

GCBA Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Call the Meeting to Order

Denzil called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

Board Members Present

Denzil St. Clair, Mike Stark, Phil Bartosh, Brenda Theurer, Laura Brown, Joe Petrek, Tom Kennish,

Board Members Absent

Sarah Marie

Guests Present

Sheila St. Clair, Jan Petrek, John Rini

Quorum Established? Yes.

Treasurer's Report

Brenda did not provide a financial report due to personal reasons she was not able to get bank statements in time for the meeting.

Brenda secured 3 refurbished laptops for the association through RET3. She asks Board Members to give a donation of honey to give back to the program coordinator who helped her. Laptops will go to Brenda, Shannon, and Sarah for use with GCBA duties/responsibilities.

Brenda request Shannon send a thank you via email to Kenny, the RET3 point of contact.

50/50 drawing for July:

Motion: Joe to accept May and June Secretary Minutes

Second: Laura

All in favor, motion passed

Secretary's Report

Number of people in attendance at the July 13, 2022 Regular Membership Meeting: 52.

Shannon suggested her address (Lakewood) be kept on the GCBA website and tri-folds until the end of the year.

Shannon gave update on progress on the new website.

Amendment to the By-Laws passed at July picnic with 33 members voting, 31 voted in favor, 2 opposed.

Shannon confirmed Connie Skolnicki's request for \$175 speaker's fee.

Motion: Shannon to pay Connie Skolnicki \$175

Second: Mike

All in favor, motion passed

Old Business

Upcoming Regular membership Meetings:

August - Connie Skolnicki - Apitherapy

September - John Rose confirmed for Winter Prep

Oct -TBD

Nov - TBD

Board further discussed the Oct 1 Intro to Beekeeping Class.

Shannon will get names/contact info from sign-up sheets at fairbooth and send an email blast.

Shannon will contact CH Creative to have a flyer made for website and FB.

Lunch will be hot dogs, coleslaw/potato salad, chips, condiments, water.

John Rini suggested having membership registration forms available as an option to have people join the association the day of the class.

Denzil will create the PowerPoint for instruction and Tom, Mike, Phil, and Denzil will teach the class.

Mike updated Board on the Hive inspection Checklist. He is doing the final edits/formatting.

Sheila updated the Board on the progress of the renovations to the Bee Yard and Bee Barn. Main sign on building is up, 2 banners for side of entrance are completed, mural artwork near completion.

Woodenware is still needing work, may not be done for the fair. Lots of work done in the Bee Yard.

Motion Shannon to give Sheila St. Clair a blank check for invoices due from the prison, as long as Sheila contacts the treasurer immediately with the amount paid and to whom.

Second: Joe

Joe, Mike, Shannon, Laura in favor. Phil abstained. Brenda against. Motion passed

Sheila informed the Board GCBA will be on the daily announcements of events at the fair. Need topics and presenters for daily 4pm presentations in the Bee Barn.

Denzil suggested honey extraction demo every evening at 6pm. Shannon and Tom will coordinate to get a sign-up genius sent to the membership to get volunteers to extract their honey. Volunteers must bring their own equipment (less the extractor).

Shannon reminded Board of Public Engagement requests. Mike will do the Cleveland History Museum, Joe will do the Parma School request.

Phil reported that no one attended the Rocky River presentation on July 12.

New Business

Denzil asked the Board who is planning to stay on for 2023. Tom indicated he would be interested in being President. Brenda, Laura, Joe, and Mike all responded favorably as well. Phil is not sure. Shannon will not be staying on the Board.

Motion: Phil to adjourn meeting at 8:07pm

Second: Mike

All in favor, motion passed