oliehoek's video has dropped to 350 views over the past 12 months with an average viewing duration of 3.09 minutes.

d. of the the auditors

Niels Steinmetz (NL) and Ginny Bartholomay (USA) have examined the accounting of the finances of the past year of the association and judged it to be faultless.

The audit found a correspondence of the evidence with the clean and properly kept accounting, for which the treasurer Thomas Walker was sincerely thanked.

03. Discussion of the reports and discharge of the Board

The Executive Board was unanimously discharged.

04. Budget 2019/20, membership fees 2020

Thomas Walker is not ready for re-election next year.

The base amount of 60 euros, plus 0.30 per member of the member clubs remains unchanged.

05. Reports from the member countries

All member countries have submitted a written report.

The reports were sent by the secretary by email to the delegates.

06. Breeding problems in the Union / Report of the Health Committee

The report of the Health Committee was sent to the delegates on 23.09. sent by email.

The Health Committee had not been operational since September 2018.

On 27.09.2019 Daniela Lutz still circulated a report by Anna Letko (Vetsuisse).

On the order form of Vetsuisse, sand color is presented as a disease or a false color. Sand color, however, is a standard approved color that is not associated with disease. We will inform Vetsuisse about this.

In 2018, Daniela Lutz sent an e-mail to members of the health committee, which was not answered. Also, the majority of member clubs have not responded to a mail she and Mrs. Kroon sent. The impression is confirmed that the health committee is inoperable.

Italy has produced a health questionnaire; the results will be shared with the Union.

Italy has proposed Maria Virginia Ralletti as a member of the Health Commission. Ms Raletti was appointed as a new member of the Health Committee by board decision.

The representative of the UK would like to see the members of the Health Committee elected by the General Assembly. A proposal in this regard (Switzerland) is on the agenda, it will be discussed and voted on under the corresponding agenda point.

If the clubs are unwilling to cooperate, it is irrelevant whether the HC members are elected or appointed. The UK does not share its health data with the Union.

It is questionable whether we need a health committee or not if the clubs are unwilling to cooperate. The communication between HC and the board is in need of improvement, new priorities have to be set.

07 ILU World Cup.

After the World Cup rules the general assembly has to vote where the first ILU World Cup takes place, France has applied as organizer. In a vote the following was unanimously decided: The first ILU World Cup will take place in Cluny in 2020.

FCI compliant, in the future the ILU Board will decide which application is accepted, the ILU WC World Cup rules regulations should be amended accordingly.

Russia was a candidate for 2021. In a vote it was unanimously decided that Russia will be awarded the contract to host the World Cup in St. Petersburg in 2021
The ILU donates prizes for the BOB and the Best Veteran.

08 Proposals.

Proposals from Switzerland:

Proposal 1: Minutes 2018.

This was done under agenda point 1.

Proposal and Question 2: Mean Kinship Recommendation.

The question was answered:

The board does not have the sovereignty to order the member clubs anything, only recommendations can be made, not more.

The ILU Health Committee is inoperable, so there are no data available.

Proposal 3: Judges seminar.

There were lectures on: Caninus narrow standing, "The judge is talking", "25 years of experience in judging", hyperextension of the hocks, basic body shape and proportions, moderated photo discussion "how would you decide", movement typical and soundness, "quality changes, what are there, what to look for, evaluation ,

The conclusions after the good presentations and discussions were:

We must continue to pay attention to good tail carriage, angulation and limb alignment and turned out limbs. Although the temperament is overall very good, we should continue not to neglect it.

The task the participating judges is to pass on the findings of the seminar to the member clubs they represent, there were 3 Swiss judges present.

Proposal 4: amendment of the constitution.

Proposal 4 was read by Ms Lutz.

The Board has discussed in its session of 27.10 on this proposal.

The Board recommends the General Assembly to reject the proposal.

In the vote of the General Assembly, the proposal was rejected with 1 in favor, 7 against and 6 abstentions.

The General Assembly discussed the following;

The health committee, which did not work with 5 members, certainly will not work with even more members. It is hard to understand why the proposed big number should even be chosen by the General Assembly. Members appointed by the board can easily be recalled if it turns out that one or the other does not cooperate anymore. But if you have been elected, dismissal is no longer possible, you remain - if you want to the end of the legislature in function. It was asked if the ILU needs an ILU Health Committee at all, there is also an International Leonberger Health Foundation, do we need 2 committees working on the same goal? For this purpose, the board will put a proposal on the agenda of the 2020 General Assembly.

Proposal Italy:

The Italian Leonberger Club proposed Mrs. Maria Virginia Ralletti as a new member of the ILU Health Committee.

Ms. Ralletti has already been appointed by the Executive Board under agenda point 6.

Proposals Russia:

Proposal 1: Creation of a working committee structure.

We have already talked about the Health Committee and discussed extensively.

Other committees and / or working groups can be installed.

Proposal 2: ILU World Cup.

We had already talked about the ILU World Cup.

Proposal 3: Data LPN / LEMP.

The board has no new findings. At the transmission of new data can be worked as soon as the HC is functional again.

Daniela Lutz put a handwritten paper on the table of the President, she resigned from the Health Committee with immediate effect. On behalf of the board, the president thanks for the work done.

09 Miscellaneous

The template for the data of the reports from the member countries is not optimal.

The requirements for breeding must be added.

Daniela Lutz argued that in the future the board should change the proposals, which from the point of view of the board are not properly formulated. The board should inform the applicant about this.

The President counters with this; The delegates at the table of the Union have grown into the origination of associations, they have also had to deal with proposals in their own clubs.

Each of you will be able to weigh in your own understanding whether or not a proposal is submitted in a formulation that will obtain a majority decision. Proposals are published as agenda point exactly in the formulation in which they were submitted and they will be voted on by the General Assembly in that formulation. The Management Board will not exercise any control function in advance.

Ginny Bartholomay and Niels Steinmetz are again auditors for next year.

The France Leonberg Group is not a member of the Union and is not recognized by the French Kennel Club. Links on the website of the group, give the impression that the French Kennel Club, the FCI, our Union and our member clubs are partners of "France Leonberger Group" club.

The board has decided in its session of 27.09 to ask the group to remove the corresponding links and logos. This measure was approved by the Assembly.

10 conclusion.

The President thanked everyone present for their participation and contributions. It was democratically, vividly and constructively discussed

Leonberg, 28. September 2019

Willi Güllix, President I.L.U.

- Chairman -

Hein Sibrijns, Secretary I.L.U.

Taker of the minutes