

Virginia State Beekeepers Meeting – 11/04/2017

Meeting called to order by Martha Keine, 1st Vice President at 3:45 PM

Constitutional changes to help us become 501c3

Only question was about how clubs will be affected by this change

This change applies to VSBA only

Moved by Ricky Cunningham, Mountain Empire Beekeepers. Seconded by Sean Lewis, Winchester

Unanimously approved

Minutes from last meeting to be approved

Motion by Pam Fisher. Seconded by Andy Westrich. Approved

Treasurers Report – Ian Henry

Explanation of why monies are larger/smaller at different times of the year

Current balance - \$50,263.94 in bank

More income coming in from registration and more to follow that. It appears we have a large amount of money because no bills have been paid and probably won't till July

Encouraged club treasurers to send in monies as they receive it, so that their club won't appear to not have many paid members. It will also make it easier for Becky Dixon to keep club's status more current.

We are always looking for ideas, grants to fund and ways to benefit the state and buy things for clubs. Important to remember that this type of expenditure must benefit ALL the clubs, not just select ones.

EAS State Directors Report – Karla Eisen

We do not anticipate that EAS will "go in hole"

EAS relies on fundraising and sponsorships at many levels. Examples - \$25 Drone, worker, queen up to \$10,000 corporate sponsorships.

Two of three speakers requested in the recent survey will be speaking at EAS

VSBA has committed to sponsoring Randy Oliver

Cost of attending – last 6 years has averaged \$250 for the week

Can volunteer to offset expenses

VSBA logo update

Flyers available for distribution

Legislation Report – Lannie Ballard

Senator Deeds has agreed to sponsor legislation to renew the Virginia Hive Grant in the amount of \$250,000. Need a champion in the House.

Adjournment at 4:05 PM