

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, 1 FEB 2017**

Location: Conference Room, Humboldt County Agriculture Department, 5630 South Broadway, Eureka, CA

Time: 12:30 pm -

Board members present: Justin Reeve, Assoc. President & Chair of Board (760) 505-9021 (justinmreeve87@gmail.com); Paul Leslie Co-chair of Board (humboldthoneywine@yahoo.com), Britt Frey (boldagain@icloud.com); Laurie Neville, Secretary (QMR_Bees@iCloud.com);

Board members absent: Robin Gereck (bizzybawdy@yahoo.com), Janelle Bucklin, Treasurer (mommy2anni@gmail.com), Jamie Bucklin, Vice-President (707-845-3362),

Public members/HCBA members present: Jeannine Kaprielan, Brad Woodward, Linnette Woodward

Reference documents: (1) Proposed March agenda (HCBA_FEB_2017_AGENDA.pdf) (2) JAN 2017 Minutes (HCBA_JAN_2017_MINUTES.pdf), (3) 2017_HCBA_BOARDCALENDAR.pdf, (4) Swarm document_HCBA.pdf

Action Items:

- 1. Agenda for this meeting (1 Feb 2017) approved as presented.**
- 2. Minutes for Wed, Jan 4 2017 Board Meeting approved with adjustment (Retitled as “ 2016 Annual Meeting”)**
- 3. Public general comment:**

Brad Woodward inquired about 2016 Annual Meeting status – due to various circumstances, the previously planned November 2016 Annual Meeting was postponed and all topics were covered at the January 2017 Board Meeting. The Board agreed that the minutes for Jan 4 2017 meeting will be adjusted to note that the meeting served effectively as the “Annual Meeting”. Three hours of discussion reviewed the 2016 calendar year, introduced new officers and board members, addressed potential events to be scheduled, potential guest speakers, new ideas and establishing a budget for 2017.

Items for discussion (Public comment requested at start of each item)

- 4. Treasurer’s Report** (J Bucklin-absent) Please refer to report circulated by email.
- 5. The website re-design with Ellen Cotes, Eureka Media** (L Neville) – is going underway. Jamie, Justin and Laurie are due to meet with Ellen on Friday, 3 February at 2 pm at Old Town Coffee & Chocolates to discuss initial plan and features for the revised HCBA website that will shift to WordPress for greater flexibility in implementing changes and increased options for expanding information. The Board approved the expenditure of \$300 for Bernardo Nino expenses.
- 6. Bee Fest 2017** (Bucklin/Reeve) An initial meeting with representatives of the Adorni Center was held and attended by Lorna Brown, Justin Reeve, Jamie Bucklin and Janelle Bucklin, Fees for use would be waived. The Adorni is an event center, very large square footage with kitchen, tables/chairs are available (but need to be counted to see if adequate), stage to be confirmed, There is a convenient covered outdoor area for small workshop sessions. Variable dates were discussed, with Saturday, 13 May being a tentative target. Need to clarify use of facility on Friday 12 May for elementary students (?), More information will follow when Adorni Board of Directors meets to discuss and officially approve, as host, to sponsor BeeFest 2017.

Volunteers are needed, and additional sponsors and vendors need to be confirmed. Pres. Justin will be co-ordinating with Lorna, Bucklins and Adorni reps, initially but will need assistance with the distribution of fliers and approaching vendors. Last years vendors and sponsors will be approached, We need to establish and expand on the list from 2016. Secretary, Laurie will assist with media PSAs, outreach/flyers/forms in collaboration with Justin and Lorna. Need to further discuss/ clarify Humboldt office of Education assistance to disseminate information to elementary schools about special Friday youth activities at Beefest.

7. **Update on inviting guest speakers for general meetings and possible workshops** (Board members were tasked in January: Frey-re: Bernardo Nino (UCD); Bucklin-Jeremy Rose etc; and Gereck re: Seth Rick). making contact with individuals was discussed, Britt Frey reported that she booked Bernardo Nino from UCD Nino Bee Research Lab for June 2017 at a fee of \$300 for travel expenses, lodging and lab donation. Status of other speakers is pending, Bucklin and Gereck will report at upcoming March meeting or before whether they were able to secure any speaker commitments. Further discussion and action is ongoing.
8. **Planning for community/merchant-based fundraising/outreach events** for 2017 was discussed (excluding Bee Fest) and included Eureka Natural Foods event and other merchants. fairs, schools, clubs &
9. **Arcata Seed/Plant Exchange - 25 March 2017 Outreach event:** Need to clarify status of upcoming Humboldt Permaculture Society 2017 Arcata Seed/Plant Exchange as it will be the first tabling event for the HCBA on March 25, 2017 at the Arcata Community Center – times to be confirmed. Volunteers needed. This event should be posted on HCBA social media....also to encourage volunteers for the beekeepers table at the event.
10. **Status of pending workshops** (Topics/calendar dates) further discussion/planning – a local workshop with Paul Leslie on swarms and swarm traps is pending for Sat, March 5 2017. 4:00 p.m. at Humboldt Honey Winery (\$20 fee) Paul mentioned he would also like to discuss swam etiquette and communication between beekeeper and property owner. He gave the example of a rose bush being cut down in the process of a swarm capture in Mckinleyville last July. A swarm information document was presented last year to provide support to beekeepers/property owners. Also, a liability waiver to encourage
11. **Fundraising products**, such as T-shirts (HCBA logo or art) and other items were not discussed. Cost/benefit, for budget consideration and further discussion is needed.
12. **Swarm List:** It was discussed that Paul would formulate the new swarm list from signups at next general meeting and following meetings. Brad Woodward volunteered to serve as the dispatcher/contact for the list.
13. **Topics for consideration at next Board Meeting** (12:30 p.m. Wed., Mar 1, 2017)
 - BeeFest status
 - Website status
 - Swarm list and program for 2017
 - Events/speakers/outreach continued planning

APPENDIX II GENERAL HCBA MEMBERS MEETING REPORT FOR Thursday, February 2, 2017

No. in attendance: 48

New attendees: 4

Activities: Lecture with Brad Woodward, Raffle

Presentation: "Finding your Purpose in Beekeeping"

Association President Justin Reeve announced a call for volunteers for the upcoming BeeFest, Swarm list sign-ups (provided at meeting) and sign up for package bee orders being handled by the Woodwards for bees from CF Koehnen & Sons and Taber's Honey Bee Genetics. Brad spoke on his philosophy of beekeeping.

APPENDIX III FEBRUARY 2017 MEDIA REPORT

Public Service Announcements to media list (Circulated PSAs and announcements between 2/15-3/1 2017)

Radio:	Print Media:	Web
KINS .106.3 KEKA101.5 KWSW 980FM KURY Radio 95.3 FM and 910AM KHSU 90.5 FM KHUM (103.7FM) KMUD (91.1FM) KRED (92.3FM) KSLG (93.1FM) KMDR (95.1FM) KFMI (96.3FM) KATA (1340AM) Bicoastal media (KGOE 1480AM & affiliates) KPOD (1240AM) & KCRE FM 94.3 (Crescent City) Jefferson Public Radio (So Oregon)	Eureka Times Standard Northcoast Journal Mad River Union Klamath Herald & News (So Oregon) ArcataEye Senior News Tri-City Weekly The Independent (Garberville) Redwood Times (Garberville) The Daily Triplicate (Crescent City) Del Norte Triplicate (Crescent City)	LostCoast Outpost (Web-KHUM). The North Coast Journal Weekly) KHSU community calendar web TV KIEM News Channel 3 (NBC) KEET (PBS) KVIQ (CBS 17)

PSA SUBMITTED FOR FEB 2017 MEETING

(length/detail vary with each media representative specifications/limits)

Public Service Announcement: For Immediate Release thru 2/2/2016

Humboldt County Beekeepers Association General Meeting.

Thursday, February 2, 2017 @ 6:00 pm

Evening Lecture: "Finding your Purpose in Beekeeping"

The Humboldt County Beekeepers Association (HCBA) General Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. and will feature guest speaker, Brad Woodward. Brad is an experienced local beekeeper and will talk about obtaining and installing package bees, and will share practical insights for maintaining a successful apiary. You will also have the opportunity to reserve bees as Brad will be coordinating an initial order for April deliveries of honey bees (Italians, Carniolans and Russians).

The meeting & lecture will be at the Humboldt County Department of Agriculture Auditorium at 5630 South Broadway in Eureka (take Humboldt Hill Rd exit off HWY 101). There is a \$2.00 donation at the door, refreshments & a raffle.

If you have any questions about the HCBA, upcoming events and honey bees, please give President Justin Reeve a call at [\(760\) 505-9021](tel:7605059021), (email at justinmreeve87@gmail.com). Visit us on the web at HumboldtBeekeepers.org Find us on Facebook and Yahoo Groups to connect with local beekeepers.

FEB 2017 REPORT AND EVENT PSA SUBMITTED BY: L E NEVILLE, SECRETARY, HCBA