

# Dunn County Beekeepers Association

Menomonie Alliance Church Room 116

Minutes for 11/13/2017

7 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.

Roll call – Please sign in on sign-in sheet on table as you enter the room (26)

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

Treasurer Report – Motion to accept made and passed.

## Old Business

1. Club Extractor housed by Duane M. has been returned – thanks!
2. Organization topics – Member Services
  - a. Roster and email list – Roster made and handed out by Mary B. to those present.
3. Organization topic – Liability insurance / Non-profit status – County Fair Board agreed to waive insurance fee for education exhibitors. Steve F. will ask if the booth entry fee can also be waived since we are an education exhibitor and do not sell anything.
4. WHPA Convention Queen Auction report
  - a. Dave W. – items purchased by club to donate to auction were candle making items including a book. List of items was circulated through the room.
  - b. Sarah D. – scarves, hat, and mittens were donated
  - c. Jenny G. – Clothes pin dress and decorator honey comb plate

## New Business

1. Organization Topics
  - a. Financial: Nancy W. & Jenny G. – draft budget – review excel worksheet via TV – Workshop Budget – Motion made to eliminate door prizes at workshop made and passed. Motion to change workshop budget made and passed.
  - b. Hospitality budget adjusted to include \$100 that will go to the MN Bee Lab.
  - c. Motion to adjust fair budget to \$450 made and passed. To include \$30 for Pollinator Friendly Habitat Group handout printing/paper cost.
  - d. Motion made to pay 2 speakers @ \$20 each made and passed.
  - e. Motion made to keep club hive made and passed – Need to make sure to use it.
  - f. Motion made to donate \$100 to MN Bee Lab for memorial fund in memory of deceased club member made and passed. The \$100 will be part of 'hospitality' budget.
  - g. Motion made to accept entire budget and passed.
2. Pollinator Friendly Habitat sub-group update –requested money to print handout – included in budget.
3. Workshop discussion – February 3, 2018
  - a. Registration flyer – need final document – Jenny G. will finalize flyer.

- i. Fee will be \$40 plus \$8 for lunch.
  - b. Advertising person – binder available on what was done in 2017 – Shannon E. volunteered to take care of advertising for the workshop.
  - c. Course materials – slide show, props – Tom P. and Dave W.
    - i. Round Robin sessions – Discussed how many and who will do round robin sessions. Jenny G. will contact people who have helped in the past for the six round robins.
  - d. Attendee materials –
    - i. Work book – printing
    - ii. Paper back – ‘First Lessons in Bee Keeping’ will be purchased for each paying attendee (not their guests).
    - iii. Other items? A hive tool will be purchased for each paying attendee (not their guests).
  - e. Lunch / break menu – Kathy W. has lunch / break menu done.
  - f. Vendor catalogs – Veronica K. has vendor catalogs for workshop.
  - g. Presentation materials – items club has for events – who has them? Bring to workshop.
  - h. Room Set up – logistics, keys, sound system, tables, etc. – Willie M. will get key and set up Friday night for workshop, he will check on ice machine, PA, projector. Plan on starting setting up Friday at 4 pm.
  - i. Other items?
4. Club exchanging of agenda’s with other area clubs – Polk / Burnett, St. Croix, Chippewa / Eau Claire. Jenny G. talked about sharing the Dunn County Beekeeper organizational email address with other club’s presidents in order to share club meeting agendas. The agenda may list a topic you would like to learn more about. Group agreed to try it. Also wondered if the group could be a ‘closed’ list. The SOP will be updated/reviewed at a future meeting.
  5. Christmas / News Year’s Holiday party proposal – Willie M. presented venue options for Christmas party – Motion made to have Christmas Party December 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. at the Stout Ale House and passed – Willie M. will get menu or buffet options.
  6. Next Month’s agenda topics – give topics to Jenny G.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Containers of moth ‘balls’ and moth ‘crystals’ were on display. The crystals can be used when storing woodware/frames w/foundation to keep moths from damaging the wax. Put a tablespoon or so of crystals on a piece of paper laying on the top of the frames on the top box.

Various vendor catalogs and Wisconsin Honey Producers Association (WHPA) products (brochures, T-shirts, totes) were available for pickup / purchase.