

I. PBA President Karen Mitchell called meeting to order 6:30 PM. Pledge of Allegiance to U.S. Welcomed members and guests, Jim Dall and Kevin Langston. Two Youth Program members, Abby and Emma Bazley were also present. 30 people signed the register.

II. Treasurer Report: Treasurer report given by Terry McFall. Balance as of 6/30/21: \$9084.01.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Club still needs someone to fill position of Program Coordinator. Members were asked to contribute by presenting a program or lining up someone to present.

b. Hospitality Coordinator is also needed to help with setup/cleanup/supplies. Richard Davis volunteered to fill this position, and Joanie Kochanek will assist him with transfer of supplies, etc..

III. Apiary Report: Jesus Vazquez reported that he purchased bees and nucs, boxes and syrup to rebuild the PBA apiary, which now has five hives. All the hives that were in Lufkin had perished as they were in a wet area. The bees need to be fed, and there will not be any surplus honey this year. Club will reimburse Jesus Vazquez for his expenses, approximately \$370.

David Gallagher reported that The SFA Win Day observation hive died, and area is overgrown with shrubs. Open to suggestions for new location for hive.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request for a person with technical knowledge to assist with PBA website, Fb/live broadcast of meetings, video of meetings, etc. No volunteers during this meeting.

2. November is election month. ByLaws made available on table for members to review as to duties. Asked members to consider serving on the Board. Steven Josephsen volunteered to serve as Vice President for remainder of 2021 term. Was not voted on as he was not present at this meeting. Board is planning a meeting in August to review By-Laws, including duties and possibly stagger terms of officers. Open to suggestions from members.

3. SNACKS/DRINKS: August: Snacks: Monica Cain, Chris/Mary Steely; Drinks: Richard Peters

BREAK: Terry McFall presented prayer and snacks served.

PROGRAM: Taylor Boyter presented a program on summer hive care/pest control.

- Various pests discussed, especially varroa and small hive beetle, two most prevalent in our area.
- Different methods of treatment. Suggested trying different methods and determine success of treatment by testing for varroa.
- Discussed what to look for in hives.
- Encouraged members, especially new beekeepers, to view YouTube and videos online on beekeeping. Many good ideas and varied methods. Find what works for you.
- Question/answer session.

CLOSURE/DOOR PRIZES.

All business being concluded, meeting adjourned about 8:20PM.

Joanie Kochanek, PBA Secretary