September 2021 Official OSBA Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 19, 2021

ROLL (Officers) Peggy Garnes, Tom Rathbun, Jeannie Saum, Rod Pritchard; (Dirs.) Jamie Walters, Linda Miller, Dwight Wells, Kelly Morse, Lloydd Horst; Alex Zomcheck, (Reps.) Roger Myers, Dale Olson, Will Merrill, Don Crock,

ABSENT: Nina Bagley, Allyson May, Joe Heider, Dan Braden, Rich Stewart, Sonny Ward, Jim Hopkins

Call to order was made by Peggy Garnes and the Mission Statement was read.

President’s Report by Peggy Garnes - IRS/EIN - Received letter from IRS saying our group status is acknowledged and group exemption has been pulled forward. Our accountant understands the letter and what to do. He will file one 990 for all and send this determination letter with it. A letter will be sent to affiliates. Website - Exec board emails going back and forth with Scott. Discussion about what parts of website will be open to all and what will be just for members, please do survey. There will be a minimal charge to move those. Heroes to Hives (H2H) and Hives for Heroes - Dir. and Reps need to pass on to clubs to alert them that they may be contacted. Honey Fest and End of Summer Classic reports were given. Farm Science Review is coming up. Bee Culture October Event has been postponed to 2022. Motion made by Kelly Morse to have Bee Culture hold our $3100 until next year for event, with a formal letter from them acknowledging this so no one forgets. If event doesn’t happen in the next year, it would be refunded. Motioned passed.

Budget Recommendations for next year to include discussion of support for HAS, EAS, Bee Culture, Honey Fest, ABF, other events we participate in. Hall of Fame Award - There has been some confusion. The committee members serve at the choosing of the sitting president and board do not continue on from term to term. The awards have been handled by the conference committee for the last 2 years under the current president and will continue to be handled this way. All decisions already made and awarded will stand.

AFB Outbreak - Kits were ordered, rec'd and shipped out to all county bee inspectors. This decision was made at a special meeting, due to the immediacy of the situation. Rod okayed at the time and asked for this group, at this board meeting to approve this retroactively. Lloydd Horst makes motion to approve, retroactively, this action and expenditure. Motion approved, with Rod abstaining. They were much appreciated. Inspection at the Beltsville Lab take 4 months at this point. Wait to hear from Barb Bloestcher how to put this information out. Discussion about OSBA no longer selling items, so as not to have to pay sales tax. Can we give items away for a donation? Rod will investigate.

Vice-President’s Report by Tom Rathbun - Conference update - One main speaker has backed out. Asking for ideas for someone else. Affiliates still on hold while we make sure the IRS issue is finalized. We have four clubs interested and in various states of completion.

Secretary’s Report by Jeannie Saum - Rod Pritchard made a motion to approve August meeting minutes. Motion passed. Discussion about speaker list.

Treasurer’s Report by Rod Pritchard - Financial Report was sent to all and Rod reviewed debits and credits. All in good order. Lloydd Horst moves to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion passed with Rod abstaining.
Committees’ Reports - 4H/FFA. Only 6 of 10 final reports have come in. Applications for next year open Oct 1. Beginning Internship - questions sent out from last presentations, numbers of participants dwindling but going well. Technology - still several directors and Reps. who have not used their OSBA email - please do so. Newsletter -.working on next edition and need list of donations and new life members.Also need any new members who joined recently so they can be added to membership list. Outreach - Kelly Morse will be contacting clubs soon for their Bee School Dates. Kelly wondered about giving away the remaining ADK manuals as door prizes. Peggy will get a count and contact Beekeeping Supplier of the ADK kit, to see if they are going to continue to sell ADK. If so, we will need to update and reprint to sell the manual to them. Fair Scheduled for July 27 - Aug. 7, 2022, but no news about what will be included. Traveling Speakers - Joe Heider - speakers being paid, reaching out for ideas for new topic for next year. Master Beekeeping - Peggy to talk to Dean at OSU regarding taking on the program. Nominating - Laurie Kiers and Sonny Barker will handle absentee voting.

Old Business - OSBA business cards for board members are laid out and ready to order.

Other Business Discussion of club finances on public website. All agreed that there should be no financials in the minutes. Petty will check on what we legally have to post.

Motion to Adjourn made by Dwight Wells