**Minutes of Rolling Plains Master Naturalist Monthly Meeting**

**November 4, 2014**

Meeting was called to order by President Jim Hensley at 7PM with 20 members and two guests in attendance.

Motion was made to delay the reading of the minutes until next month by Kay Murphy. Second by many. Secretary Cynthia Archibald absent due to a family emergency, Larry Snyder recorded minutes in her absence. Terry and June McKee were also absent due to a family emergency.

Treasurer report given by Larry Snyder. Bank balance of $1,975.16 reported. Motion to accept by Michelle Howard, second by many. Larry also reported that the organization has received its state sales tax exemption from the Texas Comptroller.

Jane McGough gave a report on upcoming changes to the Nature Tracker program. Stay tuned for more on this program. Jane also said there’d be an amphibian watch sometime in the next three days.

Larry Snyder showed off the plaque he received from Texas AgriLife Services at the state meeting. He also gave quail pins to the team leaders, Warren King, Kay Murphy, Betty Brown, and Jane McGough. A pin was also given to Laura Gillis for her work on the presentation board and grass book, as well as for providing transportation to the site on several occasions.

Jim Hensley awarded recertification to Laura Gillis and Dian Hoehne. Larry Snyder presented Jim Hensley with his recertification award.

Jim conducted elections for 2015 officers. The nominees were: Jim Hensley, President, Kay Murphy, Vice President, Cynthia Archibald, Secretary, and Larry Snyder, Treasurer. All offices were filled by acclimation.

Larry Snyder gave a presentation on a new program called Teaming with Wildlife: True to Texas

There will be a volunteer opportunity on November 22 to clean-up and set-up the hall for the Christmas party to be held on December 2. Clean-up will start at 9 AM.

Christmas Party will be held on December 2nd starting at 6:30.

Volunteer opportunity on December 20th for the Christmas bird count. The count will last from dawn to dusk. The location yet to be determined and it lasts from dusk to dawn.

Member presentations on animals followed: Australian Sheep Dog, Jim Hensley; Reddish Egret, Karen Grundy; Black Jaguar, Sandra Smith; Owlfly, Jim Masuoka; Armadillo, Carol Lunsford; Bats, Michelle Howard; Dragonflies, Kay Murphy; Skunks, Dian Hoehne.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Snyder