

July 19, 2006
HCMN Board Meeting

Present

Betty Gardner, Kathryn Harrison, Ronald Hood, Susan Longacre, Marilyn Murrmann, Phyllis Muska, Sandy Pena, Jim Stanley, Priscilla Stanley. Jane Crone and Bob Richie were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Jim Stanley.

New Class Applicants

Priscilla announced we had received 27 completed applications for the fall class. There are 8 from Bandera County, 5 from Gillespie County, 3 from Kendall County and 11 from Kerr County. Eleven applicants expressed interest in the 2007 class. It was moved by Sandy and seconded by Phyllis to accept the 27. Motion passed.

New Class- Final Prep

Betty reported that everything was on schedule. She's still interested in ideas for class projects. She wants the class to select one out of three suggested, on going projects. She will order 30 notebooks for the class.

Kerrville City Park Project- Redefined

Jim Gardner talked with Sandy and Jim about the project starting as an extension of a class project to cage young trees and expanding to educating the public with signage explaining why the trees are caged. The park may provide materials, if not our board will.

Invasives

Phyllis reported that 25 people had signed up for the workshop on invasives to be held July 29th at the Kerr County Cooperative Extension office. The workshop is taught by experts from Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center and is designed to document potentially invasive plants around the state.

Fire Preparedness Program

Priscilla and Jane wrote the project and The Texas Forest Service will provide the speakers. The classes will be in February- two 8 hour days, followed by 2 weeks off to do a personal 7 hour project ending with one more 8 hour day to visit a property. The cost will be \$50.00 and limited to 30 people. A 256 page manual will be provided. We as a chapter will be a sponsor and it is hoped that volunteer fire departments will sign up as well as interested citizens.

Plant Sale Plans

Historically we have partnered with RNC to have plant sale. This year they have invited a local archeology group to participate as well. Do to the complications involved re parking, need for volunteers and less space, the board discussed whether this would be a good idea for us at this time. The current class will on a field trip and unavailable to help. Jim will check on this further and report back.

LMAP Publicity

Jim announced that we are caught up with our LMAP requests. After discussion it was decided to focus on Gillespie County, beginning with Harper and an article featuring Phyllis and Dan. After that we want to have an article in the Fredericksburg paper.

Document Inventory

Susan Longacre presented a report about the documents she is collecting re our chapter's history. They consist of board minutes, class curriculum, class members, chapter chronology etc. A copy of her report is attached to the minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.

The next meeting is August 16, 2006.

Respectfully submitted

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