

Draft Minutes

AAPA Business Meeting
February 4, 2009
Gainesville, Florida

The meeting was called to order by President Jose Villa at 4:05 PM.

The following Members and guests were present and signed the SIGN IN sheet: Marla Spivak, Mike Hood, Nick Calderone, Dewey Caron, Rob Currie, Robert Danka, Tom Webster, Zachary Huang, Steve Sheppard, Jose Villa, Lanie Bourgeois, Keith Delaplane, Frank Eischen, Jeff Harris, Maryann Frazier, Doug McRory, Ed Levi, Jerry Bromenshenk, Keith Tignor, Ed Levi, John Skinner, Lilia De Guzman, Nick Aliano, Sue Cobey, Eric Mussen, Greg Hunt, Diana Sammataro, Kirk Visscher, Marion Ellis, Medhat Nasr

Others in attendance were Michael Wilson, Reed Johnson, John Burrend, Brian Eitzer, Desai Sushesh, Eyal Ben-Chanoch

Jose Villa explained the relationships among AAPA, NC-508 and ABRC.

Jose Villa called the meeting to order.

A motion to follow the submitted agenda was seconded and approved by voice vote.

The Minutes of the 2008 annual business meeting were presented.

Greg Hunt announced that we needed to pay for the social and that AAPA would settle accounts with AIA after the meeting.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Nick Calderone and accepted as submitted.

Standing Committees

ABRC Committee:

Pesticide Efficacy: Frank Eischen updated the group on Hivastan.

Regulatory: no report

Nominations: Jeff Harris was nominated for vice-president. Lilia de Guzman and Tom Webster were nominated to be Directors. Maryann Frazier moved to close nominations and the motion was seconded. The votes were unanimous.

Awards:

Award for Apicultural Excellence The selection criteria for the **AAPA Award for Apicultural Excellence** were read. Dr. Marion Ellis, University of Nebraska, made the award to Jerry Hayes, Florida State Apiculturist.

Student Award for Research Scholarship: Holly A Wantuch, North Carolina State University, was awarded the AAPA 2009 Graduate Student Research Scholarship Award and will receive a \$1,000.00 check for support of her research.

Student Award for Student Paper Competition: Michael Wilson, University of Tennessee, was awarded the AAPA 2009 Student Presentation Award and will receive \$100.00.

Old Business:

AAPA Position Paper: N. Calderone presented the penultimate version of AAPA's position paper on colony health. A vigorous discussion followed and several changes were adopted by the membership. The final version was approved by the membership (17 voting YES, 1 voting NO and no abstentions) with the stipulation that Nick incorporate the accepted changes into the final document.

New Business: The next meeting of AAPA will be held January 12-16th, 2010 in Orlando, FL. This meeting will be held in cooperation with CAPA, CHC, AAPA, ABF, ABRC and AIA.

Marion Ellis suggested bringing in an international researcher. Mike Hood recommended publishing the position paper on colony health in both ABJ and Bee Culture and post it on the web-page.

Medhat Nasr recommended keeping the registration fees low.

Technical Bulletin Ad Hoc Committee: Keith Delaplane indicated that the Best Management Practices was number 2 in line to be first on eXtension.

Novel approaches to publication/dissemination: There was considerable discussion about the publication of abstracts from the ABRC meeting. It was recommended that they be published in both journals. It was also recommended that each abstract include the word 'ABSTRACT' in the title. Abstracts can also go on eXtension and AAPA web-page.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved by voice vote at 5:45 PM.

Greg Hunt is the new President of AAPA.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Calderone

AAPA Secretary/Treasurer