

**GCBA Executive Meeting
Wednesday, Jan 19, 2022**

Call the Meeting to Order

Denzil called the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m.

Board Members Present

Denzil St. Clair, Phil Bartosh, Brenda Theurer, Shannon Warder, Sarah Marie, Joe Petrek

Guests Present

Sheila St. Clair, Laura Brown, Mike Stark, Tom Kennish

Quorum Established? Yes.

Treasurer's Report

Bank statements from Fifth Third Bank now sent directly to Brenda.

Savings: beginning balance \$13059.31, \$0.88 interest, ending balance \$13060.19

Checking: beginning balance \$4810.64, total checks cashed \$2302.88, total deposit \$258.00, ending balance \$2765.76

50/50 winner from Jan Membership meeting was Tom Kennish, \$124 collected/\$62 split

Motion: Shannon to accept Treasurer Report

Second: Phil

All in favor, motion passed

Secretary's Report

Thank you note sent to Jeremy Workman for January presentation.

USPS PO Box lease terminated

Katherine at Cravener-Holmes has contacted webmaster Kathy Smith to start transition of website from Kathy Smith to CH Creatives.

Motion: Phil to accept secretary report

Second: Joe

All in favor, motion passed

Old Business

Phil reported Class PowerPoint presentations are almost complete. He wants to give a quiz at each class to reinforce information.

Motion: Sarah to create educational bags for beginner class registrants

Second: Joe

All in favor, motion passed

Members have items for educational bags: Shannon will donate 50 oxalic acid syringes and has National Honey Board material, Phil has grease pencils, Brenda has educational materials.

New Business

Motion: Shannon to appoint Laura Brown as Director, Mike Stark as VP, Phil Bartosh as Past President, Tom Kennish as Fair Chair for 2022

Second: Joe

All in favor, motion passed

Denzil will look into presenter for March membership meeting.

Shannon still waiting on confirmation from Don Schram for April meeting.

Board agreed to have May membership meeting even though GCBA Field Day is scheduled. Need guest speaker for May.

Richard Lyle confirmed for June.

Shannon needs to follow up with Dr. Mary Gardiner to see if she can be guest speaker at July meeting.

Board discussed asking John Rose to present at September meeting for Fall Wrap-Up, Shannon will contact him.

Board discussed new set-up for monthly meetings. Will assign a Hospitality Hostess to setup snack/coffee table.

Motion: Phil to allocate funds for helium and balloons for each meeting

Second: Joe

All in favor, motion passed

Board discussed the need for a projector system. Laura commented she has had bad experience with lower cost models. Brenda suggested at least a \$700 budget. QRC has a projector, but GCBA should on use as a backup. Shannon will research and purchase projector.

Motion: Sarah for a \$700 budget for a new projector

Second: Phil

All in favor, motion passed

Board discussed door prizes and raffles for the Beginner Classes.

Motion: Joe to raffle off a complete beginner kit that GCBA will purchase from QRC. Raffle tickets to be sold for \$1 each, winner drawn at final class, winner must be present

Second: Mike

All in favor, motion passed

Motion: Shannon to make only the present Beginner Beekeeping Class registrants eligible to win the beekeeping equipment door prizes. To make all present GCBA members eligible to win a 2023 GCBA membership as a door prize. All door prizes will be given at final class

Second: Phil

All in favor, motion passed

Board discussed requests for public speakers. Sarah Marie will setup a GCBA table at the February 12 Holistic Fair (GCBA member Pat Uhr has donated cost of a table at the fair). Board will discuss other engagements at a later date.

Brenda had secured the GCBA Learning Library from Rocky River. Shannon has possession and will bring to future meeting for Board to inventory.

Denzil will ask membership question about the newsletter at each membership meeting to encourage readership. Brenda will bring packets of seeds to give as a prize.

Denzil and Shannon are in contact with the Rocky River Nature Center for the 3 remaining quarterly GCBA presentations. They will coordinate together to meet Emerald necklace deadlines.

Sheila St. Clair is still trying to attend a Cuyahoga County fair Board Meeting. Tom Kennish said he would like to attend as well as the GCBA Fair Chair. Joe Petrek would like to attend as well because he wants to see Bee Yard improved. Sheila will keep them up to date on status of meeting.

Board wants the links to Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds and Metroparks put on the GCBA website.

Board will discuss a plan to continue with By-Laws revision.

Motion: Joe to adjourn meeting at 8:48pm

Second: Phil

All in favor, motion passed