



BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION OF THE ACT (Inc)

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD THURSDAY 16 AUGUST 2018
AT THE YARRALUMLA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Attendees:

Dermot Asls Sha'Non – President

David Segal – Vice-President

Phil Andrews – Secretary

Justin Freeman – Treasurer

Frank Derwent – Member

Juli Poole – Member

Observer:

Vicki Hingston-Jones – Membership Officer

Introduction

1. The meeting was opened by the President at 1845.

Conflicts of Interest

2. No conflicts of interest were declared.

Previous Minutes

3. The minutes from the last meeting (held 21 June 2018) were reviewed and accepted.

Action Items

4. The list of ongoing Action Items was reviewed and updated.

Resignation

5. The Secretary confirmed that Sarah Asls Sha'Non has resigned from the Committee. It was agreed (out of session) to approach those members who had nominated for a position on the Committee, to assess whether they would be interested in joining the Committee.

Action: President

Training Program

6. The Committee reviewed the recommendations from John Grubb's review into the training program. John will be asked to review and update his recommendations and attend a future meeting to discuss options with the Committee.

Action: President

7. Dermot will discuss with Cormac Farrell as to whether the ACT Government will fund the Tocal course.

Action: President

Sentinel Hives

8. One of the Sentinel Hives has been moved to the Ikea store (Majura), and one remains at the JWA. All other Sentinel Hives remain in their original locations.

Association Logo

9. The Committee discussed the desire (by some) to change the logo. It was agreed that the members should be canvassed to assess their views on such a change.

Action: David Segal

Committee Email Addresses

10. The Committee agreed to establish email addresses for select members of the Committee.

Action: Justin Freeman

Sale of Honey

11. Frank updated the committee on the sale of honey. There is no legal impediment to the Association selling its honey. Frank agreed to get further clarity around the processing of honey after it has been removed from the hives to ensure health and safety concerns were better understood. It was agreed that the sale of honey to members would be \$4.00 per 500gm tub with a maximum of four tubs per member. The Committee agreed that the price for the sale of honey to non-members would be discussed out of session.

Action: Frank Derwent

Shoalhaven Beekeepers

12. Shoalhaven Beekeepers have approached the Association suggesting they work more collaboratively on common issues.

Action: President

October Meeting

13. The Committee agreed that the October meeting would be held on Wednesday 31 October 2018, at the Jerrabomberra Wetlands commencing at 5pm. The meeting would coincide with re-queening at the apiary. The Association would provide a BBQ sausage sizzle for attendees, although members would be invited to BYO food if they had particular dietary requirements.

Action: ?

ANU Apiculture Society

14. David Segal advised that he was continuing to progress the Memorandum of Understanding between the Association and the ANU Apiculture Society.

Action: David Segal

Finance

15. The Treasurer advised that the balances in Xero were not correct due to the transactions being drawn from the old Commonwealth Bank accounts. This meant that the profit and loss statement and balance sheet were continually incorrect. The Committee agreed that the balances were to be reset based on the figures from the Bendigo Bank accounts.
16. The Treasurer also recommended that the number of account codes be reduced to simplify the management of the Association's finances in Xero. The Committee agreed with this recommendation.

Action: Treasurer

Canberra City Farms Agreement

17. The President advised that the Agreement with the Canberra City Farms has been signed. A copy of the Agreement is to be passed to the Secretary for retention.

Action: President & Secretary

Meeting Close

18. The President closed the meeting at 1925.



Dermot Asis Sha'Non
President

16 September 2018



Phil Andrews, JP
Secretary

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