

**Texas Master Naturalist  
El Camino Real Chapter  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 26, 2015**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:50pm by Katherine Bedrich and was held at her home in Cameron, Texas. Members present: Nancy Adcock, Katherine Bedrich, Cindy Bolch, Barb Cromwell, (arrived mid-meeting and took over leading the meeting upon arrival) Debbi Harris, and Don Travis.

A motion to approve the November Board meeting minutes was made by Debbi Harris and seconded by Cindy Bolch. Motion passed.

A motion to approve the January 5<sup>th</sup> Board meeting minutes was made by Don Travis and seconded by Katherine Bedrich. Motion passed.

Cards were sent to Flo Oxley (sympathy), Donna Lewis (get well), and Micah Holcomb (birth of twins).

Cindy said the Treasurer's report will be sent at the end of the month. Twenty-five members have paid their dues. March 31 is the final date for dues--\$20.

**Old Business**

Background checks—Members are asked to complete their background checks as soon as possible.

Wildlife Management Seminar—Plans are being finalized and speakers are being arranged.

Outreach Education Committee pending

Bird Sanctuary brochures to be completed by June 1. Barb is organizing a committee to develop the brochure.

Financial Report—Audit was completed and books were found to be in good condition. Conducting the audit were Debbi Harris and Sandra Dworaczyk.

**New Business**

Cindy received a donation for Bird Tales. She made a motion to start a new fund called "Bird Tales" for use with the Bird Tales project. The motion was seconded by Nancy Adcock. Motion passed. \$100 anonymous donation was received and will be deposited into this account.

Debbi shared the results of the membership survey. The Board carefully reviewed the surveys in depth for further planning. Results of this will be given to Kathy Lester for the purpose of planning. Debbi suggested all projects be discussed at all chapter meetings.

**Committee Reports**

Membership—Dorothy Mayer—absent

Discussion of new training class

Historian—Debbi Harris

Reminder to submit articles for scrapbook

Communications—Don Travis

Next newsletter is about ready for publication

A.T./V.E.—Kathy Lester--absent

Hospitality—Sherry Colley--absent

Winnie L. Bird Talks—Cindy Bolch

Plans are underway to make lap blankets.

Floridus Milamexa—Katherine Bedrich

Small group visited the Herbarium with Dale Kruse. Their plan is to go once a month to learn about keying. Members are working on setting up web pages for public access to the plants of Milam county. **The Sand County Almanac** journal meeting is January 27, 2015.

Milano Junction Demonstration Garden—Debbi Harris

Spring clean-up for the garden TBA. Debbi is in the process of turning in the application to get certification for demonstration garden.

**Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Don Travis and seconded by Katherine Bedrich. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:40.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Adcock