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CONSTITUTION

Kansas State Beekeepers Association

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Preamble--- For the purpose of promoting better beekeeping, creating more interest in beekeeping, the use and marketing of honey, bringing about more harmony and cooperation among beekeepers in Kansas, by all means available to that end; so that results of our efforts may be conserved and the beekeeping industry may be developed and established in Kansas, we, as beekeepers, do associate ourselves as an organization and agree to be governed by the following constitution and by-laws.

ARTICLE I -NAME

The name of this organization shall be known as the "Kansas State Beekeepers Association".

Article II - OBJECT

The object of this association shall be to advance and foster the interests of Kansas beekeepers by trying to secure beneficial and protective legislation, soliciting membership of all beekeepers in Kansas, developing among its membership the spirit of cooperation and collective enterprise, and promoting any and all things in general interest of its members.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP - DUES

Section 1. Any person who is interested in apiculture and in accord with the objects and policies of the association may become a member by paying the annual dues as assessed by the vote of members in session. Dues shall be payable January 1 and will become delinquent 60 days thereafter.

Section 2. The dues of the Kansas State Beekeepers association shall be:

\$3.00 per annum for those who belong only to the state organization.

\$2.00 per annum for those who hold membership in local groups. This schedule of dues shall take effect January 1, 1974 and replaces all other schedules.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

The officers of this association shall be president, three vice-presidents, secretary-treasurer, and a representative to the national organization. The term of office shall be one year, or until a successor is qualified.

Section 1. The duties of the officers shall be same as that of officers of like organizations.

Section 2. The president, three vice-presidents, and the secretary-treasurer shall constitute the executive committee, who shall have power to transact any and all business between sessions of the association. The executive committee may adopt, direct, and make policies which need to be made during such periods.

ARTICLE V - FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Kansas State Beekeepers Association shall be the calender year.

ARTICLE VI - GOVERNMENT

This organization shall be governed by rules and regulations made by a majority vote of members present at the yearly meeting and according to accepted parlimentary rules.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

The yearly meetings shall be held on a week day in the fall of the year at a time and a place to be designated by the executive committee, such time, and place to be published not less than 30 days before such date in the legal publication of the association.

Section 1. The executive committee shall have power to call special meetings when they deem it necessary.

ARTICLE VIII - RELATIONSHIP

Each county or sectional association recognizes themselves as a group of beekeepers in Kansas.

Therefore, for mutual aid and cooperative organized efforts, the state association invites the county and sectional associations to elect and certify one representative to attend the regular meetings of the Kansas State Beekeepers Association.

Section 1- This correlation shall be to secure counsel and information from each other, and to bring about a more constructive and cooperative effort in the needs and benefits of the beekeepers of Kansas.

ARTICLE - 1X - Voting

Voting shall be aye or raised hand, except in the election of officers when the nominating and electing ballot shall be by secret ballot. Should there be no election after three ballots, then all names may be dropped except the two highest names receiving the greatest number of votes.

Section 1. Fifteen members in good standing will constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE-X - AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by a two thirds vote at any fall or general meeting, provided that the proposed amendment shall be published 30 days before such meeting and a notice given of such intentions. Every member shall have the privilege of discussing the amendment before vote is taken.

Section 1. This constitution and by-laws shall be in effect from the date of passing. All other constitutions are repealed.

BY-LAWS

1 RULES OF ORDER

In Order to expedite the work of the association and to avoid confusion in the deliberation, the Kansas State Beekeepers Association shall be governed by rules and regulations as accepted by parliamentary procedure.

11 OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Kansas State Beekeepers Association shall be chosen from its membership.

Section 2. The officers shall be members of mature experience and ability in full confirmation with the policies of the association, and shall have been a member for at least one year. The newly elected officers shall take office January 1 and shall serve one year or until a successor shall qualify.

III DUTY OF OFFICERS

The president shall preside at all meetings and shall perform such duties as may directed by the association.

The three vice-presidents shall assist and cooperate with the president.

The secretary-treasurer shall shall keep a true and correct record of all proceedings of the association, shall keep a true and correct record of monies belonging to the association, and do such correspondence as directed and authorized.

IV ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to order by President, reading of minutes, introduction of visitors, report of standing committees, unfinished business, new business, election and installation of new officers, and adjournment.

V AMENDMENT

These by-laws may be amended by a two thirds majority vote.

VI ADDENDUM

All matters not covered by this constitution and by-laws shall be covered by resolutions in the minutes of regular or special meetings of the Kansas State Beekeepers Association.