

PINEYWOODS BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES – MEETING

1/10/19

- I. President Roy Stark opened meeting with Pledge of Allegiance, welcomed new members and recognized Veterans in the group. Gave update on his recent cancer surgery, treatment and progress, and stated he is doing well.
- II. Visitor Myra Smith from Longview area was welcomed.
- III. Updates on PBA Website: Rachel Payne has been updating and working on the website. Some great additions have been made. All encouraged to peruse the website and give any ideas. Rachel Payne and David Guy were thanked for their hard work.
- IV. Plans for PBA Bee School: Board meeting was held prior to this general meeting. Voted that PBA Bee School will be held in April/May 2019.
 - A. Roy appointed Rachel Payne as 2019 Bee School Coordinator. Robert Jones was appointed Training Coordinator.
 - B. Dates/location will be determined within the next week. Information will be posted on the website. Flyers and curriculum will be printed as soon as they are developed. Advertising in local newspapers, FB, and other social media avenues.
- V. Education and training will be the 2019 PBA missions. Roy stated he would like to begin compiling short training videos that could be used at meetings and on website. PBA has many experienced and knowledgeable beekeepers who could do this.
- VI. Meeting Time Change: It was voted by unanimous decision to change meeting time to 6:30PM (if St. Cyprian's is agreeable), so that meetings won't be so late.
- VII. Treasurer's Report: Terry McFall reported EOM balance of \$7758.48. Dues are due, no later than March - \$10.00.
- VIII. Youth Program: Roy will ask Marie Kocyan to be Youth Program Coordinator for 2019. Marie was not present.
- IX. Program Coordinator: Janet Haney
 - A. PBA Picnic: Think about venue and date for event. If someone wishes to host, contact Janet Haney.
 - B. February Meeting Change: 2/21/19: Snacks: Roy Stark, Joanie Kochanek; Drinks: Robert Jones

BREAK: Rodger Floyd blessed the food.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Joe Moran has 2 Freeman trap for \$30 each.

Roy Stark has given out inspiration awards in the past. Awards were given tonight to: Robert Jones and Joanie Kochanek. Awards were gift card from Mann Lake Bee Supply.

Guest: Myra Smith, Coordinator for the NE Texas Beekeepers Conference – 1/26/2019, Longview, TX. Speaker: Dr. Jeffrey Harris. She offered 2 free youth registrations (12y & up) with sponsor.

PROGRAM: Roundtable discussions/Q&A with Robert Jones, Rodger Floyd, David Gallager, Rachel Payne. Discussed various feeding practices, pest control, winter care, oxalic acid treatments, evaluation of hives.

X. Meeting adjourned. Several door prizes awarded, including donated Freeman trap (Joe Moran). 28 signed attendance sheet.

Respectfully submitted by Joanie Kochanek, PBA Secretary