

Texas Master Naturalist - Gideon Lincecum Chapter
January 12, 2018 Board Meeting

Members Present: Betsy Palkowsky, Linda Esco, Nita Tiemann, Chris Morrison, Tom Shaughnessy, Donna Mueller, Lori Buffum, Madeline Johnson, Jeb Lapeyrolerie, Judy Deaton, Leada Dietz, Earl Mills, Robert Mott, Cindy Rodibaugh and Kara Matheney

President Betsy Palkowsky called the meeting to order at 9:30.

November 8, 2017 board meeting minutes were approved.

We have received the renewal agreement for Adopt A Highway from the Texas Department of Transportation.

Upcoming Programs - Earl Mills: January Chapter Meeting will be Water Evaluation and Testing. March meeting will cover overall information pertaining to Gideon Lincecum Chapter. Additional discussion at March board meeting.

Due to multiple agricultural programs on March 17 our chapter meeting will be moved to March 24. This will be communicated during the January meeting and also updated on the website.

Treasurer Report - Chris Morrison: Current balance is \$17,415.05. 2018 proposed budget was discussed. An additional \$100 will be allowed for Science Night at Flatonia. There are still unpaid membership dues. A letter will be sent and reminder cards will be distributed. The topic of awarding selected first time National Convention attendees a monetary allowance was tabled for a future board meeting.

Secretary - Linda Esco: Board agreed minutes can be more precise with focus on items necessary for the record such as motions and proposals.

Membership - Leada Dietz: The membership report will be in the upcoming newsletter.

2018 Master Naturalist Training - Jeb Lapeyrolerie: All speakers have been lined up. 22 have registered and 20 have paid the course fee.

Communications - Lori Buffum: a template will be created for project reports for the newsletter.

Marketing - Tom Shaughnessy: An updated list of promotional contacts has been compiled including Chamber of Commerce information. Libraries will be added to the list.

Youth Education - Donna Mueller: All dates are locked for BISD, Science Night and Ag Safety presentations. These will be added to the website.

Robert Mott advised the January presentation will include additional afternoon sessions for members wishing to certify for water testing. The website will be updated.

Board meetings will be the second Friday every two months. The next scheduled meeting will be March 9 at 9:30 with venue to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Esco
Secretary