

Minutes for STTMN Board of Directors Meeting 8/8//22

Conducted VIA ZOOM Platform

7:00 pm

Attendees: Michele Connolly, Michelle Alvarez, Cynthia Frank, Suanne Pyle, Mike Wenzel, Art Siebert, Holly Grand, Philip Woods, Leslie Hoekstra, Randy Bissell, Rebecca Maestas, Ricky Rodriguez, Chad Huckabee, Kevin Gibbs, Tony Bristoe, Leslie Albrecht, Jean Meadors

Call to order at 7:04 pm by Michele Connolly

Prior minutes posted on website

There were no changes. Minutes accepted as posted.

Officer and Director reports

Michele Connolly – President

- Reported we will still hold our meetings virtually and in person at the FB Intermediate school. We need to make sure back door is not propped open. Michelle Alvarez can be contacted to let people in if they run late. Someone will need to let people in until meeting starts.
- Several people need to meet early for the meeting to meet new IT person and make sure everything is working properly.
- Registration is open for the state TMN meeting
- Bibi Dalrymple has been working on the new calendar on the website.
- It was decided that calendar needs to be password protected. Randy Bissell will make a link (work around for calendar) Calendar will be simplified to date, duty location. Sign-up Genius is going to be used.
- Texas Bays and Estuaries Is having an in-person event Sept 21 and 22nd
- The UTMSI Patton visitor center will be opening soon. The ARK, located on the grounds of UTMSI, needs volunteers.

Leslie Albrecht – Vice President –

- Our August speaker is going to be Steve Cook who will be discussing Merlin Bird ID and how it relates to eBird.
- She will send the list of future speakers when she has it finalized.

Jean Meadors - Secretary

- First time being Secretary, nothing to report.

Leslie Hoekstra – Treasurer

- See Financial Report at end of minutes

Bibi Dalrymple – Immediate Past President- Not present

Chad Huckabee – Advanced Training -

- There will be no Saturday AT classes taught until Spring, because of Initial training.

Mike Wenzel – Communications Director

- He will show up early before meeting to discuss with new IT person and set-up for meeting.
- No report.

Michelle Alvarez – Membership Director

- 15 people went to the Kayak event including 1 new trainee.
- 55 people have signed up for party at Randy and Dawn Bissels chapter social party. 21 of them are new trainees.
- Starting to look for venues to hold our 20th anniversary event.

Phillip Woods – New Class Director (Initial Training)

- Our 2022 class is full with 22 new trainees and 3 carryovers from last year. There is a waiting list.
- New orientation will be August 20th at TAMUCC.
- 1st training will be at Hazel Bazemore Sept. 10th
- Everything is set up for training except for a few of the Thursdays.
- Had advertising at KEDT, not sure people signed because of that event,
- Will contact people registered people0 if can make it. If no, will go to waiting list.

- Please call before you come to a training session as we will not have room at some venues.

Katilyn Parker – New Class Representative – not present

Cindy Frank – Volunteer Management

- Since the Uvalde shooting school districts are making volunteers fill out forms to get approval to visit campuses.
- Volunteers will need to get forms from each district they visit.

Advisors:

Kevin Gibbs stated that CCISD volunteer form is free. Email Kevin to get link.

Holly Grand had nothing to report.

New Business:

Randy Bissell reported that someone donated a new projector and screen.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm by Michele

Administrative/Board meeting .75 hours

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FINANCIAL REPORT

August 8, 2022

SAVINGS \$ 1,821.12

.68 Interest 6/30/22

TOTAL \$ 1,822.47

CHECKING \$ 6,941.64 Beginning Balance as of June 6, 2022

639.64 Four Trainees Paid on Square with Book

242.14 Two Trainees Paid on Square no Book

159.61 One Trainee Paid on Square Book and Training Separate

242.45 Two Trainees Paid on Square (as a couple) No Books

TOTAL \$ 8,225.48 TOTAL

2 YEAR CD \$ 4,452.03 Maturity Date: November 14, 2023

3.81 Interest 6/30/22

3.94 Interest 7/31/22

\$ 4,459.78

TOTAL \$ 14,507.73

Annual Dues Paid for 2022

56 Renewed (3 in 2021)

19 Trainees 2021

2 Advisors (no annual dues required)

77 Total

New Trainees for 2022

22 Paid