



National Beekeepers' Association of N.Z. Incorporated

"BETTER BEEKEEPING — BETTER MARKETING"

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD IN THE DRUIDS' CLUB ROOMS, DRUIDS' CHAMBERS, CNR. WOODWARD STREET AND LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON 1, ON 12TH MARCH 1973 AND CONTINUING ON 13TH AND 14TH MARCH 1973

PRESENT:

Mr I.J. Dickinson, President (in the Chair),
Messrs J. Bray, M. Cloake, D. Penrose, E. Whalley.
In attendance: E.R. Neal, Association Secretary, and
N. Stanton, Editor of the "New Zealand Beekeeper".

OPENING:

Mr Dickinson welcomed members of the Executive. He said he trusted that it would be a successful meeting as there were important matters to discuss, including the draft of the amended E.M.A. Regulations.

DRAFT OF AMENDED
H.M.A. REGULATIONS:

The President said that there would be a meeting at the Ministry in Wellington during the period that the Executive were in Wellington at which Messrs Poole and Eckroyd would represent the Honey Marketing Authority and the President, the Secretary of the National Beekeepers' Association and one member of the Executive would represent the National Beekeepers' Association, and Mr E. Lee would represent the Ministry.

OBITUARY:

The President said that he regretted to report the death of Mr W.W. Nelson. Members stood for one minute in memory of the late Mr Nelson.

MINUTES OF
PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 1972 were considered. It was agreed that on page 7 the words "packing firms" should become "packers".
On the motion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that subject to the above correction to the Minutes, these Minutes which had been previously circulated to members be confirmed as being a true and correct record of the proceedings.

MATTERS ARISING
OUT OF MINUTES:

- (a) Noxious Weeds: Mr Cloake reported that this matter was in progress and that he would be able to report to the next meeting. Mr Dickinson said there had been a meeting regarding noxious weeds held in Timaru in February.
- (b) Packers Association: Mr Penrose said that a meeting had been held in Christchurch and he had gone along prepared to negotiate with members of the Executive of the Packers Association. He said he was unable to achieve any basis for a negotiation at that stage. Mr Haines and Mr Bray who are other members of the delegation endorsed Mr Penrose's report. It seemed that the area of difficulty was the representation wanted by the Packers. They wanted two members as of right on the N.B.A. Executive. Mr Bray said he felt that if the N.B.A. could give some sort of lead, the Packers Association would go out of existence. Mr Dickinson read a letter from the President of the Packers Association in this connection.



ACCOUNTS FOR
PAYMENT:

The Secretary tabled a list of accounts paid since the last meeting and needing authorisation together with a debit from the Editor for those not yet paid.
On the motion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that the Secretary's statement of cheques drawn be received and that payments made since the last meeting be ratified and that the payment to the Editor of \$112.35 be authorised.

Accounts paid but not yet authorised

			\$
N.B.A. - H.B. Branch	Refund O/payment		7.00
Photo Engravers	Mag. Other		9.27
R.S. Ramsay	Sundry - Life certs.		4.00
Armstrong & Springhall Ltd	Ptg. & Sty.		1.69
Royal N.Z.Inst. of Horticulture	- Sundry		12.00
Neal & Brydon	Fee	225.83	
	Postages	22.76	
	Stationery	2.10	
	N.A.C.Dickinson	54.40	
	Exec.Sundry	5.10	310.19
Woodward T.& D.Agency Ltd	Pty. & Sty.	15.95	
	Jnl. Other	2.15	18.10
Armstrong & Springhall Ltd	Pty. & Sty.		6.02
I.J. Dickinson	Tolls		15.05
Boughtwood Ptg. House	Jnl. Ptg.	260.00	
		53.70	313.70
Neal & Brydon	Fee	217.08	
	Postages	7.47	
	Stamp Duty	0.02	
	Lunch-Exec.	1.70	226.27
Woodward T. & D. Agency	Pty. & Sty.		26.00
Alliance Bee Supplies	Refund Jnl.		2.00
Photo Engravers Ltd	Mag Other		16.63
Armstrong & Springhall Ltd	Ptg. & Sty.		2.81
Nirvana Motels	Exec.Accom.		52.00
Neal & Brydon	Fee	217.08	
	Postages	5.24	
	Toll calls	10.73	
	Stamp Duty	0.07	233.12
Woodward T. & D. Agency	Ptg. & Sty.	3.34	
	Jnl. Other	10.00	13.34
Photo Engravers Ltd	Jnl. Other		30.50
Armstrong & Springhall Ltd	Ptg. & Sty.		1.35
Editor			112.35
			<u>\$1,413.39</u>

BRANCH BALANCES:

The Secretary reported that some branches had not sent in the second instalment of their branch balances.

On the motion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that reminders be sent out to those branches who had not remitted the second half of their 30th April 1972 balances, excluding Nelson Branch.

APPOINTMENT OF H.M.A. RETURNING OFFICER:

It was agreed that this lie on the table until later in the meeting.

At 12.36 p.m. the meeting adjourned for lunch.

RESUMPTION:

At 2.00 p.m. the meeting resumed.

EXPENSES OF EXECUTIVE:

Members of Executive tabled expenses in connection with travelling, etc. On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the following be paid:

Mr I.J. Dickinson	- \$62.43
Mr M.D. Haines	- \$39.20
Mr E.J. Whalley	- \$20.60
Mr N. Stanton	- \$ 2.00
Mr D. Penrose	- \$12.00

RETURNING OFFICER FOR H.M.A.

The Secretary referred to a letter that he had received from the General Manager of the H.M.A., a copy of which had been sent to the President. The tenor of the letter was that before the N.B.A. appointed the Returning Officer for the Honey Marketing Authority elections for 1973, the N.B.A. should seek an undertaking from the



Returning Officer elect that he would stipulate a fee to be charged and would undertake to stay within that fee. The Secretary recapitulated the circumstances surrounding the 1972 and 1970 elections where he had been Returning Officer and mentioned some of the time consuming problems that had arisen. The Secretary said that he was quite unable to accept a position where his responsibility was unlimited and yet his fee was limited. Mr Cloake moved and Mr Bray seconded a motion that Eric Robinson Neal be appointed as Returning Officer for the 1973 Honey Marketing Authority elections.

Mr Bray moved and Mr Whalley seconded an amendment that the words "and that it be pointed out to the Honey Marketing Authority that the decision of Mr Alan Dick the then Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Agriculture appeared to be ultra vires the Honey Marketing Authority Regulations" be added.

The addendum, when put, was carried and the substantive motion when put was carried.

PRESIDENTIAL
LETTER TO THE
HONEY MARKET-
ING AUTHORITY:

On the motion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that Mr Dickinson's letter of 18th January 1973 to the Honey Marketing Authority which was subsequently published in the February "New Zealand Beekeeper" be confirmed and endorsed.

COMB HONEY
ASSOCIATION:

A letter had been received that morning from the Comb Honey Association. It was agreed that the letter be received and replied to after a consideration of the draft regulations.

DEPARTMENTAL:

An Agenda for discussion by the Departmental Officers was then drawn up and covered thirteen items which were dealt with later on in the meeting.

N.Z. BEEKEEPER:

Mr Stanton said that it was his intention, if Executive so approved, to send to registered beekeepers who were not subscribers or members of the Association a gratuitous copy of the May "Beekeeper". On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that the Executive authorise the Editor to print approximately 1,000 extra of the May issue of the "New Zealand Beekeeper" and that these be distributed to non-members of the Association together with an explanatory leaflet.

PAYMENT FOR
CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE N.Z.
BEEKEEPER

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that suitable contributions from Beekeepers to the "New Zealand Beekeeper" be paid for at nominal fees.

FORMAT AND
CONTENT OF THE
N.Z. BEEKEEPER:

The present Editor sought opinions of members as to the format and content of the "New Zealand Beekeeper".

On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that the Editor be complimented on his first two issues of the "New Zealand Beekeeper" and that he be asked not to make any changes.

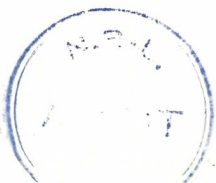
CONFERENCE
1973:

On the motion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that the Conference be held on the 11th, 12th and 13th July 1973, subject to Nelson Branch's approval as to dates, and that if there was any local difficulty with these dates a second choice of dates be the 4th, 5th and 6th July.

NOTES FOR
RUNNING
CONFERENCES:

Mr Penrose congratulated Mr Haines on the notes he had drawn up for the guidance of those branches running conferences and which had already been supplied to Nelson Branch. It was agreed that the Secretary write to Nelson Branch reminding them to supply details of the conference arrangements for the May issue of the "New Zealand Beekeeper".

It was agreed that the business session of conference be from 10.00 a.m. on the Wednesday to 1.00 p.m. on the Friday and these times be strictly adhered to. It was agreed that insofar as delegates' votes were concerned, pre-printed forms be prepared by the Secretary.



EXECUTIVE
MEETING PRIOR
TO CONFERENCE:

Notes were taken by the Secretary of members' wives who would be attending and the mode of transport Executive would be using. It was agreed that the Executive Meeting start at 2.00 p.m. on the Monday preceding Conference. The President said that in view of the start at 2.00 p.m. on the Monday, there would be exactly a day and a half in which to transact business because, in his opinion, it was very ill-advised to meet at night with the heavy work of a conference coming up. He therefore urged members to get matters in for the pre-conference Executive Meeting Agenda to the Secretary as soon as possible.

PRINTING &
STATIONERY:

The Secretary reported that stationery was getting very low. On the motion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that the Secretary be authorised to have printed a quantity of Association Life Certificates and a quantity of Branch Life Certificates.

TINS EX ALEX
HARVEY:

Mr Dickinson said he had received a communication from a Mr Marsh expressing concern at delivery of tins without lids being affixed. Mr Penrose suggested that there should be an article in the Journal advising members that they should specify that lids be put on tins before delivery.

ALTERNATIVE
MARKETING
SCHEME (COMMONLY
KNOWN AS THE DROYD
SCHEME):

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that this matter lie on the table until Wednesday morning.

HIVES NEAR
ROADSIDES:

Mr Haines said that there had been particular problems in his area. There were numerous complaints in respect of hives being near roadsides and children were getting stung. The local Council had asked the beekeeper to shift them and the Council had said that they would not shift them themselves. This was referred back to Mr Haines to take up with his local branch.

TOUR OF
CANADA:

Mr Haines said that there was a projected tour of Canada for beekeepers in winter 1974. On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that Mr Haines be appointed as a sub-committee of one to bring down a report to the Executive meeting prior to Conference on a suggested tour of Canada.

BURSARY:

Mr Haines said with a tour of Canada a possibility he wondered whether there should be a surcharge on members to build up a bursary fund plus a free ticket.

FUNDING OF
BURSARY:

On the motion of Mr Cloake, seconded Mr Haines, it was resolved that the \$250 in the Bursary Fund be funded.

DESTRUCTION
OF WASPS:

It was agreed that the Editor write to Mr Glasson on the West Coast re a wasp trap that the latter had made, for publication in the Journal.

METRIC
MEASUREMENTS:

Mr Dickinson said that he had discussed this with the General Manager of the H.M.A. It appeared that the deadline was 1976 for the changeover, which gave some time for re-adjustment. On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that the letter from the Honey Packers regarding metric measurement be received and they be advised that this was in accordance with the wishes of Executive, except that quantity measurements should be converted to weight measurements.

STATE ADVANCES
LOANS:

It was thought that the limit was still \$10,000 and perhaps this should be raised. On the motion of Mr Haines it was resolved that the Secretary ask State Advances whether there was any limit applying to State Advances loans to beekeepers, or whether each case was judged on its merits.

SPRAYING OF
CLOVER UNDER
FRUIT TREES:

Mr Bray reported that a queen breeder had lost all of his queen nuclei bees after spraying of fruit trees in late December. He wondered whether there was any repellent that could be put in with the spray. Referred to Mr Smellie.



- ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5.57 p.m.
- RESUMPTION: The meeting resumed at 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 13th March 1973.
- CONFERENCE SPEAKER: The question of who would open the Conference was canvassed. On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that a Minister of the Crown be approached with the following preferences being observed in case Ministers were unable to attend - i.e., Messrs Moyle, Freer, Walding.
- PEOPLE TO WELCOME DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE: It was thought that the Mayor and Mayoress of Nelson would welcome delegates, and it was agreed that Mr Penrose make arrangements re this. On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that Mr Penrose be appointed a sub-committee of one to liaise with Nelson Branch re all aspects of the Conference.
- CARRIAGE OF BEES BY AIR: Mr Haines reported that he had been to N.A.C. during a break in the proceedings. It was agreed that the Secretary write to Mr J.C. Fergusson, the Freight Services Manager, advising that the Executive had approved the devices on packaging as per photographs handed to him by Mr Haines and in respect of N.A.C.'s letter of 29 December 1972.
- At this stage, Mr Dickinson withdrew from the meeting to confer with Mr Poole.
Mr Penrose assumed the Chair.
- WELLINGTON ACCOMMODATION: It was agreed that this matter lie on the table.
- MISLEADING ADVERTISING: It was reported that "Soil" magazine had carried an advertisement advertising creamed honey that contained no glucose or icing sugar. On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that the Editor write a letter to the Editor of "Soil and Health" magazine pointing out the implications of the advertisement in question. Mr Haines moved that a letter be written to the "New Zealand Herald" regarding an advertisement which contained the words "absolute purity". This lapsed for want of a seconder.
- SEMINAR FINANCES: Mr Cloake reported that he had handed \$180 to the Secretary which represented the profit from the Timaru Seminar less \$10 which had been kept against contingencies. There had also been a cheque stopped by a person who did not attend the Seminar. On the motion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that the Seminar fund be funded. On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that the Seminar and Bursary accounts be funded on fixed deposit at the Bank of N.S.W. and that the signing authorities be as per the No. 1 Account.
- SEMINAR: Mr Cloake said he had endeavoured to have as much of the Seminar proceedings and papers published in the "New Zealand Beekeeper" as possible. However, he thought that Graeme Walton's address at the 1972 Seminar should be sent out to members.
- At this stage Mr Dickinson resumed the Chair.
- The meeting adjourned at 12.30 p.m. for lunch.
- RESUMPTION: The meeting resumed at 1.45 p.m.
- WELLINGTON ACCOMMODATION: On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Haines, it was resolved that the matter of the Wellington accommodation be lifted off the table, and after a survey of the tariffs that the Midland Hotel be utilized in future as the most economical accommodation.
- DEPARTMENTAL: At 2.30 p.m. Mr Smaellie arrived and offered apologies for Mr Watt. The following was discussed:
1. Grading at Southland Depot: the N.B.A. thought that this was in arrears. Mr Smaellie said that Mr Cook was caretaking at the Southland Depot for urgent work. Whilst it seemed that some of the



work had fallen into arrears, the situation was now under control.

2. Noxious Weeds: Mr Smaellie said he knew very little about this except that it was in the melting pot. A Mr Hadfield of the Department was on the Noxious Weeds Committee, whose purpose it was, Mr Smaellie understood, to generally tidy up the legislation. It was agreed that the Secretary write to Mr Hadfield of the Advisory Services Committee.

3. Future Organisation of Seminars: Mr Dickinson said the N.B.A. was contemplating a Seminar in the North Island in 1974.

4. The Agricultural Advisory Officer at Christchurch: Mr Bray said he understood that the present officer had been there for six months and he wondered what procedure was necessary to requisition work on that officer. Mr Smaellie said that the officer had a work programme which was formulated 12 months ahead. Beekeepers or the N.B.A. requiring work to be done should approach the officer concerned.

5. Honey House Regulations: Mr Smaellie said that he had already rung the Health Department to check on the progress of the legislation. A Mr Cook at the Health Department had said that they had the Regulations with the Law Draughtsman. In the meantime, the Department of Agriculture was carrying on the policing of the honey houses.

6. Destruction of Wasps: Mr Smaellie said that there had been no more progress except that they were still working on baits. There still seemed to be no better methods. Mr Dickinson wondered why the Department could not take the responsibility of destroying wasps. Mr Smaellie said that the Department accepted the responsibility for giving advice but would not carry out the destruction.

7. Importation of Queen Bees from Tonga: Mr Smaellie said the importation could not be accepted by the Department as it was too risky. They could not recognize Mr Walsh's report as an "in-depth" investigation. They had found a mite about which nothing was known on queen bees at Tonga. It was just big enough to see with the naked eye. Mr Smaellie said it was the Department's opinion that two or three mites to a bee would make the bee very sick. He also said the Bird Life and Horticultural people were not prepared to allow the importation because they did not think there was enough economical importance to justify the expense.

8. Extra copies of "New Zealand Beekeeper": Mr Smaellie was invited to send a list of the extra copies of the "Beekeeper" needed by departmental officers.

9. Features for the "New Zealand Beekeeper" ex departmental officers: Mr Smaellie said that this seemed to find its own level in regard to contributions. He always encouraged officers to write articles.

10. "Beekeeping in New Zealand": Mr Smaellie said he was most frustrated that this was out of print. It was at present at the Government Printer but he wondered whether priority may have slipped in relation to other legislation and work. Mr Penrose said he thought some of the plates could be brought up-to-date. Mr Smaellie said they could not do much with the original material. He had initiated arrangements whereby a completely new bulletin would eventually be produced.

11. Repellents with Sprays: Mr Smaellie said there was no satisfactory solution to date. The Department, through Mr Palmer Jones, had the problem steadily in front of them.

12. Conference Papers: Mr Dickinson said that all departmental conference papers should be received by the N.B.A. well in advance of the Conference so that these could be printed and distributed.

13. Honey Dew Regulations: Mr Smaellie said he was working on this assiduously. The regulations were to control the quality of exports. One set of regulations for honey and another for honey dew could not be entertained.

At 3.40 p.m., Mr Smaellie withdrew.

At 4.40 p.m. Mr Poole and Mr Ekroyd from the Honey Marketing Authority arrived and reported on their meeting with the Minister.

At this stage the meeting adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 9.45 a.m. on Wednesday, 14th March 1973. Mr Dickinson said it had been suggested in view of what Mr Poole had said about the lower pay-out that approaches should be made to Mr Pryde of Federated Farmers.

On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that the action of the Chairman in co-opting Mr R.F. Poole, Chairman of the Honey Marketing Authority as a sub-committee of one to approach Mr Pryde, the General Secretary of Federated Farmers, re the Industry's difficulties with the present Government's actions relating to marketing be confirmed. Mr Dickinson then gave a brief report on the meeting of the night before.

EDITOR'S SALARY:

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that the Editor's salary be reviewed in the preparation of the 1/5/73 to 30/4/74 budget or in September 1973, whichever was the sooner.

RULES:

Conference asked that the Berry/Belin resolution re delegates' votes recording majority and minority votes be implemented. On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that the rule read: "28.(ee) On a poll each delegate shall have one vote for each full dollar of annual subscription of financial members actually present at the Branch Meeting empowering the delegate and that both majority and minority votes be recorded in the delegates' votes at Conference."

EXECUTIVE REMITS:

On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that Remit 31 by the Executive from the 1972 Remit Paper re Rule 9a be fully presented as a remit in 1973.

On the motion of Mr Penrose, seconded Mr Whalley, it was resolved that Executive prepare a remit for the next Conference that Rule 30 be altered to delete "one vote only" and substitute "one vote for each full dollar of annual subscription actually paid by him in the preceding financial year".

On the motion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that Executive prepare a notice of motion for presentation at the 1973 Annual General Meeting that all subscriptions be subject to a surcharge of \$2 per annum throughout the whole scale effective as soon as possible under the rules.

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that a sub-committee of the Executive be set up with power to co-opt members to deal with all matters pertaining to packing honey.

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Bray it was resolved that a sub-committee of the Executive be set up with power to co-opt members to deal with all matters pertaining to queen breeders.

ANNUAL REPORT: The Secretary was asked to prepare a short report under the rules.

QUEEN BREEDERS SUB-COMMITTEE: On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that Mr Haines be Convenor of the Queen Breeders Sub-Committee.

PACKERS SUB-COMMITTEE: On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that Mr Whalley be the Convenor of the Packers Sub-Committee

ALTERNATIVE SCHEME (COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE E. ROYD SCHEME)

Mr Cloake felt it was pointless to discuss this because of the Government's attitude. Mr Dickinson moved and Mr Cloake seconded a motion that no further action be taken on the alternative (E. Royd Scheme). Mr Whalley moved and Mr Bray seconded an amendment that the word "further" be replaced by the word "immediate". When the amendment was put it was carried and the substantive motion when put was carried.

POSTAL BALLOT:

On the motion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that Waikato Branch's resolution re a postal ballot not be proceeded with in view of subsequent conference decisions re the levy.

NELSON BRANCH: The Secretary reported that he had written to Nelson about issuing statements and communicating with the Broadcasting Corporation.



ADDENDUM - EXECUTIVE ONLYIN COMMITTEE:

PROPOSED AMENDED H.M.A. REGULATIONS: Mr Dickinson said these were to be of great importance to the industry. There had been a lot of divided opinions. There were the wishes of the Industry as expressed at Conference and they should be a proper and correct extension of the wishes of Conference. Mr Dickinson moved and Mr Cloake seconded a notion that the Executive's representatives to the joint meeting with the Department of Agriculture and the Honey Marketing Authority at the Ministry pursue the wishes of Conference 1972 - i.e., that the present seals levy be retained and extended to cover all other extracted honey and paid at the point of sale by declaration. Mr Whalley moved an amendment that the words "In view of changed market circumstances that there be a review of the rate of levy" be added to the present notion. This lapsed for want of a seconder. When the unaltered original notion was put, there were two for and four against and the notion was therefore declared Lost.

DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO H.M.A. REGULATIONS: On the notion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Whalley it was resolved that the text be altered by adding the words "by the producer" between "payable" and "on", and adding the words "extracted" between "all" and "honey", and by adding the words "at the point of sale" after "Zealand".

This refers to 20(1).

On the notion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Haines, it was resolved that all words after "30th day of June" be deleted.

This refers to 20(1).

On the notion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Whalley, it was resolved that the word "sold" be used instead of "produced" on the third line of 21(2).

On the notion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Whalley, it was resolved that all references to 1000 kilos be 500 kilos.

On the notion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Penrose, it was resolved that the exemption be applicable to 500 kilos or less, not the first 500 kilos.

DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO H.M.A. REGULATIONS: On the notion of Mr Bray seconded Mr Whalley, it was resolved that the word "proportionate" be inserted between the word "the" and the word "amount" in 21(5).

DEPARTMENTAL: Vacant Apiary Instructor's Job: Mr Snaellie said that they had had some applicants applying but they were waiting for more suitable candidates. Mr Penrose wondered whether the salary scales advertised in the "New Zealand Beekeeper" were maximum ones.

DRAFT REGULATIONS: On the notion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Haines, it was resolved that Clause 21(6) be deleted and the following substituted: "The Honey Marketing Authority shall deduct from the levy received by it from all producers a sum equivalent to the subscription struck by the N.B.A. and pay this amount to the N.B.A. at quarterly intervals" It was noted that this would be preferred as Clause 29A3(c)

REPRESENTATIVE FOR TALKS AT THE MINISTRY: Mr Penrose was nominated by Mr Bray seconded Mr Haines. As there were no further nominations, Mr Penrose was elected to be a delegate. In regard to 29A3(d), Mr Penrose asked that the question of reserves be raised.

DRAFT AMENDMENTS to H.M.A. REGULATIONS: On the notion of Mr Whalley seconded Mr Cloake, it was resolved that the balances of pages 4, 5, 6 and 7 be left in the hands of the delegates.



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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD IN BREVET CLUB,
CHRISTCHURCH, 1 MAY 1973

PRESENT: J. Bray, M. Cloake, **J.** Dickinson, M. Haines, D. Penrose, E. Whalley.

Meeting commenced 9.25 a.m.

Note: The Secretary and Editor were not required to attend in order to save travelling expenses.

Moved "That D. Penrose be minute secretary in Mr Neal's absence".
Carried (Mover **J.** Dickinson, seconder E. Whalley).

CORRESPONDENCE: Inward from several beekeepers expressing their support of N.B.A. action in bringing to beekeepers' notice the press release in the "Timaru Herald" by R. Davidson Sr. re honey prices. One letter was received supporting the statement. The President had replied to all letters and these were confirmed (Mover E. Whalley, seconder M. Cloake.) Carried.

MINUTES
WHANGARETUA
MEETING: To be confirmed at next executive meeting. (Mover D. Penrose, seconder E. Whalley). Carried.

COMB HONEY
LEVY: D. Penrose to draft a letter for the Secretary to send to Minister with a copy to Comb Honey Producers pointing out why they should pay a levy to the N.B.A. (Mover E. Whalley, seconded M. Haines). Carried.

IN COMMITTEE: M. Cloake moved "that we go into committee" (seconder E. Whalley.) Carried.

Moved "that we come out of committee" (Mover D. Penrose, seconder J. Bray). Carried.

COMMERCIAL: "That Barclay be approached to open "Conference". (Mover D. Penrose, seconder E. Whalley). Carried.

HONEY PACKERS
MEETING: E. Whalley reported on honey packers meeting to be held at Conference called by the N.B.A. He proposed to put out notes at the start of Conference with a little more detail as to why this meeting is to be held.

CANADIAN TOUR: M. Haines reported on Canadian tour to date and said that he hoped to have more definite proposals for Conference.

BURSARY: Moved "That a letter be written to the National Governor of Rotary to ascertain his attitude towards a bursary for beekeepers." (Moved M. Cloake, seconded M. Haines). Carried "That the Canadian Assn. be invited to send a bursar to N.Z." (J. Bray, M. Haines). Carried.

NOXIOUS WEEDS: Moved "That M. Cloake and Fred Bartrum prepare submissions forthwith, to be sent to the Noxious Weeds Committee by the General Secretary." (Mover J. Bray, seconder E. Whalley). Carried.

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IN N.Z." Moved "That a letter be written to E. Smaelic calling for urgency to be given to the reprinting of 'Beekeeping in New Zealand' in light of increasing demand." (Mover M. Haines, seconder **J.** Dickinson). Carried.

H.M.A.:

Moved "That the matter of a proposed shareholding of the H.M.A. be on the agenda for the next meeting." (Moved J. Bray, seconded M. Haines.) Carried.

Adjourned for lunch 12.35 p.m. Resumed 1.35 p.m.

H.M.A. PAYOUT:

The President outlined the present position and pointed out that little could be done until the next move from Government was known. Moved "That the N.B.A. Secretary approach Federated Farmers reminding them of Mr R. Poole's approach to solicit their support and suggest that they advise the Minister of their disapproval of the proposed Government interference in a Producer Board, namely the limiting of their payout." (Mover D. Penrose, seconded M. Haines). Carried. "That the President action the previous motion at his discretion." (Mover M. Cloake, seconded E. Whalley). Carried.

RULES:

Moved "That the Secretary notify branches to read carefully the new Rules prior to the Annual General Meeting." (Mover M. Cloake, seconded M. Haines). Carried.

The meeting then adjourned to the Russley Motor Hotel owing to having to vacate the Brevet Club rooms at 4.25 p.m.

RULES:

Moved "That in Rule 27 the words 'the duly appointed delegates of district branches' be deleted and the words 'financial members' be inserted." The rule would then read:

"All members of the Association shall be entitled to attend and speak at General Meetings of the Association, but only financial members shall be entitled to vote."

(Moved J. Dickinson, seconded M. Cloake). Carried.

"That in Rule 28(d) the word 'delegate' be deleted and the words 'financial member' be inserted. This rule would then read:

"Every question submitted to a General Meeting shall be decided in the first instance on the voices or, if there is a call for it, on a show of hands. In either such case each financial member shall have one vote."

NOTICE OF MOTION FROM EXECUTIVE:

"That these motions take effect for the 1973 Conference." (Mover J. Bray, seconded D. Penrose). Carried.

"That the Secretary write to branches pointing out the implications of delegates voting on every issue which has resulted from the last Conference." (Moved J. Bray, seconded E. Whalley). Carried.

The meeting concluded at 7.52 p.m.

J. Dickinson
9.7.73.

NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF N.Z. (INC.)

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES OF 1 MAY 1973

CONFIDENTIAL

IN COMMITTEE:

RETURNING
OFFICER:

Moved "That in the event of E.R. Neal not accepting the terms imposed by Government, N. Stanton be approached for the position of returning officer." (Mover M. Cloake, seconded E. Whalley). Carried.

Stanton
9/7/73



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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1973

<u>1972</u>		
1982	Subscriptions - Remitted by Branches	2012.42
553	- Direct Members	395.88
2967	Grant from H.M.A.	4000.00
-	Commission	95.62
37	Interest	42.09
282	Journal Income - Advertising	375.15
230	- Subscriptions	350.83
-	Donations	754.20
-	Branch Balances remitted to National Secretary	1121.27
-	Seminar profit	180.00
	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>9327.46</u>
6051	Less	
	Administration fee	2607.64
2500	Audit Fee	100.00
137	Conference Expenses - Accommodation	395.92
424	- Travel	500.48
362	- Hall Hire & Sundry	73.00
52	Executive Meetings - Accommodation	221.75
254	- Travel	780.36
500	- Sundry	95.54
97	Insurances - Public Liability -- Members	112.38
241	Journal - Printing	450.31
350	- Editor's Honorarium	481.25
385	- Sundry	344.76
318	Legal Expenses	205.00
50	Nectar Source Bulletins written off 1972	-
123	Postages and Tolls	602.04
430	President's Honorarium	120.00
120	Printing and Stationery	498.93
1137	Travel Expenses - other meetings	83.80
201	Sundry	32.04
18	Depreciation	80.52
11		
		<u>7785.72</u>
7710		
	Net Deficit 1972/Net Surplus 1973	1541.74
1659		



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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH APRIL

1973

<u>1972</u>	<u>Accumulated Funds</u>	
4418	These totalled at 1/5/72	2755.27
250	Plus <u>Travel Bursary Fund</u>	250.00
433	Library Fund	433.01
157	Seminar Fund	157.23
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258	Less decrease in Branch Balances '72	3595.51
4	Branch balances written off '73	1719.80
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5254		1875.71
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1659	Less surplus of expenditure over income 1972	
	Plus surplus of Income over expenditure 1973	1541.74
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3595		3417.45 *
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	* (Includes Travel Bursary Fund 250.00 Library Fund 433.01 Seminar Fund 337.23)	
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	1020.24	
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	These are represented by:	
371	Bank of New South Wales	1901.67
280	P.O.S.B. Timaru	288.41
710	Sundry Debtors	797.96
410	Subscriptions in arrears	129.20
233	Deposit with N.A.C.	556.90
50	Advance To South Western Districts Branch	-
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2054		3674.14
450	Less Sundry Creditors	447.69
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1604	<u>Net Current Funds available</u>	3226.45
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Other assets are		
170	Library and Blocks	100.00
101	Filing Cabinets and plates at cost	91.00
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	Branch balances excluding Central and Southern Hawkes Bay and Nelson, Canterbury and Otago	191.00
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595		3417.45

To the Members of the National Beekeepers' Association of New Zealand (Incorporated)

I have examined the books and accounts of the Association for the year ended 30 April 1973. I have obtained all the information and explanations as required by me. In my opinion proper books of account have been kept. In my opinion the above Balance Sheet and attached Income and Expenditure Account have been drawn up so as to show a true and fair view of the affairs of the Association.

Lower Hutt, 27th June 1973.

N. Ryder-Lewis
Chartered Accountant

NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF N.Z. (INC.).

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD AT 2.00 P.M. ON MONDAY THE 9TH JULY 1973 IN THE LOUNGE OF THE HOTEL NELSON, NELSON.

PRESENT: Mr. I.J. Dickinson, President (In the Chair);
Messrs. J.K. Bray, M.D. Cloake, M.D. Haines, D.F. Penrose, E. Whalley.
In attendance: E.R. Neal, General Secretary.
N.S. Stanton Editor of the "N.Z. Beekeeper".

WELCOME: Mr. Dickinson welcomed members of the executive and said it was the last meeting of the present Executive. If at all possible he did not want the executive to have to meet in the evenings but he thought that the meeting should continue until approximately 6.00 p.m. on the Monday and 6.00 p.m. on the Tuesday. He did not want a repeat of the situation which had obtained at Kaitaia.

MR. HOLT: The Secretary asked for leave to bring up an urgent matter concerning Mr. Holt. He reported that Mr. Holt had rung him about the proposed meeting in Nelson of packer members of the N.B.A. and wondered whether he would be allowed to attend.

It was thought that the matter could be dealt with when the time of the meeting was established.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 12th 13th and 14th MARCH 1973: On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on March 12th, 13th and 14th as previously circulated be taken as read and confirmed as being a true and correct record of proceedings.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 1ST MAY 1973: On the motion of Mr. Cloake seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st May 1973 as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed as being a true and correct record.

CORRESPONDENCE: 1) A letter had been received from Mr. R. Blair complaining that a letter he had written to the General Secretary had been published as if it were a letter to the Editor of the N.Z. Beekeeper. It was agreed that the Secretary write to Mr. Blair apologising for the publication of his letter in the journal. Insofar as Mr. Blair's letter was concerned on the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that the Secretary reply to Mr. Blair's letter of the 12th April 1973 advising that it was the endeavour of executive to co-operate with all interested parties.

2) A letter from Southland Branch dated the 5th May 1973. On the motion of Mr. Cloake seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that this letter lie on the table.

3) (In Committee.)

4) Waikato: On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that Waikato Branch's letters of the 6th and 23rd June 1973 be received and the Secretary's letter of the 15th June be endorsed.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that Executive take no action with regard to the alleged cases of profiteering and that the Waikato Branch be informed that complaints should originate from the Consumer to enable them to be actioned by Government Agencies.

RATE
CORRESPONDENCE: The Secretary tabled a letter from Mr. Barclay, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries dated the 6th July 1973. On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that this letter lie on the table.

Letter from Waikato Branch dated 5th July 1973, regarding thanks to the Honourable D.J. Carter and also a suggestion to the Honey Marketing Authority.

On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that this letter be received.

WAIKATO PRES- This had been received by the Secretary and was noted by executive.
IDENT'S REPORT:

CONFERENCE It was agreed that 100 copies each be run off of the following :-
REPORTS: Mr. T. Pearsons' report; Mr. T. Palmer-Jones' report; N.B.A. President's report.

FINANCE: The Secretary spoke to the Income and Expenditure account and the balance sheet in detail.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Dickinson it was resolved that executive move an amendment to remit 11 when it was presented that all subscriptions be trebled as from the 1st May 1974.

"BEEKEEPING On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved
IN NEW that the President and General Secretary take up with Messrs. Watt
ZEALAND": and Smaellie at the Conference the question of the late publication of the new edition of the publication "Beekeeping in New Zealand" with a view to getting some urgency in the matter.

On the motion of Mr. Cloake seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that the Secretary check up with the Director General of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries re the late publication of the new edition of the publication "Beekeeping in New Zealand".

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6.15 p.m. on Monday the 9th of July until 9.15 a.m. on Tuesday 10th July 1973.

RESUMPTION: The meeting resumed at 9.15 a.m. on the 10th July 1973.

PRESIDENT'S Mr. Dickinson then read the draft of the President's report.
REPORT:

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Dickinson it was resolved that circulation of copies of the President's report be withheld until after the report was finished being read.

COMB HONEY It was agreed that members of the Comb Honey Producers' Association
PRODUCERS' be invited to visit the meeting at 4.00 p.m. that day.
ASSOCIATION:

On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that the Secretary's letter of 22nd June 1973 be endorsed.

HONEY MARKETING It was agreed that this lie on the table.
AUTHORITY SHARE
HOLDING:

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL: The Secretary tabled a reply from Rotary International dated the 27th June 1973 which was in reply to his letter of 18th June 1973.

This advised branches of the N.B.A. to contact their nearest Rotary Club for assistance. It was agreed that this letter be referred to Mr. Stanton the Editor for publication. It was agreed also that Mr. Stanton liaise with the President re other bursaries.

EDITOR'S HONORARIUM: In the absence of the Editor on temporary Association business the Editor's Honorarium was discussed.

On the motion of Mr. Whalley seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that the Editor's honorarium be increased to \$600 per annum, effective immediately and subject to review annually.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the decision to implement the Editor's salary be referred to the H.M.A. for assistance.

NEW ZEALAND HONEY PACKERS ASSOCIATION: The question of whether there would be a report to conference was discussed. On information received there appears that there will be no report anyway. No further action.

On the motion of Mr. Cloake, seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the wording "Packers Association Report" on the Conference Agenda be struck.

AWARD WAGES FOR BEEKEEPERS' STAFF: Mr. Cloake said there was a dearth of information on how much Beekeepers should pay their staff. There were difficulties in respect of:
1) Wages and ;
2) Conditions.

On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the General Secretary ascertain from a sample of Beekeepers throughout New Zealand the levels of wages paid to staff with a view to supplying this information to members on request. It was also agreed that Mr. Stanton endeavour to run an article on wages in the Journal.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: On the motion of Mr. Whalley seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that executive commend the President for his excellent report and adopt the same.

ADVERTISING IN "BEECRAFT": Mr. Cloake raised the question of advertising in "Beecraft" for applicants to subscribe to the "N.Z. Beekeeper". Mr. Stanton was able to assure executive that mention of the "Beekeeper" was made in the "Beecraft" on an exchange basis.

BEEES FOR NEW GUINEA: Mr. Dawson had raised the question of Bees for New Guinea. Mr. Dickinson reported that he had replied to Mr. Dawson.
On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that executive grant time to Mr. Chris Dawson to speak at Conference re the New Guinea project.

STATE ADVANCES LOANS: Mr. Cloake said he was not convinced that all State Advances Offices knew of all cases being treated on merits in spite of the fact that the General Secretary had received a letter from the Head Office of State Advances to this effect. It was agreed that the Secretary write to the General Manager of the State Advances saying that the Christchurch Branch of the State Advances Corporation was not aware of the Head Office ruling and also to point out that hives were not accepted as collateral security, and in addition it would appear that the experience of the operator was not taken into account.

The Secretary was further to point out the Industry was being hindered by a lack of finance. It was thought that the Secretary should write the letter and then take it with him to State Advances Corporation for discussion. Another point to be mentioned was the

residual value in bees wax and equipment in the event of a failure of a beekeeping enterprise.

**PRESIDENT'S
REPRESENTA-
TIONS AND
SUBMISSIONS:**

The President reported that during the year submissions had been made on the following :-

- 1) Noxious Weeds
- 2) Visits to the Minister - Mr. Dickinson in this respect read an outwards letter to the Minister dated the 22nd June 1973.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that the actions of the President in providing the information in 1) and 2) be endorsed.

**RESTRICTED
ZONE:**

Mr. Dickinson reported that Mr. Forsyth was still the representative of the N.B.A. on the Restricted Zone Committee. He felt that Mr. Forsyth should report from time to time.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that Mr. Forsyth be asked to submit annual reports to the N.B.A. executive on the transactions of the Restricted Zone Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Haines seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that a recent press association release in the Waikato Times be referred to Mr. Forsyth for comment.

**ADVERTISING
AT CONFERENCE:**

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Dickinson it was resolved that notices at Conference include reference to John Noonan Plastics and time and space be allowed to him at afternoon tea time on Thursday 12th July 1973.

**TAX
INCENTIVES:**

Mr. Bray reported that he would write to the General Secretary in detail on this.

On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that after having received Mr. Bray's report that the General Secretary write to the Minister of Finance protesting at the removal of tax incentives.

**REPRESENTATIVE
TO MEET MR.
BARCLAY AT
AIRPORT:**

On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that Mr. Penrose as Vice-President meet Mr. Barclay at the airport on Thursday the 12th of July 1973.

**HONEY MARKET-
ING AUTHORITY:**

At 2.00 p.m. members of the Honey Marketing Authority attended the meeting. Mr. Poole spoke to the matter of the levy and said that he thought that this should be governed by the wishes of the 1972 Conference. Mr. Dickinson thanked Mr. Poole for the co-operation of the Honey Marketing Authority throughout the year. Mr. Dickinson also mentioned the financial situation of the N.B.A. which was far from rosy but assured members of the Honey Marketing Authority Board that this matter would be well aired at Conference.

**CORRESPONDENCE
TO JOURNAL:**

Some discussion took place on whether correspondence to the Journal criticising person or persons should be referred to those people when they were criticised. It was pointed out that the Editor must enjoy some professional independence in situations such as these and that neither the N.B.A. nor the H.M.A. should not be able to direct him.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that the Executive recommend to the Editor that the Editor refer letters where applicable to third parties for comment.

**JOURNAL
ERRORS:**

The Editor reported that he had obtained alternative quotes for printing of the Journal and that they were well in excess of the expenses with the present Printer. He thought under these circumstances the Association should continue to take advantage of the low price of the present Printer and bear with the errors which

occurred. Mr. Penrose thought that one criticism of the Journal could be that there was a lack of blocks in recent issues.

**CANADIAN
TOUR:**

Mr. Haines reported on a projected Canadian tour which would cost approximately \$1100 for a three-week tour with two weeks of this actually being in Canada.

On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that Mr. Haines be allotted time at Conference to explain the tour to members.

DEPARTMENTAL: Mr. Smaellie attended the meeting and apologized for the absence of Mr. Watt. Subjects covered were:

- 1) "Beekeeping in New Zealand". Mr. Smaellie agreed that there had been delays but said that there were difficulties and the back-log of work of the Government Printer was one of these. His recommendation was that the Association contact the Director General of the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries in this respect.
- 2) Apiary Instructors: Mr. Smaellie reported
 - a) That the Department had appointed a Mr. Bryant on the 5th June 1973. On the 27th June 1973 he had taken up duties at Mt. Crawford.
 - b) The vacancy at Auckland would be filled.
 - c) Hastings: It was envisaged that there would be two Instructors stationed at Palmerston North to cover the area encompassing Hawera, Hastings etc.
- 3) Penalties in the Apiaries Act: Mr. Smaellie thought that the Association should write to the Ministry in an endeavour to get the Act amended.
 - d) Tonga Mites: Mr. Smaellie reported that this was under action.
 - e) Wasp Baits: Mr. Smaellie reported that research was still being carried out in Nelson.
 - f) Mr. Smaellie reported that in February 1973 there had been a case of Toxic Honey poisoning.
 - g) Mr. Smaellie reported that Honey Export Regulations were being amended.

METRICATION: On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that it be a recommendation from Executive that the incoming executive set up a sub committee to liaise with the Ministry, Manufacturers and other interested parties on Metrication.

**COMB HONEY
ASSOCIATION:** At 4.10 p.m. Mrs. Wright, Mr. Bellin and Mr. Blair attended. Mr. Dickinson asked that the Comb Honey Association put forward a case for exclusion from the levy so it could be discussed by executive. It was agreed that the President attend a meeting of the Comb Honey Association.

**RESIGNATION OF
GENERAL
SECRETARY:** The President reported a resignation from the General Secretary dated the 9th July 1973 giving three months' notice. In speaking to this the Secretary said there were two reasons for his resignation - 1) the low level of fees paid to his Practice; and secondly the frustration that he had experienced with the lack of progress that the Association was making.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that executive accept Mr. Neal's resignation with regret and thank him for the time and effort put in for the benefit of the Association.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Bray it was resolved that the General Secretary draft an advertisement inviting applications for the position of General Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS COST OF PRODUCTION SURVEY: Mr. Penrose reported that in his opinion a cost of production survey based on data from individual beekeepers would be very time consuming and possibly not accurate because figures supplied would have been produced for varying reasons.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that it be a recommendation to the incoming executive to give serious consideration to the immediate implementation of a cost price index for the Honey Industry

H.M.A. SHARE-HOLDING: On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that this matter be uplifted from the table.

On the motion of Mr. Bray seconded Mr. Whalley it was resolved that it be a recommendation to the incoming executive that they investigate the ownership of Honey Marketing Authority funds comparing the set up with the Apple & Pear Board capital structure.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: The Secretary tabled a list of accounts paid since the last meeting but not since authorised. On the motion of Mr. Haines seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the Secretary's list of accounts be received and that the accounts paid since last meeting according to the list now be ratified.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Mr. Dickinson said before bringing the meeting to a close he would like to thank members for their assistance and co-operation during the year. It had been a pleasure to work with members of the executive. He trusted that members had been able to get their own messages across to members, but an out-and-out effort was needed by everyone to have recommendations adopted expeditiously.

VOTE OF THANKS: Mr. Penrose said he would like to propose a vote of thanks to Mr. Dickinson for his year in the chair and this was carried by acclamation.

CLOSURE: There being no further business the meeting terminated at 6.30 pm.

J. Dickinson
10/9/73

THE NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF N.Z. (INC.)

ACCOUNTS PAID BUT NOT YET AUTHORISED.

		\$	\$
Cash	Executive Sundry 12.3.73	40.00	
	I.J.Dickinson (Cash contra)	<u>10.00</u>	50.00
Cash	Executive Sundry 13.3.73		40.00
Nirvana Motel	Executive Accommodation		64.00
Dalgety & Co.	Bulk Air		400.00
Neal & Brydon	Fees	217.08	
	Postages	8.34	
	Exe.Sundry	2.97	
	Sundry-Bank chgs.o/seas	10	
	Ptg. Sty.	<u>60</u>	229.09
Woodward T.&D.	Ptg. Sty.		6.00
Neal & Brydon	Sundry - Stop Watch		26.55
Registrar of			
Incorp.Societies	Sundry		2.00
Sweet & Maxwell	" Jaske procedure		4.10
Boughtwood Ptg.			
House	Jnl.Ptg.	260.00	
	" Other	<u>53.20</u>	313.20
Neal & Brydon	Fee	217.08	
	Postages	10.17	
	Ptg. Sty.	11.45	
	Bank chgs - o/seas	<u>.22</u>	238.92
Dalgety & Co.	Bulk Air		400.00
N.Z. Insurance Co.	Insurance - 4419801		119.88
Armstrong & Springhall	Ptg. Sty.		4.49
Woodward T.&D.	Ptg. Sty.		73.25
E.J. Whalley	Exec.Travel - May		9.55
Russley Hotel	Exec.Accommodation - Haines	29.90	
	Whalley	<u>18.00</u>	47.90
Boughtwood Ptg.			
House	Journal Other		32.00
Armstrong & Springhall	Ptg. Sty.		1.67
Druids Club	Exec.Sundry - Rent March		15.00
Neal & Brydon	Fee	217.08	
	Postages	16.29	
	Ptg. Sty.	.69	
	Stamp Duty o/seas	.08	
	Tolls & Telegrams	<u>5.73</u>	239.87
I.J.Dickinson	Tolls	92.90	
	Ptg. & Sty.	2.55	
	Exec.Mtg.Travel May	29.40	
	" " Sundry May	<u>1.50</u>	126.35
Woodward T.&D.	Ptg. Sty.	38.50	
	Jnl. Other	<u>1.25</u>	39.75
Neal & Brydon	Fee	217.08	
	Postage	21.27	
	I.J.D.Trav.Exp.other meetings	1.99	
	Stamp Duty o/seas.	.04	
	Conference Travel E.R.Neal	18.90	259.28
Ace Caterers Ltd.	Exec.Sundry		19.00
N.S.Stanton	Ed. Han.	96.25	
	Mag. Other	<u>74.07</u>	170.32
Photo Eng.Ltd.	" "		6.76
A. & Springhall	Ptg. & Sty.		8.40
A.Gyles & Sons	" "		29.40
E.J.Whalley	Conference Travel		26.46
N.Ryder-Lewis	Audit Fee	110.00	
	Postage	<u>1.42</u>	111.42
Woodward T.&D.	Ptg. & Sty.		119.25

M.H./M.C. CARRIED.

3) IN COMMITTEE: A letter from Mr. Guyton dated the 25th May 1973. Mr. Guyton had written a letter complaining about remarks made by a shop assistant of Wrightson NMA Lambton Quay, Wellington in respect of Feilds Honey being the only honey without additives of icing sugar etc.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the names and addresses be blanked out from Mr. Guyton's letter and a copy of his letter then sent to Feilds Honey for comment and a further copy to Wrightson NMA advising that if indeed these facts were correct as reported they were a completely inaccurate claim, and that it be pointed out to the parties that under the Pure Foods Act no additives are allowed in honey.

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THE NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF N.Z. (INC.)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD AT 2.15 P.M. ON
FRIDAY THE 13TH JULY 1973 IN THE LOUNGE OF THE HOTEL NELSON,
NELSON.

PRESENT: Mr. I.J. Dickinson, President (In the chair); Messrs. M.D. Cloake
J. De.Wit, M.D. Haines, J.D. Lorimer, D. Penrose

In attendance: E.R. Neal, Association Secretary.
N.S. Stanton Editor of the "N.Z. Beekeeper".

WELCOME: The President welcomed Messrs. De Wit and Lorimer duly elected members
to the Executive and congratulated them upon being elected.

**CONGRATU-
LATIONS:** The President also congratulated those members of the previous
executive who had been re-elected. He said to all members that he
looked forward to working with them. It was very important that
they all keep in mind that the Industry in his opinion was on the
verge of a marked forward movement.

CONFERENCE: Mr. T. Palmer Jones. The President traversed the circumstances
leading up to the non-inclusion of Mr. T. Palmer Jones' speaking
to his report on the Wallaceville Research Station.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved
that the President write to Mr. Palmer-Jones expressing regret at
the omission and assuring Mr. Palmer-Jones that executive look
forward to seeing him at the next Conference and giving him adequate
time to speak to the members.

REMIT 6: Remit 6 from Otago. [This Branch is alarmed at the intention for
voting to be based on hive holdings and requests that the Conference
institute a system of "one man one vote". Note: Our Forefathers
fought for the Democratic principle of "one man, one vote" and we
feel that under the proposed system there is a danger of domination
of the Industry by a few large Beekeepers.]

It was not dealt with by Conference 1973. It was agreed that this
be carried forward to Conference 1974.

**NOTICE OF
MOTION RE
HONEY
MARKETING
AUTHORITY:** Conference had passed a notice of motion that the incoming executive
meet urgently with the members of the Honey Marketing Authority Board
without delay regarding the restricted payout. It was agreed that
the Executive meet with the H.M.A. members at 3.00 p.m. on Friday the
13th July 1973 in the Lounge of the Hotel Nelson.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved
that Mr. Heinemann's draft letter be considered after the Executive
had met with the Board members of the H.M.A. on the 13th July 1973.

**GENERAL
SECRETARY:** There was some discussion regarding possible re-negotiations with
Mr. Neal regarding the General Secretary's position from which he
had recently resigned, with a view to him continuing with his
Secretaryship. Mr. Neal had explained that his Practice had only
time to sell and he would like to see a regular review of the salary
with a firm relation between the level of the Secretarial salary and
the quantum of work. In answer to a question he said that if the
work diminished significantly of course, the fee would go down just
the same as if the work increased significantly he would expect the
fee to go up. He said he was prepared to make available to members
of the executive, year by year, time records from his Practice.

On the motion of Mr. Dickinson, seconded Mr. Cloake, it was
resolved that an offer be made to Mr. E.R. Neal to continue with
the General Secretaryship and he be offered an increase in fee to
\$4,800 effective 1st July 1973. As at this stage Mr. Neal had
withdrawn to catch a plane back to Wellington, and a further resolution
was passed concerning the appointment of a new Secretary.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. De Wit it was resolved that in the event of the General Secretary's position not being accepted by Mr. Neal, that the Secretary draft an advertisement to be placed in the Wellington papers in the ensuing week and failing response from that advertisement that the same advertisement be placed in the Christchurch paper as well as the Wellington papers, this advertisement to invite applications for the position of General Secretary.

MEETING WITH BOARD MEMBERS OF THE HONEY MARKETING AUTHORITY: At 3.00 p.m. the meeting adjourned so that members of the Executive could meet representatives of the Honey Marketing Authority to discuss proposals for a joint submission to the Minister on the restricted payout. At 3.45 p.m. the meeting resumed.

CLOSURE: There being no further business the meeting concluded at 4.00 p.m.

J. P. Dickenson
10/9/73

NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF N.Z. (INC.)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD AT 10.50 A.M. ON MONDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 1973 IN THE DRUIDS CLUB ROOMS 4TH FLOOR, DRUIDS CHAMBERS, CNR. WOODWARD STREET AND LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON 1 AND CONTINUING THROUGH TUESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 1973 AND WEDNESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 1973.

PRESENT:

Mr. I.J. Dickinson, President (In the Chair);
Messrs. M.D. Cloake, J. De Wit, M.D. Haines, J.D. Lorimer
D.F. Penrose.

In attendance; E.R. Neal, Association Secretary
N.S. Stanton, Editor of "N.Z. Beekeeper".

WELCOME:

The President welcomed members of the executive and said that this would be an important meeting. He hoped members would keep discussion to the point so that matters could be dealt with expeditiously.

MEETING WITH THE
PARLIAMENTARY UNDER
SECRETARY FOR AGRICULTURE RE LIMITED
PAY OUT FROM THE
H.M.A.:

The President explained that Messrs. R.F. Poole and B.W. Forsyth were arriving in Wellington on Wednesday the 12th. These gentlemen from the H.M.A. plus representatives of the executive would be waiting upon Mr. B. Barclay.

MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD ON 9TH AND
10TH JULY 1973:

On the motion of Mr. Penrose, seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th and 10th July 1973 as previously circulated be taken as read and confirmed as being a true and correct record of proceedings.

MINUTES OF MEETING
ON 13TH JULY 1973:

On the motion of Mr. Haines, seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th July 1973 as previously circulated be taken as read and confirmed as being a true and correct record of the proceedings.

INWARDS
CORRESPONDENCE:

The President referred to correspondence as follows:

- (a) N.Z. Comb Honey Association dated 5th August 1973.
- (b) Department of Statistics dated 8th August 1973.
- (c) South Western Districts Branch dated 7th September 1973
- (d) Mr. Forsyth re Restricted Zone.
- (e) Waikato Branch dated 11th August 1973

Waikato 11.8.73:

Markups: Mr. Lorimer undertook to explain to the Branch that complaints about markups would have to come from the Consumer and be laid with the Department of Trade and Industry.

Conference Publicity: This would be dealt with later in the Agenda.

Wasp Bait: This would be dealt with later under "General".

Producer Levies: Mr. Lorimer undertook to advise the Waikato Branch on this matter.

Dairy Industry: Mr. Lorimer undertook to advise Waikato Branch on this matter.

(f) Waikato Branch dated 15th August 1973

(g) Waikato Branch dated 25th August 1973

RESTRICTED ZONE:

On the motion of Mr. Cloake, seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that the Secretary acknowledge Mr. Forsyth's letter of 13th August, 1973 and thank him on behalf of the executive for his assistance in this matter.

IN COMMITTEE BUSINESS: On the motion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the executive go "Into committee".
On the motion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that the executive come out of committee and confirm the business done therein.

"BEEKEEPING IN
NEW ZEALAND:"

A letter from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries regarding Bulletin No.267 "Beekeeping in New Zealand" was tabled. On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Dickinson it was resolved that the Secretary write thanking Mr Donovan for his letter of 6th August 1973 and requesting him to advise when he estimated that the printing and publication of Bulletin 267 "Beekeeping in New Zealand" would take place.

FOOD HYGIENE
REGULATIONS:

A letter dated the 1st August 1973 had been received from the Department of Health regarding Draft Food Hygiene regulations. On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that two members of the executive visit the Health Department as suggested in this letter.

Mr Penrose nominated and Mr Lorimer seconded J. De Wit as a representative and J. De Wit nominated and Mr Lorimer seconded Mr Cloake as a second representative.

HONEY MEAD:

A letter had been received from the Minister of Justice Dr Martin Findlay, suggesting that the whole question of Honey Mead be reopened when a licensing commission was sitting. It was agreed that the commission presently sitting was the one Dr Findlay must have been referring to.

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that an approach be made by Mr De Wit and Mr Haines to the Justice Department to ascertain the present position with reference to the Minister's letter of 3rd April 1973.

REPRESENTATIONS BY MR
J. DALE OF SAWYERS BAY
OTAGO ON BEHALF OF THE
BRANCH OF THE N.B.A.:

A letter had been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries dated 8th August 1973 advising that representations from Mr Dale had been made on behalf of the Otago Branch of the N.B.A. Mr Dale apparently, in his letter to the Ministry, expressed concern that the rules were based on undemocratic principles in that the number of votes exercisable were determined according to the size of hive holdings rather than one vote per person. The Association's comments were requested. After consultation with the President, the Secretary had written to the Ministry pointing out that the hive holdings basis and the Delegates' voting procedure had issued from the wishes of conference in 1972 as well as 1973. Mr Dickinson spoke to the matter in hand and said that Otago Branch had dis-associated themselves from Mr Dale's representations and had advised the Ministry accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Lorimer, seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that a circular be sent to all Branch Presidents and Secretaries drawing attention again to the fact that all policy matters relating to the Beekeeping Industry be referred through channels, i.e. first to the Branch and secondly to the executive and that the executive be allowed to function properly as the mouth piece of the Industry.

DEPARTMENT OF
STATISTICS:

The President reported that he had received a letter from Mr Lewin head of the Department of Statistics. It was agreed that this letter be received.

METRICATION:

The Secretary reported that he had urgent calls from two officers of the Metrication Board inquiring how much progress had been made by the Association.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 12.45 p.m. the meeting adjourned for lunch.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 2.00 p.m.

NATIONAL DEPOTS OF THE
H.M.A.:

Representations had been received from both Waikato Branch and Bay of Plenty Branch regarding the setting up of a Depot in the Waikato. The Bay of Plenty Branch had specifically mentioned Matamata.

On the motion of Mr. Lorimer seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that executive request the H.M.A. to consider firstly, the establishment of a National Depot to service producers in the Waikato and Bay of Plenty regions. Or two, that the H.M.A. pay all freight charges over 25 miles from a producers' extractors premises.

STATE ADVANCES
LOANS:

The Secretary reported that while he had drafted a letter in terms of the item on page 3 of the minutes of the 9th and 10th July 1973, he had not had an opportunity of taking the letter to the State Advances. It was agreed that the Secretary make an appointment as early as possible. The Secretary read his letter to the meeting.

SURVEY OF WAGES FOR
BEEKEEPERS:

The Secretary referred to page 3 of the minutes of the 9th and 10th July 1973 and said that he had not as yet undertaken the survey and asked for assistance in determining the size of the sample. It was agreed that a sample of 100 be taken, taking the largest subscriptions received by the Association. The Secretary was to explain to members what the purpose of the questionnaire was, that it would be kept confidential to the secretary and that it would be a guide to any member upon request.

Specific items required would be: Hourly rate paid, overtime rate paid, provision for bonuses, length of working week i.e. 5 day, 6 day or 7 day, fringe benefits conferred, accommodation provided or not with the cost thereof, and then a base would be prepared from the results of the initial survey.

The Secretary was also to determine the incidence of the overtime tax incentive.

TAX INCENTIVE:

The Secretary reported that he had received a draft letter from Mr. Bray, but had not yet written to the Minister of Finance. It was agreed that the Secretary attend to this as soon as possible.

PROCEDURE AT
CONFERENCE:
1973:

Mr. Dickinson said that he thought it would be worthwhile reviewing the procedure at Conference. Points covered were:

- (1) Mr. Cloake wondered about the layout of Delegates and mentioned the advantage of having the Delegates grouped. A draft plan was handed to the President for collation with other notes on the conduct and procedure of conferences.
- (2) Mr. Penrose made up a check list and a list of guidelines for Branches holding conferences.
- (3) It was agreed that it was essential for a member of the executive to visit the conference branch well in advance of the event.
- (4) It was agreed that it was very necessary to have a publicity officer who could feed information from the President to the news media.
- (5) Waikato had thought that votes polled should be recorded on a blackboard.
- (6) Mr. Haines thought that there could be more than one blackboard to save reversing a single board.
- (7) It was essential that the conference Branch have duplicating and typing services alerted that work would be needed as soon as the executive arrived.

INTERRUPTION AT
THIS STAGE:

Mr. Stanton reported after having visited Mr. Brown of the Metrication Board. Mr. Stanton thought that nothing could be done until the Weights and Measures Division have given an authority to change.

On the motion of Mr. Lorimer, seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the Secretary write to Messrs. Winstone Limited asking

- (1) The practicability of changing carton sizes, or any alternatives they might have in mind.
- (2) What the estimated cost would be to the Beekeeping Industry.

PRODUCER LEVY:

Copies of the proposed draft new regulations had been issued to the extent of only 3 copies. One for Mr. Dickinson as President and one for Mr. Penrose as vice-president and one for the Secretary. Mr. Dickinson read the provisions to the executive and commented as he went. It appeared that there were three points at issue:

- (1) The inclusion or exclusion of the Comb Honey Association
- (2) The right of entry of H.M.A. inspectors to inspect books and;
- (3) What was covered by the H.M.A. administration costs for the Honey Levy account.

It was agreed that these points be taken up with Mr. E.W. Lee of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

MR. PALMER-JONES:

It was agreed that the Secretary ask Mr. Palmer-Jones to attend the meeting if he was able at 3.00 p.m. or 3.30 p.m. on Tuesday the 11th September 1973.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6.27 p.m.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 9.07 a.m. on Tuesday.

FEDERATED FARMERS:

Mr. Dickinson said that he had, in company with Mr. Penrose met Mr. Dunlop Chairman of Federated Farmers the previous evening. Mr. Dunlop had said that the Federated Farmers needed the N.B.A. to exercise their seat on committee.

NATIVE BUSH:

Mr. Lorimer said he wanted to acquaint executive regarding a Bay of Plenty Branch problem where there was desecration of native bush and planting of pine. In the Bay of Plenty there was an action committee who had talked with Mr. Moyle the Minister of Agriculture. The action committee were concerned as well about the consequent erosion. There seemed to be some parallel with the South Island Beech problem and more specifically it could affect the livelihood of the Bay of Plenty members.

On the motion of Mr. Lorimer, seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that a letter be sent to the Minister of Forestry, plus the Forest Service plus Mr. Barclay Parliamentary Under Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture expressing concern at the felling of native bush in the Bay of Plenty area which seriously would affect the livelihood of members. This felling being of the species, Tawari, Kamahi, Rewarewa and Five Finger. Since there were no alternative nectar sources in the immediate area, and with a copy of a letter to the Bay of Plenty Branch asking them to keep Mr. Lorimer informed.

RESTRICTED PAYOUT:

There was a long discussion concerning this and points to be made to the Minister were discussed.

PROPOSED NEW REGULATIONS:

At 11.45 a.m. Mr. Lee from the Ministry attended. After a long discussion on the proposed regulations, it was agreed that two members of the N.B.A. go to the October H.M.A. meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 12.55 p.m. and resumed at 1.50 p.m.

RULES:

On the motion of Mr. Dickinson, seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that it be an executive remit for the 1974 conference that Rule 28 (ee) be altered by adding "or by proxy" after the word "present" and by altering rule 18 (b) by adding after "annual meeting" the words "by financial members present at the Annual General Meeting".

NORTH ISLAND SEMINAR:

Mr. Haines said that a North Island Seminar should be coming up shortly.

On the motion of Mr. Haines seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the secretary write to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries saying that the Association would like the Ministry to mount a North Island Seminar in May or August 1974 and asking if the Ministry has any plans in mind and offering the assistance of the N.B.A.

"IN COMMITTEE"
BUSINESS:

On the motion of Mr. Dickinson, seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the executive go "Into committee".

OUT OF COMMITTEE:

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the executive come "out of committee" and confirm the business done therein.

CURRENT PRICES
IN THE "N.Z.
BEEKEEPER".

The Editor drew attention to the publication of average prices for honey in Australian Journals. He said that he could run articles on this type of subject and Executive agreed to this suggestion.

DEPARTMENTAL:

At 3.00 p.m. Mr. T. Palmer-Jones attended the executive meeting and spoke to his paper which had been circulated at Conference.

It was recorded that Mr. Palmer-Jones, because of pressure of business at Conference had not been allowed time to speak and discuss his paper with members attending conference.

"N.Z. BEEKEEPER":

The Secretary tabled a letter from Gleanings saying how much they appreciated the scientific articles in the "N.Z. Beekeeper".

Mr. Stanton said he would do everything to carry out a canvass for advertising.

REMITTS:

Remit No.1: to be actioned by the Secretary.

Remit No.2: to be actioned by the Secretary.

On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the secretary implement Remits 1 and 2 and register the rules with the Registrar.

Remit No.6: Carried forward to 1974. ✓

Remit No.12: On the motion of Mr. Cloake seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the contents of the remit be communicated to Mr. Barclay.

Remit No.15: On the motion of Mr. Haines, seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the contents of the remit be referred to the H.M.A.

Remits 24 and 26: On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the contents of these remits be referred to the H.M.A.

Remits 14, 16, 17, 20, 24, 27, 29: On the motion of Mr. Haines seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the Secretary's action in writing to the appropriate people be confirmed.

Remits 36, 38, 39: On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. De Wit it was resolved that the contents of these remits be communicated to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Remit 37: On the motion of Mr. Lorimer seconded Mr. Penrose it was resolved that the Secretary write to the D.S.I.R. referring them to a cutting ex the New Zealand Herald re fish bait and asking what the latest developments were.

Remit 40: On the motion of Mr. Cloake seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that the contents of the remit be communicated to the Wallaceville Department of the Ministry.

Remit 41: On the motion of Mr. De Wit seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the contents of the remit be communicated to Mr. Barclay.

Remit 43: On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that the contents of the remit be communicated to the Department of Forestry, the Ministry of Works, the Ministry of Environment and the Lands and Survey Department, together with the booklet on trees.

Remit 44: This was under action.

Remit 45: This was under action.

Remit 46: This was under action.

Remit 47: On the motion of Mr. Penrose, seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that the manufacturer be written to saying that there had been a remit at conference and a lot of dissatisfaction at

Conference with manufacturers in some specific instances where the manufacturers were not holding adequate stock and there had been specific instances with Mr. Heinneman of Milburn, South Otago, Mr. Haines of Kaitaia and Mr. Marsh of Central Otago, having up to six weeks delay in delivery or no date of the order being fulfilled. There was also the question of acid holes due perhaps to the flux from solder and also the N.B.A. would like an assurance that the manufacturers were using lead free solder. In addition, the producers would prefer lids on tins.

CONFERENCE 1974:

On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the provisional dates for conference be the 17th, 18th and 19th July and failing these dates, if they were inconvenient, that the 24th, 25th and 26th July be fixed and that the South Western Branch be advised accordingly.

FINANCE:

The Secretary spoke to the financial situation of the Association and gave a forecast of how the Association would fare in the current financial year. It was agreed that the new rule stipulating dates for the payment of subscriptions be reiterated to members and that the 31st January 1974 be an absolute dead line before action was taken by the executive.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6.45 p.m.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 8.45 a.m. on Wednesday.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Secretary presented a statement of accounts paid and needing ratification. He also gave the state of the Association's bank balance.

On the motion of Mr. Cloake seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the Secretary's statement be received and the accounts previously paid now be ratified.

			\$	c.
M.D. Haines	Conf.Travel	69.48		
	Tolls	<u>3.00</u>	72.48	
N.S. Stanton	Conf.Travel		54.52	
D. Penrose	Conf.Travel	25.92		
	Tolls	<u>15.60</u>	41.52	
J. Bray	Conf.Travel		13.46	
E.J. Whalley	Conf.Travel	12.20		
	" Sundry	<u>2.80</u>	15.00	
A.Gyles & Sons	Ptg. Sty.		26.40	
Armstrong & Springhall:	Ptg. Sty.		1.12	
Hotel Nelson	Conf,Accommodation		495.14	
Boughtwood Ptg.House	Jnl.Ptg.	440.00		
	" Other	100.09		
	" "	<u>16.00</u>	556.09	
Stoke Secretarial:	Conf.Sundry		26.80	
Nelson Dup.Services	Conf.Sundry		14.70	
I.J.Dickinson	Other Mtgs.	12.50		
	Conf.Travel	58.20		
	Pres.Han.	<u>120.00</u>	190.70	
Photo Engravers	Mag.Other		26.97	
Woodward T&D Agency	Ptg. Sty.	25.25		
	Mag.Other	<u>10.53</u>	35.78	
Neal & Brydon	Fee	217.08		
	Postage	16.17		
	Stationery	2.75		
	"	60		
	Bank charges	12		
	Conf.Travel	4.55		
	" Sundry	<u>1.50</u>	242.77	

Neal & Brydon	Retro.Fee		182.92
N.Z.Insurance	Contra		4.00
" "	"		4.00
A. & Springhall	Ptg. Sty.		19.51
N.S. Stanton	Ed. Han.	150.00	
	Mag.Other	<u>39.04</u>	189.04
Photo Engravers	Mag.Other		56.92
Northland Branch	Northland Br.	30% Subs.	3.15
Auckland Branch	Auckland Br.	" "	10.20
Waikato Branch	Waikato Br.	" "	14.10
Bay of Plenty Branch	B/Plenty Br.	" "	1.80
S/W Districts Branch	S/W Dist.Br.	" "	16.20
H.B. Branch	H.B. Br.	" "	6.60
C/S H.B. Branch	C/S H.B. Br.	" "	60
Nelson Branch	Nelson Br.	" "	3.00
West Coast Branch	West Coast Br.	" "	24.60
Canterbury Branch	Canterbury Br.	" "	69.60
Sth.Canterbury Br.	Sth.Canty.Br.	" "	28.50
Otago Branch	Otago Br.	" "	7.80
Southland Branch	Southland Br.	" "	45.60
Neal & Brydon	Fee	400.00	
	Postage	<u>20.84</u>	420.84
J.A.McKay & Co.	Mag.Others		7.74
Scott,Hardie Boys rrison & Jefferies	Legal Exes.		12.00
Woodward T&D Agency	Pt. Sty.	158.63	
	Mag.Other	<u>17.15</u>	175.78
North Otago Branch	Nth.Otago Br.	30% Subs	2.40
A.Gyles & Sons	Ptg.Sty.		67.20
A. & Springhall Ltd.	Ptg.Sty.		8.95

REMIT 6:

It was agreed that this be handled at next conference. ✓

METRICATION OF
BEEKEEPING EQUIPMENT:

It was agreed that the Association wait until the Department called a meeting.

H.M.A. MEMBERS:

At 10.35 a.m. the Chairman of the Honey Marketing Authority, Mr. R.F. Poole and Mr. Forsyth were welcomed by Mr. Dickinson. Discussion took place regarding payout.

WITHDRAWAL OF
SECRETARY:

At 11.30 a.m. the Secretary was excused as he had to take up his duties as Returning Officer for the H.M.A. elections.

LETTER FROM SOUTH
WESTERN BRANCH:

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that because of the results of Remit 21 at Nelson Conference no further action be taken on the letter from South Western Districts in view of the similar principles expressed in their letter in Remit 21.

LANDS AND SURVEY
DEPARTMENT:

On the motion of Mr. De Wit seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that this matter lie on the table until the next meeting.

FEDERATED FARMERS:

On the motion of Mr. Penrose, seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that the seat on the Federated Farmers Committee be filled immediately by the N.B.A. National President or his deputy. Also, on the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. De Wit it was resolved that a letter be written to the Federated Farmers acknowledging their letter of 25th July 1973 re H.M.A. restricted payout, thanking them for their support and telling them that a member will be present at their next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 12.45 p.m. for lunch.

RESUMPTION:

In the afternoon, Messrs. Poole and Forsyth and Messrs. Dickinson and Penrose went to see the Minister re the restricted H.M.A. payout.

Mr. Lorimer and Mr. Cloake went to see the Health Department about food hygiene regulations.

Mr. De Wit and Mr. Haines went to see the Licensing Commission re honey mead.

HONEY MEAD:

Mr. Haines reported that submissions could be made to the Liquor Licensing Commission.

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Dickinson it was resolved that the Secretary acquaint the firms and persons who had made representations to the N.B.A. with respect to Honey Mead, of the Royal Commission on liquor and that the N.B.A. will offer all assistance possible. Names were Havill, Rangiora, Hughes and Cossar Auckland Noslen Wines of Nelson.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

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Mr. Cloake reported that he and Mr. Lorimer were happy with the draft Health Department regulations. The regulations in respect of ~~packing~~ plants had been clarified on minor points. The Health Department had been very co-operative and Mr. Cloake said the Association should generally feel satisfied.

COST OF
PRODUCTION
SURVEY:

Mr. Dickinson said this was not discussed with Mr. Barclay due to division bells ringing on several occasions. On the motion of Mr. Dickinson seconded Mr. Cloake it was resolved that the Secretary write to Mr. Barclay acknowledging receipt of his letters regarding cost of production surveys and asking what the first steps were in mounting cost of production surveys and thanking Mr. Barclay for his offer.

"IN COMMITTEE":

On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. De Wit it was resolved that the Executive go into committee.

"OUT OF COMMITTEE":

On the motion of Mr. Penrose, seconded Mr. Dickinson, it was resolved that the executive come "out of committee".

AGRICULTURAL
CHEMICAL BOARD
REPRESENTATIVE:

Some discussion took place on a successor to Mr. Pearson. On the motion of Mr. Penrose seconded Mr. Lorimer it was resolved that the Secretary approach three members to see if they would act.

CLOSURE:

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 4.30 p.m.

"IN COMMITTEE".

Mr. Lorimer outlined a recent case where a hunter in the Opotiki District had suffered from eating honey suspected of being contaminated with tutu.

On the motion of Mr. Pennock seconded Mr. Haines it was resolved that Mr. Watt of the Department of Agriculture be asked to release to the executive of the N.B. on a confidential basis details of the circumstances surrounding latest press reports on a hunter being poisoned by toxic honey in the Opotiki region.

J. Lorimer

The President tabled Mr Whalley's letter dated 10th September, 1973 re the export of crushed honey. Mr Lorimer said it would appear that crushed honey of a very inferior quality had been ~~inspected~~ **exported**. Everything seemed to have been put in the jar, together with bee ~~remains~~ etc.

On the motion of Mr Dickinson, seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that Mr Whalley's letter of 10th September, 1973 be received and referred to the H.M.A. for comments.

Lorimer

PROCEEDINGS: "N.Z. BEEKEEPER"

The Editor tabled a letter from a Mrs Pullan which was deemed to be unsatisfactory for publication. on the motion of Mr Penrose, seconded Mr De Wit it was resolved that the Editor be empowered to write to Mrs Pullan declining publication.

Penrose

THE NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND (INC.)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND (INC.) HELD IN THE DRUIDS CLUB ROOMS, 4TH FLOOR, DRUIDS CHAMBERS, WELLINGTON ON TUESDAY THE 11 DECEMBER 1973 COMMENCING AT 11.12 A.M. AND CARRYING THROUGH UNTIL WEDNESDAY 12 DECEMBER 1973

PRESENT:

Mr I.J. Dickinson (In the Chair)
Messrs M.D.Cloake, M.D.Haines, J.D.Lorimer, D.Penrose, J.De Wit
In attendance: E.R. Neal Association Secretary
N. Stanton, Editor of "The New Zealand Beekeeper".

WELCOME:

Mr Dickinson welcomed members of the executive. He said the Association had been involved in a number of serious matters and there was a grave situation in regard to;

- a) The levy proposals and
- b) The limit of payout.

He thought the executive must show strength and confidence, both in itself and to outside bodies.

Mr Dickinson went on to say that he would stress the sentiments in a recent memo he had sent to executive complaining about lack of communication. It was very necessary for executive to correspond regularly. Mr Dickinson said he found difficulty in knowing how the Packers of honey, Queen Breeders etc., felt when he was solely a producer. He would ask anyone who had anything of moment to communicate, to drop a note to him.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Mr Cloake suggested an amendment on the last page regarding the Health Department. "Packing Houses" should read "extraction Houses".

On the motion of Mr Penrose and seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that the minutes of the 10, 11, and 12 September as previously circulated, and as amended above, be confirmed as being a true and correct record of the proceedings.

The Secretary then read three sets of confidential minutes which had been taken "in committee" and for which only two copies had been produced, one for the President and one copy pasted in the minute book.

On the motion of Mr Haines, seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that the three sets of "in committee" minutes taken on the 10, 11, and 12 September meeting and as read by the Secretary be confirmed as being a true and correct record of proceedings.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:

- 1) Survey of Wages: The Secretary reported that he had been unable to commence this exercise.
- 2) Dale and correspondence to the Minister: Mr Dickinson said Mr Dale had intended writing to the Secretary regarding any embarrassments that might have been caused. The Secretary reported that no such correspondence had been received.
- 3) Honey Mead: The Secretary reported on phone calls he had had with Mr Havill and Mr Noslen, and information he had passed from one to another regarding Health Department authority to make mead.
- 4) October meeting with the H.M.A.: Mr Dickinson reported that only he had attended and not two representatives as originally envisaged.

LIMITED PAYOUT:

Mr Dickinson reported that the previous day he had had an hour and a quarter's meeting with the Minister. He had to report that discussions were not concluded and there would be another meeting next Wednesday the 19 December 1973 at 11.00 a.m. Mr Dickinson said he had left home on Sunday and conferred with the Chairman of the H.M.A. on the Sunday evening at Christchurch, discussing the situation with him fully. He had had every co-operation from the Chairman of the H.M.A. with regard to information on finance, market trends. According to the H.M.A. there was every indication that the realisations would be down 10-15%.

This would represent a drop in the 1973/74 realisations compared with those for 1972/73. Factors taken into consideration in assessing this allowed for re-valuation of the New Zealand dollar, the fact that Japan had stockpiles of honey to last at least until April 1974, the fact that general trends for the Honey market tended to level out and the situation regarding oil shortages and the effect this would have on shipping and on production.

The Chairman of the H.M.A. and Mr Dickinson had considered all aspects they would discuss with Mr Barclay. Mr Dickinson had thought that the things which would loom large in Mr Barclay's mind would be the effect on the Consumer and the effect on the Packers if all of the realisations were paid out. In the event, at the meeting safeguards for the Consumer and the Packer were to the forefront of Mr Barclay's mind. One suggestion originating from Mr Dickinson and Mr Poole was that perhaps a "base price" be set which would give the H.M.A. a certain amount of autonomy with which to dispose of realisations over this base price. Mr Barclay seemed receptive to this suggestion. It was also suggested to Mr Barclay that 25 cents could perhaps be the base price for 1973/74 and Mr Barclay said 10-15% off previous realisations of 28 cents was pretty close. Mr Barclay had wondered whether 23 cents should be the first base price. In any case he was very interested in the concept of a base price. It would seem that with a base price, the supplier would know what was to happen. It was also suggested that half of the difference between the base price and the realisation be paid to the supplier as an extra and the other half be put to reserves. Mr Barclay seemed to like this scheme also. If however the realisations were below the base price and reserves had to be utilised to bolster up the payout then the next year, the base price might have to be lowered. However, it was hoped that next year a cost of production scheme would be in operation and information from it would help regulate the base price. One great advantage to the suppliers would be that they would have a "early warning system" of price fluctuations. Mr Dickinson said he would recommend later to the executive that 24 cents be the base price.

On the motion of Mr Penrose, seconded Mr De Wit it was resolved that the executive of the N.B.A. ratify Mr Dickinson's negotiations with Mr Barclay and the Honey Marketing Authority to date regarding the payout and that on the 19 December 1973 Mr Dickinson promote the concept of a "base average price" and also a concept of the Honey Marketing Authority having power to pay out at least half of the surplus of realisations over the base average price to the suppliers.

ADJOURNMENT:

At this stage, the meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.41 p.m.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 1.45 p.m.

After further discussion on the payout, on the motion of Mr Penrose, seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the National Executive of the N.B.A. recommend that the base average price payout be 24 cents.

Mr Lorimer raised the question of the amounts put to reserve going to the credit of individual suppliers. This was taken up later in the meeting, since at this stage, Mr Watt and Mr E.W. Lee arrived.

COST OF PRODUCTION SURVEY:

Mr Dickinson welcomed Mr J. Watt from the Ministry and Mr E.W. Lee from the Ministry. He said it was good to have the association with the Ministry especially in respect of the advice and assistance the Association hoped to get in connection with the mounting of Cost of Production Surveys as these had a bearing on so much of the industry's welfare. Mr Watt said in general the Ministry had abandoned Cost of Production surveys in favour of market trend surveys. Mr Watt said he had people in his Ministry who he was sure could assist the N.B.A. conduct a Cost of Production Survey. There was a long discussion with Mr Watt and Mr Lee with members of the executive asking various questions. Mr Watt said there was a Mr Smith in the Ministry at Christchurch who would help construct a scientifically designed Cost of Production procedure, and that the N.B.A. should make contact with him as he has the authority to assist where ever he can.

RESEARCH TOPICS: Mr Penrose said that there were often research topics which came up. Mr Penrose asked whether Mr Watt would consider it impertinent if the N.B.A. suggested lines of research, especially when commercial bee operators had done some work towards this research. Mr Watt replied that his Ministry would welcome it. Mr Lorimer then quoted the example of Mr Palmer-Jones undertaking some research in regard to the feeding of sugar to bees and using A1 sugar only instead of doing trials on both A1 and raw sugar at the same time.

METRICATION: Mr Watt said that he thought there would be a meeting of Apiary Instructors about the middle of next year. He wondered whether perhaps the N.B.A. should advise the Ministry when the executive were next to discuss metrics and invite some Ministry people along.

PAYOUT: Reverting to Mr Lorimer's question, Mr Lorimer said he understood it was an accounting possibility to have individual credits to suppliers, but he would not like this line pursued if it would have any detrimental effect on Mr Dickinson's negotiations for next week.

CORRESPONDENCE: The President then read out correspondence.

- a) There were some smaller hive holders tendering resignations because of extra subscriptions. Noted by executive.
- b) Frank M. Winstone: This was to be dealt with under Metrication.
- c) Royal Commission on Liquor: No further action required.
- d) Department of Agriculture: letter ex Mr Palmer-Jones re remit to conference.
- e) Waikato - re Codex Alimentarius and the Packers Association representation on N.B.A. - Noted by executive.

f) Mr Moyle re native bush.

g) Alex Harvey re containers.

h) Minister of Agriculture re the seminar.

i) Ministry of Forests re native bush.

j) Ex R. Jansen to Mr Dickinson re a Branch in Taupo.

Mr Lorimer reported that Bay of Plenty were not supporting the proposal.

k) Trade & Industry re the price freeze.

l) Commission on Environment - letter of 15 October re remit on pollen.

On the motion of Mr Cloake, seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that a copy be sent to Mr J. Watt.

m) Mr Barclay re the price freeze.

n) Mr P. Marshall. Secretary's reply endorsed.

o) H.M.A. re notional depots - received.

p) Ministry of Agriculture re remit reply re part time instructors.

q) Noslen re honey mead - received.

r) Ministry of Agriculture re remits 12 and 41.

s) Several letters from the Packers Association to Mr Dickinson. Noted by executive.

t) Ministry of Agriculture dated 16 November 1973 re Agricultural Chemicals Act. Dealt with later.

u) Mr Jasper Bray re tax incentives.

v) Mr Jeffery re Honey Dew Producers Association - on agenda.

w) Department of Trade & Industry re tax incentives - dealt with later.

x) Brents Honeyre Journal - noted.

y) Southland Branch dated 5 December 1973.

Three resolutions: 1) The levy

2) Lending by H.M.A.

3) Reserve funds as a cushion against bad years.
Noted by executive.

z) Federated Farmers subscription rates. - received.

LEVY SCHEME:

Mr Dickinson elaborated on the memo to executive in which he had covered his October meeting with the H.M.A.

Mr Cloake moved that a delegation from this meeting be empowered to act on levies as they think fit. This lapsed for want of a seconder. Mr Lorimer moved and Mr Cloake seconded a motion that this executive obtain a legal opinion as to whether, in his opinion, the Association's solicitor regards the Nelson scheme on levies as being capable of being enforced.

This was lost.

On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the Association's representatives at the meeting in Christchurch pursue the wishes of the Nelson Conference re the levy scheme.

On the motion of Mr Haines seconded Mr Cloake it was resolved that Mr Dickinson and Mr Penrose be representatives at the Christchurch meeting with the H.M.A. and Packers Association re the levy scheme.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6.50 p.m. until 9.00 a.m. on the Wednesday morning.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday the 12 December 1973.

COST OF PRODUCTION:

On the motion of Mr Haines seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that Mr D. Penrose call on Mr Alex Smith of the Christchurch office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries re the mounting of a Cost of Production Survey and report to executive from time to time.

LOANS FROM STATE
ADVANCES:

The Secretary reported that he had deferred visiting the State Advances Corporation in view of the intention of the H.M.A. to lend money to Beekeepers. However, when it was pointed out that this was not yet incorporated in the H.M.A. regulations it was agreed that the Secretary call upon State Advances as soon as possible.

WAGE SURVEY:

It was agreed that this now be incorporated in the Cost of Production Survey.

TAX INCENTIVES:

Mr Dickinson and the Secretary reported on circulars they had received from Trade and Industry saying that a committee had been set up in regard to tax incentives and submissions were needed by the 30 November 1973. The Secretary reported that he had had a telephone call from Trade and Industry pointing out that the N.B.A. had not been approached when the original announcement was made owing to an oversight by the Department. The officer from the Department had told the Secretary that an extension of time would be allowed. In discussion it emerged that the following categories of beekeeping could be involved:-

- Export of Queen Bees,
- Export of packaged Bees,
- Export of Comb Honey,
- Export of Honey Dew.

It also emerged that the following individuals would be interested:-

- Bray and Gossett,
- Haines & Co.,
- Dudley Ward,
- Arataki Honey.

It was agreed that copies of the letter from Mr Walding the Minister of Overseas Trade together with guide lines regarding submissions be circulated to the Chairman of the following organisations:-

- Queen Bees - Mr Bray
- Packaged Bees - Mr Haines
- Comb Honey - Mr Blair
- Honey Dew - Mr Cattermole

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as well as the individuals mentioned above. So that each would know who else had got the letter it was agreed that the circulation list be printed on all letters.

Executive agreed that all concerned be advised that the N.B.A. would give general and overall support but would like a feed back of the individual submissions by the 15 January 1973 since this would be in the respondents' own interests.

BRASS PUMPS IN
HONEY HOUSES:

Mr Lorimer raised the question of whether these had any deleterious effects on honey. It was agreed the Secretary ask Mr Watt of the Ministry for a report on whether brass had any deleterious effect on honey.

METRICATION:

a) Beekeeping equipment: In view of what Mr Watt had reported, on the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the N.B.A. ask Mr Watt to the March meeting of executive, together with the North and South Island Advisory Officers in order to discuss metrics in Beekeeping equipment.

b) Containers: It appeared from letters received from:-

- 1) F.M. Winstone and
- 2) H.M.A.

that a decision had been taken. Mr Dickinson reported that the Packers Association had advised that they had fallen in line with the H.M.A. suggestions.

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Dickinson it was resolved that the Secretary ^{write} to the Metric Advisory Board saying that the weights agreed by the H.M.A., the Container Manufacturers, the Packers Association and the N.B.A. were 250 grams, 500 grams, 900 grams and 2 kilograms.

BRANCH ACCOUNTING:

The Secretary reported that he had had to remind Branch Secretaries again that they should return receipt books to him and send all subscriptions received by them without deduction to him as General Secretary. He said that some little confusion was arising on account of some Branch Secretaries not adhering to the instructions.

FEDERATED FARMERS:

There is a Council meeting on the 13 and 14 February 1974. Mr Lorimer said he did not like the idea of the President sitting through two or three days of the Council meeting if there was only an hour's business relevant to the industry.

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that the President or his Deputy attend section meetings of Federated Farmers.

On the motion of Mr Cloake seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that the President for the time being or his nominee be the duly elected representative for the National Beekeepers Association on the Federated Farmers Agricultural produce section in place of Mr Winslade.

SUB COMMITTEE AND
COMPOSITION OF
EXECUTIVE:

Mr Penrose said it appeared that each sub committee wanted representatives around the executive table. He wondered whether at the Annual General Meeting a rule change should be proposed providing for a President, A vice president, one member from each Island and then one member from the Packers Association, the Comb Honey Producers Association and the Queen Breeders Association and the Honey Dew Producers Association. There was a very long discussion which the President described as being very fruitful.

Mr Dickinson moved and Mr Cloake seconded a motion that this executive do not consider that the time is opportune for the formation of sub committees with a direct representation on this executive.

Mr Penrose said he would have to speak against this; if it succeeded the N.B.A. would be burning its bridges behind it. The way the Government was going the Industry must have unity. If the resolution succeeded the Industry would be in dire trouble. If it failed it would strengthen the N.B.A. by about 100%. Mr De Wit said there were

too many splinter groups knocking on Government doors. The Industry should have one voice. Mr Lorimer said the principal was one of direct representation - the sub sections did not concern him. Sub sections within Branches would be better still, and would be entirely different to re-structuring the entire Body. The central issue was direct representation. Meetings throughout the Country provided ample opportunity for this. Sectional interests could use the N.B.A. to advantage by attending meetings. All had the machinery for this purpose. They could make it their business if they placed their problems before their branches. Mr Haines said he would oppose the motion. Whilst the machinery was inadequate the Packers and the Queen Breeders Groups were spread throughout the country. There might only be one in each branch; if sections had their own meetings they could formulate their own remits etc. This must benefit industry if kept in right context and so long as producers could not be out voted.

Mr Cloake said he would oppose on the grounds of representation. He agreed on the sub committees however. He said the sub sections had access to the executive now. Past executives had had people who had had these various industry backgrounds. He thought also that the move would do nothing to stop unauthorised representation to Government. Some "knockers on doors" had been executive members. He wondered whether the Minister took more notice of these people than executive were lead to believe. Forming an Association to stop this would just not work. At the present time the N.B.A. had strength to handle these problems. He said he would be prepared to handle the proposition in say, a year's time.

He posed the question if a Queen Breeders Group was allowed to be formed, why not allow South Canterbury Honey Producers Group or a Kamahi Producers Group or a Clover Honey Producers Group. Mr Dickinson said he considered the time was opportune and recommendations should be put to conference. He had strong reservations on the representation for ten or twelve persons, however. Nevertheless he did feel that there was a strong need to have available at executive level, representations from the stronger sub interests. If executive had this representation there was a strong possibility the sub sections would prove to be unnecessary. He thought it was the time to think seriously and make recommendations to the forthcoming conference. Mr Dickinson had found it most difficult, as he said in his memo, to get up to date information. On two or three occasions he had received information regarding what a certain organisation was doing. He wondered why he had not heard earlier. Two cases in point were metrication and the M.R.P. When the motion was put, there were two for and four against and the motion was therefore lost.

Mr Penrose moved and Mr Haines seconded a motion that it be an executive remit to conference that rule 18 (a) be altered to read in line 2, nine (9) instead of six (6); line 2, two instead of one; in line 3, six instead of four; in line 3, one instead of two and in rule 18 (b) in line 1, nine instead of six and in rule 18 (a) and the words "and one from each of the Queen Breeders, Honey Packers, Comb Honey Producers, Honey Dew Producers, sub committees of the Association", be added; and in rule 18 (b) adding the words "Taking each Island and each of the Queen Breeders, Honey Packers, Comb Honey Producers, Honey Dew Producers elections as separate elections and that at least two persons shall be nominated for the Queen Breeders Honey Packers, Comb Honey Products, and Honey Dew Producers sub committee of the Association".

Mr Dickinson moved and Mr De Wit seconded an amendment that the words "one from each Island" be added after the words "vice presidents". When the amendment was put it was carried.

When the substantive motion was put it was carried.

Messrs Cloake and Lorimer asked for their dissenting votes to be recorded. Mr Penrose then reported on the formation of a Honey Dew Producers Association.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 12.42 p.m. for lunch.

RESUMPTION: The meeting resumed at 1.45 p.m.

LATE CORRESPONDENCE: The following late correspondence was tabled:-

- 1) Waikato memo re agricultural chemicals - received.
- 2) Comb Honey Producers via Mr Stanton dated the 24 November 1973 - noted.
- 3) Lands and Survey Department via Norman Stanton. Await reply from Mr Jack Watt of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

CASH FLOW: Speaking to finance the Secretary gave an approximate cash flow for the Association through to September 1974. It was anticipated that sufficient funds would be available with a narrow margin.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: The Secretary submitted a list of accounts paid and now needing ratification.

On the motion of Mr Haines, seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that the Secretary's statement be received and the accounts paid now be ratified.

I.J.Dickinson	Tolls & Postage	32.69	
	Ptg.Sty.	85	
	Exec.Travel	<u>5.00</u>	38.54
G.C.Wood Studio Ltd.	Conf.Sundry		17.30
Midland Hotel	Exec.Accom.		113.75
Boughtwood Ptg.House	Mag.Ptg.	390.00	
	Mag.Other	<u>59.50</u>	449.50
Midland Hotel	Exec.Accom.		46.50
Chatsworth Office Services	Ptg.Sty.		38.79
P.W.Marshall	Mag.Other		20.00
Cheque Book	Sundry		2.00
N.Z.Insurance	Vol.Pub.Liability		10.37
" " "	" " "		6.75
Neal & Brydon	Fee	400.00	
	Postage	15.39	
	"	6.17	
	Exec.Sdry.	28.27	449.83
Woodward T & D	Ptg.Sty.		6.66
N.Z.Insurance	Vol.Pub.Liability		22.00
" " "	" " "		5.00
" " "	" " "		6.00
Druids Club	Exec.Mtg.Sdry.		15.00
Midland Hotel	Other Mtg.		7.50
Armstrong & Springhall	Ptg.Sty.		4.41
N.Z.Insurance	Vol.Pub.Liability		14.50
Neal & Brydon	Postage & Tolls	23.41	
	Ptg.Sty.	2.40	
	Sundry	.02	
	Fee	<u>400.00</u>	425.83
Woodward T & D	Ptg.Sty.		53.50
N.B.A. Far North Branch	30% to 30.10.73		<u>2.40</u>
" " " Northland Branch	" " " "		29.85
" " " Auckland Branch	" " " "		26.40
" " " Waikato Branch	" " " "		109.20
" " " Bay of Plenty	" " " "		7.20
" " " Hawkes Bay Branch	" " " "		19.87
" " " Nelson Branch	" " " "		7.20
" " " Canterbury Branch	" " " "		61.80
" " " Sth.Canterbury Branch	" " " "		38.40
" " " Nth.Otago Branch	" " " "		15.00
" " " Otago Branch	" " " "		39.60
" " " Southland Branch	" " " "		49.20
" " " S.W.Districts	" " " "		<u>42.00</u>
Royal N.Z.Inst.Agriculture	Sundry		12.00
Government Printer	Ptg.Sty.		30
Armstrong & Springhall	" "		10.07
Ellesmere Guardian Ltd.	Mag.Other		71.25

N.Z. Insurance	Vol. Pub. Liability	6.00
Woodward T & D	Pty. Sty.	18.74
	Mag. Other	<u>12.99</u>
		31.73
Neal & Brydon	Fee	400.00
	Postage	10.72
	Tolls	8.70
	Bank Chgs.	<u>10</u>
		419.52
I. J. Dickinson		75.27
N. S. Stanton		179.55
M. D. Haines		36.33
J. D. Lorimer		2.50
D. Penrose		9.23
J. D. Lorimer		20.00
N. S. Stanton		3.17

NEW ZEALAND
BEEKEEPER:

Mr Stanton reported on difficulties with the printer of the Beekeeping Journal.

At 2.21 p.m. with the permission of the President Mr Stanton withdrew to return to Auckland.

PETROL RESTRICTIONS: On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the Secretary write to the Ministry of Transport with a copy to the Federated Farmers pointing out the position held by the Beekeeping Industry as primary industry and the way in which they depended upon petroleum products for their livelihood and seeking for consideration in the event of any restriction on petroleum products.

BOILER INSPECTION: Mr De Wit pointed out that generally beekeepers used their boilers for approximately 42 days per year. They are required to have the boiler inspected annually at present. On the motion of Mr De Wit seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that the Ministry of Transport and Marine Section be asked to amend the regulations so that Beekeepers' Boilers be inspected every two years instead of annually.

DANGEROUS GOODS
LICENCES:

Carried forward to next meeting.

HEAVY TRAFFIC
WAYBILLS:

Mr Cloake pointed out that the Traffic Officers seemed to expect Heavy Traffic Waybills when Beekeepers were carting their own bees. It appeared that farmers were required to carry a heavy traffic waybill if carrying over 5½ tons.

On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr De Wit it was resolved that the Secretary write to the Ministry of Transport seeking clarification on the regulations re firstly, heavy traffic waybills and secondly goods licences in relation to Apiarists.

AGRICULTURAL
CHEMICALS:

Mr Lorimer said that Waikato Branch felt the submissions should be made to the Minister in connection with the proposed new regulations regarding the constitution of the Agricultural Chemicals Board.

On the motion of Mr Penrose seconded Mr Lorimer it was resolved that Mr J. Fraser appointed as the representative to follow Mr Pearson on the Agricultural Chemicals Board and copies of the letters from Mr Moyle sent to Mr J. Fraser for study.

At 3.00 p.m. Mr M. D. Cloake with the permission of the President withdrew.

BOOM LOADERS:

It appeared that the maximum allowed was 12 foot from the centre of the back axle.

On the motion of Mr Lorimer seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that the Secretary write to the Ministry of Transport regarding overlength booms to see if the Ministry will allow dispensation in individual cases. It was noted that Mr Lorimer would send details to the Secretary in this respect.

CANADIAN TOUR:

Mr Haines said he had the final details on the tour. This would cost \$1169 for sharing a twin berth and \$1319 single. These fares were all

inclusive except that they excluded the evening meal.

On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that Mr Haines be empowered to promote the Canadian tour provided there is no cost to the N.B.A.

Mr Penrose wondered whether a Bursar should come to New Zealand from Canada. Mr Lorimer said it was high time we did something about this question.

On the motion of Mr Lorimer seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that Mr Haines be empowered to arrange for the hosting of a Canadian Bursar prior to the Secretary inviting him.

LETTER FROM MR
APPLETON:

Mr Appleton had written about coming to New Zealand and staying with Beekeepers.

On the motion of Mr Dickinson seconded Mr Haines it was resolved that Mr Appleton's letter be forwarded to the Editor for publication in the "Beekeeper" in a condensed form.

CONFERENCE '74:

Mr Haines reported that he had talked to Mr Kevin Morris the organising officer of South Western Districts. The conference would be held at the Centennial Hall which had the public relations office in the front. There were facilities for typing, duplicating, there was a public address system built into the hall and there was a hotel just across the street from the hall, which had adequate accommodation.

DATE OF NEXT
MEETING:

On the motion of Mr Haines seconded Mr Penrose it was resolved that Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the 13, 14 and 15 March 1974 be the date for the next executive meeting.

CLOSURE:

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 3.55 p.m.

J. H. Haines
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