

Minutes of the Central Coast Beekeeping Association

February 24th, 2016

Newport Library

The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm by Anne Schatz – Co-President with Board members Anne Schatz, Nancy McDowell, Rick Olson, Mary Ellen Townsend, Rebecca Fain, Max Kuhn, Stan Scotton, Dan Spears and guest Neill Crawford in attendance. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as corrected-moved by Stan and seconded by Dan and unanimously passed.

New Business –

I. By Laws – Anne continues to work on the development of club By Laws and presented several options regarding member voting. After discussion, it was moved by Dan and Seconded by Becca that:

Member voting would take place only at the annual meeting which would coincide with the October club meeting and that members needed to be present to vote. Areas subject to membership vote would be: membership on the Board of Directors; Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and By Laws; merger and/or dissolution; sale of property over as yet determined value; special expenditures and the raising of membership dues more than 50%

This passed unanimously.

II. Lifetime Membership – Nancy suggested that, to help the club to raise the necessary funds to cover the expected costs of incorporation as a not for profit and other organizational expenses expected in 2016, a 2016 only short term membership category of Lifetime be created that would be \$200 for individuals and \$330 for families and that anyone who had already paid their 2016 membership dues could still take advantage of this offer by subtracting what they had paid already from the above costs and pay just the difference. This was passed unanimously.

III. *Oregon State Beekeepers – Anne contacted by Harry Vanderpool to discuss club membership in the state association. Membership will legitimize the club and help to attract members. Harry indicated that if we sent in our dues of \$50 we could still get into their directory for 2016. It was moved by Stan, seconded by Dan and unanimously approved to send \$50 membership fee to OSB.*

IV. *Treasurers Report – Mary Ellen reported that the club had collected \$390 in membership dues to date. She has opened a bank account in her name until we get an EIN number and can open a club account. She has attempted to connect with the Linn Benton Beekeepers treasurer to see how they are structured financially and what type of recordkeeping they employ and will continue to pursue this and other club treasurers for advice and counsel. A discussion took place regarding tracking receipt of funds and Mary Ellen decided to do electronic receipting for memberships that arrive by mail and continue to utilize the receipt book for dues paid at club meetings.*

V. *Facebook – Because of the excellent job Neill had done in creating the club Facebook page and due to the unfilled Board member position, it was moved by Becca and seconded by Max to elect Neill to the Board by acclamation with a unanimous vote. Neil was asked to do a rough draft of Facebook protocols/procedures. Becca will send Neill and all other board members the e-mail addresses of everyone on our current mailing list so they can be invited to friend our Facebook account.*

VI. *Webpage – Rick put the webpage up to demonstrate for Board members. Rick will draft protocols/procedures for the web and bring them to the next meeting for approval. In the interim members were asked to send Rick anything that they wanted posted to the web. A discussion took place regarding the swarm list and how to handle it. Further discussion was necessary before making a decision, but the need for a list of questions that someone requesting assistance with a swarm needed to be prepared to answer to facilitate the process of addressing their request was raised. Dan agreed to draft a list of these questions.*

VII. *Newsletter – Becca indicated that the first newsletter would be published in the next 2 weeks. As time was running out Anne asked that Becca prepare protocols/procedures for the newsletter to be presented at the next Board meeting. Anne also announced a newsletter naming contest that all club members would be invited to participate in.*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36pm.

