First VP Joli Winer: 150 people attended this meeting. Fall meeting will be Oct 18 and 19 in Junction City, by having a lunch and the banquet at the hotel it helps to pay for the meeting rooms. Also by staying in the hotel it covers the cost of the speaker’s rooms so the meetings are less expensive. Spring Meeting will be Feb 28 and March 1, in Hays at the Ramada Inn. Please sign up with future meeting topics. We will probably be coming back to Wichita since they now have better facilities and we had problems with the McPherson hotel.

Second VP Rocky Schmied (Grace): Trying to get Rev Honey drinks and the U-Tubes approved to sell at the State Fair, they will be in packs and not sold as immediate consumables, so the tax rate will stay the same. Would like to get new hanging signs that are bigger and more visible from both sides, need the approval from the Fair Board. Will be working on the booth to make more counter space and putting on wheels to make counters easier to move. Educational Committee is needed to help promote at the fair, will rearrange the booth a little to allow space for education section.

Third VP Connie Hopkins: Will discuss in new business

Fourth VP Becky Tipton: Have 2 scholarship students here today Owen Gartner and Bailey Penner. Grace Schmied made new flyers please take and pass out to youths interested in bee keeping.

Area Directors:

Tim Tucker South East: Starting educational meetings around Independence. He will need to step down as area director.

Bill Vinduska South Central: Hoping to have 4 meetings a year, started a Yahoo group, hoping to have a meeting at the end of March, will be meeting for a funday in Marion, May 18.

Michael Sinclair North Eastern: Absent, Will have a funday June 1st with Dr Ellis

Kathy Richardson North Central: Are having meetings
Greg Swob North West: Absent
Ron Hopkins South West: Giving presentations
Bee Wrangler Report Cecil Sweeney:

The group has hives donated and put in the state yards. Four members are in charge of these yards. The honey produced by these hives is sold at the State Fair. There are currently 50 live hives, will try to increase the numbers some. Anyone can donate a new hive (2 deeps, 3 supers) and a package of bees, you will then become a life member, which pays for your membership dues to the club.

No Old Business

New Business:

Fourth VP Connie Hopkins would like to do away with the Queen program since in her 10 years there have only been 3 queens. She would like the Fourth VP to become promotions and advertising and the funds in the account be transferred to the general fund. We could always reinstate the Queen program in the future if needed. I has been moved that the Fourth VP position be changed to promotions and advertising and that the current queen fund be transferred to the general fund. The motion was voted on and passed.

Tim Tucker requested that he be allowed to step down as South East Rep. He would like to nominate Norbert Neal for the position. The nomination was accepted and voted on. Norbert Neal is the new South East Rep.

No other business

Meeting adjourned
Marietta Graham
Secretary

During the banquet the Hooey Stick was auctioned off, Bruce Swob won the stick for one year for the price of $70.

This fall the Magic Hive Tool will be auctioned off at the banquet.