08/11/22 August Meeting
Zoom: 886 2856 2159
Passcode: 791 817
Dial In #: 646-931-3860

Called to order at 7:10pm by Mark

Attendance: Heather, Kim E, Mark, Ted E, Terry K, Steve D, Dan W, Tom S

Absent: Tom W (stuck in traffic), Stephen W (prior commitment), Eliazara (working), Todd S, Bob D, Andy C

Mark: Approval of July minutes
--Tom S motioned to approve
--Kim E 2nd the motion
--all approve, motion passed

Kim: No treasurer's report

Mark/Kim/Heather: State Fair
--no paper passes this year from what we are told
--QR code to scan for admission and parking to pay ahead
--no cash at the gates or parking lots—cards only
--help is needed for the booth greatly
--Creamed Honey will be bought from Wixson’s this year instead of Rulison’s due to failure to get a hold of someone
  --$5 per pound
  --200 pounds bought this year instead of the 240 that was bought in 2021
  --10 cases of 12 jars at least coming for opening day, hoping for 10 more cases
--Dan took 240 pounds of honey and 8 cases of 24 jars to Ben Carpenter to fill for ESHPA and Ben will print labels
--Kim E is making all of the candles and wax pieces this year due to Jon Ryan and Ann Sills unable to help this year
  --They will also not be helping at the fair due to Jon’s health/recovery
  --large candles and small candles, tapers, 1oz pieces, 1-pound bricks, lotion bars
--Tom W will be bringing 3oz glass skeps of Queens Blossom honey along with 6oz bottles of Hot Honey
--seed packets are here along with T-shirts and Hats
--Dan bringing the trailer to the fair and taking it back to house afterwards
--Angel will be donating 25 cases of 12 jars of flavored whipped honey
  --Dan donated the honey to her
  --8 oz jars

Mark/Kim: Fall Conference
--David Wick, 2 talks, from Montana
--Tammy Horn, if coming, 2 talks
--David Peck, Oxalic Acid talk, from Betterbee
--Scott McArt, Dyce Lab and donations
--Joan Mahoney, Dept of Ag and Markets, registration and its progress to help us
--Linda Mizer
--Tom Nolan, Canada and NOD, Formic Pro and Mite Away Quick Strips
--Dan Winter, commercial beekeeper and moving bees
--Andy Card, queen rearing
--hotel food pricing up a little bit from 2021 cost
    --$65 per person for the banquet
    --$140 per person for 2 days
    --$100 per person for 1 day
    --current membership must be paid before registering
--Dan motioned to accept new pricing for conference
    --Tom S 2nd the motion
    --all approved
--Advertising cost for the pamphlets
    --Full page $100
    --Vendor single table with 1 meal $200
        --2 tables $300
    --1/2-page Ad $75
    --extra lunch $140
    --Yes, to ABF doing a half page Ad
--Friend of the Industry Nominations
    --Linda Mizer and Lou Naylor
--Beekeeper of the Year Nominations
    --Chuck Kutik

Dan: Lobbing right now with ABF in D.C.
    --new insurance coverage for sideliners and smaller through FSA
    --has to be applied for before Fall

Mark/Heather/Kim: EAS
    --signage was horrible
    --everyone thought that we were registration
    --it was an ok conference, low #’s (about 400ish people instead of the projected 800)
    --quilt sold towards the end for about $650
    --no idea how much the basket sold for
    --mead went for $12-$60 per bottle in the silent auctions throughout the week

Tom S motioned to adjourn at 8:17pm
    --Dan W and Kim E 2nd the motioned
    --all accepted the motion

Next Meeting will be September 8th at 7pm via zoom