



# Elm Fork Beekeepers Association

**Mission: To share information and provide education to our members and community about bees and beekeeping. To promote responsible beekeeping practices, through training and education, resulting in effective management of diseases, pests, and other environmental issues.**

**March 03, 2022**

- **Officers reports**
  - **President - Jan Hodson**
    - **Outyard contact list**
    - **Swarm/cutout list**
    - **Planning retreat Action Items:**
      - **Move monthly tips and blooms to announcements (possibly website & facebook)**
        - **Has been added to announcements.**
      - **Hive Talk: Add time to have open floor questions and answers,**
        - **Seems to be working out well!**
      - **Content: on point, brief, to point, to much, to long**
        - **Timing is improving.**
      - **Cut meeting time to 1.5 hours, 10min break**
        - **Timing is improving.**
      - **Need better facebook, Connie has volunteered to take the lead. Justin Hartman is the current manager.**
        - **Progress?**
      - **More content on Website (how much activity do we have?)**
        - **Activity is higher on public side. Very low on member side.**
        - **Can Stacy train other board members to put content on the website?**
          - **Stacy is working on a training document.**
          - **Possible time frame is spring break week**
      - **Look into new meeting location.**
        - **Possible LDS Church**
      - **Jan to schedule MSCC for Aug extraction party.**
        - **Scheduled for Aug 20, MSCC is asking for \$100**
      - **Will we have Xmas party this year?**
        - **Tabled until we see if meeting attendance improves.**
  - **Vice President – Stan Brandon**
    - **Speakers/ Programs**
      - **Brief bio for speakers**
      - **Meeting Topics for 2022:**
        - **Jan: Cross-Timbers Ecosystem, Jan Hodson**
        - **Feb: Coming out of Winter, Stan Brandon**
        - **Mar: Swarm Prevention/Swarm Traps, (Swap with April?)**
        - **April: Supering/cut comb honey,**
        - **May: Dealing with heat,**

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- June: Pest control strategies (SHB and Varroa),
- July: Queen rearing/replacement,
- August: Products from the hive,
- Sept: Getting ready for Winter,
- Oct: ?, Nov: ?
- **Secretary – Connie Hutchins**
  - Jan BM minutes
  - Nov GM meeting Minutes approved, motion by: Stan, Justin Hartman
  - Jan GM Minutes
  - Feb BM Minutes
- **Treasurer – Julie Haza**
  - Reports
  - Membership
  - Class (3 new members) (5 forms) (1 PP, 2 cks)
  - Audit
- **Communications – Gavin**
  - Check sign in sheet for new contacts
  - New members/students
- **Hospitality –**
- **Education Coordinator – Byron Compton**
  - Scholarship – Keldyn Lehner, Owen Bloomer
  - 2022 classes
    - NCTC
      - Computer access
      - Heat, doors
      - lunch
    - Books
    - Extension agent –Tanah Lowe (admin: Leslie Kittrell)
- **Webmaster – Stacy Branam**
  - Add a login for students
  - Calendar?
  - Class for Connie and Jan
- **Director at Large – Tim Branam**
  - Mentor program
- **Business**
  - I will offer pollen feeders again at the next few meetings, 13 in stock. Please put it in the announcements to contact me if they want me to bring one to the meeting.

Notes: New quartermaster for VFW is Ken McColly, cell: 940-727-9244, [hughestone1922@ntin.net](mailto:hughestone1922@ntin.net)