**Texas Master Naturalist ~ Rolling Plains Chapter**

**Minutes of the September 2015 Meeting**

**September 1, 2015 @ River Bend Nature Center**

Meeting was called to order by Chapter President Jim Hensley at 1900 hours with 27 members in attendance.

**Announcements:**

Kim Mason has graciously agreed to be the newspaper contact for member submissions of articles.

Judy Snyder has agreed to take on the task of Chapter Secretary.

**Awards:**

Mary Webber ~ Initial Certification

Kay Murphy, Jane McGough, and Terry McKee ~ 2015 Recertification

Lauren Jansen ~ Training Class Certification

**Officer Reports:**

Penny Miller moved that the August meeting minutes be approved as written, seconded by Tami Davis. Motion passed.

Chapter Treasurer Larry Snyder reported a balance of $3,304.69 in the bank. Warren King moved that the report be accepted and Debra Halter seconded. Motion passed.

**Nature Tracker Reports:**

**Mussel Watch:** Penny Miller reported that no mussels were found at Lake Arrowhead during the most recent program. Dian Hoehne reported that she had found a few at Lake Diversion.

**Quail Project:** Larry Snyder reported that it was time to begin the roadside counts. He also reported that the memory cards would be harvested on Friday, September 4th and a couple cameras might be moved.

**Monarch Watch:** Tags have been received and will be distributed to members who wish to participate.

**Old Business:**

No old business.

**New Business:**

Take me fishing on September 8, 10, 15, and 17 from 1630 to 1800. This will be at the Field and Stream Pond on Southwest Parkway near Bartley YMCA. Will count as volunteer time.

Sikes Lake Clean-up will take place on September 12th, meet at Sikes Lake behind the Midwestern State wellness building.

Pollinator Pow-Wow is in Kerrville on September 19th – 20th

Bugling Elk program in Wichita Mtns.

Dragonfly trail planning on September 26th at 0800 hours, meet at the equestrian area. Jim said he is working on the possibility of gaining a $2,500 grant for the trail and/or the wildscape.

Lake Arrowhead program – Take Me Outdoors – will be held on October 3rd

Master Naturalist Annual Meeting will be held from October 23rd to 25th in Marble Falls

There is a WPA/CCC exhibit at the visitor’s center at the Wichita Mtns Wildlife Refuge. This will close the end of September.

**Program:**

Laura Gillis ~ Monarch Tagging (30 Minutes Advance Training)

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Snyder, Secretary

September 3, 2015