The meeting of the California State Apiary Board was called to order at about 1:03 p.m., on January 14, 2022, by Board Chair Larry Lima.

Board Members Present Via Webinar
Larry Lima, Chair
Brent Ashurst
Valeri Severson
Brad Pankratz
Trevor Tauzer

Board Members Absent
None

CDFA Staff Present
Patricia Bohls, Environmental Scientist, Bee Safe Program
Michelle Dennis, Branch Chief, Integrated Pest Control Branch
Robert James, Environmental Program Manager, Integrated Pest Control Branch
Melissa Amaya, Staff Services Analyst, Integrated Pest Control Branch

Presenters
David Stoffel, Tehama County Apiary Inspector
Rick Gurrola, Shasta County Agricultural Commissioner

Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act
This meeting was held in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, pursuant to Government Code Sections 11120-11132.

Welcome and Introductions
Mr. Lima welcomed all the attendees participating in the meeting.

Public Comment
Mr. Lima asked for public comment and received none.
Approval of Minutes
Mr. Ashurst asked for board approval of the minutes from the October 26, 2021 meeting be accepted as written. Mr. Tauzer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed by all board members. Mr. Ashurst asked for approval of the minutes from the November 15, 2021 meeting be accepted as written. Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed by all board members.

Public Member Opening
Mr. Ashurst inquired about when we would hear about filling the public member opening on the Apiary Board. Michelle Dennis replied that she did not expect updates until February or March 2022.

Pollinator Forage Update
The California Department of Food and Agriculture met with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife twice to discuss forage options and will continue to have conversations to move the discussion forward.

Registration Fee Discussion
The task force met in December to discuss raising the registration fee. The Apiary Board understands and is committed to raising the registration fee and working with the California Department of Food and Agriculture and County Agricultural Commissioners to pay for a portion of the Bee Safe Program. The task force plans to meet with the County Agricultural Commissioners to further discuss raising the registration fees.

Next Meeting
It was decided that the date for the next Board meeting would be determined after the task force has gathered more information and is ready to present.

Adjourn
Mr. Lima adjoined the meeting at about 2:37 p.m.