

Feb 29, 2016 Cleveland County Beekeepers Meeting
Minutes submitted by Regie Endsley

Dave Bracken made and gave out CD's

We were told that the honey house will be operational by the end of March.

Judy Gantt needs more members for the Fair Committee.

Steve Gibson said everyone was encouraged to bring in items of interest to the meetings. He brought in old hive bodies, showing the effects of aging with paint, stain, and no treatment. He also brought in some homemade frames and some frames using 50 pound test fishing line rather than wire to reinforce the foundation.

Ray Maxwell brought in some frames that bees had drawn out without foundation.

Dave Bracken brought in a honey straining system

Steve Gibson asked that we remember Ron Wilson who is starting chemo treatments.

Burton Beasley, our area rep for NCSBA spoke. NCSB adopted a resolution supporting the upcoming bond issue which includes money for a new building for NC State where Dr. Tarpy would be housed.

Catawba County bee keepers are hosting the summer state meeting 7/7-9/2016 in Hickory. They need additional volunteers to help. Contact Gladys Houston with the Catawba County club if interested.

The state association also voted to support efforts to build a bee lab in North Carolina.

Also the state Bee association would like to be a sponsor for an upcoming Extension agent training.

Our county association voted to send the state \$100.00 to help cover the cost of sponsoring the event.

The local manager from Sherman Williams talked about paint and paint products to protect the hives from weather.