
5CBA Meeting Minutes – October 2016

Call to order

A meeting of the 5CBA was held at The Lodge at Bennett Bunn Plantation on Tuesday, October 18, 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, and had them introduce themselves.

Approval of minutes

The September 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 9/31/16 was \$1,959.71.

Ongoing business

Nominating Committee

Gov Wallace announced that C.L. Gobble, Greg Wolgemuth and Rex Barber comprise the nominating committee. The vacant officer positions are vice president, treasurer and director.

Zebulon Night Out

The 5CBA had a booth at Zebulon Night out on October 11th. Thanks to David Arnold and his daughter Caroline, Tim Huffman, Ray Hunt, Matthew Jones and Suzy Spencer for working the booth.

State Fair Update

State Fair committee chair Greg Wolgemuth provided a State Fair recap. The 5CBA booth got 3rd place among chapters and 5CBA won the sweepstakes! The sweepstakes included approximately 15 winning ribbons from numerous club members who entered various categories on behalf of the club.

Hive Increase Project

Tim gave a brief update on the Hive Increase project, announcing 2 doubles and 4 singles going into winter from a single nuc.

Tip of the Month

Club member CL Gobble spent about 10 minutes demonstrating the use of quilt boards and candy boards as “insurance” for the winter; showing how they are constructed and used.

New Business

5CBA Bylaws

Gov Wallace read the following bylaw changes proposed by the Executive Committee. Bylaw changes are slated for a vote at the November club meeting.

Article 4 section 1

Add: All elected officers can be co-positions as needed except directors.

Article 5 section 1

Remove/ delete the sentence "Annual dues for new members (both individual and family) are decreased fifty percent as of July1."

Change: Individual dues are \$20.00 per year. TO Individual dues are \$15.00 per year.

Change: Family dues are \$30.00 per household per year (must live at the same address). TO Family dues are \$20.00 per household per year (must live at the same address).

Program

Preparing the Bees for Winter

- Hive Tracks – Club member Mike Laskowski provided a live online demo of the Hive Tracks software being used in our Hive Increase Project.
- Mentoring Beekeepers – Craig Dupree and Tim Huffman led an informal discussion session with club members on mentoring new beekeepers by club members. How to connect beekeepers with mentors, expectations of both mentor and mentee, as well as the possible stigma of the term “mentor” were discussed among other things.

Raffle

Matthew Jones made an oxalic acid vaporizer and donated it to the club for a raffle, which was facilitated by CL Gobble. 100% of the funds received from the raffle went into the 5CBA treasury. Thank you, Matthew!

Announcements and Door Prizes

The following announcements were made:

- Gov Wallace mentioned the club is looking to have a picnic and beekeeper equipment swap in the Spring of 2017. More information to follow.
- Bee School. Lane Kreitlow announced that she and Suzy Spencer have begun talks planning the 5CBA bees school, hopefully to be held in February 2017. Anyone interested in speaking or helping with the event should contact Lane. More details to follow in upcoming months.
- Door prize drawings were held.

Adjournment

Gov Wallace ended the meeting at 8:42 pm. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 7 PM.

Secretary

Date of approval