

LRMN Board Meeting
Thursday, January 9, 2020
Agrilife Office

Officers present: Sharon Lamoreaux, Richard Peters,
Joanie Kochanek, Laura Clark,
Lori Horne, Brenda Marshall

Committee members: None

Members: Keith Stephens, Philip Hight, Fred Lyons

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM by President Sharon Lamoreaux.

Joanie said the chapter had a balance of \$3308.50 with 2 outstanding expenditures of \$19.91 for chapter meeting supplies and \$17.58 for picture frame awards given out at the December Christmas party.

Robert Webb was not present to give an update on the chapter logo.

The back ordered Certification pins and the Recertification pins will be awarded to members by Laura Clark, the Volunteer Membership Officer at the January meeting. Certification pins will be given at monthly meetings as members earn them.

Sharon is working on the E. O. Siecke brochure. Laura has not received any correspondence from Ben, so the sign project is on hold.

At the January meeting, Sharon will hand out the 2019 Year in Review.

The Randall Kroll nature classes are still in the planning stage. Classes will be held in the Fellowship Hall of Trinity Baptist Church once a month. He would like for the chapter to generate a list of topics that would be of interest.

The January meeting will include pollinators by Joanie Kochanek, a round table discussion to plan the 2020 monthly topics, and a possible slide show of this year in review.

The February meeting will be about tree/wildlife presented by Donna Work, Tyler County Biologist. Sharon requested a bio on her.

The Eagle count is Saturday, January 11th. Participants will meet at the backside of the courthouse in Hemphill at 7 AM. Because of possible bad weather, Brenda was asked to send an email to members advising them of a

possible cancellation. In the email, Sue had asked participants to email her their names and phone numbers at ssingletary08@gmail. It was also advised that new participants join the eagle count so they would learn to do it.

An eagle paddling trip is scheduled January 18th with G. Langham and Phillip Hight and February 15th.

There will be a Longleaf planting January 20th at Big Sandy. Brenda was asked to send email to members to advise them of the registration deadline January 13th. This will be an all day event with snacks and lunch provided.

David Bellows has extended an invitation to the chapter for Jan. 13th to help him identify plants along a walking Trail near Indian Creek. Sharon and other members agreed to meet him there at 2PM. Because of inclement weather, the trip maybe cancelled.

Donald Fralick volunteered to reserve the booth for the Azalea Festival March 21st. The theme is Climate Change, but it was suggested by Laura Clark for us to look for solutions, so Reducing Carbon Footprint seemed to be a better fit for the chapter.

Sharon asked for a volunteer to write the monthly newspaper. Lori Horne accepted the responsibility.

Several ideas were listed for field trips:

1. Little Cow Creek
2. Mine Creek
3. Colora Cemetery Creek
4. Toro Bayou
5. Canoe trip near Phillip Hight's home

Sharon said that the recycling project would be discussed at the Friends of the Park meeting January 16th at the Nature Center at 6PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM by President Sharon Lamoreaux.