

West Sound Beekeepers Association Minutes
Board Meeting
Stedman's Bee Supplies, Silverdale, WA
October 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Quorum Present: President Sophi Gwynne, Vice President George Purkett, Treasurer Bob Finley, Secretary Janet Finley; and Trustees Joe Gwynne, and Darlene Stiffey.

The minutes from the September 17, 2018 Board Meeting were accepted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Sophi Gwynne

- The WSBA discussed the Apiary Liability insurance and the nominal rental agreement with Paul Mottner, Barbara Stedman's son, who had said he would ask his attorney to draft a rental agreement. Discussion on whether to offer to cover the cost of the attorney fees for this document up to \$400. As Paul was in the building, George Purkett excused himself to speak with him with the offer of funding the attorney fees. Paul responded by asking that a simple commercially produced rental agreement found online be drafted for the \$1 per year rental fee without the attorney. He didn't feel there was a need to involve legal representation for such a simple task. Sophi will investigate the proper language and draft the document.
- A WSBA 18-month calendar with beautifully colored photographs has been designed and printed in small batches with a cost of \$3.50 each. The price will be \$10 apiece or 3 for \$20, and they will be made available for sale at the October Annual Meeting to benefit the Association.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: George Purkett

- No report.

APIARY MANAGER'S REPORT: George Purkett

- George loves the ease and speed of the new Oxalic Acid vaporizer. Varroa mites have been abundant this year.

SECRETARY REPORT: Janet Finley

- Numerous notifications for the upcoming Annual Meeting and request for nominations for the slate of 2019 officers and one trustee have been placed by email, Facebook page and website postings, and in the October newsletter.
- Preparations are underway for the seven-week Beginning Hobbyist Beekeeper Course starting in February 2019. The venue has been booked, the flyers and sign up sheets designed, and notification has been posted to the WSBA website, Facebook page, and in the newsletter. Speakers for the ten-unit presentations have been approached and agreed, except for one person who is still considering.

- Trustee Lucia Olson has resigned her Trustee position due to her inability to attend Board meetings regularly. It was determined to approach one of the candidates who is not elected for the Vice President position at the Annual Meeting to see if he will serve out the remainder of the Trustee position. The Board will vote on this appointment at their November meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob Finley

- The total of WSBA funds at the end of September stands at \$19,548.12 spread between savings, checking, and Marketfund accounts, although checks in the amount of \$ 938.09 are still outstanding and anticipated reimbursements for recent expenses have not been yet submitted.
- Bob discussed private promotional sales of items being untracked and items missing. The new 2019 budget will contain a line item for promotional merchandize (hats, shirts, calendars, or equipment) and controls will be easier to track.
- Discussion on the proposed 2019 budget -- what is new, what line items have been eliminated, and our goals for the educational mission of the WSBA. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to present this budget to the general membership at the Annual Meeting on October 16 for their vote.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

- The Nominating Committee returned a slate of officers and one trustee to serve in 2019. Two offices have multiple nominees that will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting. The nominees are:
 - President: Sophi Gwynne
 - Vice President: Gordon Cromwell, Jim Novotney, John Sasser, and Dana Schack
 - Treasurer: Bob Finley
 - Secretary/Newsletter: Janet Finley
 - Trustee A (2019-2021): Larry Carbaugh and Joe Gwynne

Board meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

WSBA ANNUAL MEETING
Stedman's Bee Supplies, Silverdale, WA
October 16, 2019

Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

- President Sophi Gwynne gave the assembled members an overview of the past year with the numerous educational classes, beekeeping

accomplishments, and Apiary beautification projects with a slide show of photographs projected on a screen alongside.

- The slate of nominated officers and one trustee was announced. A brief description of each candidate was given, and ballots were distributed to 2018 members-in-good-standing. After voting, ballots were collected and tabulated by Janet Finley and Darlene Stiffey.

The Board for 2019 will be:

- President Sophie Gwynne
 - Vice President Dana Schack
 - Treasurer Bob Finley
 - Secretary/Newsletter Janet Finley
 - Trustee A (2019-2021) Joe Gwynne
 - Trustee B (-2020) To be appointed
 - Trustee C (-2021) Darlene Stiffey
- Treasurer Bob Finley presented a proposed 2019 budget with an Excel slide show on the screen. Questions were asked and answered. A motion was made and seconded to approve this budget. The vote was unanimous.
 - Calendars were offered for sale to benefit the WSBA, many renewed their membership for 2019, and new attendees joined and signed up for the Beginning Beekeeper Course in February.

The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Finley, WSBA Secretary