Call to order:
The meeting began at 7:45 p.m. In attendance were the following: Amy Miller, Jarek Palmer, Kim Brown, Matthew Gerjol, Maureen Dubczuk, Morgan Kirkham, Patrick Owoc, Patti Koranda, Stephanie Eidler, Tom Pankonen, Zach Billings, Bill Millar, Willy Hunter, Vice Pres. Jenny Kamm, Secretary Mark Hodges, Treasurer Alec Baran, and Advisor Carl Wenning.

Officer Reports:
Secretary’s report: The minutes of the meeting on February 12, 2014 were read and approved.
Treasurer’s report: We have $467.27 and we still need dues from many people. This report was approved.

Old Business:
• With the ISBA affiliation approved, it was moved that the club should pay for the dues for the positions of the officers. The motion seconded and carried.
• The new banner 34” x 72” with the club’s logo shown.
• A May field day in rural Heyworth was discussed and May 10th was tentatively selected as a date. Tom Pankonen will lead it.

New Business:
• Nominations for club officers for the 2014-2015 academic year were taken:
  o President: Jenny Kamm
  o Vice-President: Maureen Dubczuk
  o Secretary: Mark Hodges
  o Treasurer: Alec Baran
• Volunteers were asked to assist with the Party for the Planet at Miller Park Zoo on April 19th.
  o There was then a motion that we need more honey sticks and Carl would need money for this; we decided to allot him 50 dollars to buy 400 honey sticks in four flavors. The motion was seconded and carried.
  o Patti Koranda volunteered to help Carl Wenning along with this event.
• SGNC requested help with Nature and Science Field Days this spring. The dates are May 9th and May 15th. We need volunteers to help Carl give 25-minute presentations to young students about honey bees. Patti Koranda and Stephanie Eidler volunteered to help.

Program:
Nectar and Pollen Plants: Patti Koranda gave a very informative 45-minute talk about nectar and pollen plants that attract bees and help the environment.
• An interesting site mentioned to check out is beespotter.mste.illinois.edu

Reminders about Upcoming Events:
• Pollinate your mind: The buzz on bees program, April 16, Ropp Agricultural Bldg. 108G, 6-9pm, Nicholas Naeger, speaker, with a follow-up panel discussion including Joe Sibley.
• Party for the Planet, Miller Park Zoo, Saturday, April 19, 1pm-3pm; volunteers needed.
• April 23: Next Meeting, A Brief History of American Beekeeping- Mark Hodges will review beekeeping equipment and practices from a historical perspective. This is also when elections for next year will take place.

Announcements:
• Our article “Sustainability and Beekeeping” (with plenty of pictures) will be printed in May or June 2014 issue of American Bee Journal.
• The SGNC Maple Sirup and Honey House agreement approval is pending
• Possible St. Clair Beekeepers Association donation to ISUBC; we’ve not heard anything since the last meeting.
• SGNC is looking to acquire an Ulster Observation Hive in lieu of a full size unit.
• Carl and Tom presented two talks at the Children's Discovery Museum on March 7/8.
• April hive opening(s) at Wenning residence after a swarm of bees is collected.
• Dues are only $5 per semester; please pay them to Treasurer Alec Baran.

Adjournment:
The meeting was adjourned at 9:12.