

## GAB Executive Council Agenda No meeting this month March 2015 ROOM 1031

### TREASURY REPORT

total balance \$4,555.05 less NUC \$ <u>\$2375.00</u> \$ 2180.05

petty cash \$ 50 is present

### **OLD BUSINESS**

\*UPDATE membership list and email list

\*GROUP NUC PURCHASE – Susan – Nucs will not be available until late April.

Susan & Janice talked and agreed that we will stick with the plan of picking up bees on Bee Day and distributing them at a central location.

\*FLYERS- Carlos & Kim. What verbiage and photos do we want on the flyer, tear-off for membership? Email suggestions to Kim

\*BYLAWS REVIEW PROJECT – Janice-No action yet.

\*Add historian

\*Add annual financial books review to take place after nuc orders

\*Add annual bylaws review

\*WEBSITE – Mickey

### **NEW BUSINESS**

\*Suggestions for club needs/purchases this year Bee research facility?

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

\*March 21- 22 Kanapaha Spring Festival; Susan will organize. Response received, we will have a booth. Start signup/scheduling at February meeting. Signup sheet will be sent around tonight.

Different responsibilities for whoever is setting up, breaking down, deliver observation hive. Setup on Friday? Breakdown on Sunday.

\*May 16; 8am – noon; Master Gardener's Sale

# **GENERAL MEETING**

# **Minutes**

### CALL TO ORDER ATTENDANCE SHEET CIRCULATION

### **NEWS FLASHES**

\*Preparing for Dadant nucs for spring season – Susan

\*Many thanks! For helping at the Feb 28 hive assembling event: Will Boggs, Gary Docker, Bill Edwards, Mary Pennell, Kelly Carvalis, Kelly Rogers, Charlie & Glenda Simpson & Melody Royster.

\*Suggestions for club needs/purchases this year under consideration by all members.

\*Club apparel: t-shirts, polos, muscle shirts under consideration for designing and having them produced this year. There was a great discussion and most persons present were interested in purchasing an item with the club logo. One suggestion was to find an online business that will take the logo and apply it to any item ordered: apparel, mugs, etc. The each person could order any desired option or size. It was also suggested that if we have a cute design, children's tshirts might make a great sales item. We agreed to have more discussion and ideas next month.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ? What you should be doing with your hives. Apply lessons learned from last month for bee population increase: swarm prevention and hive splits. Many people are seeing drone cells in their hives; some queen cells.

### BEE BUDDIES; Who needs a helping hand?

\*Lola, new member, needs somebody to look at her property for the best hive site. Will Boggs is helping. \*Robert L Bruens, non-member, community, would like to see a hive/consider having a hive. Vince Alderman will help. \*Rachel Jernigan, pending new member, wants to see an inspection. Janice Garry will help.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

\*March 6-7 Bee College, St. Augustine
\*March 21-22 Kanapaha Botanical Garden spring sale. The sign-up sheet was passed around.
\*May 16 – Master Gardener's Sale; 8am – noon; Extension Office

Note: This program was not shown. It was pre-empted by breaking "news:" CNN Morgan Spurlock: Inside Man to investigate bee disappearances.

### PROGRAM

Vince & Cynthia Alderman discussed observation hives. They brought observation hives that sit in their kitchen window. The bees enter and exit from the hive to the outside through a tube. Vince & Cynthia shared some of the many stories of watching bees in their daily activities and shared pictures of what they have seen. It was truly a fascinating discussion!