

Five Rivers Bee Club Monthly Minutes September 12, 2021

Meeting was called to order by President, Lonnie Perry, at the Hardy Civic Center in Hardy Arkansas at 6:30 P.M. CST.

Paul Wilson did opening prayer.

Jacque English gave treasurer report:

Previous Balance \$588.48 + Membership Dues \$40.00 = Current balance \$628.48

William Kaelber made motion to accept the minutes as posted, James Brown 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved.

Jacque passed around the signup sheet for our Annual Potluck set for Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at Hardy Civic Center in Hardy Arkansas, beginning at 6:30PM. It will coincide with our monthly meeting.

2021 Potluck Picnic (Oct 19th) at Monthly Meeting			
FOOD TYPES:	XX	Name	What You're Bringing
Appetizer	1	Teresa Fare	Summer Sausage and Cheese / Crackers
Appetizer	2	English's	Spicey Cheese Dip and Scoops
Appetizer	3		
Appetizer	4		
Appetizer	5		
Appetizer	6		
Dishes	1	William Kaelber	Cabbage Casserole
Dishes	2	Nora Perry	Kentucky Fried Chicken
Dishes	3	Birdsell's	Ham / Cheese Sandwiches
Dishes	4	Carriger	Baked Beans / Deviled Eggs
Dishes	5	Paul Wilson	Ham Beans / Cornbread
Dishes	6		
Dishes	7		
Salads	1	Nora Perry	7 Layer Salad
Salads	2		
Salads	3		
Salads	4		
Salads	5		
Desserts	1	Birdsell's	Cup Cakes
Desserts	2	Briana / Leonard Ortego	Brownies
Desserts	3	Goodwin's	Pecan Pie
Desserts	4		
Beverages	1	Nora Perry	Water
Beverages	2	English's	Dr Pepper. Sprite, Coke Zero
Beverages	3		
Beverages	4		
Beverages	5		
Beverages	6		
Other	1	FRBC	Paper Plates
Other	2	FRBC	Paper Towles
Other	3	FRBC	Ice and Pool
Other	4	FRBC	Forks, Knives, & Spoons
Other	5		
Other	6		
Other	7		

William Kaelber donated two (2) more bee suits for children to use. We now have 5 children size suits that can be checked out. He also is making these cute bee charm bracelets that he sells for \$12.00 / each to help him purchase more items for the children and the club. Interested in them, contact him at 870.751.1176 or [druidjax@gmail.com](mailto:druidjax@gmail.com) or at <http://5rbc.net/store.html>

Lonnie had containers of comb honey he bought from Myron Kroph. He sold them for \$5.00 / each and donated \$23.00 to the bee club.

This year for Christmas, it was discussed rather than us receiving the goody bags that we give this year to the Heifer Project International. They now have a Bee Program to help educate and setup hives for folks across the world. We watched videos on this project and Jacque spoke with them. We can donate as a club and we'll get updates on the folks we help. William Kaelber also donated a Bluetooth Speaker that worked wonderfully while showing videos. All could hear without straining. THANK YOU !!!

William made motion to donate \$300.00 (that would be 10 hives) on behalf of the bee club membership. Arrie Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved. To learn more about this project, please visit <https://www.heifer.org/gift-catalog/animals/gift-of-honeybees.html>

Lonnie reminded club of the Bee Conference in Mountain View on the 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> Sept. Flyers were passed out. It was recommended that if a member was planning on attending to wear our Tee Shirt (a little promotion for us)

It is so good to see the young ones attending our meetings. Nora Perry brought in a book for the lending library for them to check out as well as coloring materials. Here is a sample of these young bee keepers' artistic abilities.



Lonnie got a thumb drive from Zac that has a PowerPoint presentation for classroom learning and coloring sheets for children. They will be added to the PDF section of the website and it was asked to

also to post them on Google Docs. I posted on Google Docs as requested, but no clue how to share them with others. So here are the PDF links and also posted on our website under PDFs. I printed out all the coloring material for the children to have available at our meetings.

[All About Bees](#) (Power Point) (58 slides)

[National Honey Board Files](#) (PDF) (98 pages)

[Activity for Children](#)

[Honeybee Parts](#) (PDF)

[Bee coloring items for children](#) (PDF)

[Busy as a bee activity sheet](#) (PDF)

[Dot to dot, word search, and maze coloring](#) (PDF)

[Our State insect](#) (PDF)

It was discussed to do a bit more Public Relations (PR) of the club. If you have connections to reporters, radio, TV, magazine editors and the like. Please reach out to them to promote Honeybees. The term Lonnie used was Bee Ambassadors.

Jacque English brought up the possibility of having a BEE AWARENESS FAIR at the Civic Center. To have various booths set up for the public to come and gain knowledge on the benefits of Honeybees (IE Products that can be made such as: edibles, cosmetic items. Etc.) What the stores would be like with / without bees. Various types of hives – some plain and some painted. Maybe an observation hive. To show YouTube videos about bees. Just random thoughts and ideas. Jacque needs to reach out to Hardy A&P to see if we would be allowed to hold such an event. More on this at next meeting.

Time to plant flowers for next year **The 7 best flowers to plant for bees**

1. Bee balm (Monarda spp.) ...
2. White wild indigo (Baptisia alba) ...
3. Purple coneflower (Echinacea purpurea) ...
4. Black-eyed susan (Rudbeckia hirta) ...
5. Joe-pye weed (Eutrochium purpureum) ...
6. Marsh blazing star (Liatris spicata) ...
7. Wrinkleleaf goldenrod (Solidago rugosa)

98% of all bees live in boxes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M. CST

Next meeting is October 19, 2021

Location 301 Main Street - Hardy AR 72542 (Hardy Civic Center)

Video of meetings and past minutes can be accessed at <http://5rbc.net/Minutes/2021.html>

Minutes submitted by Jacque English

EDITED with updates. Weather on the 2<sup>nd</sup> for our potluck made us move our potluck to 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Thank you William for the corrections of club name is five instead of fiver, my last name is spelled Kaelber, all references are misspelled, and potluck is [Tuesday](#), not [Saturday](#).