October 2021 OSBA Full Board Meeting MINUTES

DATE: October 17, 2021

ROLL (Officers) Peggy Garnes, Tom Rathbun, Jeannie Saum; (Dirs.) Jamie Walters, Linda Miller, Dwight Wells, Kelly Morse, Nina Bagley, (Reps.) Roger Myers, Joe Heider, Dale Olson, Dan Braden, Don Crock

ABSENT: Rod Pritchard, Lloyd Horst, Allyson May, Alex Zomcheck, Rich Stewart, Sonny Ward, Will Merrill, Jim Hopkins

Agenda

I. Call to order - Peggy Garnes

II. Mission Statement - Peggy Garnes -

III. Changes to agenda -

IV. Reports:
   a. President
      i. IRS - THIS IS SOLVED! Peggy got another letter, on 9-11, same as the Sept. 4th. She called Ms. Jones. All is okay! A letter was sent out to the affiliates that this issue is resolved and what to do from here on out.

      ii. website

         1. open to all/ locked down to members - take the survey if you haven’t. Jamie sent the survey out again. We need the board’s input on this - what to lock down to members only. Add value to membership

         2. affiliate websites under the OSBA website - Jamie will find out which clubs really use theirs. There will be a cost from Scott, to bring these websites forward.

         3. Jamie showed us the first page of the new site. Scott working only on the things we really need first. Things like history, old newsletters etc. will come later.

         4. Calendar will tie in to all sections. Clubs will be able to add to it.

         5. Square space will host our membership database, quickbooks, our google gmail, and our ecommerce service (not paypal) This will cost us $89 per year. Jamie Walters makes the motion Jeannie Samu 2nds, motion passes.

         6. Will replace Paypal - Scott will get us info on alternatives. Board is okay with the executive making the decision.
7.  4-H kids might want a page - make a newsletter

8.  Almost ready!

iii.  Budget Recommendations for next year - same or raise? to include discussion of support for HAS, EAS, Bee Culture, HoneyFest, ABF, other events we did this year

1.  Effect of shut downs and cancellations on OUR budget and income - will need to get this from Rod at next meeting

2.  We do support ABF by hosting the Honey Princess. Peggy will get the info about different levels of support for ABF

3.  We increased HoneyFest this year to $500.

4.  Bee Culture will hold our support for next year and they sent a letter verifying that.

iv.  Beginner Internship - one more class, week after Conference in Nov.

1.  Needs to go through clubs - membership in local club,

2.  Clubs to find a way to make it available (fee?) to those not going through the bee class? Also out-of-state people.

3.  Suggest students must be member of OSBA

4.  This will be discussed by the Beginner internship committee and a proposal presented to the board.

v.  Items for a donation like adk manuals, stickers, and DVD once they are redone? Is there a way to do this? Need to get Rod’s thoughts. Who will take care of this, monitor this, ship this?

vi.  Board vote to include Hives for Heroes H$H, Mich, in our support. Kelly Morse makes the motion Joe Heider 2nds, motion passes. Peggy will send a letter.

vii.  Tanzania Beekeepers - Mike Doseck - clubs can do whatever they want. Peggy will talk to Mike Doseck and send him the list of club contacts. He can send out requests. Should not come from OSBA.

viii.  Round Table - 15 clubs were represented. clubs are struggling in different parts of the state - membership, not meeting in person, lack of tech skills, how to have a beginner class,

1.  Discussed finding fed. funding for ABF and EBF. Can there be a state map showing # of cases in areas, # of beekeepers in counties
2. Dale Olson discussed ways to help clubs evaluate themselves with a list of solutions - ways to be successful. He and Peggy will discuss.

b. Vice-President
   i. Conference update - Everything is on track. Just waiting on one speaker
   ii. Affiliates - have 4 new clubs showing interest. Tom and Rod will get moving with these clubs and applications

c. Secretary Report
   i. Life member project -Peggy to try printing cards, Peggy ordered mailing envelopes and labels for Jeannie - Jeannie to send a sample paragraph for Peggy to try printing. Jeannie has all materials now except the printed cards, then ready to go.
   ii. Military Veterans interested in beekeeping - how will this work contact clubs to alert? Do we need to send Presidents of local clubs a letter explaining this? I can handle this if needed. - Jeannie will write a sample letter explaining that OSBA has agreed to support and that clubs might get contacted. Peggy will review the letter.
   iii. Speaker list for clubs - peggy checking speaker availability -Peggy got no answers from people contacted - tabled for another time.
   iv. Approval of last minutes - Peggy made corrections and made a motion to approve, Dwight Wells 2mds. Approved.

d. Treasurer - Rod absent
   i. Finances - vote to accept financial report - Linda Miller, Tom Rathbun 2nd - motion approved
   ii. Need for next meeting - what our levels of support have been for HAS, EAS, HoneyFest, Bee Culture, ABF…; what are our monthly repeating expenses, what have we lost by not having an in-person conference. what our major sources of income are.

V. Committees -
   a. Jamie Walters -4H/FFA - Applications are out for this year’s student scholarship program, Deadline is Nov. 28. Bids are out for equipment
   b. Beginning Internship, Technology - committee meeting Oct. 23, questionnaire will go out to participants. The last class is Nov. 13.
   c. Newsletter, Kelly Morse -. Had wrap up committee meeting - need more writers, have new writer who joined. lots of positive responses.
i. Jamie putting stencils on Drive for committee members to use to help put it together

ii. 5 new advertisers - Dec. 1 is the deadline.

iii. New ideas - ask the clubs a question quarterly and post responses. Gadget Hack, Regional updates from Directors for regions that have few clubs or little response.

iv. Need new photo from everyone.

d. Outreach - Kelly Morse hold off on ordering until we see how many we will need for beginning beeke classes. Maybe send varroa guides and other resources on thumb drives instead of printed material - cheaper.

d. Outreach to new beekeeper schools to ensure they have the forms required for membership input, whether electronic (preferable) or paper will begin at the end of the month. The one club (Gallia) that was going to have it’s class this month has postponed due to Virus/venue issues.

ii. We ask the OSBA board members to reach out to their local leadership to reinforce participation in this program and the Internship Pilot Program and point out the material benefits, including the complimentary membership.

iii. Connect with Peggy to obtain the ADK manuals we will be sending to the clubs as door prizes.

iv. What does the Board think about sending thumb drives with info files instead or in addition to the HBHC Varroa Guides?

e. Fair - Nina Bagley July 27 - Aug. 7 - Nina may step down. Nina to call Peggy. help with a list of what you used to do.

f. Traveling Speakers - Joe Heider - a few more to be done, Next year’s topic is comb management. This year all were ZOOM except one - outdoors.

g. Master Beekeeping - an outline is done. talking to OSU

h. Nominating - Lauie Keiers and Sonny Barker - handling the elections and online voting.

i. Finance, Affiliates, Fall Conference, Constitution/Bylaws -

VI. Old Business

a. OSBA business cards for board members - status - waiting until after elections

b. check on legality of posting or not posting financials - Jeannie found info - only have to post an annual report

VII. New Business

a. Dwight Wells - any groups pursuing BEE City USA? - Lorain, Defiance Wright Pat. - Dwight will gather info to present. - at planning meeting.
VIII. Other Business

a. Planning meeting in Dec. - Can we do an in person, 2-day? 2-hr meeting Fri night, dinner and drinks, then Sat

b. HAS is asking Ohio to consider hosting HAS in 2023 or 2024. We did one at Otterbine and Kent State - it’s a huge undertaking, many volunteers.

   i. Dwight Wells makes motion to put forth a preliminary proposal for 2024. 
      Linda Miller 2nds, motion passes

VIII. Motion to Adjourn

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