

Ohio State Beekeepers Association Board Meeting  
August 20, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:31pm by Tim Arheit, President.

In Attendance: Dwight Wilson, Joe Kovaleski, Tom Rathbun, Marishka Wile, Angel Mitchel, Peggy Garnes, Brad Hibbard, Mike Doseck, Chris Dresel, Tim Arheit, Terry Lieberman-Smith, Michele Colopy, Annette Birt Clark.

Pres: ADK Sales

- Kits are still available for sale and will be at annual meeting/ conference
- Kit and manual sales have surpassed break even numbers
- Jerry Hayes will have an article in October issue of ABJ
- OSBA will not make and sell kits in future, another vendor may do so
- Manual sales an option for future, less storage needed

Vice-Pres/ Pres: ADK Grant

- More than half of free kits shipped – on track
- Kits still available
- 20 Presentations complete, 4 on calendar, 6 still available to book
- May not have funds for last 6 due to excessive mileage expense incurred from long travel distance and hotels (no speaker in quadrant of state)
- July grant kit recipient survey return rate 86% - very good
- 670 beekeepers to date have seen presentation
- Facebook page has 3048 “Likes”

Pres: Affiliate Program

- 8 club applications in process or complete
- IRS letter due in September

Underserved Groups Program vote - follow up from previous meeting

- Peggy makes a motion that OSBA supply 5 Beekeeping Starter Kits for underserved groups in 2018 who have completed an application and been accepted. OSBA will spend up to \$1200 for the kit materials, shipping, etc.
- Dwight Wilson Seconds.
- Unanimous vote.
- Motion carries.

Vice-Pres:

- Terry proposes that OSBA board considers a traveling speaker program for 2018
- Smaller clubs can have trouble finding diverse and/or qualified speakers and topics for their member's benefit
- Michele requests additional research on cost and benefit be presented at next meeting

Treas: Expense Reports

- Please, continue to complete your expense reports in a timely fashion to facilitate accurate financial reports
- Email or snail mail is accepted

Treas: Fair Budget Report

- At this time incomplete due to unidentifiable deposits- possibly linked to fair vendor participation
- Will be updated when complete

Treas: Ohio MP3 Update (Managed Pollinator Protection Plan)

- First edit has cut document from 24 pages to 6
- Some committees have yet to submit documents
- Topic was discussed with State Legislators during Pollinator Week

Treas: Apiary Liability Law Follow Up

- September 20<sup>th</sup> Peggy and Terry will follow up with a trip to Columbus to meet with legislators
- The bill will need a sponsor
- Three legislators are beekeepers
- OSBA will need to contact local clubs and membership to reach out to their representatives with the time comes

Pres: Strategic Planning Meeting / Election

- All executive board seats are up for reelection and 3 director seats
- Tim and Terry cannot run as they are term limited per governing documents
- SPM after election, possible beginning of December so old and new board members can participate together
- Look at downtown Columbus, central location
- All may not be available to attend

Mike: Election/ Candidates

- All nominees must complete the candidate form
- IRA legal requirement for OSBA (status has changed due to Affiliate Program)
- September 15<sup>th</sup> deadline
- All seated board members should strive to find your own replacements
- Currently 0 candidates

Pres: Master Beekeeper Program

- No chair for program
- Candidates are being considered by Tim and will need follow up
- Too much turn over in the MBP chair position – lack of effective communication and frustration for participants
- Bill Starrett created the test questions
- Approximate need is 5 to 10 hours a week, credentials undefined, beekeeper preferred

Vice-Pres: Lithopolis

- Volunteers needed for both days, follow up with Terry
- Booth very busy last year, so at least 2 volunteers at all times

Lithopolis Sponsorship

- Dwight Wilson puts forth a motion that OSBA participate as a sponsor of the event at the "Drone" level for \$250.
- Peggy seconds.
- All in favor.
- Motion carries.

Mike puts forth a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peggy seconds. All in favor. Motion carries. Meeting is adjourned at 8:33pm.

Thank you all for your attendance.