**Walton County Bee Association Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** *March 20th, 2018*

**Location:** *Center Hill Baptist Church*

**Time:** *7-9pm*

**Purpose:** *Educational Meeting*

**Attendees:** *28*

**Visitors:** *5*

Meeting:

* Linda opened the meeting with prayer at 7 p.m.
* Billy was not in attendance – The February Treasurer’s Report was not read. The only changes would have been the additional funds from 3 new members.
* Linda read the February 20, 2018 Minutes. A motion to accept the Minutes was made and approved.

Program

Larry C. explained and demonstrated how and why to split a hive.

Carl B. demonstrated how to install a NUC.

Other topics of discussion and demonstration were swarm boxes, Varroa vaporizer , community feeders, and lighting a smoker.

Current Discussion Topics

* The opportunity of a Saturday morning field trip to check out Larry’s bees may be possible at short notice.
* Carl asked if the Association could purchase an observation hive. Susan mentioned that the Farm Bureau had offered to purchase one for us.
* The deadline for submitting pictures of swarms will be March 24, 2018.
* Carl mentioned that the NUCS would be ready in two weeks.
* Ann offered to research a 2nd Level 501(c)3 non-profit status for the Association.

Speaker for April 2018

To be determined – Susan will try to find someone who could talk about the GATE card.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Rivers

Secretary