**LINDHEIMER MASTER NATURALISTS**

**DECEMBER 15, 2016**

**CHAPTER MEETING AND ANNUAL ELECTION**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:20 PM by President Jim Teeling.**

**Rich Bradley, Past President, presented the slate of officers for 2017. For the office of President was Joel Dunnington. For Vice President was Art Williams ( Susan James had previously sent an email to the Board, asking that her name be removed as a candidate for Vice President). Art placed his name in nomination from the floor. Rich Nielson’s name was presented for Treasurer, and Kim Wright for Secretary. There were no other nominations from the floor. Salty Brady moved that the slate of officers be accepted by acclamation; Glenna Dunnington seconded. Motion passed. The officers were duly elected.**

**Jim Teeling then presented members with their certification and recertification pins.**

**Joel Dunnington announced the topics and speakers for the first 3 months of 2017. In January, Craig Hensley will speak on Butterflies and in February, he will present a talk on Spring Warblers. In March, Susan James will give a presentation on Ferdinand Lindheimer.**

**Glenna Dunnington recognized those members who helped with the party decorations and those who brought food. Joyce Doyle will be taking over the duties of Hospitality in 2017 and Glenna reminded everyone that the sign-up sheet for refreshments was on the sign-in table.**

**Cheryl Trock informed everyone attending tonight’s meeting that there would be no Advanced training credit because there was no presentation. However, members could count 1 Volunteer hour under Chapter Business/Hospitality if they brought food, 1 Volunteer hour under Chapter Business for attending the meeting, with up to 1 hour for travel time. The November newsletter from State announced that they will now award pins for 15,000 and 20,000 service hours.**

**Craig Hensley thanked those who have volunteered at Guadalupe River State Park.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted by:**

**Kim Wright, Secretary**

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