

# **Brazos Valley Beekeepers Association**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Date: Jan 20, 2015

Location: 4-H Building, 4180 Highway 6, College Station, TX

### **Board meeting**

Attendees: Chris Barnes, Chuck Durham, Betsy McCauley, Sandra Smith, Garland Martine and Steve Payne

Discussions were held concerning the following:

- The need for an audit committee to audit the books. Committee will be Sandra Smith (Chm), Chuck Durham, and Rene Titus.
- Christmas Parade – Fun had by all. Will consider repeating in 2015
- Christmas Club Party – Will do repeat in 2015 with no meeting. This allows members to fellowship together.
- Fall School – Oct 10<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Rangel will not be at the A&M Apiary that day. Central Texas will help.
- Youth Program – Jerod Meurer is contact with 4-H building which we are allowed to use, but youth must join the 4-H
- Beekeeping Classes for Central Texas Club – our club is signed up to help with cleanup

### **Regular meeting**

Attendees: Members: Louis & Nini Hodges, Cindy McMichen, Chris & Dalene Barnes, Betsy McCauley, Sandra Smith, Chuck Durham, Steve Payne, Martha Brogdon, Kirby & Carrie Foltermann, Sandy Peck, Garland & Bettie Martine, Ron Robertson, Micheal Kelling, James & Rene Titus

Guests: Larry & Theresa Newlin, Becky Roeth, Suzanne, Mitch & Annigail Gose, Mark Q Smith & Jeff Edwards

Program: Dana Horton (Deputy Chief Appraiser) with Brazos Central Appraisal District spoke on agricultural exemptions for honeybees.

## Club Business

7:37 pm – Welcomed Guests

1. Secretary's Report - A motion to accept the Nov. minutes was made by Chuck Durham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Payne. Motion carried by unanimous consent.
2. Treasurer's Report – Betsy McCauley reported the club account had a balance as of the December statement of \$159.51. The January statement was \$132.47, and as of today, the balance was \$375.02. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Chuck Durham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Smith. Motion carried by unanimous consent.
3. Audit Committee needed to audit the books:
  - a. The Committee will be: Sandra Smith (Chm), Chuck Durham & Rene Titus  
Garland Martine made the motion to approve, Betsy McCauley 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried by unanimous consent
4. Old Business
  - a. None reported
5. New Business
  - a. Chris reported Jay Poindexter was selling the balance of his beekeeping suites. If anyone is interested, get with Chris after the meeting.
  - b. Board meeting is open to all members.
  - c. Our Fall Club School (Oct 10<sup>th</sup>) will be at the A&M Honey Bee Lab.
  - d. We will have a club table at the Central Texas Beekeepers school in March giving information about BVBeeks. (March 28<sup>th</sup>) People are needed to sign up for a time scheduled to work the table.
  - e. Our club is to help the Central Texas Beekeepers cleanup at the end of the day. There will be a signup sheet for those helping with the cleanup at the end of the day. There will be a special web address to sign up for the school with free registration.
  - f. BVBeeks January Beekeeping School at Producers Coop doing great:
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting had 58 in attendance
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting had 52 in attendance
  - g. If you want to be a youth mentor there are several members going to the Central Texas meetings to participate in their program.

6. The Next Club meeting will have Mark Dykes, Chief Apiary Inspector, with the Texas Apiary Inspection Service (TAIS) – February 17<sup>th</sup> – 4-H Building in College Station.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm