

Southern Adirondack Beekeepers Board Meeting – November 20, 2017

Board Members: Chris Cripps (P), Anthony Antonucci (1-VP), Kirt Coonradt (T), Vicki Wills (S), Walt Wojtowicz, Dave, Gregory Stoddard (2-VP), Jennifer Ford, Bruce Raver, Stephen Wilson, Bill Daniel
Friends: David Wood
Not Present: Dan Kerwood, Chris O'Connor, Leo Siemion Jr., Alicia Purzycki, Tom Wells, Bruce Blender, Ferial English

OLD BUSINESS –

- December Meeting - “Ask a Beekeeper”
- Treasurer’s Report – Kirt Coonradt submitted
- Seminar March 10th Mary Jo Crance chair
 - Mike Palmer -- Diana Summataro, co-author of The Beekeepers Handbook – Samuel Ramsey (Dr. Bug) check out you-tube

NEW BUSINESS –

- Gregory – upcoming schedule (tentative) of presenters for General Meeting
 - January – Flow Hive (video link)
 - February - Candle making - Aaron Morris
 - March – Practicum – Deadouts bring them in & we’ll figure it out. – Need volunteers
 - April – Nucs & direct releasing queens – Lloyd Spears
 - May - Cut comb & chunk honey production – Gregory Stoddard
 - June – Equipment - making it yourself & Equipment sale – Kerwood & Aaron Morris
 - July - Diseases – Dr.Jack Rath possibly?
- Seminar Volunteers – Kirt asking what volunteers admission policy should be. No action.
- Gregory suggested on paying for some positions with t-shirts. David Wood - comment that at Fair use a \$40 gift certificate to honor the 10 volunteers. David Wood will bring a motion in July regarding Tshirts for volunteers. Group felt that this was a good way to present a face for SABA.
- **Motion made by Kirt seconded by Gregory “that officers (as described in the by-laws) & the newsletter editor’s yearly dues be considered paid by them holding office”.** Passed 10 – 1.
- Discussion of the Treasurer’s duties. Kirt described the 2-fold aspect as “treasurer” and as “membership” and that this is often split because of the large amount of work involved. While it is possible to buy a monthly subscription service to help with this, it is expensive. Board will try to separate duties with another position first. After a look at the by-laws which allow a change by a 2/3 vote of membership in attendance at general meeting, it was felt that a change would be proposed.
 - **Motion made by Chris Cripps seconded by Jennifer Ford “that an Assistant Treasure in charge of Membership position be created on the Board”.** Chris will inform SABA at General Meeting tonight for a vote in 2 months.
- Vicki requested we update & print new brochure of “Membership Benefits”. Chris described his plan for working with some folks on this at the end of December. In the meantime, he will update our current tri-fold and print a few out for her to send to new members.

Next meeting at 6:15 on December 19, Tuesday.

Vicki Wills, Secretary

General Meeting (35) – Bee Politics with Katherine Kieffer