

Texas Master Naturalist Gideon Lincecum Chapter
Board Meeting April 7, 2020
Virtual Meeting

Officers Present: President Betsy Palkowsky, Vice President Mark Brown, Treasurer Pam Green and Secretary Linda Esco

Board Members Present: Lori Buffum, Donna Mueller, Chris Morrison, Ken English, Karen Gardner

Members Present: John Gardner

The meeting was called to order by President Betsy Palkowsky at 3:01. The March 6, 2020 board meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

President Betsy Palkowsky:

The State Current Guidelines for Texas Master Naturalist Chapters pertaining to the current corona virus were shared and discussed. Based on these guidelines our May chapter meeting is currently on hold. Mark Brown will contact scheduled advanced training presenters and pursue the possibility of a web based meeting and presentation.

Betsy will send out a chapter update via group e-mail and will solicit project leaders to provide updates in our May Newsletter.

Treasurer Pam Green:

Ending balance for March is \$20,369.00. This includes a \$400 donation from the Native Plant Society for the Winedale Project as well as \$620 in chapter dues.

Outreach - Ken English:

We have 17 new prospects added to our outreach list. They will be added to our newsletter distribution. The board approved the purchase of two tent banners to highlight our chapter and two tent weights to help stabilize our tents during windy situations.

Training - Karen Gardner:

Four webinars have been completed and four additional are scheduled. We have 21 new prospects scheduled to graduate on May 4, 2020. Graduation will be virtual but a graduation celebration will be held at a later date.

Additional Discussion:

Lori Buffum initiated discussion regarding a tribute for Lefty Yarnold. After ideas were discussed it was decided a tree planted at Winedale Historical Complex would be ideal. Winedale will be contacted for approval. Future discussions will include the possibility of more personalized tributes such as name engraved bricks or other specific displays.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Esco
Chapter Secretary