

Umpqua Valley Beekeepers Association

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August 2nd, 2023 General Meeting Agenda Held @ the OSU Extension Office

1. Adrian called to order @ 6pm
2. We welcomed visitors and members - Adrian
3. Financial report - Adrian/Ivory/Kelly
 - a. We officially changed financial institutions for the association to our local Cascade Community Credit Union.
 - b. Savings - \$1945.58
 - c. Checking - \$4618.88 before expenditures, \$3790.03 after.
 - d. Expenditures -
\$172.94, 5# of wildflower seeds from Outside Pride for packets.
\$605.91, GloryBee Order (wash with incoming funds).
\$50, OR State Registry renewal.
 - e. We had 4 new members that joined over this last weekend at the Beginning Beekeepers Class, those funds had yet to be deposited. \$80
 - f. Fred Meyer Community Rewards instructions are attached here.
4. A motion from members to accept the June and July Meeting Minutes was carried and seconded.
5. Announcements:
 - a. The Extension office has also given us the option to use Zoom. This will hopefully be a tool for future use and those who are driving long distances or not able to attend in person. We had Chris Barry testing this phase and although it was difficult to hear some people from the audience (which gives us room for improvement) we think it went well.
 - b. Our new observation hives and demonstration hives are ready for the Douglas County Fair!
 - i. Big thanks to Rick and Dean for their work in finishing the observation hives with a Beeswax/Mineral Oil concoction. They are so beautiful!
 - ii. These will be full-time nucs, the spring time will be the most interesting as they grow. The bees were introduced into their new home just days before the meeting and seem to be doing well.
 1. Any suggestions or drawbacks seen in doing this?
 2. These were Ivory's bees that were put into observation hives, but really these girls are being donated for the club's use throughout the year.
 - iii. Thanks to Ian as well who did a quick revamp of the demonstration hive, your time is greatly appreciated.
 - c. Kim Kinney has been busy and chosen to step down as the current Secretary. We asked at the meeting and no one yet stood up to take on the Secretary position. The current board has tag teamed the duties until we find someone new.
 - d. The Education Chair has been distributed throughout the board for now as well but if you are interested in helping or have some ideas please let us know.
 - e. We are still on the lookout for a Membership Director & Social Media Chair too.
 - i. It takes a village! 😊
 - ii. All the duties are listed in the Bylaws on our website, but we have a copy here if anyone wants to take a look.
 - f. Butterfly Garden Beautification Event on August 5th @ Stewart Park, 7am - 9am.
 - i. More of these are coming up throughout this year and next.

- g. OSBA 2023 Fall Conference - October 27, 28 & 29, 2023 @ Riverhouse Hotel & Convention Center in Bend, Oregon.
 - i. Pre-registration deadline is September 27, 2023.
 - ii. Check out the OSBA website for the “tentative agenda” and more details.
 - h. Grand Opening of the Tillamook Beekeepers Association Apiary and Garden Learning Center (July 15th). 6825 Officer’s Row, Tillamook
 - i. Douglas Electric Cooperatives, Craig Reed, interviewed Ivory and Adrian on Sunday, July 30th. The interview was for their monthly member magazine, Ruralite.
 - i. We covered some of the history, mission and goals of the association, and ourselves.
 - ii. The interview was followed by an impromptu in-hive event, where we removed some honey supers for harvest and attempted to find the elusive queen.
 - iii. Plenty of photos were taken, we hope to share the article soon.
6. Events - Ivory
- a. Thanks again to all our past and future booth attendees, this year has been amazing, we are almost finished!
 - b. Lavender Festival! Huge success! What a great weekend! Loved all the vendors there too.
 - i. We had \$141.02 in donations.
 - ii. Lots of people met, warm as always but a wonderful event.
 - c. Umpqua Valley Farmers Market - Pollinator Appreciation Day
 - i. \$11.00 in donations
 - ii. “Find the Bee” Scavenger Hunt! So much fun!
Loved this for the kids. The UVFM also purchased honey sticks from their honey vendors for us to pass out to the kids when they found all the crocheted bees.
 - d. Fun time is Fair time!!! Douglas County Fair is August 9th - 12th
 - i. All of our volunteer slots were full! Thank you, for your time and efforts to help make these events enjoyable and educational.
 - ii. Entry tickets were given to all those who donated their time at the booth.
 - iii. Observation Hive Logistics, Ivory will be picking up each day. We had others drop off each day.
7. Education Events - Adrian/Ivory
- a. Lower Umpqua Library Presentation in Reedsport on July 26th.
 - i. About 20 people in attendance including some stragglers at the end.
 - ii. The girls were present, minus the queen (I ran out of time to find her).
 - b. Beeks Academy, Intro to Beekeeping and an in hive event, hosted by Kent Wallace this last weekend. Thanks so much Kent, very much appreciated him welcoming us into his apiary. A good turnout and got into a few hives. We would love some constructive criticism for the people that attended.
 - c. Beeks Academy, Upcoming in August - Honey extraction, hosted by Kelly Heard.
 - d. Beeks Academy, Upcoming in early September - Wax cleaning and fun things to do with it after, hosted by Ivory.
 - e. Beeks Academy, Upcoming in mid-late September - Mite counting, and some treating, hosted by Ivory LosBanos.
8. Swarms and Cutouts!
- a. Rick and Adrian performed a removal from an old electrical panel in Oakland.
 - i. Not a lot of bees, but bursting with honey! They found the queen!
 - b. Ivory, Rick and Dean removed a low open-air hive in the Melrose area.
 - i. The owners wanted to keep the bees but after the removal and after being brought over to Rick’s they either were robbed out or absconded. The owners would now like to look into keeping bees.

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10. Questions/Comments/Concerns?

11. Adjourn!!!