

Southern Adirondack Beekeepers Board Meeting –April 17, 2017

Board Members Present: Chris Cripps (P), Jennifer Ford, Anthony Antonucci (1-VP), Vicki Wills (S), Kirt Coonradt (T), Farial English, Bill Daniel, Bruce Blender

Guests: Nancy Wicker, Aaron Morris

Board members not present - Gregory Stoddard (2-VP), Stephen Wilson, Walt Wojtowicz, Dan Kerwood, Chris O'Connor, Leo Siemion Jr., Alicia Purzycki, Tom Wells, Bruce Raver

Chris opened the meeting at 6:20. Minutes accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mentoring Program - Tony reports there are 7-8 new requests. Chris requested that the contact info on web be switched to Mentor – 2nd assistant – Loren Jenks. Also Robyn Gray and John Canino (Guilderland) – expressing interest in helping.
- Librarian Nancy Wicker told us that she will not be able to stay on as the Librarian. Charlie Kavanaugh will take it over. May is Nancy's last meeting.
- SABA general meeting Presenters payment. Chris did research. Some meetings pay nothing and members take turns: others pay more. We seem to be in the middle. Out of towners get overnight accommodations and dinner in addition to fee.
- Treasurer's Report – Kirt Coonradt. Distributed report
 - BeeKeeping classes – 1 outstanding invoice (Ian)
 - Membership – working on a 'not current' list to send out.
 - Discussion on categories of membership-- individual – couple – family and the difficulties. Couple especially has confusing issues with last names, different email, Motion presented, seconded and passed – "\$15 for an individual & \$20 family (includes couple) membership with multiple emails + multiple cards but only 1 mailing address".
 - Board Officers election and change over discussion. – The beginning of the year presents many difficulties; learning curve (especially as treasurer), Beekeeping classes, Seminar & membership renewals, come all too fast. Seems if we follow the guidelines set out – Sept slate announced, October elections and Dec. Joint meeting. Motion to change the election to occur earlier in fall. Seconded and TABLED.
- Brochure – 3 fold color. Chris is looking this.
- Not discussed (SABA to make donation to research. Not discussed.)
- Not discussed (Mary Jo Crance –help with speakers for 2018 Seminar - March 10, 2018. Critiques meeting to be organized via phone – Kirt Coonradt).

NEW BUSINESS

- Farial English brought a request from a member. A free Flow-Hive will be given to SABA if we join their network and members would buy at discount. \$620.58 + shipping from Australia. Questions about publicity and what joining means. Farial will invite them to present at Board meeting.

Meeting ended 6:50 Next meeting start at 6:15 on May 15, Monday. Vicki Wills, Secretary

General meeting prior to speaker. Chris asked for

- 1) Name Tag volunteer as LeAnn is not able to continue due to schooling: Susie & Jack Thomas taking over.
- 2) Anne Frey "Oops" - general SABA meeting . 49 sign-in.