

Umpqua Valley Beekeepers Association

P.O. Box 924, Roseburg, OR 97470

February 7th, 2024, General Meeting Minutes

Held at the OSU Extension Auditorium @ 5pm

1. **Call to Order** - Adrian
2. **Adrian welcomed visitors & members** - 40 in attendance (according to the sign-in sheet).
3. **Motion to Approve January Meeting Minutes** - Motion made and approved.
4. **Treasurer Report** - Supplied by Kelly
 - a. Checking = \$4,881.07; Savings = \$1,936.91; For a total of - \$6,817.98
 - i. Withdrawals - OSBA Annual Affiliate dues = \$63. We paid \$33 for our booth at the Master Gardeners Plant Sale.
 - ii. Deposits - \$1,140 to Checking from dues and donations, as well as a \$0.16 dividend to Savings.
 - b. Adrian stated that he is patiently waiting for his \$200 reimbursement for his donation on behalf of the club to the OSU Honey Bee Lab. ;)
 - c. We received a \$32.13 check from Kroger, from the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program.
 - i. (4) households are currently participating, and fliers were available for folks to take home.
 - d. We received our form CT-12 for Oregon Charities, from the Oregon Department of Justice for our Non-Profit Annual Report. A \$20 filing fee is required annually which is due by May 15th, 2024.
5. **Announcements** - Adrian/Ivory
 - a. We had an amazing turn-out (#) and over 30 renewals for our first meeting in January! Nice work everyone!!! (38)
 - b. Thank you to all that replied to our OSBA Affiliate email.
 - c. Logan announced that we have 60 registered for the beginner class.

- d. Charley Carnes, was in the Washington Master Beekeeper Program and is transferring to the Oregon program. He would like to offer help to anyone that needs an extra hand in their hives. If you are interested, please contact him directly to set something up. *He stood up so everyone could see who he was.
- e. Biff Ewens is building some bait hives and has a fee attached. If anyone is interested or has any questions, they were told they contact him directly. He brought one in to show off.
- f. **SAVE THE DATE(s)!** To date, we have two guest speakers scheduled. Fonta Molyneaux, from Lane County Beekeepers will be coming down to speak about Brood Dynamics on June 5th. Ramesh Sagili, from The OSU Honey Bee Lab will be speaking about Varroa Mites and Bee Nutrition on September 4th.
- g. The Saturday volunteers were asked to take some pictures for our website and social media page.

6. Education - Adrian/Ivory/Sandy/Logan/Shawn

- a. So You Wanna Bee A Keeper? Our collaboration with OSU Extension, beginner beekeeping class. A very informative PowerPoint Presentation was run through, Adrian and Ivory spoke about the beekeeping topics and Logan Bennett spoke about Farm Direct Marketing, pesticides and proper honey labeling.

7. Open Bee Discussion -

- a. Steve Kiepert unboxed a beginner beekeeping tool kit he purchased on sale from Amazon. He went through all that it contained to assess the quality. Some items were of low quality and/or specialized use, the queen marking tube seemed a little sketch, but the primary hive tools seem like they are up to the task.

8. We adjourned just prior to 8PM.