

Montgomery County Beekeepers Association

February Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2023

In Person Mentee meeting – 6:15 p.m. was led by Ed Erwin 34 in attendance

Topic – Splits presented by Sofia Clark

Question & answer followed

The Monthly meeting –

Monthly meeting was started at 7:00 pm by Matt Thomas –

Dan recited poem about “The Old Flag” followed by

Pledge of Allegiance – Dan

In attendance were 46 members.

Officers Report

The Agri-life facility is available following the CDC social distancing guidelines.. We now have a new 1st vice president, Bradley Womack and 2nd vice president, Ronnie Whitman. Our new secretary is Keri Warren.

New Members:

Payment for membership (yearly dues need to be paid also) is now available on website, via Paypal. See www.MOCobees.com for info. NOTE: do not check the goods or services checkbox but do include the email address you use for MOCObees . Data is important for the Ag value.

Announcements – MOCO bee patches are available at \$5.00 each. Also the book “First Lessons in Beekeeping” is also available for \$10.00. The Club leadership elections were done during Feb meeting for 1st, 2nd vice president and secretary.

Harrison Rogers asked for volunteers to help with Bee Booth at the Houston Rodeo, 50 open slots. Please see him during break.

Club needs – Presenters & topics for meetings, John B has volunteered to help with website. Newsletter needs an aspiring journalist to help.

Vendor Announcements –Magnolia Bee & Supply is another resource for bee supplies in and around Magnolia. Julie with Winding Creek Apiary is a resource in our area also. Julie's honey is now being sold at Ace Hardware in the Woodlands.

Spit & Whittle are back, 8:00 a.m. on Saturday mornings, she also had coupons to distribute.

MoCo Youth Update – 3 youth presentations: Randall Strickland, Ally & Sofia Clark, Selena Moehr and Meredith Cox

Speaker – Vicky Pullen from Rustic Ridge Gardens presented program on “plants for bees”.

Doug Tips – Use cheap mustard, ketchup bottles for squirting into the hives. Also use care in where you put your honey laden gloves, nice chewed into his.

Question & Answer:

New Youth Group Members Sponsors – Mann Lake, TBS, Better Bees, & Winding Creek Apiary

Break, snacks & giveaways –

Question was asked about who could do presentations. Reminder that Google Scholar is a great resource for beekeeping questions

Bee Keepers checklist:

Small Group Breakout –

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by John Hunter

