



*SUDBURY & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION*



***BEEKEEPERS HELPING BEEKEEPERS***

***SINCE 1977***

***ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 2024***

Annual Meeting  
June 15, 2024  
LPSS – Library  
Meet & Greet 6:30

7 pm Meghan Mitchell, president SDBA, opened the meeting by welcoming all beekeepers present to the 2024 Annual Meeting.

**APPROVAL - MINUTES MAY 2024**

Proposed by Denise Zappel that the Minutes of the May 2024 meeting be approved as sent by email.

Seconded by Alasdair MacLeod  
Approved

**NEW BUSINESS**

Gaston O'Bonsawin asked if he could get bees for his strawberry fields. Wayne Leblanc offered. Another example of Beekeepers helping Beekeepers.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Proposed by Paul Adam that the Agenda of the June 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting be accepted as sent by email

Seconded by Alasdair MacLeod  
Approved

**PRESENTATION**

**Hive Ventilation by Otto Rost**

As usual, Otto's presentation caused many questions to be asked and many to be answered. His talk centered around

- ideal humidity and hive temperature – 30-40 C and 55% humidity,
- the temperature inside a hive when bees decide to swarm;
- propolis – what it is - size and type of screen needed to collect;
- old frames – bees don't like mold and don't like holes.

These are the reasons why it is so important to come to our meetings. Being there, with other beekeepers, involved when information from our guest presenters gets passed on, is very precious!

## OLD BUSINESS

The SDBA fees have not changed in nearly 10 years – still the best value around.

Students and Seniors \$15  
Single \$20  
Family \$25  
(see enclosed form)

## ELECTIONS

Robert S Dewar, aka Bob, presided over the 2024-2025 elections.

President: Meghan Mitchell  
Proposed by Denise Zappel  
Acclaimed

Vice-President Justin Gervais  
Proposed by Otto Rost  
Acclaimed

Treasurer Denise Zappel  
Proposed by Rose Aniol  
Elected

Secretary/Editor Alasdair MacLeod  
Proposed by Jo-Anne Beuparlant  
Elected

The Executive were either acclaimed or elected as no other names were forwarded for these positions.

## DIRECTORS 2024-2025

Rose Aniol Paul Adam  
Otto Rost Rock Rousseau  
Laura Schmidt Bob Dewar  
Jo-Anne Beuparlant

We would like to thank these seven individuals who volunteered to be the SDBA's Directors. We would also thank Bob for doing a great job of handling the election proceedings. We will invite you again next year.

Adjournment 9:30 pm

Next meeting: September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 (tentatively)

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