

Douglas County Bees

Monthly General Meeting

**November 4<sup>th</sup> , 2020**

Douglas County Court House Rm 310

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

15 in attendance, including 3 new visitors of which one became a new member

Robert welcomed everyone and the visitors introduced themselves.

Beau gave a treasurer report: New banking account was brought back to Umpqua Bank at the Myrtle Creek Branch. There is \$2817.50 in the checking account, \$2000.00 in the savings account. An additional deposit of \$73.00 cash (found in the archive accordion file amongst receipts dated 2019) was deposited to the checking account. A reimbursement of approved expenses to Robert Baune for \$116.93 leaves DCB accounts with a total of \$4774.57 .

The savings account will have in-house accounting and reconciliation to keep track of the “non-designated” and “designated” funds. While sorting through the old archived records, a discovery of an entry of \$30.00 to an “equipment” fund was established. Beau “designated” this in the savings account records. Members at tonight's meeting remember having an “Equipment Fund” but do not remember what happened to it. A “can” was passed around each general meeting and any donations to it were graciously accepted. Beau expressed a desire to revive this general meeting practice. Members agreed. Next month general meeting, Beau will have an “Equipment Fund” donation can to pass around.

DCB 990-N to the IRS and the CT-12 to the State of Oregon has been filed for the calendar year 2019. DCB is an LLC Business with a 501c3 Status. We are obligated to take care of these business requirements annually. The 2019 filings were past due. We had an additional late fee of \$20.00 attached with the State of Oregon included with our regular filing fee. We are now, at the present, all current with our tax reports for DCB.

Beau gave a secretary report: DCB has an official “inventory of equipment and supplies” notebook. All items recovered from the storage shed has been logged in, photographed and documents filed in the new notebook. These items are now being housed for FREE in a shed at 850 Cook Street. Phil has been designated to resolve the dilemma of the thermal device donation from 2019.

There are some outstanding issues still to resolve with the Amazonsmiles account and the Fred Meyers account. Both of these are sources of donations to DCB will hopefully be corrected and functioning perfectly soon.

The Paypal account has been re-established. However, there are glitches with it being on the website. No issues with it being on the FaceBook page. Beau expressed a dislike for the Paypal account being “needy”, as in it requires having to physically visit the admin side of it and

actually tell the system to transfer any donations that are in the paypal holding account to our banking checking account. But, it will not transfer if paypal's "minimum requirement of funds" is not in the holding account. Beau has already looked into SQUARE and has had phone calls with Square techies. Their system is totally autonomous. They will transfer the funds within 2 business days. No one has to do anything else with the account. Beau asked if she could be allowed to dump the Paypal and get a Square donation button for both the website and the FaceBook. Members agreed.

Beau announced that the DCB member emails list can be made more private/secure for our members. (testing was performed earlier today and it worked beautifully) In keeping with our statement on the DCB New Membership Form "membership information is not shared outside of the group without your consent" it is fitting to keep it secure inside the group as well, just in case a member forwards the email to another person outside the club. Our membership email list is too large to send all at once. It has to be split into two groups. Members will see emails coming from Douglas County Bees with either the President or Vice President openly listed. (the two groups) All other members save for the sole member to which the email is being sent will be hidden in the Bcc tab. (bind carbon copy) Members at the meeting liked this change very much.

A presentation on the Asian Giant Hornet was conducted. The 2 You-Tube videos that were intended to accompany the presentation did not get to be shown. It appears there is not available WIFI at the courthouse. Beau will send emails to the members in attendance tonight with the links to the 2 videos.

Robert initiated the Round Robin and everyone got to talk about and ask questions pertaining to their own hives.

Meeting adjourned 8:00-ish.

Beau Miakinkoff – secretary 11/4/20