**Texas Master Naturalist – Rolling Plains Chapter**

**Minutes of the meeting August 6, 2019@ Midwestern State University, Room 209**

**7:01 pm** – Meeting was called to order by Terry McKee. She asked if there were any additions or corrections to the August minutes. No response, minutes were approved. Larry said that the financial report was the same as last month. He is waiting on the black light purchase to come through. The minutes and treasurer’s report were approved.

**Committee Report** – Terry asked for a report on the Texas Quail Index progress. Larry said that we are wrapping up the camera and habitat evaluations. Next, we will work on the roadside counts in September. The Quail Symposium is August 14-16. Also, if any one wants to buy a piano, he has a friend that is selling one.

Lynn reported that the horned lizard surveys are still underway. We will go to Comanche Springs on August 8. Meet at Atwood’s at 6:30am. (Please let Lynn know if you can go.)

**Old Business** – Terry reported on the Moth Watch at Lake Arrowhead State Park. We saw one moth, but everyone had a great time. She also said that the Star Party was a lot of fun. She thanked Lynn and Sandy for running the kid activities. There were about 200 people who attended the event.

Terry said that if you have an insert for the Jr. Ranger books, send them to Ranger L.

Also, River Bend Nature Center is still conducting a camp this week and has a turtle event on Thursday afternoon.

**New Business** –

August 8 – Comanche Springs Astronomy Campus – meet at Atwood’s at 6:30am, contact Lynn – will be conducting a horned lizard survey, painting two benches, and checking garden.

August 10- Bird Walk at LASP with Penny 8:00am

August 10 – Monarch program at 1:30 to 3:00pm – Penny, Marilyn, Maryruth, Kay, and Lynn will be presenting the program, but others are welcome to come. This will be at the Kemp Center for the Arts.

August 14-16, Quail Symposium -Abilene, TX

August 15 – Urban Wildlife Conference in Richardson, TX. Kay asked if anyone is going. If you are, she would like to arrange to ride together.

August 17 – Butterfly Count, 8:00am LASP – meet at Headquarters, bring butterfly nets.

Sept. 7 – Sikes Lake Cleanup 9 to noon – hot dog feed will follow event with volunteers, Norman and Larry as the cooks. Kim asked if you can bring a kayak to help clean up along the edges. (yes)

Carl mentioned that Wild Bird Rescue has 100 birds right now. Carl said that they are in need of volunteers.

Terry said that if anyone is interested in the display boards, feel free to take them home with them – first come, first serve.

**Recertification Certificates** were awarded to: Paula Savage, Sandy Underwood, Joy Parsons

**Training class certification:** Susan Lindsay

**250 hours award** to Ray Hyde.

Business meeting ended at approximately 7:18pm.

There were 27 members present at the meeting, and 1 guest.

Program – Penny Miller – Pollinators – Great job, Penny! Thank you very much!

Program and questions ended at around 8:03pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Seman

Secretary

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