OABeeA Minutes

Regular Monthly Meeting, September 25th, 2014

The regular September meeting of OABeeA was held at Fordham's Farmhouse restaurant in Statesboro, Georgia, on September 25th, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 5:40 pm by President Brent Tharp, who presided till leaving at 6:07pm, at which point he handed it off to Vise President Rhett Kelley. Secretary John Dyal recorded.

Raffle

The raffle was held.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Paul Peterson presented a brief summary of current treasury report.

School Observation Hive Project

Brent reported details for establishing a hive at Southeast Bulloch are being worked on. Portal Middle High also has some interest, but the committee has decided focus get something established at Southeast Bulloch first.

Prison Report

Rhett Kelley reported on his visit to Smith State Prison, and said he will try to go once a month. He said Jennifer Berry and UGA are on board with the project, and Jennifer may come down. Brent suggested that if Jennifer does come that we try to get her to come to the club also.

Garden Hive

Wallace Brown reported that the club hive looked good, but asked if the club wanted to treat for Verroa. John Dyal suggested that since Bobby Colson had donated the bees, that it be treated however he treated his hives. **Bobby said he dusts with powdered sugar.**

GBA

Paul Peterson reported on his experience attending the Georgia Beekeepers Association's fall meeting. Pete Rountree commented that at the GBA business meeting there are chairs for the presidents of all member clubs. **So far OABeeA has not filled that chair.** Also it was noted that GBA wants each local club to develop a hazmat plan for bee spills.

Ogeechee Kiwanis Fair

Bobby Colson asked for experienced members to help run the honey bee demonstration at the Fair. He also said there would be a honey show this year and encouraged folks to enter.

Holiday Social

It was decided to have a social get together at George L Smith state park some time during the two months when there are no regular meetings. It was also decided to have BBQ catered.

Presentation

There was no regular presentation. Instead there was a question and answer session. Attendees were each given a card on which to write anonymous questions. The cards were then drawn from a can and read aloud for any one to offer an answer.