
5CBA Meeting Minutes – November 2017

Call to order

A meeting of the 5CBA was held at The Lodge at Bennett Bunn Plantation on Tuesday, November 21, 2017. Club Co-President Gov Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Gov asked who brought refreshments and thanked them for their contributions. Gov asked if there were any guests and had them introduce themselves.

Approval of minutes

September 2017 meeting minutes were approved by general consensus.

October 2017 meeting minutes were approved by general consensus.

Reports

Treasurer's Report – Suzy Spencer presented the Treasurer's report. The 5CBA balance as of 10/31/2017 was \$1,324.34.

Ongoing business

State Fair Ribbon Winners

Greg Wolgemuth, State Fair chair, shared State Fair ribbon counts for club sweepstakes and individuals. A table of ribbon winning entries was set up in the back of the Lodge, near the refreshments.

Election of 2018 5CBA Officers

Greg Wolgemuth, Nominating Committee Chair, presented the following slate of 2018 5CBA Officers:

- Co-Presidents - Gov Wallace and Tim Huffman (both up for re-election)
- Vice-President - Ed Paris (for re-election))
- Co-Treasurers - Debbie and David Holland (replacing Suzy Spencer)
- Secretary - Candace Alvarez (replacing David Arnold)
- Co-Program Chairs - Tim Huffman (for re-election) and Greg Wolgemuth (new)
- Director (3-year term): Jennifer Tredway - (replacing Tom Hendrickson)

- Co-Webmasters Dianne Saunders (for re-election) and Magnus Ullberg (new)

Co-President Gov Wallace asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were none.

A motion was made by Steve Hildebrand accept the slate of officers as presented. Motion was seconded by Craig Dupree. Discussion was requested however there was none. **Motion carried by show of hands.**

Special Chapter of the Year T-Shirts

Jerry Allen was available to take orders for the new 5CBA GAP Club of the Year t-shirts. Details regarding availability will be circulated later.

5CBA By-Law Changes

The following by-law changes (shown below in red), recommended by the Executive Committee, were read by Gov Wallace. Gov mentioned that the proposed changes already were posted on the Web site and that they would be voted on at the **December meeting**, as they must be published for at least 30 days prior to voting.

ARTICLE 5

SECTION 3 PERMANENT MEMBERSHIP: ~~Permanent membership in the Chapter shall be \$200 for individuals.~~ **Permanent membership in the Chapter shall be ten times the annual dues.** After this one-time payment, permanent members no longer pay annual Chapter dues but enjoy the same rights and privileges of other active members.

ARTICLE 6 (Meetings and Events)

SECTION 2: EVENTS: 5CBA periodically participates in community outreach and other events to support club objectives (Article 2). Members may sell their products of the hive (honey, wax, etc.) at the 5CBA Booth during an event, if permitted by the event sponsor and not specifically prohibited by the 5CBA executive committee. Promotion of other business services/ventures/classes at the 5CBA booth is not permitted. If the club is charged a special fee to allow product sales, members selling items will split that additional cost.

5CBA Bee School

The 3rd Annual 5CBA Bee School is being coordinated. Dr. Lane Kreitlow again will be coordinating the presentations. A co-organizer is needed. February 17th or 24th are hopeful dates. More details to follow.

This Month in the Bee Yard

David Arnold reviewed tips for this month and next month.

- November - Bees will begin to cluster when temps drop to mid-50s, Varroa mites (with little brood, treatments can be highly effective), Small Hive Beetles (Beetles shut down reproduction in the winter, but can survive within the bee cluster. On warm days, the bees still will chase the beetles, so beetle traps can kill most, if not all, of the beetles over the winter.)
- December - Bees will be clustering. Quilt boards??? (Used by some beekeepers. Used as much or more to reduce moisture as for warmth). Bee Educated (Great time to read book on beekeeping, perhaps as part of NCSBA's Master Beekeeping Program [MBP])

Program

Hive Scale Project Update

Our speaker, Annie Krueger, Research Associate in Bayer U.S. Crop Science's Pollinator Safety area, gave us an update on her statewide hive scale project, using hive scales to understand forage availability. Via a PowerPoint presentation, Anne showed us how to interpret different hive scale numbers and graphs, including some very interesting results, such as how late a nectar flow continued (in July and August) in the Eastern Piedmont. Many 5CBA members are participating in this project.

Announcements and Door Prizes

The following announcements were made:

- Suzy Spencer announced we would be having a "black jar" honey tasting contest at the December Christmas Potluck meeting.
- A SignUpGenius will be set-up to coordinate Christmas Potluck.
- Tom Hendrickson at Bennett Bunn needs volunteers for his holiday party on December 9th. More details to follow.
- Tom has pumpkins and empty wine bottles available here at back of Lodge; first come, first served.

- Door prize drawings were held.

Adjournment

Gov thanked those who bought door prizes, thanked everyone for coming, and then adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 7 PM.

Secretary

Date of approval