

Minutes ECBS Executive Board Meeting Tuesday, January 20, 2009

Meeting opened at 7:30 PM Joseph Lelinho, President

Members in attendance:

Pat Kotlar, Michael Frey, Joseph Batic, PJ Martin, Liz Nelson, Landi Simone and Pier Guidi

Treasurers Report: Joseph Lelinho

Approximately Checking \$2,000. (Actual \$1,738.62)

CD with Community Bank, West Caldwell, NJ

Approximately: \$7,000.00 (Actual as of September 29, 2008: 6,532.07)

Joe Batic desired to have the donor of the money in the CD to be known for the record.

The donors name is Mr. Dietzel, upon his passing donated \$6,000. to ECBS

Motion to accept: Landi

Second: PJ Martin

Old Business:

Short Course Update, Landi Simone

- Cost \$70.00 per attendee, includes Lunch and Membership in both NJBA & ECBS (if selected)
- Members involved in Short Course are; Landi Coordinator, Joe Trimel, Joe Lelinho & Pat Gamsby refreshments
- Tim Schuler will speak as State Apiarist
- Scholarship offering for applicants 12 – 22. Applicant can apply to Curtis Crowell of NJBA by submitting an Essay on Beekeeping
- Dates Feb 21st & Feb 28th, 2009 Environmental Ctr., Roseland
- Field Day April no date set yet

New Business:

- Joe Batic Suggested members should consider applying for exterminators license
- Discussion that honorariums should be paid to speakers & coordinator: Motion to accept was seconded.
- Discussion as to amount that should be paid to instructors and coordinator. It was suggested the 50% of the net profit (after all expenses) will be paid to instructors
- Of the 50% available to the paid to the coordinator (Landi Simone and instructors 50% of that will be paid to the Coordinator and the remaining 50% will be split with the instructors (Joe Treimel & Joe Lelinho)
- The Motion was made and seconded
- Tim Schuler cannot receive a honorarium due to being a State Employee

Web Site: Pier Guidi

- Board members and president all congratulated and were pleased with the wonderful job Pier did in setting up a web page. It was noted that many times we have tried to do this but never have gotten very far. This is a terrific addition to an upwardly mobile Honeybee Association!
- Pier Guidi has set up a web site which is now active and accessible the address is: [Http://ecbs.njbeekeepers.org](http://ecbs.njbeekeepers.org)
- Those using it have found it to be easy to navigate
- It has an Archive Page with a scrapbook of old Newsletters & Photos
- It can have an accessible list of new members along with their honey business or tradestyle
- Pier encouraged all members to submit items of interest in beekeeping for the Web-site to him directly

Schedule of Meetings for the coming year:

- Each meeting will have a subject & coordinator. The coordinator will arrange the topic and speaker and take care of any incidentals so the meeting will flow without any hitch.
- January: No Meeting
- February: Short Course
- March 10th: Splits & Nuc's Guest Speaker, George Schaeffer of Jeans Honey Farm, Flemington, NJ. Joe Lelinho Coordinator
- Wednesday, March 11th, General Public & ECBS Membership, Beeswax Decorating of Ukrainian Eggs, Pat Kotlar, ECBS Member, @ Environmental Center 7 – 9 PM. Probable discount for ECBS Members
- April: Field Day for Short Course Graduates day of month TBD
April 22nd Essex County Environmental Center Earth Day
April 14th Membership Meeting, Subject Splits Swarms both Catching and trapping. Coordinator: Liz Nelson
- May 12th General Public & Membership Meeting. Subject: Honey Plants Jim Bobb, PA. PowerPoint Presentation. Coordinator: Pat Kotlar
- June 9th, Varroa Treatment. Landi Simone
- July & August No Meetings
- September 12th Picnic at Kips Castle. Joe Lelinho Coordinator
- October: Essex County Environmental Center Oktoberfest, date TBD
October 13th Membership Meeting, speaker will be winner of first place Mead entry at NJBA. Pier Guidi Coordinates
- November 10th, General Public & Membership. Subject: Making Crèmes & Lip Balms, Landi Simone
- December 4th Christmas Party, Joe Lelinho will attempt to get Environmental Center

Presentation of New Program: Joe Lelinho

- A report was given that the County is completely behind ECBS and it's efforts to create a Training Apiary Yard for graduates of this years Short Course
- The first location that was considered and approved by the County is at Kip's Castle, Upper Montclair
- A list of rules, Guidelines for Participants in Apiary Training Yard, has been drafted and read to the Board Members for informational purposes. After a final copy is reached it will be voted upon.

At 9:10 PM a motion was made to adjourn and seconded

Submitted by Pat Kotlar

Typist: Joseph Lelinho