

**Galveston Bay Area Master Naturalists**  
**Annual Meeting Minutes**  
**December 6, 2018**  
**Texas AgriLife Building– Walter Hall Park, League City**

The meeting was called to order by George Kyame at 7:00 pm.

Officers Present: George Kyame, Julie Massey, Jo Monday, Ellen Gerloff, Lynn Wright, Jim Duron, Patty Trimmingham, Robin Kendrick-Yates, Susette Mahaffey

98 Members present, 22 guests

George welcomed everyone and went over the safety of the building, the fire evacuation route, location of fire extinguishers and AED devices.

1. Announcements
  - a. Dave Bary solicited help for the GISP Walk About on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in helping should contact him.
  - b. Robin Kendrick-Yates offered a challenge to all members to help pick up trash. Those who signed his petition received a mesh trash bag.
  
2. Election of officers
  - a. Maureen Nolan-Wilde, member of the nomination committee, presented the 2019 slate of officers:
    - i. President: George Kyame
    - ii. Vice President: Cindy Liening
    - iii. Secretary: Susette Mahaffey
    - iv. Treasurer: Lynn Wright
  - b. Maureen had emailed this slate of officers to the membership in November.
  - c. No other candidates were nominated.
  - d. All officers nominated were elected by a standing vote; there were no votes against.
  
3. Amendment of Bylaws
  - a. The proposed Bylaws were unanimously approved by the Board on October 2, 2018. Julie Massey, Chapter Advisor, approved the proposed Bylaws on October 15, 2018.
  - b. Michelle Haggarty, State Program Coordinator, approved the proposed Bylaws on December 4, 2018.
  - c. The proposed amendments to the Bylaws with the date and place of consideration were presented to the Chapter membership via email on November 6, 2018, 30 days prior to the vote.
  - d. Out of 94 members in attendance, 75 members voted yes, there were no votes against.
  - e. The proposed Bylaws were approved by a standing vote.
  
4. Amendment of Chapter Operating Handbook
  - a. The proposed Chapter Operating Handbook was unanimously approved by the Board on November 6, 2018.

- b. The proposed amendments to the Chapter Operating Handbook were presented to the Chapter membership via email on November 6, 2018, 30 days prior to the vote.
- c. Out of 94 members in attendance, 74 members voted yes; there were no votes against.
- d. The proposed Chapter Operating Handbook were approved by a standing vote.

The business portion of the meeting was closed at 7:20pm

Respectfully submitted, Patty Trimmingham