

**Texas Master Naturalist  
El Camino Real Chapter  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 5, 2015**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:55pm by Barb Cromwell and was held at the home of Barb and Rich Cromwell, Cameron, Texas.

Members present: Nancy Adcock, Katherine Bedrich, Cindy Bolch, Sherry Colley, Barb Cromwell, Sandra Dworaczyk, Debbi Harris, Kathy Lester, Dorothy Mayer, and Don Travis.

**Old Business**

Background Checks

Cindy Bolch and Katherine Bedrich met with Micah Holcombe at the Agri-Life Extension Office on December 16, 2014, to discuss background check procedures for our chapter. They presented their report to the Board. After much discussion at the Board meeting, Debbi Harris made a motion to utilize 4-H Connect for background checks. Katherine Bedrich seconded the motion. Motion passed. Forms are filled out online and members pay the \$5 with a credit card at the time of registration. If a member does not want to provide credit card information online, he/she may go to the Agri-Life office and Marcia will help with the registration.

Reporting Forms

The Board reviewed a reporting form (annual update) used by the Alamo Area Master Naturalists. It was decided the form did not fit the needs of our chapter.

Wildlife Management Seminar

Milano Civic Center, February 27, 2015, 8:30 - 4:00

**.New Business**

Financial Report

An audit of the treasurer's books will occur on January 11 at 10am at Sandra Dworaczyk's home. Members conducting the audit include Sandra Dworaczyk, Debbi Harris, and Barb Cromwell.

Outreach Education Chair

Responsibilities of this chair are to be determined.

New Membership Class—Dorothy Mayer

Meeting needs to be scheduled to complete by-law revisions.

Interest Survey

A motion was made by Debbi Harris and seconded by Sandra Dworaczyk to put together an ad hoc interest committee together. Motion passed. Debbi will take the lead on this committee.

**Committee Reports**

Membership—Dorothy Mayer

Dorothy will resign as Membership Chair when the new system is implemented.

Historian—Debbi Harris

No report

Communications—Don Travis

Spring newsletter coming. Submit articles ASAP

A.T./V.E.—Kathy Lester

No report

Hospitality—Sherry Colley

No report

Winnie L. Bird Talks—Cindy Bolch

Usually meets the first and third Thursdays of the month; folding passenger pigeons; hanging feeder; distributing journals and beginning writing

Floridus Milamexa—Katherine Bedrich

Project progressing; back on the trail when weather permits

Milano Junction Memorial Garden—Debbi Harris

[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Monarch Petition—proposal to list all of monarch population as threatened. Debbi encouraged everyone to read and be informed regarding this petition.

Cindy reported the Chapter received a bill from Agri-Life for \$650 for previous background checks.

**Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Katherine Bedrich and was seconded by Cindy Bolch. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Adcock

