



**Minutes from the Executive Committee**

**Opening Prayer – Glenn Tyler**

Kerry Owen - Summer Conference is scheduled for July 19-21. All Conference details & Schedule is being set now and will soon be made available.

**Steve McNeely –**

Master Beekeeper Program and Admin position will be open in July.

Update on SCBA Trailer 6’ x 16’ purchased at \$3,500 (ready to go). Trailer will be ready for Summer Conference. Approved by (show of hands) vote. Will send out a note about the lettering cost and sample graphic.

Dr. Tsuruda will send out a letter regarding the mosquito spraying & IPM info in support of DHEC.

We need an EAS representative starting in July.

**Cynthia Robinson –**

SCBA has 1386 members and 246 people in renewal status as of now there are 22 people that will be deleted now.

Some Bundle Admins are going slow to make entries. It was suggested to give out Bundle Admin phone numbers a call when there is a lag of entries.

The By Laws state that Associations provide all points to be Official. Without Bundle Admin position that excludes them as an association.

Jim Strohm requested instructions and a timetable for Bundle Admins.

Videos will be sent out of past conferences.

**Marie / reporting for her - Cynthia**

**Treasurer Update:**

Operating - \$61453.42

Master Bee - \$6179.89

Research - \$8672.39

Steve Tabor/YE Fund - \$4940.01

**Total in Bank - \$81,295.71**

**Spring Conference:**

Income - \$33069.00

Expenses - \$22809.00

**Profit - \$10,260.00**

## **Master Beekeeping Program Update**

Journeyman Lancaster Class was a success with 35 students with 30 students passing the test. Don Carrier and Cynthia Robinson facilitated the class.

## **William Butts – Nominating Committee**

Summer Conference Elections for positions that are Open – Secretary Positions and Coastal Director. Secretary position can be split into three positions

## **Dwight Porter – Beekeeper Of The Year**

Elections were held for Beekeeper of the Year and Junior. Each Executive Committee member present voted. The results will be revealed at the Summer Conference.

## **Youth Education Program**

Jeff Blackwell sent in the report that outlined the grant money request for the Associations that participated. There was \$4107.41 approved for grant payout.

## **Reports from Executive Directors – All is going well in Upstate and Midstate**

Glenn Tyler thanked the Exec Committee for the opportunity to serve in his post as Coastal Director. Many Exec Comm spoke of his support to the group

Glenn Tyler wants SCBA to adopt a program or guidelines about Mentoring.

## **Reports from Local Area Reps**

Wes Bommer is set up to the HandiCap Course in Allendale. They are working on Spanish translator to work with non English speaking inmates. Will start a Journeyman course at the prison

Chuck Marion of Lakeland – Greenwood as a Bee City (1 of the 3 in SC)

Larry Haigh – Charleston – Working with College of Charleston to plant a bee garden with lots of room. Will use it for workshops & training bee yard.

Thomas Daily – Laurens – Set up for the Bee Mentoring program is paying off.

Henry Lowrimore - Blackwater – had a short course, mentor program implemented, ordered several packages, good meetings so far this year.

Henry also shared about his bees losses due to aerial spray. He has done a lot to figure out a way to protect his bees. Has made a lot of effort to talk to reach out to public officials. Steve will give the number to DHEC.

Steve closed the meeting and announced that we may have to have another meeting before the conference. We adjourned and had food served.

## Executive Committee

### **Board of Directors and Local Association**

- \*President – Steve McNeely-York
- \*President Elect – Kerry Owen-Pickens
- \*Secretary – Cynthia Robinson – Fort Mill
- Treasurer – Marie Arnal – Beaufort/Jasper
- \*Vice President - Dwight Porter-Dacusville

### **Local Area Representatives and Directors**

#### **Upstate Director**– John Gardner-YCBA

- Local Rep-Don Lee-YCBA
- \*Local Rep-Thomas Dailey-Laurens
- Local Rep-Kevin Nicholson-Pickens
- \*Local Rep-Chuck Marion-Lakeland
- \*Local Rep-Bill Butts-Oconee
- \*Local Rep-David Weir –Spartanburg
- \*Local Rep-Dr. Brian Roberts-Piedmont
- \*Local Rep – Adelma Bunnell - Chester

#### **Mid State Director**-Danny Cannon-MidState

- Local Rep-Allen Johnson-Aiken
- \*Local Rep-Wes Bommer-MidState
- \*Local Rep-Don Carrier-Lancaster
- Local Rep-Michael Radcliffe-Waterree

#### **Coastal Director**-\*Glenn Tyler-Blackwater

- Local Rep-Buddy Wolfe-Charleston
- \*Local Rep – Henry Lowrimore - Blackwater
- \*Local Rep-Jim Strohm-Charleston Community Gardens
- Local Rep-David Arnal-Beaufort/Jasper

### **Ex Officio**

- Cathy Kittle-State Fair Coordinator
- David Arnal-Master Beekeeper Director
- Thomas Scott-Forestry & Life Science

- \*-denotes they were present at the meeting.

- **Guest:**
- Brad Cavin – Clemson Regulatory