

Tri-County Beekeepers May 2025 Meeting

Meeting called to order 7:00 p.m.

Minutes and Treasurers reports read and approved.

Old Business:

Thanks to Craig for doing his demonstration.

Thanks to Tom for the use of his shop for Package pick up.

New Business:

We need a Chair and Volunteers for the Fair Committee. The Benton County Fair is 28 July to 3 August.

We will use Sign-Up Genius again this year for members to take shifts at the Fair.

Sawyer will do research on possible other places to order honey straws from.

Vern (Education Committee Chair) reports there were no applicants for the scholarship this year. Vern will be stepping down – need a new Chair. Duties include - letters sent at beginning of school year, schedule interviews, coordinates with Wayne to get supplies, run online mentorship program, gets mentors to go and visit bee yards. He also teaches a 4 week Beginning Beekeeping Class through St. Cloud Community Ed.

Demonstration by Paul on his winterizing hives. Puts on around Nov. 15th. R10 insulation on sides and R30 on top. He puts 2 hives together with entrances on opposite sides. He found no moisture and healthy bees. Started with 102 hives, 98 survived.

June meeting will be package box returns with Glenn visiting (Krissy will confirm).

Buy or Sell:

Amy has a neighbor that is looking for 1 gallon of honey to make Mead.

Club email:

Chris (west Stearns Cty) is looking to have hives put on his land.

Prince of Peace School is looking for someone to talk to 5 year olds about bees – Paul's wife may be doing that.

Next meeting 3 June 2025

Meeting adjourned 8:32 p.m.