

June Minutes 2005
HCMN Board Meeting

Present

Sharon Corley, Kathryn Harrison, Ronald Hood, Wanda Mattarocci, Phyllis Muska, Sandy Pena, Bob Richie, Jim Stanley, Priscilla Stanley. Amy Sugeno, Betty Thomas and Nancy Vaughan were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM on June 22, 2005 by Jim Stanley.

Phyllis- Brochures/press releases/newspapers/chapter e-mail

We discussed brochures and if we needed to order more and if it would help us by making them more generic for other years. Phyllis reported that re press releases, Jenny looks for associated groups that might be interested in our monthly topic. Jenny would also like to have lookouts to see which papers have printed master naturalist information. Phyllis also informed us that we can use HCMasterNaturalist@Yahoo.com as a substitute for our own email when using the website.

Wanda-new class

Wanda reported that TCE will do any printing for us if we provide the paper. The new class this year has been moved to the Lion's Camp and the class manuals will be put together by August 1st. She suggested that a chapter project could be identifying and labeling the nature trail at the Lion's Camp. They would pay for the materials.

Sharon-T-shirts/future meetings

Sharon reported that 12 was the minimum order for t-shirts and there was a \$25.00 set up fee. The prices were 15 for a t-shirt, 20 for a polo shirt and 25 for denim. The board decided that Sharon would place an order for 50 t-shirts for a cost of \$825.00. The June program is Mark Klym on cavity nesting birds. (Bill Lindemann substituted for him.) The July meeting will be held at Old Tunnel and will be limited to members and spouses or a guest. Sharon suggested that in the future, we consider using Old Tunnel as a welcome evening for a new class. Future programs are as follows: August- Kent Rylander on bird behavior; September-Larry Eblen on storms in central Texas; October-Mark Duff on tree planting and tree choices.

It was also decided that some of these talks could be AT and that the board would make that determination after the fact and notify the membership. Jim will include this information in his next President's Message.

Priscilla-Hold harmless form/class applications

We will no longer be required to use the new hold harmless form. We have sent out 89 applications and to date received 20 back (13 from prospect list and 7 independents). We will be getting extra publicity from an interview with KRVL and Priscilla sent out reminders to anyone who received an application. After discussion it was moved by Ron and seconded by Phyllis to award a scholarship to Nyta Brown for the upcoming class. Motion passed.

Bob-Treasurer's report/Halls Cave

We will have a treasurer's report quarterly and a hard copy will be attached to the minutes. Bob reported there was a cave in Kerr County that might be a good idea for a field trip a/or AT. There are fossil remains and other items of interest.

Training Schedule on web

We were asked by the state to post our schedule. The board felt it was a good idea and it will help with scheduling make-ups. Phyllis will send it to the website.

Plant Sale Arrangements

The sale is October 1st and RNC will buy the plants and be repaid from the profits.

Out of county volunteer projects

After discussion it was moved by Bob and seconded by Sandy that all volunteer projects would be conducted in our 4 county area unless it is a state approved project or pre approved by the board. Motion passed.

Announcements

LMAP visited the property of the Lifestyle editor for the Kerrville Daily Times and there will be a nice article coming out in the paper.

UGRA is sponsoring their second river clean up day on July 16th.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45PM. The next meeting is July 20, 2005.

Respectfully submitted

Kathryn Harrison, Chapter Secretary

