

BM Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2021, 6:30 pm

Via Zoom



Elm Fork Beekeepers Association

Officers in Attendance			Other Board Members in Attendance		
✓	President	Jan Hodson		Communications	Susan Pritchard
✓	V. President	Stan Brandon		Hospitality	Melanie Clinton
✓	Treasurer	Julie Haza	✓	Education Director	Byron Compton
✓	Secretary	Connie Hutchins	✓	Webmaster	Stacy Branam
✓	Director at Large	Tim Branam			

Attendance: 7

Executive Board Meeting, April 1, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

Officers Reports:

President: Jan Hodson

- TBA Director Rebecca Vaughan will be attending our April meeting and give a short presentation.
- Jan bought some equipment for the scholarship, including 2 queen excluders, frame holder, boardman feeders, and Keldyn will be receiving two hives versus one. Calculation was done for the total cost and its estimated at just over \$1000.

Vice President: Stan Brandon

- Justin will be speaking in April about Queen Rearing.
- Lisa Bellows will be speaking in May about flowers and plants that bees like.
- TBA turned us down for speaking at this time but Stan can check back later.
- Stan will go back to list again for future speakers.
- We discussed Stan speaking about equipment as well as having Cooke County or other county(s) AG exempt person as a speaker.

Secretary: Connie Hutchins

- All approved minutes have been uploaded to google drive.
- Motion was made by Stan to Approve March minutes, Byron seconded and motion was approved by all in attendance.

Treasurer: Julie Haza

- \$5310.64 in bank account, \$203.39 in PayPal.
- \$5514.03 total and a deposit in transit
- 66 members including Keldyn
- Hackers prepaid for 2022
- Membership list is updated
- Budget is not complete yet, but will work on it for next time.
- Next installment (donation) of \$150 to VFW will be due.
- There was a discussion of creating a financial report for members.

Education Director: Byron Compton

- Will get with Melonie for lunch for the last class.
- Needs Jan's slides to get binder ready and Jan promised for next week.
- Class is April 17th.
- DVD is audio only as slides just are not visible.
- Next meeting pictures need to be taken of Keldyn with President, mom, scholarship coordinator, etc. to send to TBA
- Master Beekeeper's class will start Aug. or Sept., and the convention is in in Nov. which is when the exams are offered.
- Asked Paulette about blinds for the bee class at Mt Springs CC for better viewing of slides. Paulette needed to take to CC board.

Communications: Susan Pritchard

- Not in attendance

Hospitality: Melanie Clinton

- Not in attendance

Webmaster: Stacy Branam

- Attempted to get Jason's videos up but format is not correct.
- Learning section is ready for class members and password is beeclass21
- Will have power point presentations up by the next class.
- Amazon smile info is on the home page.
- Discussed linking Joe Lewis videos.

Director at Large: Tim Branam

- Not a lot of participation in the survey.
- We looked at survey results.
- Top three interests were same as last year
 - Monthly tips
 - Hive management
 - Honey Production
- Least Interested in (2 of 3 same as last year)

- Product Marketing
- Queen Rearing
- Bee Biology
- #1 Reason for keeping bees was Ag exemption
- Had a comment that the meetings were too long.
- Class survey is ready for students
- 6 new mentees were assigned mentors
- Hives for heroes, a veteran program was discussed. Objective is to assist vets back into civilian life by giving them something to do. The organization was asking for the mentor to have 3 years experience, be willing to drive 30 miles, make an 18 month commitment, and help the vet get setup with equipment, including monetary contribution. Tim is going to do more research.

Business

- 17 pollen feeders left.

Meeting Adjourned: at 7:45 PM