

Backyard Beekeeping Association May Minutes

Date: May 19, 2016, 6:30-8:30pm Deer Park City Hall, 316 E Crawford,
Type: monthly
Facilitator: Pat McGinty
Secretary: Peggy Clemons
Attendees signed in: 49

Meeting Introduction: Welcome new members and visitors

MINI Educational Presentation: Joyce Henry - Screened inner covers/boards: Equipment improvements for summer ventilation

Member To Member Q and A: Discussion on outcome of leaving honey filled frames in the open which attracts robbing by bees and other predators

Education Presentation: Sandy Fanara - Defending your hive from Wasp and Yellow Jackets- Life cycles and defense / control options

Old Business

Approve Previous Minutes from April 21, 2016

Motion to Accept - Kim Kealiher

Second - Steve Price

Vote approval

Treasures Report: Beginning Balance \$1311.95, Ending Balance \$1436.59
(4/30/16) expense 20.53 + 175.00.

Motion to Accept - Steve Price

Second -Tish Kronenberg

Vote Approval

Update on Association Insurance

WSBA - reports need for insurance for events and field days

\$300.00 annual cost; Pat McGinty having discussion with Insurance Company

New Business

Randy Carson, Jackie Collins and Nathan Wendt all completed apprentice exam - awarded WSBA patch and certification

Coffee and Snack set up

Molly Judah will purchase snacks and coffee

Cela and Rachel Nyborg will set up snacks and make coffee

Mentor Bee Keeper Request form was passed around

Survey of Educational Interests

Survey sent to members on email and suggestion form sent around at the meeting; we need member input to put on useful classes.

UPCOMING EDUCATION - PUBLIC RELATIONS OPPORTUNITIES

Bee Informed Partnership

Web site <https://beeinformed.org/>

Offer models for best practices

Produce annual bee colony loss survey shows 44% for 2015

Blog and web site provide much interesting information

Washington State Beekeepers Association - Membership \$20.00 individual membership and \$25.00 Family

Spokane Fire District 9 - Annual Demo Days and Wellness Fair- Booth with West Plains Club
June 4, 2016, 10 am – 2 pm at the Mead Fire Station

Priest River Beekeeping Symposium Class presented by the West Plains Beekeepers - May 21, 2016 at the Priest River Library

WSU Beginning Beekeeping Class June 17-18 in Pullman \$125.00

WSU Queen Class - June 19th in Pullman \$175.00

WSBA Meeting in Pullman June 18th - Hobby Vs Commercial discussion to take place- BBA will have members attend

Interested Backyard Beekeeper members can be listed on the BBA Swarm Seekers list on the BBA Web site; send a request to the webmaster at farmrchrys@gmail.com

Next Meeting: June 16, 2016 at 6 pm at the Deer Park Senior Center

2016 Planned Meetings 3rd Thursday of Month

July 21

Aug 18

Sept 22

Oct 20

Nov 17, NO Meeting

Dec 15 NO Meeting

Closing

Motion to Adjourn: Chris Salcedo

Second - Steve Price

Vote Approval

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 pm