POMN Business Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2021

In Person/Virtual (Zoom)

The meeting was called to order by President Katie Moses.

The minutes from September 16, 2021 stand approved as corrected.

Officer Reports:

1. Treasurer (Ed Robinett) - As of November 1st, we have a balance of $5,588.66.
2. Secretary (Ashley Medeiros) - Katie read a letter from Ann and Bob Wood.
3. Vice President (Meghan Peoples) - No report.
4. President (Katie Moses) - Katie shared that Dr. Sonja Swiger has been appointed as the new AgriLife Advisor. Dr. Swiger is an Associate Professor and Extension Entomologist. The annual meeting recordings will be available to all registered participants to be viewed on website only. Watching the recording can still count as advanced training at this time. Advanced Training for 2021 TMN Tuesdays or Be the Change webinars must be watched and reported for this calendar year. The 2022 re-certification pin will be the Lightning Welk. The 2022 annual meeting will be held in Houston on October 20-23.

Director/Chair Reports:

1. Communications Director (Bill Hopkins)- No report.
2. Volunteer Service (Barbara Lever-Salter) - No report.
3. Advanced Training (Colton Claborn) - No report.
4. New Training Class Director (Lynn Wood) - The press releases had gone out for the 2022 class. Registration is open and Lynn is finishing up lining up speakers.
5. New Class Representative - No report.
6. Membership Director (Lauren Spivey) - No report.
7. Immediate Past President (Karen Aho) - No report.

Committee Reports:

1. Nature Center- Irrigation system repairs are still pending. There are a few empty spots that we need to plant trees. There is always work that needs to be done at the garden. Contact Marsha if you need direction on what to do.
2. Public Outreach (Linda Wood) – Nature Fest was a success! We had 42 volunteers, 16 booths and activities, and 74 visitors. Outreach opportunities for the remainder of the year include the Dublin Market on Saturday, November 20, and December 9.
3. Education (Gail Bradshaw) - Discovery Trunks are available for volunteers to use for any outreach and educational activities. If you have anything to contribute to the chapter scrapbook, such as photos, news articles, etc., please let Gail know.
4. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion - No report.

New Business

1. Officer Elections- The nominating committee was composed of Karen Aho (chair), Barbara Salter, Lynn Wood, Matt Olszewski, and Doris Hasten.  Karen presented the slate: President- Katie Moses, Vice President- Dayna Inbody, Treasurer- James Gray, Secretary- Monica Cortez. A motion was made and seconded to open the floor for nominations. Motion passed. No nominations were made so a motion was made and seconded to close nominations. A motion was then made and seconded to approve the slate. Motion passed.

Announcements

1. Christmas Bird Count- Our chapter will be participating in the Christmas Bird Count on December 18th. Contact Dayna Inbody to sign up or for additional information.
2. Our December meeting on December 9th will be our chapter holiday party and a class reunion. The meal will be potluck so please bring a dish to share. We will eat, play games, and view the annual Art and Photography slideshow. Each attendee will receive a special gift. Meghan will be putting together this year’s Art and Photography slideshow. Please send photos, art and projects related to being a Naturalist to Meghan Peoples at [meghanpeoples@gmail.com](mailto:meghanpeoples@gmail.com).
3. Keep Dublin Beautiful is planning to build a native walking path at the Dublin City Park and they are in need of volunteers and plants! If you are interested in getting involved, let Katie know and she will get you connected with their organization.
4. Our next board meeting will be December 2nd.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Katie Moses

Minutes read and approved at business meeting on Thursday, March 17th.