

**West Plains Beekeepers Association**

August 19, 2016

Pizza Factory, Medical Lake, WA

**6pm-6:30pm Social Time** Talking about Bees.

6:30 **Educational Program by Brian Raska, "Foulbrood"**

7PM Meeting

**7:08 pm Call to Order** by Ellen Miller

**Approval of July minutes** Motion to approve by Jim Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandy Fanara

**Treasures report** Joe Miller current budget amount \$5,911.72 On projected budget

**Committee reports** (Marylyn Geiger)

Fall Classes begin Nov 5<sup>th</sup>

Airway Heights Event Aug 20<sup>th</sup> (need volunteers)

Herb Faire September 24<sup>th</sup>

Otis Orchards Library (February)

Moran Prairie pre-school and FAFB Summer School- Sandy Fanara showed presentation, props and appreciation letters from the classes for the Youth Beginner Bee Keeping Curriculum

**Publicity (Margo Buckles) -not in attendance update by proxy**

Fleece Order

Facebook Activity

**Research (Kevin Oldenburg) -not in attendance – No report**

**Airway Heights Correction (Jim Miller)**

4 Hives installed, Sustainability Classes take place on Mondays (for both staff and inmates)

Kay with AHCF spoke about the positive changes

Honey given as recognition to staff

**Demonstration Hive** (Jack Miller and Kevin Oldenburg)

Jack has the observation hive

**Airway Heights Ordinance** (Jack Miller, Margo Buckles and Jim Miller)

Initial connection has been made by Ellen, with an ask for an educational presentation to be made to the City Council

**Kids booth/ and website Content** (Sandy Fanara, Marilyn Geiger, Cathy Richter & Lincoln)

Discussed committee and asked Lincoln to join

**Website** (Jack Miller)

Using Google Analytics for improvements

**EWU (Jim Miller)**

Jim spoke with sustainable projects director they would like classes and full time hives.  
Need to reinstate the EWU Link Committee

**WASBA and Washington Master Beekeepers (Ellen Miller & Jim Miller)**

**WASBA** has written new bylaws and there was some concern expressed that they may have ceased their Master Bee Keepers certification program.

**WMB** is a new group (Jim Miller serving as Secretary)- They will be honoring prior apprenticeship/journeyman status earned via WASBA. No by-laws, fees or costs are known at this time. Jim is building a booklet for Journeyman- needs questions and progress reports need reviewed and updated

**New Business:**

A motion was called by Steve Hetrick to draw up affiliation with the new WMB 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Miller

Friendly amendment was called for by Sandy Fanara to provide a letter of Intent of Affiliation pending passage of new bylaws and dues/fees for WMB. And per the review and approval of the WPBKA membership.

Call for the vote- Approved

**Additional notes-**

**Good of the order:**

8:28- Jim Miller Moved to Adjourn meeting –resounding 2<sup>nd</sup> room wide