
5CBA Meeting Minutes – December 2017

Call to order

A meeting of the 5CBA was held at The Lodge at Bennett Bunn Plantation on Tuesday, December 19, 2017. Club Co-President Gov Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. Gov brought the meeting to order and announced there would be a brief business meeting before the Christmas pot luck, then some additional remarks after dinner.

Approval of minutes

November 2017 meeting minutes were approved by general consensus.

Reports

Treasurer's Report – Suzy Spencer presented the Treasurer's report. The 5CBA balance as of 11/30/2017 was \$1,304.13.

Ongoing business

Black Jar Honey Contest

Suzy Spencer explained the rules for tasting and voting in the inaugural 5CBA Black Jar Honey Contest. Voting occurred before and after dinner. The winners were:

1. HIP Light honey (submitted by Tim Huffman)
2. Karen Tyndall
3. Kelly Allen

NCSBA Master Beekeeping Program (MBP)

Master beekeeper Suzy Spencer, in place of Regional Director Kim Underhill, **awarded the NCSBA Journeyman Beekeeper certificate to Greg Wolgemuth**. Suzy also outlined some of the MBP requirements and program benefits to members. She also announced that 2 Master, 3 Journeyman and 3 Certified Beekeeper certificates were earned by 5CBA members in 2017.

NCSBA Centennial Cookbook

An NCSBA Centennial Cookbook was presented to Jill and Tom Hendrickson as a small token of thanks for their continued support of 5CBA by providing The Lodge as a wonderful venue for club meetings.

5CBA Reflections on the Year

Suzy Spencer reflected on some of the 5CBA club highlights of 2017.

Following is a partial list:

- NCSBA GAP Chapter of the Year
- NCSBA Summer Conference Bee Bowl Champion
- State Fair Sweepstakes Winner (Booth received 3rd place ribbon)
- Hive Increase Project (HIP) provided a great hands-on learning experience
- 2nd Annual Beginner Beekeeping School
- Various Outreach Events
 - Bugfest (September 16th)
 - National Honey Bee Day – State Farmers Market (August 19th)
 - Zebulon Trunk or Treat (October 27th)
 - The Market @ Knightdale Station Park – Bees and Blooming (June 10th)

5CBA By-Law Changes

The following by-law changes, recommended by the Executive Committee and as posted on the Web site and the email newsletter, were referenced by Gov Wallace.

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.

A motion was made by Darryl Gabritsch to approve the by-law changes as posted. Motion was seconded by Danny Alvarez. Discussion was requested however there was none. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Program

No program because of Christmas Potluck

Announcements and Door Prizes

The following announcements were made:

- Kelly Allen is accepting GAP Chapter of the Year T-shirt orders during the meeting. This is the final opportunity to order.
- The 3rd Annual 5CBA Beginner Beekeeping School will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at The Lodge at Bennett Bunn Plantation. More details to follow.
- New 5CBA Executive Committee members for 2018 were acknowledged.
- The January Executive Committee meeting will be held on January 9th rather than January 2nd.
- Door prize drawings were held.

Adjournment

Gov thanked those who bought door prizes, thanked everyone for coming, and then adjourned the meeting at 8:43 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7 PM.

Secretary

Date of approval