THE OUTCOMES FROM THE WORKSHOP HELD AT THE TAURANGA NBA CONFERENCE - Tuesday 19th JULY 1994

The top five areas of concern, or areas which required to be enhanced were:

- Public relations
- Improved communications
- Government influence
- Increased research
- Improved services
 - Disease control
 - Education
 - Marketing
 - Exporting
 - Administration
- 1) Advisors
- 1) Information
- 1) Library
- 1) Publication
- 1) Education
- 3) Thinkers
- 3) Leadership
- 5) Disease control

We Want:

 Creating right environment for the industry to prosper

How?

- People
- Grass roots environment through to President - synergy (whole rather than parts)
- Employ at least 1 full time person to the Executive
- Research & Development
- People get together eg. Field days, conferences, meetings
- Increased commitment
- Look at all beekeepers -
 - 1 → 17,000 hives
- Excitement and enthusiasm through to grass roots.

INTENSIVE STUDY GROUP

Communication (Now)

- Beekeeper Journal
- Branch system
- Newsletters
- Commercial publication
- Interest groups (communication)
- Beekeeper → Beekeeper
- Educational forums -
 - Conference
 - Field days
 - Seminars
- News media

Improvement(Future)

- Centralisation of information base
- Communication facilitator
- Utilise technology developments
- Improve speed
- Improve targeting effectiveness

BOARD GUIDELINES

- CEO Executive
 - Latitude
 - Right person
- Power to implement based on guidelines
- Industry Council
- Regional
- National
- Branch remits
- Policy formation

STRENGTHS

Good nation cover

High represent

- Diversity

- United

Forum

- ? Rules

Discipline

- Ethics

- Standards

Common cause

- Goals

Marketing committee

- Information

- Industry discipline

Industry planning

Diverse Representation/National

cover

Disease control

Marketing

- Interest groups

- Communication

Political clout

Open to everyone

Education/library

Togetherness

compact

Common interest

Willing member involvement

Forward looking

Planning

- Diverse

- Exists

Conference

Magazine - communication

- Cohesive

Tradition

Represents all beekeepers

History of success

Regional structure

Industry reporting

- Leadership

- Self funding

Works - co-operative

Sub committees

Resources

Continuity

Productive

Democracy(voting structure)

Competition from other industries

Our products

Geographical location

People

Honey lovers being stuck together

Natural product

"Clean green image"

Technology

Leadership with foresight that

promotes strength and

unity/continuity

Marketing industry and

communication

Strength in diversity using

available talents

self funding

WEAKNESSES

- Lack of communication

- Apathy

- Size

Lack of conformity

- Geographical spread

Lack of resources

Diverse personal ambition

Struggles/overloads

Political structure

Lack of ability to follow through

- Fragmentation - lessening

political clout

Funding difficulty

- PR deficiencies

Channelling of resources

Lack of education

- Jack of all trades, master of none

 Producer focus rather than marketing/consumer focused

Reactive

Trade barrier

Individuality

Leadership

Infighting

Lack of commitment

- Polarisation/lack of self-dicipline

- Slow response

Structural problems

Costs/time

Remits → action

Fragmentation/diverse action

Geographic spread

Communication problems

- Small size

- Secretiveness

Mistrust

Misunderstanding

- Individualism

Funding problems

Lack of admin control

Voting system

Lack of member participation

Political interference

Lack of political clout

Conservatism

Too democratic

Lack of discipline

Inexperience

Diversity of interest

Lack of leadership

No money

Single minded interest group

Uneven representation

Poor pay

Lack of accountability

No clear path between decision &

exec

Work overload on exec

Exercise in futility

Old ideas/hang on to the past

Young ideas

Structure:

- size

- effectiveness/efficiency

- performance outcomes

- focus

- measurements

- lack of education

- product focus

Trade barriers

Supplies/liability

Executive tangents

Poor planning

Self interests

Over bearing personalities

Lack of volunteers

Too negative

OPPORTUNITIES

- Export liaison
- Proper resource utilisation
- develop honey as high value product
- Lift prosperity of all beekeepers
- Raise more money
- More political
- MMP
- Improve admin efficiency
- Education
- Scissor policy
- More involvement in affect matter
- Hire specialists
- Lift the profile
- Better information dispersement
- Image
- Wear a tie
- Become more professional
- "New Zealand" uniqueness
- Improved communication
- Improved funding base
- Increased research
- Increased participation
- Increased membership recruiting
- Government influence/lobby
- Increased flexibility
- Improved service ie disease control, education, marketing, exporting, admin
- Public relations
- Generating income
- Diversification
- Improved lifestyle
- Certification
- Quality standards
- Promotion of product(s)
- Communicating to public
- Product marketing
- Raising awareness of beekeeping opportunities
- Honey qual
- Greater control of beekeeping industry destiny
- Growth
- GATT/CER
- Become commercially viable

- Reorganisation
- Research/education
 - Extend CEO services
 - Wider funding base
- Generating income/lifestyle
- Reduces charges to members
 - Religion
 - Creating right environment for
 - private enterprise
 - Communication:
 - Liaise with Government
 - " beekeepers
 - " customers
 - " better with public
 - Product:
 - marketing
 - quality
 - health
 - Control:
 - Protocol
 - certification
 - disease control

THREATS

Total organisation collapse

- Apathy/complacency

- Lack of finance

Resistance to change -

parochialism

Biosecurity/exotics

Exotic disease

Ourselves - non communication

Our attitudes

Lack of forward

planning/budgeting

World honey prices

Costs (high) overheads

- Government politics eg CER/Gatt

Reactive

- Fundina

Competition from other industry

- Division within the organisation

Internal politics

Religion

Nectar source failure

Economic climate

Forestry

Imports

Possum control

- Resource Management Act

Conservation (DOC)

Non communication

Interest rates

Diversity and expectation

Fall over

Disillusionment

Lack of money

Negative attitudes

Polarisation

No training for future executive

- Reliance on volunteers

Internal bickering

Loss of complusory membership

Competing organisations

Apathy

Recruiting

Continuity of powers that be

Reduced communication

Major disease outbreak

- Fragmentation

- Funding loss (legislation)

Misconception of role of NBA

Loss of member interest

Lack of skills

Excessive levies

Inequitable/unfair levies

overload of financial work

Limited member resources

PR difficulties

supply difficulties

Lack of 2 way dissemination

Negative attitudes

Under resourced

Poor communication

Lacking accountability

Inadequate planning

Diversity and geographic spread

of members