

Texas Master Naturalist - Gideon Lincecum Chapter
November 2, 2018 Board Meeting
San Felipe de Austin Historic Museum

Officers Present: President Betsy Palkowsky and Secretary Linda Esco

Board Members Present: Chris Morrison, Jeb Lapeyrolerie, Cindy Rodibaugh, Lori Buffum, Tom Shaughnessy

Members Present: Annette Holdeman

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 by President Betsy Palkowsky. Lori Buffum made a motion to accept the August 30, 2018 board minutes. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

Chapter Business:

Texas Master Naturalist Annual Meeting Update - our chapter had 30+ members in attendance and contributed \$5,000 to the Texas Master Naturalist Endowment Foundation by purchasing a table at the event, individual monetary donations and donations of auction items. The meeting was a great success with over 600 attendees and quality programs and speakers.

2019 Budget - Project leaders should have their 2019 budgets submitted by November 17, 2018. Budget proposals should be as detailed as possible.

Individual chapter dues should be paid prior to January 1, 2019.

Chapter Operating Handbook - the board extensively reviewed proposed changes to our Chapter Operating Handbook. The updated handbook was unanimously approved by the board based on proposed and board suggested changes and corrections. The updated handbook will be presented to chapter membership for review and membership vote at the November 17, 2018 meeting.

Committee Updates:

Tom Shaughnessy - Outreach: Six names have been added to the recruiting list.

Jeb Lapeyrolerie - Training: Current enrollment for the 2910 class stands at 12. Jeb announced to the board that he will be relocating and will not be able to continue serving on the training committee. A replacement will be solicited from the membership.

Chris Morrison - Membership: Chris attended classes on the VMS system while at the annual convention. The chapter should be changing the status of members who are no longer logging volunteer hours on the VMS system to "inactive". The state audit of our VMS records was positive.

Our next board meeting will be January 4, 2019 at the Winedale Historical Complex.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Esco
Chapter Secretary