

Texas Master Naturalist, Hill Country Chapter Board Meeting
Riverside Nature Center
Monday July 16, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Lisa Flanagan at 2:02PM. A quorum was present.

Members present: Lisa Flanagan, Craig Childs, Cathy Binney, Susan Clark, Paula Harley, Katy Kappel, Reggie Cox, David Davies, Leslie Hannah.

Members absent: Vern Crawford, Brenda Fest, Claire Mitchell, Michelle Haggerty, Roy Walston.

Operational:

1. David moved and Paula seconded to approve the minutes as amended to say Kristie rather than Michelle. The motion passed.
2. Susan moved and Katy seconded to accept the treasurer's reports as submitted. The motion passed. Cathy reported that the insurance bill has been paid with no late fee charge.
3. Craig reported that the list of presenters is the same as noted last month.

Directors' Reports:

1. **Membership:** Reggie reported that she still needs mentors for the new class. She will include a request in her next e-mail.
2. **AT:** Paula reported that the AT number remains the same. A discussion was held about ATs for webinars.
3. **Communications:** David reported that the rack cards are well-stocked in the counties. He stated that KNAF AM radio station out of Fredericksburg regularly advertises our programs.
4. **New Class:** Leslie reported no changes to the new class line up of speakers, etc. She is working with Becky Etzler at RNC regarding a nature-related movie to possibly be shown at UGRA. She will check into the cost. She also brought a sample edition of the new class binder for us to review. The welcome reception at KACC will be held at 6:30 on Monday August 20, 2018 after the board meeting. All board members provide food for the reception. Reggie will check with Gracie about how the food is organized.

Resource Development:

1. Lisa reported that there is very little interest in a talent show for the Christmas party. Karaoke was suggested as a possible entertainment and Craig will continue to work on ideas.
2. A discussion was held regarding a silent auction or raffle as a fundraiser at the party. Katy stated she is willing to chair a silent auction but not a raffle. Raffle tickets could be sold in the months leading up to the party for members not planning to attend. A discussion was held regarding fundraising in general and will continue to be an item for future meetings.
3. A discussion was held about membership dues. Lisa shared Jim Stanley's response to Katy's newsletter article. Lisa spoke with Michelle who did not think it was a good idea to spend down our surplus funds. A possible newsletter article suggesting donations rather than dues was mentioned. The dues discussion will also be a topic for the future meetings.
4. Lisa reported that response was positive for the 6:45 meeting start time. This will begin in September after plenty of notice is given.
5. Lisa reported that she discussed the LMAP situation with Michelle. It was stated that we have several people interested in the program and a possible training may be held in the future.
6. Lisa will send out an e-mail asking people to let her know if they have projects that they would like to place on the calendar.

New Class Applications:

1. The deadline has been extended to August 19, 2018.
2. Reggie stated that all 29 applications were acceptable and the board agreed. Katy moved and Lisa seconded to accept all applications. The motion passed.
3. Any applications received after this date will be sent by e-mail and we will respond back to her with our yes or no vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Clark, Secretary