



Mission: To share information and provide education to our members and community about bees and beekeeping. To promote responsible beekeeping practices through training and education, resulting in effective management of disease, pests and other environmental issues.

## Elm Fork Beekeepers Association

### General Meeting Minutes

Date: April 17, 2025

Time: 6:30

Location: North Texas Central College, 1525 W. California St.,  
Gainesville, TX

Officers	Attend	Other Board Members	Attend
President: Tim Branam	Y	Communications: Connie Hutchins	Y
Vice President: Kimi Locke	Y	Director at Large: Tim Magee	Y
Treasurer: Kim Lester	Y	Education Director: Byron Compton	N
Secretary: Sharon Gillum	Y	Webmaster: Stacy Branam	N

- **Tim Branam, President**
- NCTC was closed last month. Apologies to anyone that made the drive. He waited in the parking lot to inform anyone that showed up of the situation. In the past, the security guard was on campus and opened the building for us. We weren't given any notice we would not be able to have the meeting on campus.
- NCTC will be closed June 19<sup>th</sup> when our regular meeting is scheduled. We will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday - June 12<sup>th</sup>. We will send a reminder in the newsletter and at the May meeting.
- The club has new expense for 2025. We had to pay for the classroom used for the Beekeeping classes in January, February and March. We did not receive donations for all of the supplies needed for our scholarship recipients. Therefore, we will need to generate more income or reduce expenses.
- The membership yearly dues will increase. Starting July 1, annual club dues will increase from \$25 to \$35. A joint membership for a husband and wife will be \$60 per year. You can still join or renew at the current \$25 rate through June 30. Current members whose renewals are due later this year may renew early before July 1 to lock in the lower rate. Your 2026 renewal date will remain one year from your original renewal date. To check your renewal date, please see Kim Lester.
- The Texas Beekeepers Association Summer Clinic will be on June 21<sup>st</sup> in Abilene.



**Kimi Locke, Vice President**

☐ Nothing new to report

**Kim Lester, Treasurer**

☐ \$1,766.05	Bank
447.37	PayPal
<u>60.00</u>	Cash profit from Queen Rearing Class received and to be deposited
\$2,273.42	Total

☐ 85 Members

**Sharon Gillum, Secretary**

- Asked members to approve February minutes. They were not approved as written. The date for TBA Summer Clinic was incorrect. This will be corrected and minutes will be presented for approval at May meeting.
- No meeting in March – no minutes to be approved.

**Connie Hutchins, Communications**

- Let her know if any members aren't receiving emails from the club.

**Tim Magee, Director at Large**

- Nothing new to report

**Presentation** – Gene Cushion – Using Essential Oils in Beekeeping

**# of attendants** - 20

**Meeting adjourned:** 7:55 pm