

**Proposed Agenda**  
**Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association**  
**Thursday, April 21, 2022**  
**6:00 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Recognitions
  - A. Lisa Eads, Apprentice Beekeeper – WVBA Master Beekeeper Program
5. Communications/Reports
  - A. Raising Your Own Queens Course/Workshop – Friday, May 20, 2022 & Saturday, May 21, 2022 – Class Location Raleigh County Schools Central Office – Workshop Location - RCS School Apiary, Cool Ridge. **Please see the RCBCA webpage under “About Us – Classes” for the class registration form and mailing instructions. You can also sign up and pay at our online shop on our webpage. There are still 4 seats remaining for this class.**
  - B. WV Department of Agriculture has partnered with FieldWatch to create a registry that connects pesticide applicators to the locations of apiaries and specialty crop producers – Registration is free and voluntary. Please register at [www.fieldwatch.com](http://www.fieldwatch.com)
  - C. Beckley Honey Festival – Saturday, August 20, 2022, Beckley Exhibition Mine
  - D. Swarm Prevention/Hive Splits – A step by step guide to evaluating your hives and determining when and how to split, Sean Phelps, WV Master Beekeeper
  - E. **IF YOU HAVE NOT YET PICKED UP YOUR FORMIC TREATMENTS, PLEASE DO SO AT THIS MEETING/BCA/MEMBER. THIS IS A RCBCA COST SHARING OPPORTUNITY –FORMIC ACID MITE TREATMENTS – AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS – RCBCA PAYS ½ OF THE COST OF FORMIC TREATMENT FOR UP TO FIVE HIVES. MEMBER COST IS \$2.75 PER DOSE OR \$13.75 FOR 5 COLONIES.**
  - F. Beekeeping Equipment for Sale – Sean Phelps is taking pre-orders for equipment. The items for sale are:

Deeps	\$20
Mediums	\$18
Lids	\$20
Bottoms	\$20

The prices listed are for unpainted assembled pine construction. Items can be painted for an additional \$5 per item. All Items can also be made from Walnut, Ash, Cedar or Maple for an additional \$15 per item. Please call Sean Phelps at 304-860-5849 for more information.
6. Unfinished Business
  - A. None
7. Policies and Procedures
  - A. None
8. Consent Items
  - A. Approve minutes of Regular Meeting March 17, 2022
  - B. Future meetings/events: *Regular Meeting – Thursday, May 19, 2022*

- C. *RCBCA Spring Workshop – Hive Evaluations/Treatments/Splits - Saturday, April 30, 2022 – 11:00AM  
Location RCS Apiary Yard, Weather Permitting*
- E. *Raise Your Own Queens Course/Workshop – Friday, May 20, 2022 – 6:00PM RCS Central Office & Saturday,  
May 21, 2022, 11:00AM at the RCS Apiary Yard*

9. New Business

- A. Approve Partnership agreement with the City of Beckley Exhibition Mine for the 2022 Beckley Honey Festival

10. Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,  
R. Darrin Butcher, Treasurer