

General Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2025

Attendance: 53 Members, 4 Guests

CiCi Sweeny called the meeting to order at 10 AM in Compton Hall on the PennWest Edinboro Campus.

Shannon O'Lone introduced Mike Palmer of French Hill Apiaries, St. Albans VT as our guest Speaker. Mike Palmer gave a very detailed presentation on Nuc Management, covering when to split colonies, using nuc colonies as cell builders, and requeening.

Officer Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

- o The current balance is \$13,019.
- Since January, Pellet sales have grossed \$6,167, net \$3,834
- Charlie Vorisek is stepping down from the Treasurer position. John
 Prinkey has been appointed as interim treasurer until elections.

Minutes: Minutes from the March 2025 Meeting are Posted on the Website

- Motion to Pass: Frederick Dunn
- Motion Second: John Prinkey
- The Motion to accept the minutes passes unanimously.

Announcements:

A proposal was made to accept revisions to the NWPBA Bylaws

- Motion to Pass: Alek Budzik
- o Motion Second: Frederick Dunn
- o The Motion to pass the revisions passes unanimously.

Shannon O'Lone discussed upcoming committees. Peggy Bell will be heading the elections committee. Elections will be held on the November 2025 meeting.

The Member Spotlight featured Pat Harwood, who gave an excellent overview of trees and shrubs for the bees, as well as discussing her favorite annuals and perennials.

The 50/50 drawing brought in \$360 with \$180 going to Rick Horanic and \$180 going towards door prizes.

There will be a Hive Dive immediately after the meeting in Saegertown.

Upcoming Events:

o Beek Breakfast at IHOP: 05/21/2025

Field Day at Ernst Conservation Seeds: 06/21/2025

o PSBA Picnic: 07/19/2025 at Del Grosso's Amusement Park

o NWPBA Picnic: 08/16/2025 at Common Grounds Picnic Area

Door Prizes were drawn.

A motion to adjourn was made by Charlie Heffner and seconded by Frederick Dunn. The motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jen Willert