

## **General Meeting for July 12, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm. A quorum is present with 26 members present.

Treasurers Report: \$16,000 in general fund, \$1,500 in Education fund.

**Guest Speaker:** Emily Bonder, is a beekeeper and Educator. She spoke on Seasonal Hive Management. She gave all 4 seasons and that bees think 2 seasons ahead of the beekeeper. She focused on getting the hives ready for winter now.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Accept June minutes with a correction adding Jason Pardikes to the Documentation committee. The motion was made by Gary Mullins and seconded by Jennifer Perry.

**Special Election:** Gillian York is running for Vice President and James Larkin for Secretary. A motion was made by Terry Dorsey to close nominations which was carried by a majority of those present. Dan Rau made a motion to name Gillian York as Vice President and James Larkin for Secretary by acclamation since they were running unopposed. Stan Jones seconded and motion carried unanimously.

**Mentor Program:** Jason Pardikes is asking for additional volunteers to act as mentors.

**Club Hives:** Alex Duran volunteered to take care of the club hives.

### **New Business:**

1. Adams County Fair is Aug 2-Aug 6. We need 15 people to submit their honey for the Honey Contest or it will be cancelled. SignUp Genius is available to sign up. An email notice will be sent to all the members to sign up. Michael Biglen needs 40 frames of honey to extract as demonstrations. The honey will be given back in your bucket.
2. Colorado State Fair is Aug 25-Sept 4 in Pueblo. Volunteers are needed and each club needs to be represented, even for part of a day. SignUp Genius. An email notice will be sent to all members to sign up.
3. Education Fund procedures with criteria for donations and disbursements will be announced at the August meeting. James Larkin is chairperson.

**Q& A/Tips and Tricks** It was recommended to add Vitamin C powder and test to keep ph at 4.5.

People are trying to find a wick to use in feeders to decrease the drowning of the bees. Foam ear plugs can help by providing a floating surface for the bees to stand on.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Becki McConnell, Secretary Pro-Tem