

MINNESOTA VALLEY  
GEM AND MINERAL CLUB INC.  
MANKATO MINNESOTA

January 2016

The January meeting of the Minnesota Valley Gem and Mineral Club was called to order by President, Heather Hanson at 6:30pm in the meeting room, at the Eagles Club, in Mankato MN.

There was 16 members and guests present. Everyone introduced themselves, stated how long they have been collecting, and where their interests lie.

The secretary report was read and approved as read.

Treasurer, Kim Williams reported a balance on hand \$456.23.

Old Business:

Field Trips:

Spring:

Summer:

Fall: Keokock Geodes. Committee: Jim Wieseler and Brandi Jones

Spring and summer will be tabled until later time. Jim Wieseler noted that Staurilite (fairy crosses) found at Royalton, MN is better if the river water is low.

New Business:

Brandi Jones suggested some amendments to the Constitution and By Laws

1. Adding Educate the public in the purpose
2. Adding The American Federation into the club affiliation
3. Changing the Treasure gives a monthly financial report rather than annually
4. Updating the due amounts and adding junior price and age
5. Updating the months the club meets

Phyllis Granaas motioned to amend Constitution and By Laws with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Wieseler

A due increase was discussed but voted to leave at current rates.

Jim Wieseler did a presentation on Gem Identification

Toriinlee Dokken will do a geode presentation at the February meeting

Steven Losh will present the March Program

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

Submitted by Secretary, Brandi Jones

