



5CBA Meeting Minutes October 18, 2022

Call to order

A meeting of the 5CBA was held via ZOOM and Live at Bunn Bennett Plantation on October 18, 2022. President Dianne Saunders called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and started with the program first.

Program

Theo Hartman talked about how sensors can help in apiary management and swarm management. With the hive sensors he was able to determine if there was something going on in the hive that he needs to go over and inspect for example a swarm had landed on the outside of the box on the outside sensor. He also uses hive sensors in his swarm boxes to determine if a swarm has moved in. His basic hive set up is a scale under the hive with two hive sensors in the hive (one on top of each brood chamber). By having a sensor on each brood chamber he is also able to see if he may need to rotate the boxes in the spring.

Reports

Last months Minutes were approved.

Apiary Report – Tim talked about the 3 frame queen castle and that we will learn more about it next month from George. We had built up to 26 hives but needed to combine or had dead outs in 9 hives (2 of which were sentinel hives). Treated the hives with apivar or OA. 20 bottles of honey left. Got the nucs picked out for the fair drawings and will be going to the yard on the 29th of Oct. And the bee pond is ready so if you have any bee friendly plants you would like to plant this fall see Tim

Gap – Anya reported Tim was able to convert on scale and it is calibrated. The team continues to work on getting the hub and sensors up and running and will probably be going back out to the apiary soon to work on the project some more.

Treasurer's Report – Jesse reported 107 memberships and \$3161.52 in the bank at this time. He reported about the recent expenditures such as to chowan and the gap and not much coming in this time of year.

State Fair – Lane reported that we won 4th place and there were multiple people that submitted things under the clubs name that won such as candace for the stained glass, eden for her pic and mead. We need to start thinking about what we will do next year and see if anyone is able to take the baton on the club booth designing.

T-Shirts – Should be on line Nov 1 for purchase. More info to come.

Announcements

SIGs Gardening SIG will meet Sunday ? at 10:30 at knightdale ihop and then go to atlantic gardening
Hive Monitoring SIG – Cancelled this month

Mead Making – If interested please see Tim. There are still a couple spots left. It will take place at Candace and Dannys house Nov 19 at 1 pm for about 3 hours. You will go home with a gallon of mead to percolate.

By-Laws – Dianne is doing some fine tuning of the writing and policy drafts and will have these out to the club to review and then vote on in the next month.

Bees and Boos – Granville County is putting on the event to raise money for the Endowment. The event happens Oct 29th. Please get the word out.

November Meeting - 3 Queen Queen Castle – George McAllister

Business

John Converse presented that he would like Johnston, Wilson and 5CBA to work on a joint project to develop age appropriate training for K-3, 4-7th grade and 8-12grade groups that bee keepers can take (slides, props ect) to schools and other local programs to help encourage and educate our youth around beekeeping. This will be a 2023 project. If interested see John. He also encouraged everyone to take pictures so we can start collating them and add them in the projects.

Adjournment

Dianne thanked everyone for coming, and then adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled on November 15th with the social beginning at 6:30 PM.

Secretary

Date of approval