

Texas Master Naturalist – Rolling Plains Chapter

Minutes of the meeting January 8, 2019@ Midwestern State University

Terry called the meeting to order at 7:09pm (we had to move rooms due to technical difficulties with the projector/computer).

Terry asked members if they have read the secretary's report from last month. No additions or changes were mentioned.

Terry informed the group that Larry sent out the treasurer's report – all acknowledged the report.

Maryruth Prose said that she and Warren King did an audit of Larry's treasurer reports. They found no errors and the books passed with no problems. Maryruth said that the reports were "immaculate". Thanks to Larry for all he does with keeping the books for our chapter!

Terry announced some new business.

On January 12 and on **February 9**, there are tours scheduled at Hackberry Flats that have been approved to count as AT. You will need to make reservations for these. Details below:

January 12 – Duck! Duck! Goose and Hawks! Tour – From 1PM to 3:30PM

February 9 – Chicken Hawks & Hoot Owls Program & Tour – From 9AM to Noon

NOTE: RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED ... EMAIL MELYNDA.HICKMAN@ODWC.OK.GOV OR CALL 405-990-4977

January 16 – There is also a webinar presented by the Texas Water program that will count for AT. Details below:

“A, B, C's of Apple Snails and eDNA” by Dr. Romi L Burks 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Register for this here: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2123673019572210178>

On January 25, there is a Monarch program that will count for AT. Details below:

Monarch Workshop, Train the Trainer 1
Big Stone Lodge, Spring, TX

Friday, January 25, 8:30am - 4:00pm

Link to workshop details:

<http://bit.ly/2A9o6Bf>

Debra Halter reminded everyone that on **January 12**, there will be a bird walk at Lake Arrowhead State Park – 8:00am.

Penny Miller mentioned the New Year Day Hike that several of our members participated in on Jan. 1. We had a nice walk even though it was cold.

Terry said that the training classes are being organized and will be announced soon. Dian had called Lynn earlier about the television spots to help advertise the training class. Ray Hyde will do the early morning ones and Dian said she is not sure about the noon. If someone is interested, there will be a noon spot on Channel 3 on Feb. 19. Carl Brown (suggested by Dian) checked his calendar but can't make it on that particular day.

Laura Gillis thanked everyone who turned in the Monarch tags and said she will get together a report of how many Monarchs were tagged out to the group soon.

Larry said thanks to everyone for turning in hours for 2018. He also mentioned that if you have not, make sure you get them in very soon.

Business meeting ended at 7:15pm.

Program – Tom Lang (TPWD) – Recovering America's Wildlife Act

Informative program – find out more at txwildlifealliance.org

Program ended at around 7:50pm with 5 more minutes of questions, comments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Seman

Secretary

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