

**Minutes for STTMN Chapter meeting 4/18/2023
Conducted In Person and VIA ZOOM Platform**

Attendees: Michele Connolly, Ada Anderson, Phil Woods, Sherry Stewart, Dennis Robinson, Cornelia Gates, Bibi Dalrymple, Cindy Frank, Janice Knezek, Leslie Albrecht, David Neipert, Steve Cook, Mike Wenzel, Gerry Vahle, Dharma Webber, Church Blend, Christi Blend, Paula Baker, Melissa Williams, Nancy Gettelfinger, Terr Gettelfinger, Lewis Smith, Suzanne Smith, P.J. Pratt, Kevin Gibbs, Ric Garces, Grace Lopez, Jennifer Pshigoda, Jean Meadors, Dennis Robbins, Arecely Negrete, Art Seibert, Janice Ainbinder, Tono Briscoe, George Gardiner, Lillian Bass

Call to order at 6:34 pm by Michele Connolly

Prior minutes posted on website There were no changes. Minutes accepted as posted. (<https://txmn.org/st/meetings/chapter-meeting-documents/>).

Visitors-

Dennis Robbins

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Awards and Recertification:

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Initial Certification:

Cornelia Gates

Recertification:

Grace Lopez, Randy Bissell, Steve Cook, Mike Wenzel, Sue Barley, Cindy Forbes, Nancy Gettelfinger, Paula Baker, Sherry Stewart, Ada Anderson

250 Hours

Mike Wenzel

New Business

All procedures and manuals are updated and on website. Operating manual is a fluid manual and can be altered as needed..Anyone who has not paid dues are on the inactive members list, Once you have paid dues you can be moved to active list, At the training get-together to introduce trainees and Master Naturalists at the Bissell home in August, we hope to bring our outreach tables to demonstrate what we show and let anyone who has not seen the tables to see it and learn what everything is.

Officer and Directors reports

Michele Connolly-President

Main thing i to get our handbooks. Make sure and check calendar to see what we have happening. Presented to the Nueces County Commissioner:s Court by Kevin Gibbs that our group had in-kind monies Of \$780,000 volunteer hours.

Leslie Hoekstra-Vice President

Our last guest speaker before summer break will be Kelsy Parks from the Texas State Aquarium.

Jean Meadors - Secretary

No report.

Ann Flanagan – Treasurer

See attached report at the end of minutes.

Bibi Dalrymple – Immediate Past President

Look at sign-up on calendar to see where to volunteer. They are holding a nature challenge from April 29th-May 30t. Dawn and Randy Bissell need help with Goose Island 100th year celebration on April 29th. Bird walk at Blucher Park every Saturday and Sunday in April,

Chad Huckabee-Advanced Training Director

Not present,

Mike Wenzel-Communications Director-No report

Sheri Johnson-Membership director-

Not present. Scheduling conflict. She worked with the Port Aransas Visitors Bureau. She will mainly work on quarterly socials since all other things have been taken care of,

Dawn Bissell-New Class Director (Initial Training

Not present but reported training schedule is full.

Dharma Webber-New Class Representative

Has arranged for TMN people can write 359 or less articles for the Caller-Times. Send them to Dharma as contact person. Michele reminded us articles can not be political or activist in nature,

Cindy Frank-Volunteer Management

See Hours and recertifications above.

Advisors- Kevin Gibbs-No report

Holly Grand-Not present

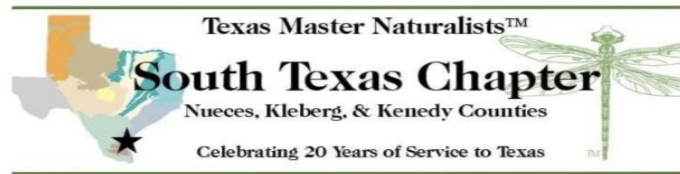
Announcements

Steve with the Audubon Outdoor Club announced a birding tour to King Ranch on May 20th. Cost is \$175.00. Hopefully will get to see a sparrow only found in South Texas and a pygmy owl.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm by Michele Connolly

Leslie Hoekstra introduced guest speaker Dr, Elda Sanchez from Texas A&M Kingsville talking about venomous snakes and using venom,

CB-.5 Att-1 hour



Treasurer's Report
April 18, 2023

Savings			1824.14
	Interest	1.12	\$1825.26
Checking	Beginning balance as of March 21, 2023		\$6034.45
Deposits			
	Dues		267.07
	Ending balance as of April 18, 2023		\$6301.52
CD	Matures November 14, 2023		\$4475.31
Total			\$12,602.09