

West Plains Beekeepers Association  
June 17, 2016  
Pizza Factory Medical Lake Washington

**Minutes:**

6pm-6:30 Education by Joe Gieger Splitting Colonies  
6:30pm The meeting was called to order by President Don Richter  
Attendance ? Not recorded  
Secretary's minutes from May were approved.

**Committee reports:**

**Education committee**

Ellen reported that the association participated in two events. The first was at Fire District Number 9 annual event with the Backyard Beekeepers. The second event was at Priest River, Idaho where Joe and Marilyn Geiger spoke with twelve attendees

On June 18th volunteers are needed for the Medical Lake founders day event.

Sandy presented to 90 children at Moran Prairie Elementary.

June 11th was the second Hands on Beekeeping No members were in attendance.  
The Medical lake high school students have been performing the weekly hive checks.

The second spring beginners beekeeping class commenced last week with approximately 30 students. Jim Miller has been working with Airway Heights Correctional facility setting up this beginners beekeeping class.

We been invited to Herb fair September 24th at the Unity spiritual center in Spokane

**Publicity Committee**

No updates.

**Research Committee**

No updates.

**Demo Hive committee**

No updates

**Website Committee**

Request for updated events page and a children's informational page

**Old Business:**

**Budget**

Current monies as of 6/17/2016 is (appx) \$6200.00 the request for approval of the annual budget of \$2855.00 motion to approve budget was by Jeff Lawrence motion was seconded and approved.

**Election of officers**

The following members were nominated and elected to serve through June 2017:

Ellen Miller, President  
Marilyn Gieger, Vice President  
Joe Miller, Treasurer  
Brian Raska, Secretary  
Ellen Miller and Joe Miller are authorized signers for the bank account.

Transition meeting of the current and former officers will be Tuesday June 28th at 6 pm

**New Business:**

The club is looking for members interested in drafting a recommendation for changes to accept Beekeeping in the city of Airway Heights.

Children's curriculum was discussed, stickers flyers and pamphlets were suggested as a way to bring interest and educate and engage children.

Ideas for future educational programs was discussed: native pollinators and noxious weeds.

Motion to adjourned By Jim Miller seconded by Jack Miller Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian Raska

