

Stokes County Beekeepers Association

Minutes for Tuesday August 8, 2023

Present: Travis Dezarn (President), James Davis (Vice President), Jason Paris (Secretary), Nicky Makruski (Treasurer),

Absent: Dale Marshall (Program Chair)

Call to Order

Travis Dezarn called the meeting to order and welcomed new members.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from July were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Nicky Makruski reported that the current balance in the account was \$3,026.82.

Old Business

Membership Increase

After a review of the bylaws it was determined that the membership fee could be raised by a vote. A motion was made to raise the individual price to \$20 per year and a family price to \$30 per year, with a family membership covering children under 18 years of age. The motion passed with the approval of all in attendance.

New Business

Honey Extractor

Travis Dezarn reported that two individuals falsely claiming to be members of the SCBA Association had checked out the extractor. While in their care, the extractor fell off of a truck and was wedged under a trailer for a significant distance. This resulted in the complete destruction of the extractor.

After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the individuals would be asked to pay \$550 or replace with a comparable extractor.

Winter Meetings

Travis Dezarn asked if there was any interest in continuing meetings during the winter months. A general consensus was reached that meetings should continue.

Fair Display

An inquiry was made if anyone would be willing to provide honey for a fair display. Several people stated they would be willing to do so.

Ashby Miller

James Davis proposed to have Ashby Miller from Burlington, NC come speak at a future meeting for a \$75 speaker fee. A motion was made in favor of this proposal. The motion passed.

4H

A inquiry was made if anyone would be willing to donate paint and/or paintbrushes so that 4H could paint some bee boxes. Travis Dezarn along with several other members stated they would donate paint, brushes, and boxes that could be painted if needed.

Announcements

Bees Academy

September 29-30 - Bees Academy featuring Dr. Tarpay at the Forsyth County Extension Center

Next Meeting: Tuesday September 12th, 2023