

Knox County Beekeepers Association

CONSTITUTION

Article I

Name: The name of this association shall be Knox County Beekeepers Association, commonly known as KCBA. KCBA is a private association and does not receive, nor will receive any government funding and is not affiliated with any government organization.

Article II

Purpose: The purpose of KCBA is to provide a forum of learning and fellowship, for beekeepers in Knox County Ohio. Anyone with an interest in bees and beekeeping is welcome to join who agree to uphold the KCBA Constitution and Bylaws.

Objective: The objective of KCBA shall be to promote the further interest and improvement of apiculture and to educate beekeepers and the public about bees and beekeeping.

Article III

Membership: Membership in KCBA is a privilege, not a right. The KCBA Constitution and Bylaws are binding for all participating members and attending guests.

Membership Requirements: Membership applications are set forth in the KCBA Bylaws. Any person interested in apiculture and wishing to further the activities of this association may become a member upon payment of the annual dues determined and set forth in the KCBA Bylaws. Membership is open to all who agree to uphold the KCBA Constitution and Bylaws. Membership shall be available without discrimination because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age or handicap.

Voting: Each type of membership as described in the KCBA Bylaws shall have one vote.

Article IV

Meetings: The general membership of KCBA shall hold regular meetings throughout the year to accomplish the purpose and goal of this association and shall include one annual meeting for the purpose of electing Trustees to the Board of Directors as describe in the KCBA Bylaws.

The KBA Board of Directors shall hold meetings throughout the year to accomplish the purpose and goals of this association as describe in the KCBA Bylaws.

Order of Business: All meetings shall be conducted using “Roberts Rules of Order”, unless stipulated otherwise by the KCBA Bylaws.

Article V

Officers: The officers of this association shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The board will elect officers from their membership annually, as outlined, in the KCBA Bylaws.

Board of Directors: The board of directors shall consist of Trustees elected by the general membership as outlined in the KCBA Bylaws. Board voting members also include Committee Chairpersons.

Trustees: The trustees shall be elected at the annual meeting and serve a term as set forth in the Bylaws.

Committee Chairs: Committee Chairs are volunteers and shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the majority of the Board of Directors, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

Article VI

Finances: This Association shall use a cash basis for accounting purposes.

Dues: Dues will be paid annually as set forth in the Bylaws.

Right to Act: No officer or member has the right to incur any debt or become involved in any business under the title or by implying the title of this association in any way unless given full authority to do so by the Board of Directors.

Article VII

Videotaping and recordings: Videotaping and recording are permitted, at any and all meetings and gatherings of KCBA, in accordance to the Bylaws of KCBA

Article VIII

Ratification: This constitution shall be ratified by a 2/3-majority vote of founding members present at the first meeting.

Article IX

Amendments to Constitution: Amendments to the KCBA constitution may be submitted for a first reading at any regular business meeting of the association by the board of directors or any member in good standing. The amendment may be adopted at the next regular meeting and requires a 2/3 favorable vote of the members in good standing that are present. The members present must be equal to, or greater than 50% of the current members in good standing.

Article X

Dissolution of Association: A two-thirds vote of the membership shall be required to dissolve the association. Upon dissolution of the association, any assets remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be paid over to a charitable or non-profit organization that has purposes consistent with KCBA purposes. The Board of Directors are charged with making the final decisions but no part of the remaining assets of the Association will be paid or distributed to an officer, Trustee, or any member of the Association.

Ratification Date: May 21, 2012

Founding Members:

Jeff Gabric	Susan Brown	Margareta Craye
Jim Williams	Franklin Brown	Kees Craye
Todd Hickman	Richard Shoots	Aubrey Craye
Phil Blubaugh	Phyllis Duncan	Mike Michalski
Roberta Robey	Dan Pelton	Eric Simpson
John Schmidt	Jeanette Pelton	Anthony Simpson
Jennifer Schmidt	Josh Watterson	Beverly Simpson
George Myers	Maggie Buccicone	Carlton Simpson
Jim Obrien	Marsha Kelso	
Linda Obrien	Jess Kelso	
Susie Fish	Jason Bennett	
Tom Fish	Fred Kinsler	