

**Dunn County Beekeepers Association**  
**Menomonie Alliance Church Room 116**  
**Minutes for 1/8/2018**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll call – 33 attendees

Secretary's Report – Motion to accept made and passed.

Treasurer Report – Monthly and yearly report - Motion to accept made and passed.

**Old Business**

1. Organization topic – Dunn County fair booth entry fee – update from Steve F. – Steve F. was not at meeting for an update.
2. Agenda sharing with other clubs – Polk/Burnett; EC/Chippewa Falls; St. Croix - SOP sent with agenda. Motion to accept made and passed.
3. Workshop discussion – February 3, 2018 - updates / questions / finalize
  - a. Registration flyer – final is on web site.
  - b. Advertising update – Shannon E. provided update, many websites and event calendars have information about the workshop.
  - c. Course materials update – Tom P. – need updates, if any, from Sarah D. for first year of beekeeping.
  - d. Round Robin sessions – Confirm leads
    - i. Ordering Equipment – Charlie A.; will also bring top bar hive.
    - ii. Assembling Hive components – Duane M. not able to help this year, Tom P. & Dave W. to bring components.
    - iii. Dressing for success – Noah L. and maybe Nathan L.
    - iv. Non Traditional Beekeeping – George A. , Dan S. , Jerry Z.
    - v. More than Honey in a Hive – still need someone for this table.
    - vi. Pollinator planting – Sarah D.
  - e. Attendee materials
    - i. Work book – printing status – Tom P. workbook is pretty much done.
    - ii. Paper back – 'First Lessons in Bee Keeping' was ordered and received; Jenny G. has in garage.
    - iii. Hive tool – ordered and received – Jenny G. has in garage.
  - f. Lunch / break menu – Kathy W. gave an update on food for workshop – Jenny G. volunteered to bring cookies and Kathy W. is getting donuts – Not any interest by members for baking food for workshop.
  - g. Vendor catalogs - Veronica K. has vendor catalogs for workshop and tote bags to use to put all attendee materials.
  - h. Presentation materials – items club has for events – who has them? Bring to workshop – Pat W. brought books, hive tools, pens, name tags, index cards for workshop. Mary B. has table clothes, posters and more.
  - i. Room Setup – Friday at 4 p.m. at church.
  - j. Willie M. will get keys, check on ice machine and PA.

- k. Projector – Jenny G. is getting a loaner from LCIP. Klaus B. is buying a projector for the club. Motion made and accepted to spend between \$600-\$1000 for new projector.
4. Other items? Bee orders - decided that the club would not ordering bees this year, but would supply a list of vendors where bees could be ordered from.

### **New Business**

#### **Organizational Topics**

1. Bylaws to be updated with changes and presented at next meeting.
2. Honey Extractor Rental and Usage Agreement – Motion to accept made and passed.
3. Financial update regarding honey sticks for Dunn County Fair Booth. Honey sticks are being donated for the Dunn County Fair booth by Jon L. and Ingrid L. of Osseo.
4. SOP on Club hive – Willie M. – Had not checked status of hive yet.
5. SOP – ordering bees through the club – With prior discussion above, SOP was not discussed.

**Workshop topic** --- Work shop club mentor/work shop attendee pairing – Jenny G. will set up tables to group guests by where they live to foster meeting neighboring bee keepers. Club attendees are asked to sit with group from their local area.

**Hive updates** – Many had not checked hives, others said hives were still alive, a few had lost theirs.

A jar with blind drones were brought in to show what they look like.

Reminder: Club Dues are due in January.

Please give agenda topics for next month's meeting to Jenny G.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.