



Elm Fork Beekeepers Association

Officers in Attendance			Other Board Members in Attendance		
*	President	Jan Hodson	*	Communications	Susan Pritchard
	V. President	Michael Barber		Hospitality	Melanie & Gary Clinton
*	Treasurer	Julie Haza		Webmaster	Byron Compton
*	Secretary	Louann Barfknecht		Advisor	Marty Morgan

Attendance: 5. Guest Tim Branam was in attendance

**Executive Board Meeting November 7, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 3:13 pm at Cooke Co. Extension Office.

**Officers Reports:**

**President: Jan Hodson**

- TBA table center piece contest – These will be auctioned off at the conference in San Antonio. EFBA is asking for a volunteer to make a centerpiece for this event. EFBA voted on & approved an expense of \$100 for supplies for the centerpiece. Byron & Michael are at the convention, so at this time we do not have an update on if a centerpiece was donated.
- Beekeeping classes are scheduled for 1/25, 2/22 & 3/28/2020 all to be held at NCTC in Gainesville. Cost of all 3 classes will be \$100. (non-refundable). To include lunch, snacks, class books & materials. Info will be put on the EFBA web site. Posters are printed & ready to distribute.
- Agenda printouts - will not be printed for meetings unless we receive requests for them in the future.

**Vice President: Michael Barber (attending the TBA convention)**

- Speaker for November GM was to be Misty Appling & Mary Benton, but had a last minute change to Joe Lewis. Subject: Sustainable Beekeeping.
- Mentor Program- In progress, received a new applicant to be assigned to Tim Branam as a mentor.
- Nominations Committee for next year Board nomination/election process. The following members have volunteered for this committee: Susan Pritchard, Dana Moss & Teresa Sampsell. Elected positions of Board members: President, Vice Pres & Secretary positions. The election will be held at the November GM. There were no members that expressed an interested in filling any of these positions outside of the existing board.
- Scholarships – Susan has emailed school counselors & will be in contact with other organizations for interested applicants for this program. EFBA goal is 1-2 participants.

- Possible Director at large: This position will be added to the current Board for EFBA. Tim Branam has expressed an interest in filling this position. The board voted to accept Tim to fill this position. He will mainly act as a liason between the general membership & board. Thank you Tim!

**Secretary: Louann Barfknecht**

- Approval of October BM minutes was presented for approval, first by Julie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan and passed via vote of board members in attendance.

**Treasurer: Julie Haza**

- Julie reported the checking account for EFBA currently has a balance of \$2069.45 in checking account & \$255.70 in paypal as of 11/7/19.
- Current EFBA membership for membership is 56. Cost is \$25 per member.
- Vetch Seed - Cost to EFBA = \$300. Purchase of 200 lbs. Sold so far \$268. We still have some available & will offer them for purchase at the next GM.

**Webmaster – Byron Compton**

- Not in attendance due to TBA convention. Byrons items for discussion are tabled until next meeting.

**Hospitality: Melanie & Gary Clinton – Not in attendance**

- Christmas party will be December 19. Available for all members & their families. Bring a \$10 limit gift for the gift exchange. Meats & drinks provided by club. Members asked to bring a side dish.

**Communications: Susan Pritchard**

- Susan discussed possibility of embroidered shirts or screen printed & will be checking into this for the club.
- Will work on developing letterhead for club use.
- Jan had a preliminary brochure to see if any changes were needed. A couple minor items suggested. Jan gave this to Susan to work on.

**Advisor: Marty Morgan – Not in attendance**

- The following are a few items for Marty that were tabled until Jan can discuss them with Marty: Cooke Co Appraisal office, Meeting space for 2020, Booth opportunities, Scholarship & class promotion.

**Business:**

- Bee wrangler contract examples, Removal contract examples. (tabled for now)
- Landmark Bank employee gift of honey will be delivered on Nov 21. Thanks to Byron & Michael for their contributions.

- **Pollen Feeders (4 ordered). Susan will check for possible donations for supplies for future orders.**
- **How to formalize our announcement facebook page through Robby & Susan. Robby said he will do a public FB for club.**
- **How club will handle donations of sponsorships of scholarship program. Susan will be checking for possible donations for this.**

**Notes:**

- **Next BM will be Dec 5, 2019. The next GM will be Nov 21, 2019**

Meeting Adjourned: 4:44 pm