

**TEXAS MASTER NATURALIST-GIDEON LINCECUM
CHAPTER BOARD MEETING
May 5, 2023
WINEDALE EDUCATIONAL CENTER**

The Board Meeting was called to order at 9:30 by President Sheri Wilcox.

Board members in attendance were: Sheri Wilcox, President; Norbert Dittrich, Vice President; Patti Brown, Secretary; David Hessel, Treasurer; Lori Buffum, Communications; Ken English, Marketing; Chris Morrison, Membership; Connie Shortes, Training; and Jaci Elliott, Volunteer Projects.

Lori Buffum moved that the minutes from the February 24, 2023 meeting be approved as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Training Class Director Connie Shortes reported on the status of the training class. After the chapter meeting in May, there will be a graduation ceremony and reception.

Treasurer David Hessel gave his financial report.

Membership Director Chris Morrison explained the difference between being an active chapter member (current with dues) and being certified (40 volunteer hours and 8 AT hours annually). Members do not have to recertify to remain members but must be current with their dues.

President Sheri Wilcox reported that the nomination committee is seeking candidates for vice president, secretary, and treasurer for the two-year term beginning January 1, 2024. Sheri asked that any directors that do not wish to serve another term to let her know by May 20, 2023.

Vice President Norbert Dittrich reported on chapter meeting speakers for upcoming meetings.

Education Director Karen Gardener submitted a written report outlining plans to upgrade existing educational materials and plans for education team workdays.

Marketing Director Ken English provided preliminary results from the Landowner Summit. He also showed designs for banners to replace the recruiting trifolds. Comments from the board will be incorporated into a revised design.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30

Minutes respectfully submitted by Patti Brown Secretary