Tri-County Beekeepers' Association Club Meeting Minutes March 8, 2021

The meeting was opened in-person and virtually through Zoom at 7:00 by club president, Bobby Chaisson. There were 21 members present in person and six members present through Zoom for a total of 27. Bobby welcomed the participants and introduced the speaker, Kathy Bourn, who spoke about catching swarms. Ms. Bourn answered questions from the audience and gave suggestions on the best practices in catching swarms.

Prior to the meeting, Bobby was in the bee yard checking on the hives.

Business:

Last month's meeting minutes have been sent out by email. There was a motion to accept the minutes, and the motion was seconded.

Banking information is as follows:

Regions Bank as of 2/28/2021 \$1444.10

Paypal account as of 2/28/2021 \$2308.47

There was a motion to accept the treasurer's report, and the motion was seconded.

Announcements:

Memberships have expired and must have been renewed on March 1. While you do not have to be a member, and all are welcome, the memberships help pay for the speakers and the rent on the meeting place.

If you are interested in taking swarm calls, Georgia Bee Removal will allow you to sign up on their website.

Harold Lanier still has spots open for Beekeeper's Bootcamp. Let him know if you are interested.

The License Plate Committee of Georgia Beekeeper's Association has said they will provide grant money for speakers for club meetings, so if anybody knows of somebody who would be good to speak to the club, let us know.

April meeting will be a review session about information on the Certified Beekeeper's test,

which will be May 23rd at 2:00. The test will be held at Lanier Bee Barn.

May meeting will have Selina Buckner from Auburn University Bee Lab and the Bee Informed Partnership to talk about the partnership and the services and information they can provide for the beekeeper. They have a program called the Sentinel Program that they want the club to be involved in. The GBA will absorb the cost.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by club secretary, Pam Wisecup.