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Letter from the President

Jim Belli

I am writing this letter in mid-August at the request of our editor, Eleanor Balson. Eleanor has requested that articles for the September/October bulletin be submitted early so she can complete the bulletin before her upcoming wedding. Karen and I, as I am sure all of the members of ISBA, would like to extend our best wishes to Eleanor and Raphael.

We are in the middle of August in a summer of superlatives. The year 2012 has been the hottest summer on record and unfortunately one of the driest. We have been feeding our bees for the past three weeks. This year it seems that plants have bloomed on average four to six weeks earlier than usual. I am not sure what will be available to them this September. Hopefully we will get some rain to help the pollen producing plants provide for next year's brood.

On a lighter side, the 2012 Honey Show at the Illinois State Fair was the best I have ever seen. It was also the largest honey show Karen and I have ever entered. This year's judge was Gene Killion, who did a masterful job. Every beekeeper in the State should have seen this exhibit. Congratulations to all those who competed in the Open Class and to all of the Clubs that competed in the

Professional Exhibit. A special congratulation goes to Chris and Bernie Saad for winning the 2012 Killion Trophy. Chris and Bernie have defined the meaning of excellence with their entries this year and have set a standard that all of us should strive for. Congratulations also to the Lincoln Land Beekeepers Association for winning the Sweepstakes this year. I urge all beekeepers in the State to enter next year's Honey Show. Participating in these competitions makes you a better beekeeper and it is fun. Many thanks to all the clubs that helped man the ISBA booth.



Please mark November 10th on your calendars since that is the date for this year's ISBA Annual Fall Meeting. The speakers at the Fall Meeting will be Sue Cobey, Jerry Hayes, Lee Heine and Tom Webster. With this line-up of speakers, this should prove to be one of our best meetings ever. The meeting will be held at the Illinois Department of Agriculture Building, located on the Fair Grounds in Springfield. Many thanks go to Steve Chard for allowing us to use this wonderful facility. I look forward to seeing all of our members at the Fall Meeting.

Illinois State Beekeepers Association Fall Meeting

The Illinois State Beekeepers Association will be holding their 121st Annual Fall Meeting on November 10, 2012. The meeting will be held at the Illinois Department of Agriculture Building on the State Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois. Registration is \$30.00 per person for ISBA members and their spouses. Cost for non-members is \$45.00. Registration begins at 7:30 am and the meeting commences at 9:00 am.

The keynote speaker is Susan Cobey, a bee-breeder and geneticist

who shares a dual appointment with the H. Laidlaw Jr. Honey Bee Research Facility at UC Davis and Washington State University. Additional speakers include Jerry Hayes, Lee Heine and Thomas Webster. Jerry Hayes has written 'The Classroom' column for the American Bee Journal for over 25 years and is also the author of the book titled "The Classroom". Jerry Hayes recently accepted a position with Monsanto as the Beeologics Honey Bee Lead. Lee Heine is the past Chairman of the National

Honey Board and past President of the Wisconsin Honey Producers. Thomas Webster is an Associate Professor and Extension Specialist at the College of Agriculture, Food Science and Sustainable Systems, Atwood Research Facility, Kentucky State University.

Catered lunch (\$10.00 per person) is available to those who contact Rich Ramsey, Vice President of ISBA, by November 1, 2012 at rramsey2@gmail.com. Please join us for this interesting and informative meeting.

Letter from the Editor...

Hello Beekeepers,

I'm just back from my big farm wedding! I married Raph Schumacher, a dairy farmer in the Land of Milk and Honey. Here are a few pictures! Better I share photos of our Holstein-spotted beehives, and our home-made cow/honey bee hybrid decorations than speak 1000 words about them. And yes, we bottled my honey in 2 oz honey bears for our 400 guests!

Now Susan Kivikko and I begin our state-wide sampling of honey bees for the National Honey Bee Survey. We'll be traveling all across the state for

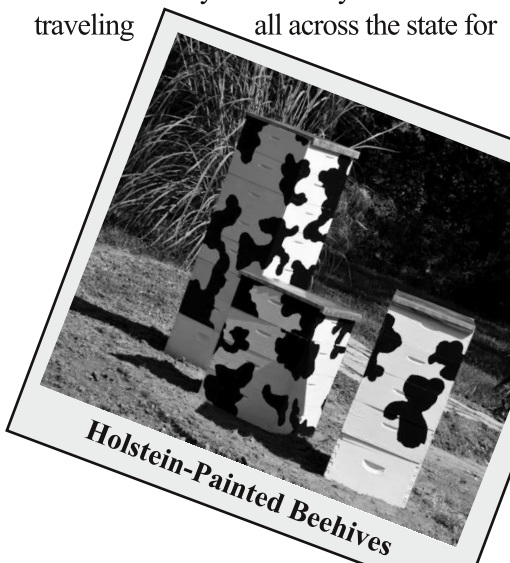
the next several weeks, taking samples of live bees, brood, and pollen that will be screened for diseases and pesticides in the Beltsville Bee Research Laboratory. I'm hoping to connect with more ISBA affiliated beekeepers associations and get to know more people while we work our way around Illinois. Whether you are an officer of a beekeepers association or not, I'd love to hear from you so that I might highlight your association and feature articles written by your members. I invite you to email or call me.

Time to pack my brand new Brushy Mountain Merrill Tool Box – a wedding

gift to Raph and me from the St. Clair Beekeepers Association! Its the neatest thing since screened bottom boards! You can carry your smoker and all of your tools on the outside of the box, feeds, stimulants, treatments and what not on the inside, or carry frames from the hive, as it functions as a transport nuc as well! What a wonderful wedding present! Thank you, St Clair Beekeepers!

Wishing you success in fall treatments and readying your hives for winter!

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ISBA Thanks State Fair Volunteers

ISBA wants to thank individuals and the following associations for volunteering their time to come to the Illinois State Fair to sell honey ice cream and talk to the fair-goers about honeybees and apiary products:

- Lincoln Land Beekeepers Association,
- Central Eastern Illinois Beekeepers Association,
- Cook-DuPage Beekeepers Association,
- Heart of Illinois Beekeepers Association,
- St. Clair Beekeepers Association,
- and the new association at Rock River.

It was a better turn out than we've seen in several years, and a fantastic time for volunteers and visitors alike!



American Honey Queen Program

By Alyssa Fine, 2012 American Honey Queen



Each year, the American Honey Queen Program gives two young women the opportunity to represent beekeepers throughout the United States by selecting an American Honey Queen and American Honey Princess. These representatives travel the country for one year, attending a variety of events

with two major goals – to educate the public about the importance of honeybees and promote the use of honey. The American Honey Queen and Princess visit fairs and festivals, schools, civic groups, and media outlets to teach Americans that honeybees are vital to ensure the diversity of agriculture that we enjoy, that they need to be protected, and pure natural honey has a host of benefits in and out of the kitchen.

These representatives undergo an extensive week-long training session to ensure that they are well-prepared for the demands of serving as national spokespersons. They must be knowledgeable and prepared to give a variety of educational presentations and cooking demonstrations. They seek out media interviews and speak with officials in government to maximize the impact of their message to large audiences. Ultimately, during their year-long reign, the American Honey Queen and Princess develop professional skills such as public speaking, interpersonal communications, and networking. At the same time, the program gives young women the opportunity to challenge themselves and develop positive qualities of poise, self-confidence, leadership, versatility, and determination, to name a few. Being selected as the American Honey Queen or Princess is an awesome opportunity.

But what is the candidate pool? Who is eligible to compete for these titles? According to the American Honey Queen Program contest rules, the candidates must have served as State Honey Queen for at least six months in the year prior to the national competition. This means that even the most knowledgeable, experienced, and determined young woman does not have the opportunity

to represent the beekeeping industry if her state does not sponsor a honey queen program of its own! The American Honey Queen and Princess work for all beekeepers, and beekeeping associations have the opportunity to reciprocate by ensuring that they provide a candidate each year.

Creating a State Honey Queen Program is not an easy task, but the benefits are certainly worthwhile and rewarding. Suggested program guidelines are available online via the American Beekeeping Federation: http://www.abfnet.org/associations/10537/files/ABF_QueenProgram_Guidelines_2012.pdf. The first step is to designate a committee that is willing to devote the time and energy to developing the program. If you have the support of the state organization, then the rest will follow. The American Honey Queen and Princess are only two people. They make an attempt to travel to roughly 30 states each year, but they simply cannot reach everyone. A State Honey Queen Program provides the state with their own representative for their statewide industry, allowing for greater outreach in the local community.

The Illinois State Beekeepers Association has been active since 1891 and currently has over 600 members. Perhaps it's time to think about the possibility of developing an Illinois Honey Queen Program. Imagine having a statewide representative to attend state and county beekeeping events, educate at elementary schools across the state, generate publicity for the local honey and beekeeping industries, and eventually compete for the American Honey Queen or Princess titles.

It all starts with you! I would highly encourage anyone who is interested in developing an Illinois Honey Queen Program to speak up at the next meeting of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association. I look forward to the day when an Illinois woman represents beekeepers across the country. Hopefully you do, too!

Please contact American Honey Queen Program Chairperson Anna Kettlewell (414.545.5514 or honeyqueen99@hotmail.com) if you have any questions about starting a State Honey Queen program or if you are interested in inviting an American Honey Queen or Princess to a promotional event in your state!



2012 Illinois State Beekeepers Association

Fall Meeting Program

ILLINOIS STATE BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FALL MEETING PROGRAM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2012

7:30 AM	Registration		<i>ISBA Pioneer Award</i> <i>ISBA Beekeepers of the Year Award</i>
9:00 AM	Call to Order <i>Pledge of Allegiance</i> <i>Honor Veterans</i>	12:00 PM	LUNCH
9:05 AM	Welcoming Remarks <i>James Belli – President ISBA</i>	12:45 PM	ISBA Directors' Report <i>Northern Region</i> <i>Erik Whalen-Pedersen</i> <i>Central Region</i> <i>Janet Hart</i> <i>Southern Region</i> <i>Ray Chapman</i>
9:10 AM	Director of Illinois Department of Agriculture		
9:15 AM	Secretary's Report <i>Sue Kivikko - Secretary</i>	1:00 PM	Tom Webster <i>Progress in the Control of Nosema Ceranae</i>
9:25 AM	Treasurer's Report <i>Mike Mason - Treasurer</i>	1:45 PM	Lee Heine <i>35 Years in Beekeeping, As I Saw It</i>
9:35 AM	Annual Illinois Apiary Report <i>Steve Chard - Supervisor</i>	2:15 PM	BREAK
10:00 AM	Sue Cobey <i>Enhancing Genetic Diversity in the U. S. Honey Bee Gene Pool & Re-Introducing Apis Mellifera Caucasica</i>	2:30 PM	Panel Discussion – Q & A <i>Sue Cobey, Jerry Hayes, Lee Heine & Tom Webster</i>
10:45 AM	BREAK	3:15 PM	Elections & Voting on the ISBA Constitution and Bylaws
11:00 AM	Jerry Hayes <i>Monsanto's Commitment to Honey Bee Health</i>	3:40 PM	Raffle Drawing
11:45 AM	ISBA Awards <i>ISBA Recognition Awards</i>	3:55 PM	Closing Remarks
		4:00 PM	Adjournment

ISBA Elections to be held November 10!

A Nominating Committee has been formed to present a slate of nominees at the fall meeting. **These are the positions that are up for re-election:**

*President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, *Membership Director, Southern Regional Director*

All offices are for a one year term except the Southern Regional Director which is for three years.

*This is a position that will be created with the passage of the revised Constitution and By-Laws as proposed by the Board.

This is an exciting time to get involved and be a leader in this evolving and flourishing association! If you are interested or know of someone that would be willing to fill a position, please contact Janet Hart, Nominating Committee Chairman, at harthoney@msn.com or 309 446-3004.

Revisions to the ISBA Constitution and Bylaws

Dear Members

The Executive Board of the ISBA suggests the following revisions be made to the Association's Constitution and Bylaws. These documents are printed here for your review. A discussion and vote on these revisions will take place at our Annual Fall Meeting on November 10, 2012. The Executive Board has taken these steps in an effort to bring these documents up to standards in use today, to make them more politically correct and gender sensitive and to make the operation of this organization more transparent to all its members.

Sincerely, Jim Belli

ILLINOIS STATE ~~BEEKEEPERS'~~ BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

Original Constitution Adopted February 26, 1891

Revised November 13, 1971 and June 10, 1989

Insertions are underlined ~~Deletions are struck through~~

Article I - Name

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Illinois State ~~Beekeepers'~~ Beekeepers Association.

Article II - Purpose and Function

Section 1. The purpose and function of the Association shall be to promote interest in honey bees and beekeeping by encouraging good beekeeping in Illinois, the utilization of honey bees for pollination of agricultural crops, and the dissemination of information about bees and beekeeping.

Article III - Membership

Section 1. Membership in the Illinois State ~~Beekeepers'~~ Beekeepers Association shall be open to all persons interested in honey bees and beekeeping.

Article IV - Officers and Tenure

Section 1. Officers and their tenure of office

- a. All elected Officers shall be members in good standing and shall be residents of the state of Illinois.
- b. Officers of the Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Director and three Regional Directors.
- c. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall serve for one year each.
- d. The President may not serve for more than three successive terms; the Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary may not serve for more than six successive terms; Directors may not serve for more than two consecutive three-year terms; however, ~~the~~ Officers may be re-elected after retirement from office of at least one year.
- e. Directors shall serve three years each, but only one Regional Director shall be elected each year.
- f. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the ~~three~~ four Directors shall constitute the Executive Board.

Section 2. Board Representation

- a. To insure statewide representation within the Board of Directors the state shall be divided into three sections, Northern, Central, and Southern, and one Director elected, in turn, from each section.

Article V - Meetings

Section 1. General meetings

- a. There shall be two general meetings each year, one in summer and one in fall.
- b. Summer meetings shall be held during June, July or August, and may be sponsored by one of the Chapters.
- c. Annual fall meetings shall be held in Springfield during the first or second week of November. The date, place, and program shall be arranged by the Executive Board.

Article VI - Elections

Section 1. Election of Association Officers

- a. The election of officers shall be held during the fall convention, ~~and shall be conducted by secret ballot~~.
- b. A majority of the votes cast is required to elect a candidate.

Article VII - Amendments

Section 1. Amending Association Constitution and Bylaws

- a. The Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting, or any special meeting called for that specific purpose.
- b. The Association Bylaws cannot be suspended during any meeting unless a motion for this purpose is made, seconded, and carried by a two-thirds majority vote of those present.

Respectfully submitted, Executive Board Illinois State Beekeepers Association. James Belli, President – Rich Ramsey, Vice President – Susan Kivikko, Secretary – Michael Mason, Treasurer – Erik Whalen-Pedersen, Director – Janet Hart, Director – Ray Chapman, Director.

ILLINOIS STATE ~~BEEKEEPERS'~~ BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

BYLAWS

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Article I - Membership

Section 1. Association Membership

- a. Membership shall run from January 1 to December 31, each year.
- b. Membership dues are payable on January 1; if unpaid by May 1, the member shall be ~~considered delinquent, and his/her membership subject to termination.~~ terminated.
- c. Membership termination does not absolve a former member from any indebtedness to the Association.
- d. Interested non-beekeepers may join the Association by payment of the regular annual dues.
- e. Nonresidents may become Associate Members by payment of the regular annual membership dues.
- f. Nonresidents may participate in any and all Association activities; however, they shall not have the right to hold office or to vote at any time.

Article II - Officers

Section 1. Duties of the President

- a. The President shall preside at all Association meetings
- b. The President may appoint committees as necessary in his/her judgment, or as authorized by the Executive Board.
- c. The President, or a person he/she selects, shall represent the Association on special occasions when dignitaries, national or foreign are within the area.
- d. The President shall not have voting power in any meeting except to break a tie vote.
- e. The President shall call regular and special meetings, and direct the Secretary to notify the general membership of the meetings, including time and place, unless notice is published in the Association Bulletin.
- f. ~~The President shall appoint a Historian for a term of three years, to keep a brief record of Association activities, a condensed version of which shall be presented by the Historian at the annual fall convention.~~

Section 2. Duties of the Vice President

- a. The Vice President shall act with full power of the President in his/her absence or inability to act.
- b. The Vice President shall relay all transpired business to the President directly after he/she has acted in the capacity of the President.

Section 3. Duties of the Secretary

- a. The Secretary shall keep an accurate and permanent record of all meetings of the Association.
- b. The Secretary shall carry on the general correspondence of the Association under the direction of the President, and shall assist with the organization's mail, including mailing the Association's bimonthly Bulletin.
- c. The Secretary shall issue advance notices to the Officers and Directors of all forthcoming Executive Board meetings.
- ~~d. The Secretary shall receive all dues payments, and issue membership cards to individuals following receipt of payment.~~
- ~~e. The Secretary shall deposit at his/her local bank all dues monies as received, into the Secretary's Association checking account.~~
- ~~f. The Secretary shall pay from the Secretary's Association checking account any current Association expenses, such as postage for mailing Association Bulletins and meeting notices.~~
- ~~g. The Secretary shall turn over to the Treasurer just prior to the fall convention, the balance remaining of all dues monies received during the year, together with a full and accurate accounting of all transactions made during the interval.~~
- ~~h. The Secretary may at times be required to countersign payment checks issued by the Treasurer.~~
- d. The Secretary shall collect and distribute all Association mail and correspondence to the appropriate Board member.

Section 4. Duties of the Treasurer

- a. The Treasurer shall be the recipient of all annual dues and monies from other sources, and shall be the custodian of the Association funds.
- b. The Treasurer shall furnish a statement of his/her accounts at each ~~annual fall convention~~, Annual Fall Meeting, and at any Executive Board or special meeting when called upon to do so.
- c. The Treasurer shall make available for review at a time and date of his/her convenience a statement of his/her accounts to any voting member who makes a written request for such accounts.
- d. The Treasurer shall select a convenient bank agreed to by the Executive Board in which he/she shall deposit all Association funds. The Officers of the Executive Board shall appoint three additional Board members as cosigners on the account.
- e. The Treasurer shall pay all bills related to normal Association operating expenses by check ~~after securing Executive Board approval and co-signature of the President, or the Vice President if the President is not available. If neither the President nor the Vice President can be reached, the Secretary shall countersign the checks.~~ and present a statement of all bills paid to the Board at the next Board meeting.
- f. The Treasurer shall annually submit for approval a certified copy of auditing of the Association's financial record. The audit shall be prepared by a bank official or a professional auditing firm.

Section 5. Duties of the Directors

- a. There shall be four Directors, a Membership Director and three Regional Directors
- b. The Membership Director shall keep an accurate membership roster of all members and their contact information. This roster shall also indicate their status as either a voting member or non-voting member and club affiliation(s).
- c. The Membership Director shall maintain an up-to-date membership list in an electronic format that shall be available to all Board Members upon request.
- d. There shall be one Director for each of the three Regions in the State. The Regional Directors shall represent their respective Regions at all Executive Board Meetings.

Section 6. Duties of the Executive Board

- a. The Executive Board shall be responsible for the administration of the Association.
- b. The Executive Board shall transact all necessary business of the Association in the intervals between the two annual meetings.

- c. The Executive Board shall decide where and on what date the annual fall convention is to be held, and shall formulate an appropriate program.
- d. The Association President shall be the Executive Board Chairman.
- e. An Executive Board meeting may be called by the President, or any other four members of the Board.
- f. The Executive Board, or its individual members, shall advise the President in any and all matters in the organization.
- g. In any referendum the Executive Board members shall each have one vote, except for the President who shall have no vote. In the event of a tie vote the President shall cast the deciding vote.
- h. A majority of the total number of Executive Board members shall constitute a quorum.
- i. The Executive Board shall appoint an Editor for a three year term whose responsibility shall be the compiling and issuing of the Association's bimonthly Bulletin.

Article III - Elections

Section 1. Election of Board members

- a. All elected officers shall be voting members in good standing in the Illinois State Beekeepers Association and shall be residents of the State of Illinois.
- b. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected annually by the voting members of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association present at their Annual Fall Meeting.
- c. The Membership Director shall be elected every three years, starting in the year 2012, by the voting members of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association present at their Annual Fall Meeting.
- d. One Regional Director shall be elected by the voting members of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association present at their Annual Fall Meeting each year and shall serve a term of three years. Starting in the year 2012, the Southern Regional Director shall be elected followed in year 2013 with the Northern Regional Director's election, followed in year 2014 with the Central Regional Director's election and continuing in this respective order.

Section 2. Division of the State for electing Directors

- a. For electing Directors the state shall be divided into three ~~parts or~~ Regions, the Northern, Central, and Southern, so that equal representation within the Board of Directors may be had by each ~~part or~~ Region.
- b. The Northern Region shall be from the Illinois Wisconsin line south to Highway 80, which forms a line through Rock Island, Princeton, Ottawa, Joliet, and Lansing.
- c. The Central Region shall be from Highway 80 south to Highway 16, a line passing through Jerseyville, Litchfield, Pana, Mattoon, and Paris.
- d. The Southern Region shall be from Highway 16 south to the southern boundary of the state.
- e. A person living not more than ten miles north or south of either Highway 80 or 16 may represent beekeepers on the opposite sides of the dividing lines.
- f. In the event that no candidate is available from any given Region, a candidate from the state at large may be nominated.

Section 3. Nominations

- a. Each year a Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President and two Executive Board members at least 30 days before an election is to take place will be formed by the two Regional Directors not running for re-election at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting date. A voting member of the Association from the third Region will be appointed by his/her committee members to complete the Nominating Committee. This third member will be disqualified from running for an office.
- b. The Nominating Committee shall elect its own Chairman.
- c. The Nominating Committee shall nominate at least one person for each Association office to be filled.
- d. The Nominating Committee shall present its slate of nominees at the ~~fall convention.~~ Annual Fall Meeting.
- e. Any member to be nominated for an office in the Association must have had his/her membership dues paid at least 24 hours before his/her name may be placed in nomination.
- f. Any member whose name is placed in nomination must have previously agreed to accept responsibility of the office.

- g. Any member in good standing may be nominated from the floor.
- h. A nominator must have secured consent from the nominee before placing his/her name in nomination from the floor.
- i. An elected Executive Board member currently serving may submit his/her resignation from his/her present office before the Nominating Committee presents its report, so that his/her name may be placed in nomination for another office. In that case, the President shall appoint another member to complete the unexpired term so created.
- j. The newly elected Officers shall assume Office on January 1 in the year following the election. Each outgoing Officer shall pass on all records relating to his/her position prior to the date his/her successor assumes Office. The Executive Board may conduct informal meetings with outgoing and incoming Officers after the election and before the new Officers take Office.

Section 4. Election regulations

- a. The President shall appoint an Election Committee of three members ~~previous~~ prior to an election.
- b. The Election Committee shall elect its own Chairperson.
- c. The Chairperson of the Election Committee shall run the election.
- d. The duties of the Election Committee shall be to record the names of nominees on a ~~chalk board~~, visual display, pass out ballots, collect the marked ballots after voting, tally votes, and inform the President in writing of the election results. The President shall then inform the members of the election results.
- e. Election of Executive Board members shall be by secret ballot. If only one nomination is made, the candidate may be elected by acclamation. All other voting methods shall be at the discretion of the President.
- f. A member must be present at the time of voting if his/her name is placed in nomination from the floor.
- g. A member voting in an election shall have his/her membership dues paid.
- h. No proxy vote shall be counted as valid.
- i. Twenty members of the Association present at any general meeting shall constitute a quorum.
- j. Officers shall be elected by a simple majority.

Section 5. Vacancies in office

- a. Should a vacancy occur in the office of President, the Vice President shall assume ~~office~~ the office of the President.
- b. In the event that the Vice President is unable to perform the duties as President, the senior member of the Board of Directors shall perform those duties, and he/she shall appoint a member to fill his/her unexpired term.
- c. Vacancies in all other offices shall be filled through appointment by the President and approved by a majority of the Executive Board.
- d. In the event that the Association fails to elect an officer to a position, the officer presently serving in that position shall continue in office until a qualified successor is elected.

Article IV - Summer Meetings

Section 1. Annual Summer Meetings

- a. The ~~midsummer~~ Summer Meeting shall be ~~sponsored~~ co-sponsored by one of the State Association Chapters willing to volunteer.
- b. Sponsoring Chapters shall be on a rotation basis. The location of the Summer Meeting shall rotate through the State Regions, Northern, Central, and Southern, in that order.
- ~~c. Invitation to the appropriate Regional Director shall be made as soon as possible, but not later than the date of the current year's midsummer.~~
- c. The Director for ~~that~~ the Host Region shall contact Chapters of his/her Region and make the invitation known for ~~sponsoring~~ the meeting.
- d. The Regional Director shall announce at or before the first Executive Board meeting of the following year the sponsoring Chapter(s) for the upcoming midsummer meeting.
- e. The Chapter(s) sponsoring co-sponsoring the midsummer meeting Summer Meeting in cooperation with the ISBA shall help make all arrangements for the meeting in its area, including location, program, date, information on food and

lodging, and shall provide specific directions to the meeting place.

f. The site for the ~~midsummer meeting~~ Summer Meeting may be either indoors or out of doors at the discretion and financial ability of the ~~sponsoring co-sponsoring~~ Chapter(s) so long as the necessary facilities to accommodate the people comfortably are provided.

~~g. Midsummer meeting date, time and place proposed by the sponsoring Chapter shall be submitted to the State Association President no later than 90 days prior to the event.~~

~~h. The midsummer meeting program shall be submitted to the State Association President and to the bee journals for publication no later than 60 days in advance of the meeting date.~~

g. At the ~~midsummer meeting~~ Summer Meeting the Chairman/President of the ~~sponsoring co-sponsoring~~ Chapter shall begin the ~~convention meeting~~ with a welcome followed by a response and opening remarks by the State Association's President.

~~h. The sponsoring Chapter's Chairman shall serve as moderator during the program, and at the end of the program he shall turn the meeting over to the State President for the closing.~~

~~i. Should the sponsoring Chapter's President and/or Officers desire, the responsibility for moderating the program may be handled by the State Association President.~~

h. The President of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association shall serve as moderator for the Summer Meeting.

i. In the event that no Chapter is willing to sponsor the ~~midsummer meeting~~, Summer Meeting, the Executive Board of the State Association shall arrange for a meeting place, and present the program.

j. Both the State and the sponsoring Chapter Secretaries shall record the proceedings of ~~midsummer meetings~~ Summer Meetings

Article V - Annual Dues

Section 1. Association dues

- a. The amount of the annual dues shall be decided upon by the Executive Board.
- b. The Executive Board may increase or decrease the amount of the annual dues when it deems this necessary for the betterment of the Association.
- c. The members shall be notified through the Association Bulletin of any change in dues rate.

Article VI - Association outside activities

Section 1. Association activities

- a. The Executive Board shall be consulted and advised in advance regarding any and all proposed projects to be carried out under the name of the Illinois State ~~Beekeepers'~~ Beekeepers Association, and an endorsement from the Executive Board shall be secured from it before proceeding with the proposed project.
- b. Proper reporting to the Executive Board shall be made within 60 days after a project has been terminated.

~~Article VII - Expenditures~~

~~Section 1. Individual disbursements~~

~~a. No expenditures in excess of \$20.00 shall be voted by the membership of the Association for any purpose without the approval of the Executive Board.~~

Article VII - Amending the Association Constitution and Bylaws

Section 1. Proposed changes and required action for adoption

- a. A 30 day notice of proposal to amend the Constitution and/or Bylaws shall be sent to each active member, stating the exact present wording, and identifying it by Article Number and Section Letter, and state in exact wording any changes that are proposed.
- b. The Bylaws may be amended at a Summer or Fall Meeting by a two thirds majority vote of the members, provided a quorum of 20 members or more is present.

Article VIII - Association Chapters

Section 1. Local Association requirements

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- a. Local or area beekeepers' associations will be recognized by the State Association as Chapters provided that they hold an annual election of officers, and have at least two meetings during each calendar year.
- b. Qualifying local beekeepers' associations may become Chapters of the State Association through a referendum of their membership.
- c. Qualified Chapters must submit the State Association dues from all of their regular members unless ~~otherwise~~ previously paid.
- d. Membership dues of individuals shall be submitted to the State Association's ~~Secretary- Treasurer.~~ Secretary- Treasurer. ~~through his Chapter's Secretary or Treasurer.~~

Article IX - Incorporation of the Association

Section 1. Incorporation of the Association and Corporate Powers

- a. This Association was incorporated with the State of Illinois on February 27, 1891 and is currently identified under Corporate File No. 0539-604-2 of the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986.
- b. The Association shall have the Powers specified under the statutes of the General Not For Profit Corporation act of 1986.

Article XI - Parliamentary Procedure

Section 1. Rules of Order

- a. The Association shall conduct its meetings in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, ~~Revised, 1979,~~ latest edition, which shall be the authority in all procedures not otherwise provided in the Association Bylaws.

Article XI - Dissolution

Section 1. Dispersion of Organization

- a. Should Dissolution of the Organization take place, after all liabilities and obligations have been paid, any remaining assets shall be contributed to a local or national Beekeeper Association, as decided by the Executive Board.

Respectfully submitted, Executive Board Illinois State Beekeepers Association. James Belli, President – Rich Ramsey, Vice President – Susan Kivikko, Secretary – Michael Mason, Treasurer – Erik Whalen-Pedersen, Director – Janet Hart, Director – Ray Chapman, Director.

Remembering Katy Killion

All of the ISBA membership express our deepest sympathy to Gene Killion.

Audrey Kathleen “Katy” Killion, 89, of Paris, Illinois, passed away Monday, September 10. She was a devoted homemaker and a partner in Killion and Son Apiaries. She was born June 2, 1923, in Paris, Illinois, the daughter of the late Daniel W. and Kathryn (Gillum) Humphrey. She married Gene Killion on May 24th, 1947 in Paris, Illinois.

Mrs. Killion was a graduate of Paris High School and was awarded the titles of May Fete Queen and D.A.R. Good Citizen. She was a devoted lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church of Paris. She was active as a Girl Scouts Leader and a Cub Scouts Den Mother for many years, and was a member emeritus and former officer of Paris Garden Study Club. A talented singer, she sang with a Paris area dance band during the 1940s. She was also a gifted and published poet, and was a past recipient of the National Library of Poetry's Editor's Choice Award.

For those who wish, the family suggests that memorials be made to First United Methodist Church of Paris.

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