

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ILLINOIS STATE BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION,
AN ILLINOIS NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION
HELD SEPTEMBER 19, 2015

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association (ISBA), an Illinois Not-for-Profit Corporation, was held via conference call on September 19, 2015 at 10:00 AM.

Officers and Directors present were: Mike Mason, Rich Ramsey, Rose Leedle, Corky Schnadt, Steve Petrilli, Jim Belli, and Dale Hill.
The members in attendance constituted a quorum of the Directors of the Association.

Minutes – Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Rose Leedle. Will send check to ABF for our membership donation for our 1614 members. Expenses will be going up for Fair supplies. Will need to order spoons, etc. Booth costs will be down about 2/3 since we are now a 501c3. Report approved unanimously.

Membership Director Report – Steve Petrilli. We have gained approximately 200 members since 2014. Current membership is 1614.

Northern Region Director Report – Jim Belli. Jim has Summer Meeting set up for next June. Jerry Hayes and Phil Craft will be speaking. Location will be Hoffman Estates NIU location.

Central Region Director Report – Dale Hill. Tough year with the weather. Queen losses very large with new packages and overwintered hives. Dale will be speaking at the IQI meeting on October 17. Steve thanked Dale for his work in setting up new club in his district.

Southern Region Director Report – Summer meeting went really well. Entertainment and dinner after meeting was good. Lots of hive beetles reported by Rose.

Fall Meeting

- A. Nov 14. Dept of Ag Building reserved.
- B. Speakers. Still looking for speakers. Mike will be working on it this week. Various board members are contacting suppliers about being at the meeting. We will have door prizes this year. 15 to 20 items including extractor. Corky will order items and spend \$800. Same caterer as last year. Will look into having a calendar for next year's meeting.

New Business

- A. Nomination Committee for fall meeting. Current Board members nominated at last meeting. Ray agreed to serve as Southern Director again.
- B. Discussion about grooming future presidential candidates. No new ideas for candidates came up.
- C. Hire accountant that did 501c3: Motion made to see if accountant willing to be retained to do our taxes at a reasonable rate. If they do, we will vote on it electronically. Unanimously approved.
- D. Rich looking into freezers to save costs over the long term. He will continue to look at this.
- E. Steve presented new brochure to make it easier to use for future meetings so changes don't need to be made. It would cut current costs.
- F. Jim mentioned making brochure with color photos.

Announcements:

Steve, Rich and Mike attended Farm Progress Show. Partnered with Bayer and had an observation hive in their tent. Metals for First Premium were popular.

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM, September 19, 2015, pursuant to a motion made, seconded and approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Corky Schnadt, Secretary