

Minutes for STTMN CHAPTER meeting 9/20/22

Conducted In Person and VIA ZOOM Platform

7:06 pm

BEGINNING WITH OCTOBER MEETING, MEETINGS WILL START AT 6:30 PM

Speaker introduced by Leslie Albrecht, Vice President

Speaker: Art Siebert, South Texas Master Naturalist "History of Mustang Island"

Attendees: Janice Knezek, Grace Lopez, Nancy Gettelfinger, Teri Gettelfinger, Dale Rasco, Patty deGlopper, Aracely Negret, Jenny Dailey, P.J. Pratt, James Gill, Melissa Williams, Debra Plowman, Cornelia Gates, Cindy Forbes, Sharon, Jon Brandt, Claude Smith, Suzanne Smith, Tony Briscoe, Tony Mintor, Bibi Dalrymple, Michele Connolly, Jean Meadors, Chuck Blend, Christy Blend, Dawn Bissell, Melissa Williams, Brittany Ashby, Art Siebert, Janie Ainbinder, Leslie Albrecht, John Hardie, Abigail Rosenberg, Mike Wenzel, Chad Huckabee, Winnie Shrom, Brian Tilley, Sherry Stewart, Ada Anderson, Lari Jo Edwards, Jason Edwards, Kim Ogden, Jesse Ogden, Phil Woods, Kevin Gibbs, Holly Grand, Linda Cowley.

Chapter Meeting

Call to order at 8:16 by Michele Connolly.

The minutes of our last meeting are posted to our website

(<https://txmn.org/st/meetings/chapter-meeting-documents/>). The minutes will stand as posted.

Visitors and Guests were welcomed: Linda Cowley

Rewards and Recertifications

Recertification

Ric Garces, Thomas Emmons

Hours Award

250 hours-Marie Kieber-Emmons

500 hours-Terri Gettelfinger

Officer and Directors reports

Michele Connelly-President

- Flour Bluff Intermediate School has requested the group to finish earlier than we are. We will start at 6:30 pm with Chapter business and continue to have our guest speakers start at 7:00 pm. We will continue to have it available on Zoom.
- Our board meeting will be held on Zoom on October 3rd.
- State meeting is being held in Houston on October 20-23rd.
 1. We need to have all our volunteer hours input into VMS by September 26th for them to be included in state report.
 2. State meeting Art competition is due September 30th.
 3. Pop-up store-if you order something and not going to state meeting have someone pick up for you.
- The updates and by-laws are in operational manual.

Leslie Albrecht-Vice President

- National Audubon Society is hosting their big Event on November 5th from 5:00 pm-7:30 pm
- Last day for the Big Roost Count is October 22nd.

Jean Meadors-Secretary

- Please check minutes to make sure all names of attendees are there.

Leslie Hoekstra-Treasurer-Not present

Bibi Dalrymple-Immediate Past President-

- Calendar is up and working. It's found under home-members only. Password is name of bird in the photo.
- You can sign up for activity under date on calendar. On calendar it will tell you where to put activity on VMS.
- If you want to put something on calendar that could be advanced training, check with Chad Huckabee to see if it can be used.

Chad Huckabee-Advanced Training-

- There are very few weekends that are free,
- His son has constructed a display for volunteers to take to outreaches.

Mike Wenzel-Communications Director-no report

Michelle Alvarez-Membership director-

- Our 20th anniversary celebration will be held on Sunday, November 13th at Padre Bali Park in the Briscoe pavilion. Time TBA.

Phillip Woods-New Class Director (Initial Training)

- Initial training at Hazel Bazemore went well. There were 21 new trainees and 3 returns.

Kaitlyn Parker-New Class Representative- not present

Cindy Frank-Volunteer Management

- Reported we had two recertifications. Ric Garces, Thomas Emmons
- 250 hours-Marie Kieber-Emmons
- 500 hours-Terri Gettelfinger

Advisors- Kevin Gibbs, Holly Grand. No reports.

Announcements

- Michele Connolly states that on sign-up (volunteer program you should be able to change times and/or delete your sign-up but if you cannot let her know.
- Sea Beans, seashells etc. Are available in the storage unit.
- Start time for next chapter meeting will be at 6:30 pm with chapter business and at 7:00 pm for guest speakers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. By Michele Connolly

Chapter meeting .5 AT-training- 1 hour