**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**

**ILLINOIS STATE BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION,**

**AN ILLINOIS NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION**

**HELD ON Monday, March 15, 2021**

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association (ISBA), an Illinois Not-for-Profit Corporation, was held on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Officers and Directors present**: Corky Schnadt, Charity Davis-Woodard, Steve Petrilli, Larry Krengel, Brian Miller

The members in attendance constituted a quorum of the Directors of the Association.

**Treasurer’s Report**: Not available at this time

**Membership Report**: Steve submitted the report to Board members via email. Report was current as of 3/15/2021 and shows a total membership of 1540 with 737 of those set to expire at the end of April.

**Deadout Workshop:** Registration is still open but the option to submit photos for Dewey Caron to review is closed. Just under 250 participants have registered so far, most of them ISBA members. Registration cap is 300 in accordance with the Zoom account being used to host the workshop.

**New Computer:** The Board voted unanimously to approve spending up to $1500 on a new computer for the association. The current one is old and unable to support the software needed to handle association business. Steve is comparison-shopping for the best deal.

**Summer Meeting**: With HAS cancelled we are back at the drawing board for our summer meeting. Ideas for holding the meeting virtually were discussed and plans made to meet again on March 29 at 7:00 pm to continue the discussion.

**State Fair**: Steve and Rich have not received word that the fair will be held this year, and even if it does take place the restrictions imposed would prohibit our normal activities and make it difficult, unprofitable and unproductive. As a result no ice cream contract has been negotiated with the vendor. Steve and Rich think it may not even be possible for ISBA to secure the Agriculture Building for the November Meeting.

**Nominating Committee**: the Board discussed holding elections virtually if the November Meeting cannot take place in-person. The following positions are open for nominations: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Central District representative, Southern District representative. A call for nominations from the membership will be published in the next issue of the Bulletin.

**Bulletin**: The former editor, Marianne Hill, had to resign for personal reasons and the Board thanks her for her generous service overseeing many issues of the bulletin. Hilary Schnadt has volunteered to edit the next two issues of the bulletin at no charge to the Association. Following these issues Hilary and the Board will review the situation to decide how to proceed. She solicited content from Board members and proposed several ideas including an ongoing feature highlighting an affiliated club in each issue. Other ideas for the forthcoming issues were updates from Adam Dolezal, and an article on pollinator plantings, focusing on flowers used by honey bees.

**Next meeting date**: Monday, March 29 2021 at 7:00 p.m..

Motion made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting. With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charity Davis-Woodard

Charity Davis-Woodard, Secretary