
5CBA Meeting Minutes – September 2016

Call to order

A meeting of the 5CBA was held at The Lodge at Bennett Bunn Plantation on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. Club Co-President Gov Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Gov Wallace asked who brought refreshments and door prizes and thanked them for their contributions.

Gov Wallace asked if there were any guests. There were two.

Approval of minutes

The August 2016 minutes, as posted on web site, were approved by general consensus.

Reports

Treasurer's Report – Suzy Spencer, 5CBA Treasurer: 5CBA bank balance as of 8/31/16 was \$1,932.65.

Ongoing business

Nominating Committee

Gov Wallace announced that we have vacant officer positions (vice president, treasurer and director) and requested a volunteer to chair the nominating committee. C.L. Gobble volunteered but needs more help.

Zebulon Night Out

The 5CBA has been asked to participate in Zebulon Night Out on October 11th. Tim Huffman volunteered, as did David Arnold and Ray Hunt. Lane Kreitlow asked the hours (6:00 – 9:00 pm) and is a maybe.

Bugfest Recap

Bugfest committee chair Mart Bumgarner recapped the club's participation in Bugfest, which was held September 17th. He recognized the participants, saying there was a big draw and an excellent booth. Special thanks to Todd Prince for printing the handouts at no cost to the club.

State Fair Update

State Fair committee chair Greg updated the club on our State Fair exhibit. The theme is "NC Forestry and Honey Bees". He listed some specific items we're still looking for as part of the sweepstakes. He confirmed set-up times and judging times and requested volunteers to help out.

Club Refractometer

The refractometer was not what we expected. Brushy Mountain told us to keep it and they would also refund the approximately \$75.00 we spent on it.

Hive Increase Project

Tim gave a brief update on the Hive Increase project. HIP is at 6 hives, 2 double deeps. They chose not to split the 2 doubles.

New Business

Speakers Bureau

Suzy passed around a sign-up list for people interested to be on an email list to be utilized when educational outreach opportunities arise.

Program

Preparing the Bees for Winter

- Tim Huffman led a discussion on preparing the bees for winter including mite treatments, feeding and keeping bees dry (moisture out). There were quite a few comments from club members on what has worked and not worked for them.

Announcements and Door Prizes

The following announcements were made:

- Suzy Spencer gave a “shout out” to Lane Kreitlow for her great work on the NCSBA Bee Buzz. She also mentioned not to forget to keep filling out the GAP reporting sheets.
- 5CBA will be giving the State Certified Exam one more time this year, before the October meeting. Contact Suzy Spencer by October 15th if you wish to take the Certified Beekeeper exam.
- Door prize drawings were held.

Adjournment

Gov Wallace ended the meeting at 8:39 pm. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 7 PM.

Secretary

Date of approval