

Resolutions passed at the AGM

1. In view of the recent articles in the media regarding foreign substances being found in honey in Canada, **be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council immediately establish a committee of industry experts to formulate a factual response to these situations based on all scientific information available and that this committee be empowered to appoint a spokesperson to handle inquiries and to make this response available to the industry.
2. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council as well as the proper regulatory agencies create an amendment to inter-provincial regulations and bee importation regulations to accept 3% or less as the standard Varroa mite threshold level.
3. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council request the Pest Management Regulation Agency to grant an Emergency Use Registration (EUR) for Apivar from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

(also meant that the following were approved

Be it resolved that if Apivar is not registered by the expiration date of the EUR by June 30, 2011 the Canadian Honey Council work with the Provinces to seek Emergency Use Registration for Apivar for the 2011-2012 season.

Be it resolved that the Canadian Honey Council support the full registration of Apivar and failing the full registration of Apivar, the Canadian Honey Council pursue the emergency use registration of Apivar for another year.)

4. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council support the registration of 65% Formic acid as a potential miticide for use by beekeepers in Canada against Tracheal and Varroa mites.
5. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council request the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) review current import conditions as they pertain to Small Hive Beetle, thus facilitating and securing the importation of healthy

queens free from Small Hive Beetles into Canada for the needs of the Canadian honey and crop pollination industries.

6. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council continue to work with PMRA to continue to increase the number of options for mite control (e.g. organic acids and essential oils)

7. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council prepare a strategy and time line to encourage the registration of all beekeeping facilities preparing honey destined for export and retail sales.

8. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council encourage and support companies that develop and /or have the potential to develop and register new and/or better organic treatments for the control of mites.

9. **Be it resolved that** the Canadian Honey Council work closely with the provinces to ensure protocol flexibility while mitigating risk of Small Hive Beetle dispersal during interprovincial movement of honeybees,