



5CBA Meeting Minutes January 21, 2020

Call to order

A meeting of the 5CBA was held at The Lodge at Bennett Bunn Plantation on January 21, 2020. Club Co-President Greg Wolgemuth called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Reports

Treasurer's Report – David Holland presented the Treasurer's report.

Announcements

Introduction of the officers – Greg Wolgemuth provided a short intro to each of the officers. He also introduced Lane and her work on the Bee School as well as Suzy and her knowledge of our history and assistance with bringing in funds to the club.

EC Meeting – Gov Wallace reminded members that the EC Meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month at 7PM. All members are welcome

Nomination of a Director – Tim Huffman introduced Bill Mars as the newest director. He will be filling the position vacated by Jennifer Tredwell.

Bee School– Our club will be putting on a bee school in February and Lane provided details. She requested that anyone that would like to advertise that they are selling bees and equipment to let her know and that info will be put in the bee school information.

Tom Wells Beekeeping Therapy for Vets - Discussed the fact that Veterans are getting involved with beekeeping and finding that it helps to reduce their PTSD. Tom asked members to help him develop a program for vets with PTSD, to work with beekeepers. See Tom after the meeting and he will give his contact information.

March State Conference –Club members discussed the upcoming State conference being held in New Bern this year the first week in March.

2 Million Blooms – Terry discussed the newest pollinator magazine 2 Million Blooms and that she brought cards for people if they were interested in ordering it.

Motions

2 Motions were presented by Gov Wallace, discussed and unanimously accepted by the club members that were present.

1. Up to \$500 from club funds will go to Tim Huffman's side of the apiary (used for mentoring members) and these funds can be used for equipment, feed, treatment etc
2. Up to \$500 from club funds will go to support the Nuc Increase Project in the apiary. These funds can be used for equipment, feed, treatment, etc.

February Meeting - Will cover increase essentials.

Other Business

Program

Daniel Harden, Greg Wolgemuth and Betsy Spencer discussed the Nuc Increase Project (NIP) as well as getting ready for Spring.

Daniel and Greg gave a good overview of the timeline for the NIP, how it got started and where the club would like to take it. Daniel also discussed the NIP page he created that members can access and see the progress of the program.

Betsy delved into what members should be doing and looking for now to have healthy bees in the Spring. She discussed different aspects she has noticed already this year such as it appears pollen is coming in 2 weeks earlier. In her yard as well as Daniel and Greg's started bringing in pollen on Jan 14th. In the past it has generally been around February 1st. Discussed resources and the importance of checking on colonies because they can starve in early spring and that timeliness is key for feeding, checking mites and treating throughout the year.

Door prize drawings were held.

Adjournment

Greg thanked those who bought door prizes, food and beverages and thanked everyone for coming, and then adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled on February 18th, with the social beginning at 6:30 PM.

Secretary

Date of approval