

Texas Master Naturalist - Gideon Lincecum Chapter
Board Meeting - May 10, 2019
Winedale Historical Complex

The meeting was called to order by President Betsy Palkowsky at 1:08 pm. Officers in attendance were President Betsy Palkowsky, Secretary Linda Esco and Treasurer Pam Green.

In attendance: Charlotte Von Rosenberg, Nita Tiemann, Cindy Rodibaugh, Lori Buffum, Karen Gardner, Tom Shaughnessy and John Gardner.

Vice President Mark Brown will chair the May 18 Chapter Meeting. Betsy went over the following guidelines for our chapter when working with partner organizations:

- Be sure to communicate who, what, when, where and how you are going to work on the project
- If you spoke with a contact person, followup in writing to make sure everyone is on the same page
- Always get permission and send reminders of initial and upcoming work to ensure the work day doesn't conflict with other events at the site
- Try to set regularly scheduled works days and be sure it is on the Chapter calendar

Linda Esco will cover this topic at the May Chapter Meeting.

Treasurer Report: Pam Green reported a balance of \$21,542.75.

Round Table:

Charlotte Von Rosenberg advised the group texasroots.org is asking for people and organizations to foster trees. She will obtain additional information to share with the Chapter.

Training - Betsy will survey this year's graduating class participates as well as chapter members regarding preferred class times for the 2020 class.

Outreach - Tom Shaughnessy will edit the current outreach interest form to allow more space for contact information. In addition the area for event date and name will be made more prominent. Chapter members working the booth are encouraged to monitor the contact information and make sure it is legible.

There are currently 37 prospective names. Those on the outreach list will receive our newsletter and information about upcoming chapter meetings.

There was discussion by the board regarding our continued participation in the Cotton Gin Festival. Nita Tiemann made a motion that the Chapter not participate in future Cotton Gin events. It was seconded and unanimously approved by the board.

The board discussed the desire to promote Indian Creek which resulted in Betsy Palkowsky volunteering to create signage for this purpose.

New Projects: Cindy Rodibaugh reported the Fayette County Natural Resource Project has been approved.

Lori Buffum reminded everyone to be active on our Facebook page and support the newsletter by contributing articles, photos, etc.

It was suggested the left over food from our recent graduation be used for a social event to be held at either the Cotton Gin or Indian Creek area. A leader is needed for this endeavor. Linda Esco will cover this at the May Chapter Meeting and solicit a volunteer.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Esco
Chapter Secretary