

Brown County Beekeepers Association Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2020

Attendance: Tom Cashman, Jacki Chee, Annah Dugan, Dave Elsen, Carl Fisher, Steve Hartstern, Ben Klemp, Stacy Klemp, Molly Martzke, Julie Mazzoleni, Bob Michiels, Matt Mueller, Sarah Mueller, Jenny Renfro, Julianne Sanders, Elizabeth Schwalenbach, Art Sonneland, Dick Sturm, Charlotte Skala, Thomas Theisen, Wendy Theisen, Robert Vickery, David Wagner, Tammy Wagner, Todd Withuhn
Guests: Stephanie Slater, Dr. Jammie VerGiesen

Topic	Presenter	Description	Action Required	Responsible	Date
Club Business Financial Report	Tom Cashman	September minutes approval Review of financial report approval	Approved Approved	All All	10/21/2020 10/21/2020
ELECTION	Dave Elsen	23 individual/ family memberships needed for a quorum. Attendance topped out at 19. Quorum not met. Vote deferred to November 18 meeting Current Nominations: President Dave Elsen Vice President Julie Mazzoleni Treasurer Tom Cashman Secretary Bob Michiels Brief discussion regarding adjusting bylaws for 2020 election Adapt bylaws for 2020 virtual vote	None Vote will take place November 18 meeting Approved	- All	- 11/18/2020
Club Education & Activities	Dave Elsen	Coffee and Bees October on Zoom: Good attendance. Engaging conversation. Links provided in the newsletter. Northeast Wisconsin Beekeepers, our interactive Facebook group is growing: over 109 members. Club member Val Dantoin who teaches at NWTC invited Dave, Julie and Carl to be on a panel on beekeeping for her class. About 6 students joined the FB page	Information -	- -	- -

Club general discussion	Dave Elsen	<p>Bylaw update recommendations related to addition of virtual meeting and voting. Plan to review and revise in 2021.</p> <p>Membership renewals by December 31 are requested. This is in line with the current bylaws as it helps to be able to plan for events in 2021. \$20 individual membership \$30 family membership Payments can be made online browncountybeekeeperassociation.com or by check mailed to PO box listed on the newsletter</p>	Review and revise	Leadership team	Early 2021
Intro to Beekeeping Class	Tom Cashman	Current memberships @ 90 – members 131	-	-	-
	Carl Fisher	<p>Led discussion on the plan for 2021 Intro to Beekeeping class to be run in 3 – 2 hour classes.</p> <p>PLAN</p> <p>Virtual class #1: 1/9/2021: Overview of equipment, bee biology, nucs and packages, perspectives from a first year beekeeper</p> <p>Virtual class #2: 2/13/2021: Hive inspection, Mite management</p> <p>At the hive – class #3 5/29/2021: plan is liquid, will be firmed up closer to the date</p> <p>Molly Martzke agreed to make posters Jacki Chee offered her hives for hive dive, class #3</p>	-	-	-
			Information	All	12/31/2020

		<p>Suggested topic: Swarming – apparently many club members experienced swarms in 2020 – Dick Sturm volunteered to lead a discussion – not in February</p> <p>Positive feedback: Packet on month by month hive activity</p> <p>Request for advanced beekeeping class – has been a suggestion in the past. Might be a possibility.</p> <p>Cost: \$50 per individual \$40 for additional family members \$5 discount for club members</p> <p>How you can help:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Step in to present a topic - 3 presenters locked in. Would like to secure 2 more presenters. 2. Get the word out about the class 	Let Carl know if you are interested in presenting	All	12/10/2020
Honey Bee Health	Dr. Jammie VerGiesen DMV	<p>Discussed Veterinary Service for Honey Bees: Breeding, Education, Prescriptions, Strategies, Technology, Testing & Diagnosis. Went through what a hive inspection would look like (serious hive dive) which must be done within the year prior to writing any prescriptions. Consultation fee \$10. Differentiated AFB and EFB diagnostics and treatment. Contact Seymour Veterinary Hospital for detailed information of fees. Jammie can be reached via email: info@seymourveterinaryhospital.com</p>	Information	-	-
Upcoming Meetings		<p>Virtual Coffee and Bees Tuesday November 3, 2020</p> <p>Next meeting November 18 - 6:30pm</p> <p>Club Elections will take place</p> <p>Watch for links on upcoming meeting in November newsletter</p>			

