

Article V

In addition to the Annual Meeting elsewhere provided for it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to arrange for at least one field meeting annually to be held at such time and place as the Executive Committee shall determine and when such time and place are determined, notice of same be mailed to each member of the Association.

Article VI

The officers of this Association shall cause the Constitution and By - Laws to be printed in appropriate form, and a copy of the same to be mailed to each member of the Association.

Article VII

The By - Laws may be amended by a majority vote of all the members present at any regular meeting, or any special meeting called for that purpose, provided that a written notice embodying the proposed changes shall have been mailed to each member at least fifteen (15) days in advance of such meeting.

Article VIII

A *Paid Life Membership* in the Lehigh Valley Beekeepers Association may be acquired after a member has accumulated five (5) consecutive years of paid membership and by making a one time payment into the treasury equal to ten (10) years of current dues at the time of payment. A *Life Member* would be exempt of any future dues and increases. A *Paid Life Membership* may be of individual or family membership.

Article IX

For the purpose of recognizing outstanding service and achievement in the field of beekeeping and the Lehigh Valley Beekeeping Association an "*Honorary Life Membership*" shall be established.

Guidelines and conditions for an Honorary Life Membership shall be as follows:

Requirements for consideration shall include: Twenty consecutive years of paid membership in the L.V.B.A., and served as an officer, or served the L.V.B.A. with great dedication.

Nominations shall be made to the President who then directs them to the executive committee.

Approval shall be granted by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Special recognition shall be presented by the President at the annual banquet.

Upon receipt of an "*Honorary Life Membership*" all future membership fees shall be waived.

Amended January 18, 2007

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CONSTITUTION OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY BEEKEEPERS ASSOC.

Article I

The name of this association shall be the “Lehigh Valley Beekeepers Association”.

Article II

The object of this Association shall be the promotion of scientific, practical and profitable bee culture and securing of such legislation as is necessary to protect and further the beekeeping industry.

Article III

The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Committee, all of whom shall be members in good standing of the Association. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Association and five other members.

Article IV

Any person complying with regulation of this Constitution and paying the current annual dues into the treasury of the Association shall be deemed a member and shall be entitled to vote at the annual election of officers and to participate in the deliberations of this Association.

If said person keeps bees in PA. the individual must register those apiaries with the PA. Dept. of Agriculture, Bureau of plant industry - Apiary Section, to retain membership.

Article V

A regular meeting of this Association shall be held annually on such day and at such place as may be decided on by the Executive Committee who shall send notice thereof to all members of the Association not less than ten (10) days in advance of such meeting. The election of officers and a delegate to the meeting of the State Association shall take place at this meeting.

Ten members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may enter upon the discussion of important topics and adjourn to some future day.

Article VI

Special meetings shall be called by the President or Secretary upon the written request of five members which request shall state the reason for the call.

Article VII

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, provided that a written notice embodying the proposed changes shall have been mailed to each member at least fifteen (15) days in advance of such meeting.

BY - LAWS OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY BEEKEEPERS ASSOC.

Article I

The Officers of this Association shall be elected at each annual meeting. They shall be nominated by acclamation and shall be elected by a majority ballot or by a rising vote. If there be no opposition the Secretary shall cast the ballot.

Article II

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to call and to preside over all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee, call for the reports of officers and decide upon all questions of order according to the regular parliamentary usage, appoint all committees and at the annual meeting at which his term of office expires shall present a verbal or written report of the activities of the Association during his term of office or deliver or cause to be delivered and address relating to the interests of the Association.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice President in the absence of the President to perform the duties of that officer.

SECTION 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee, and shall present a report of these records at each meeting or whenever called upon by the President to do so.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct such correspondence as the President or Executive Committee or the Association shall direct, and with the help of the Executive Committee shall prepare the programs for the meetings of the Association.

SECTION 5. The Treasurer shall receive all monies due the Association and shall make disbursements only upon the order of the President and shall present a complete report to the Executive Committee at each meeting, and shall at each annual meeting submit a full report of the financial standing of the Association, approved by an Auditing Committee.

Article III

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to assist the Corresponding Secretary in preparing programs for the meetings of the Association.

Article IV

The meetings of the Association shall be generally governed by the following order of business.

Reading minutes of the previous meeting, reception of new members, collection of dues, Recording Secretaries' report, Treasurers' report, report of the standing committee, Presidents Address, election of officers, election of delegate to meeting of the State Association, miscellaneous business, discussions, adjournment.

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