

**GCBA Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, June 15, 2022**

**Call the Meeting to Order**

Denzil called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**Board Members Present**

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

**Board Members Absent**

Shannon Warder

**Guests Present**

Sheila St. Clair, Jan Petrek

**Quorum Established?** Yes.

Secretary's report for May will be discussed at the July board meeting due to the absence of Shannon

**Treasurer's Report**

Savings: beginning balance \$13061.05, \$0.22 interest, ending balance \$13061.27

Checking: beginning balance \$1866.99, ending balance \$2052.72.

50/50 winner from 6/8/22 Regular Membership Meeting was Vince Picetello(sp?) \$84 collected, \$42 payout.

**Motion: Laura to accept Treasurer Report**

**Second: Joe**

**All in favor, Brenda abstained, motion passed**

Brenda said one Beekeeping for Dummies book walked off during the last meeting.

Brenda is looking into getting laptops for GCBA from RET3. RET3 refurbishes old computers and will donate them to 501(c)(3) organizations.

**Secretary's Report**

Number of people in attendance at the June 8, 2022 Regular Membership Meeting: 43.

**Old Business**

Updated By-laws will be discussed further when Shannon is present.

Phil will purchase hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, condiments, pop, and water for the July picnic. Dennis will bring the grill and cook. The St. Clair's will bring games.

Upcoming Regular membership Meetings:

July - Dr. Tew

August - Connie Skolnicki - Apitherapy

September - John Rose confirmed

Board discusses conducting a fall beginner beekeeping class for anyone interested from the fair.

**Motion: Phil for GCBA to hold a standalone beginner beekeeper class on Saturday, October 1, 2022, from 10am to 2pm. Lunch will be provided.**

**Second: Sarah**

**All in favor, motion passed**

Board discusses price for beginner beekeeping class. two votes for \$30, four votes for \$40, zero votes for \$50. Cost does not include a membership.

Motion: Phil set the price for the beginner beekeeping class at \$40 per person

Second: Joe

Mike, Phil, Joe, Sarah, Laura in favor, Brenda opposed, motion passed

Sheila will check with Dennis about the availability of the fairgrounds for the Oct beginner class.

Mike discusses hive inspection checklist. A few updates made since last draft. Adjustments to formatting to be made.

**Motion: Sarah to accept the checklist as the GCBA checklist.**

**Second: Brenda**

**All in favor, motion passed, Mike abstained**

Sheila gave update on the Bee Barn and Bee Yard improvement plan. Prison has all the supplies to make hives and decorate them, make floral murals for fence, and make a sign for the Bee Yard. Lorain has created drawings for the bee yard and has plant donations.

Sheila showed examples of possible new signage to be used at the fair, utilizing previously approved fair budget.

Tom gives fair update. Proposed fair theme: "The hum of bees is the voice of the garden." Discussed giving blue GCBA t-shirts to anyone who volunteers for at least four hours at the fair. A sign-up genius will be set up for volunteers. Time slots will be 1pm to 5pm and 5pm to 9pm. Each time slot will have two volunteers. More tri-folds needed for the fair.

**Motion: Mike to buy t-shirts for fair volunteers.**

**Second: Laura**

**All in favor, motion passed**

**Motion: Mike to amend the motion to buy t-shirts for fair volunteers to set price at \$400.**

**Second: Joe**

**All in favor, motion passed**

**Motion: Joe to amend the motion to set \$400 price to buy t-shirts for fair volunteers up to \$500.**

**Second: Mike**

**All in favor, motion passed, Phil obtained**

**Motion: Brenda to spend up to \$300 for new tri-folds.**

**Second: Sarah**

**All in favor, motion passed**

Dennis will ask for help if needed to clear out space in the bee barn for GCBA materials/supplies

**New Business**

Phil is giving presentation on the inspection program at the Rocky River Nature Center in July. The presentation will be included in the Emerald Necklace newsletter.

**Motion: Sarah to adjourn meeting at 8:10pm**

**Second: Joe**

**All in favor, motion passed**