

West Plains Beekeepers Association

October 2, 2015

City Hall, Medical Lake, WA.

6:00-6:35PM Journeyman class "Honey" given by Sandy Fanara

6:35-7:30PM "Apimondia 2015 in Korea" Presentation by Ari Alvarez.

7:30 PM Meeting called to order by President James.

24 members in attendance, with 4 officers present

Treasurer report was read.

Secretary minutes were sent by email; Vote to approve.

Old Business

- Don asked by motion the association for permission to speak at the upcoming Oct. 11 WSBA meeting on behalf of our club: The desire for this club to host a "Train the Trainer" class (as has been discussed at previous WSBA meetings) at Eastern Washington University; where there are already professors lined up to teach the class; For us to create a "model program" whereby will be taught effectiveness in teaching and not the content of beginning beekeeping as already part of the apprenticeship program; We ask for \$500 from WSBA to pay for the professors and space at EWU.

The membership ratified this motion.

New Business

- Don asked by motion the association to charge the SFCC beekeeping students \$5 to join our membership for the first year, so they can take the apprenticeship level test. There will be no cost to the club and the instructors have already volunteered to teach for free.

The membership ratified this motion.

- Jim spoke about the same classes: asked for permission from the association to use WPBA name in the "sponsors" section of the CCS program.

The membership ratified this motion.

- Kevin reported that the Medical Lake High School students are now building beehives for sale.

Committee Reports

Education Committee – Don notified the association of the upcoming beginning beekeeping classes starting on Nov. 7th, at the Pizza Factory. Sandy Fanara to teach the first class. Looking ahead, to Feb and March 2016 there are several classes starting at SFCC, Medical Lake, and in North Spokane.

Membership report

- There have been some issues with members not getting the email. Please contact Ellen with this problem.

Announcements

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 PM

Sandy Fanara, Secretary