August 21, 2022 OSBA Official Board Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Officers - Peggy Garnes, Tom Rathbun, Jeannie Saum

Directors - Linda Miller, Kelly Morse, Nina Bagley, Lloyd Horst, Dale Olson

Representatives - Roger Myers, Will Merrill, Laurie Kehres, Jim Hopkins, Joe Heider

ABSENT: Jamie Walters, Rich Stewart, Rod Pritchard (on Phone), Dwight Wells, Dan Braden

Minutes

After a delicious pot-luck and grilled-burgers-and-dogs meal (thank you, Tom Rathbun), the meeting was opened with a reading of the mission statement by President Peggy Garnes.

President’s report - Peggy Garnes

The Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative will be giving seeds for the conference goodie bags. Kelly Morse makes a motion that we donate $250 to the group. Motion passes.

An Active Ohio Military serviceman has shared a proposal to start a Beginning Beekeeping training program and mentor groups for military veterans. He will be seeking grant money to start this program and wants OSBA to know about his efforts.

A motion was made by Nina Bagley to donate $125 to the Honey Queen Program. We had positive comments about Queen Lucy’s participation with us at the State Fair. Discussion ensued about ideas for the 2023 fair. Board members were asked to send any other ideas to the president.

A motion was made by Laurie Kehres, to reimburse David and Marie Crawford in the amount of $200, for hosting and transporting the Honey Queen for the fair. Motion passes.

A motion was made by Lloyd Horst to join the Farm Science Review and the Ohio Department of Agriculture groups regarding the state fair events. Motion passes.

ABF and EBF kits were passed out to board members present to deliver to inspectors in their area, the remainder will be mailed.

A request was made for volunteers from the board to help staff our table at the HoneyFest, Sept. 9-10; the FSR, Sept. 20-22; and the End of Summer Classic, Sept. 24.

HAS and EAS reps. are needed. EAS will be in Mass. in 2023.

The OSBA yearly planning meeting will be in person, Dec. 10th, at the OSU Waterman Farms.

The affiliate websites have been moved to the new OSBA website and proposals for future support of them were presented. Kelly Morse makes a motion to accept the second option of the proposal. Motion passes.

The hacking of some club websites was discussed and board members were asked to communicate to clubs to check their websites frequently.
Training for InDesign is needed for the Newsletter Committee as they go forward at $65 an hour from the graphic designer. Jeannie makes a motion that we add $500 in the budget for Newsletter training. Motion passes, with Kelly Morse abstaining.

Joe Heider makes a motion to add a line item to the budget for $100, to pay for the crossword puzzle program needed to make puzzles for the newsletter. Motion passes.

**Vice President Report - Tom Rathbun**

Conference volunteer needs were discussed and many assignments were made. Board members were asked to solicit help from club members, who would receive free entrance if they volunteer.

Registration will open Sept. 1st and close, the Wed. before the conference.

NO WALK-INS.

Friday evening will feature registration check-ins, talk by Dr. Jim Tew, coffee and cookies social. (all board members are asked to bring 1 doz. cookies).

Saturday - Vendors may begin at 6:00; attendees’ check-in will begin at 8:00 am.

Kelly Morse makes a motion to support Dale Olson’s Gold Star Clubs Program, to be introduced this year at conference and then awarded next year at conference. Motion passes with Dale Olson abstaining.

**Secretary Report - Jeannie Saum**

Motion made by Roger Myers to accept July minutes with corrections to the attendance.

Jeannie will need a monthly report from Rod of new life members, to send recognition gifts.

**Committee Reports** - were made with information about activities. Elections are coming up. Need an email sent to all club presidents about candidates for OSBA Vice President and Treasurer.

**Old Business** - Constitution amendment was tabled.