

January Meeting Minutes

Date: January 10, 2016, in Bass Pro Shop Conservation Room at Independence, Mo.

Attendance: 75

Open: Meeting called to order ~ 2:35 by President **Bob Williams** welcoming all for attending today's meeting. Asked if there were any first time attendees or new members. Then he introduced Board of Directors/Officers. Several were not in attendance today. **Bob W.** asked if there were any corrections needed to the online December meeting minutes. None reported. Minutes were approved as posted and will be filed appropriately by Secretary **Cindy Connell**.

Treasurer **Wes Johnston** read the financial report. No corrections needed. They will be filed as read.

Membership **Wanda Johnston** reported currently our membership has 323 members, 17 complimentary memberships to students and 28 vendors. Report filed. **Bob W.** added that Membership forms were at the back table.

Librarian **Tom O'Neill** reported a new book addition to our MBA club library titled "History of American Beekeeping", by Frank C. Pellett. It is a reprint of a 1938 book covering beekeeping from first introduction to America through discoveries and inventions.

With no further reports or old business, Programs Officer **Tom Britz** announced our program today was titled "Small Hive Beetle Integrated Pest Management" presented by **Wes Johnston** and **Tom Britz**. Their presentation included small hive beetle biology as well as a variety of monitoring techniques and control measures for Beekeepers to use/try to keep this pest from overwhelming their hives. **Tom B.** and his wife **Janice B.** called Larry Glass of Heartwood Bee Supplies about *The Original Freeman Beetle Trap*. Larry Glass donated one to our club, to be given away at a drawing at the conclusion of our meeting today. **Wes J.** and **Tom B.** had several other beetle control products that were discussed and passed

around for members to examine. Both **Wes J.** and **Tom B.** answered questions after the program.

Bob W. thanked both speakers for all the information they had shared and stated we would draw for the door prizes. The first drawing was for the Freeman Beetle Trap followed by several other prizes. Thanks to all who donated prizes including Heartwood Bee Supplies.

Meeting adjourned at ~4:00.

Secretary _____ Date _____

**NEXT MEETING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2016, 2:30 pm IN THE BASS PRO
CONSERVATION ROOM, INDEPENDENCE, MO.**