

# December Meeting of the Dunn County Beekeepers ~ 2016

12/12/2016

**Secretary's Report**-given motion made and accepted

**Treasurer Report**-given motion made and accepted

## AGENDA

- Roll call -- Beekeepers sign in
- Secretary/Treasurer's Report
- Old Business
- New Business
- Meeting Adjourned

## Old Business

### Tentative Workshop Schedule-a work in progress!

10<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop

7:45-8:30

Registration

Fellowship with local beekeepers

Coffee and treats

8:20

Start playing a video to get attention to start

8:30-9:00

Welcome to 2017 to the workshop **(Klaus)**

Intro to beekeeping/history/why beekeeping

9:00-10:15

The Dunn County Hive-standard hive parts **(Gary and Dave)**

Parts of the hive explained

Basic Beekeeping Equipment

Apiary Location **(Mary B.)**

10:15-10:45

Break and Play **(Jen Bauer)**

Questions

Trivia

Talk to a Beekeeper-stickers on your name badge to talk

10:45-11:15

Life in the Hive

11:15-11:30

First Year Beekeeping Calendar **(Mary B)**

11:30-11:45

A personal experience on your beekeeping-successes and 'war stories'  
**(Sarah)**

11:45-12:00

John Spate, President Western Wisconsin Beekeepers Association

If John can't make it, Klaus can highlight beekeeping organizations to help support beekeepers

- 12:00-12:30 Lunch with Mentors & Dunn County Beekeepers
- 12:30-1:00 My First Hive **(Tom P.)**
- 1:00-1:30 First year colony management  
Keeping Honeybees Healthy **(Jen B.)**
- 1:30-1:45 Introduction to Round Robin Sessions &  
What equipment do I need?
- 1:45-3:15 Round Robin sessions:
- 1.) equipment ordering/looking at equipment **(Charlie)**
  - 2.) Assembling Hive Components-demonstrating the  
assembly of components/frames **(Duane)**
  - 3.) More than honey from a hive (
    - a. honey tasting
    - b. hive products-wax
    - c. pollination **(Jenny G)**
  - 4.) Preparing for success **(Nathan/Noah Longhurst)**
    - a. dressing & equipment demonstration
    - b. the official return of the Bee Answer Man **(Jim C. at  
a Table)**
    - c. sign-up for spring honeybee packages **(Scott)**
  - 5.) non-traditional beekeeping **(George/Dan Strehlauer  
(sp?))**
- 1:45-2:10 First Station
- 2:15-2:40 Second Station
- 2:45-3:10 Third Station
- 3:15-3:40 Fourth Station
- 3:45-4:10 Fifth Station
- 4:15 Honey & Ice Cream  
Drawings  
Question & answer time
- 4:30 Formal Adjourn

### **New Business**

Scott will order the books and hive tools for our participants.  
60 books/60 hive tools -**ordered at meeting.**

### Bee Packages

- ✓ Dave is going to touch base with Don Kohn for bee package pricing. It is likely that the price will not be for certain until the time of workshop.

Workshop setup will be the Friday night before the workshop at 4:00ish.

Dave's scale hive has been losing 2lbs a week.

It was shared that The Raw Deal in Menomonie is hosting a Winter Market. They are looking for purveyors....if you have honey to sell, contact them at [admin@thebelovedsisters.com](mailto:admin@thebelovedsisters.com). Contact person is Veronika. The cost is \$85 for the season to sell your goods.

19 in attendance.