Stokes County Beekeepers Association

Minutes for May 13, 2025

Present: Katie Sizemore (President), Dan Joyner (Vice-President), Karen Butner (Treasurer), Marcus Wright (Secretary), Brian Cain (Program Manager),

Call to Order

President Katie Sizemore opened the meeting at 8:07 p.m. and welcomed attendees.

Approval of Minutes

The May minutes were distributed to members. Katie Sizemore reviewed the minutes as posted on the website. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made, seconded, and passed.

Treasurer's Report

Karen Butner, Treasurer, reported a club balance of \$3904.75. The balance included club dues and fees paid up to the time of the meeting.

Old Business

The Swarm-catch list on the web site is still being updated.

Club outreach events completed:

- Hanging Rock Environmental Awareness Days (grade-school demos)
- Earth Day booth at Church Childcare, Walkertown
- Farmer's Appreciation Dinner table honey straws were popular and some remain. There were requests for purchasing honey in 5-gallon buckets.

Club T-shirts: Multiple designs have been received. Pricing and designs will be presented at the June meeting.

New Business

The Practical Exam for 2025 Bee-School graduates was scheduled for Saturday, June 28, 2025.

Our NC Cooperative Extension Agent, Matt Lenhardt, proposed hosting a two-hour Introductory Beekeeping Workshop for homeowners.

- Date confirmed: **Tuesday, August 12, 2025 (6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.) **
- Katie Sizemore volunteered to lead the session
- Format: condensed Bee School basics, no live hive handling.
- Location: Forsyth Tech (to be confirmed).

• Motion to convert the regular August meeting into this public workshop passed.

A Westfield landowner offered a site for bee pollination. Contact the club for more information.

Bulk purchase of glass honey jars was discussed. Members to inform Travis Dezarn of quantity needs before the next meeting.

Member support: Wandal Marion is recovering from sickness and anyone wanting to help with beekeeping should try contacting him.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.