

**Minutes for STTMN Chapter meeting 3/21/2023
Conducted In Person and VIA ZOOM Platform**

Attendees: Chuck Blend, Christy Blend, Wendy Hill, Claude Smith, Suzanne Smith, Michele Connolly, P.J.Pratt, Dharma Webber, Nancy Gettlefinger, Terri Gettlefinger, James Gill, Grace Lopez, Cindy Forbes, George Gardiner, Melissa Williams, Art Siebert, Jean Meadors, Janice Alnbinder, Karen Smith, Jackson Gray, Toni Biscoe, Cindy Frank, Leslie Albrecht, Cornelia Gates, Bibi Dalrymple, Ada Anderson, Gerry Vahle, Chad Huckabee, Ann Flanagan, Phil Woods, Lari Jo Edwards, Jason Edwards, Sherry Stewart. Bryan Tilley, Jacquelyn Jones, Dawn Bissell, Mike Wenzel, Steve Cook, Janice Knezek,

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm. By Michele Connolly

Prior minutes posted on the website There were no changes. Minutes accepted as posted.

Visitors-None

Awards and Recertification:

Recertification:

Toni Briscoe

Elaine Tiller

Jay Gray

Patty deGlopper

Dawn Bissell

Chad Huckabee

Adel Castro

Tom Emmons

Jean Meadors

Grace Lopez

Leslie Albrecht (from last meeting)

2500 Hours

Elaine Tiller

Michele Connolly – President

Dues are due by the end of month. If you are not sure if you can ask Ann Flanagan or Cindy Frank. If not paid by the end of March you will be moved to inactive status, Home and Garden outreach went great. We will definitely do it again next year. Thank you to all volunteers. Storage area photos have been seen by the board of directors, There is a way to check out material. Art is going to try and get us microscopes. Chapter operating manual is being tweaked by the Board. Michele will take to state meeting to get clarification on some things, Thank you Mike and Randy for cleaning up the website. We have an opening on board for Membership Committee. We are doing fairly well in recruiting. Mentoring program will be paused, Michelle Alvarez needs to step down. If you are interested let Michele know.

Leslie Albrecht-Vice President- nothing to report

Jean Meadors-Secretary-nothing to report.

Ann Flanagan-Treasurer- See report at end of minutes

Bibi Dalrymple – Immediate Past President

Check the calendar for events. Every Saturday and Sunday in April, except Easter there will be guided bird walks in Blucher Park. Earth Day Bay Day is April 22nd. We will have the display table and this year they are asking for our help with the plant give-aways,

Chad Huckabee-Advanced Training-

.Archimedes trip went well. Good instructor. Flour Bluff aquatic club on Archemielp. Next week for 2 days will need volunteers to monitor. Plant ID class this weekend. April 4th CC lake plants Josie would like help.

Mike Wenzel-Communications Director-No report

Vacant-Membership director-

Dawn Bissell-New Class Director (Initial Training)

Have an incredible team. All locations are good. All objectives have been boiled down to critical objectives thanks to Cornelia Gates. Will meet with Arecey to figure out Kingsville training, Found an entomologist plus one on county staff.

Dharma Webber-New Class Representative

No report..

Cindy Frank-Volunteer Management

See Hours and recertifications above.

Advisors- Kevin Gibbs-Not present

Holly Grand-Not present

Announcements-Outreach already discussed. Dharma-got Texas turtle stranding handout if anyone wants to get copies, Also stranding cheat sheet if anyone would like to borrow, Bracken cave we are confirmed for August 20th BCI will let us go together, have about 40 slots at night, It will take about 3 hours. Dawn said April 1st.Botanical Gardens will have Big Bloom, she thinks. they will need help. We can't be involved in taking money or selling anything. We can be involved in set-up and handing out plants. Grace or Adel can be contact person for that. Lari Jo-Sept. 19th from 5:30 pm. Teacher extravaganza at Corpus Christi Museum of Science. They will need help. Different groups will talk about what they have to offer.-

Lari Jo-Art Center will have nature journaling area set up for July, If anyone wants to out their work in, tell Leslie or Lari Jo can get in person at the Art Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm by Michele Connelly.

Leslie Albrecht introduced guest speaker Jacob Dykes, Wildlife specialist from Agri-life and professor at TAMU-cc

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Treasurer's Report
 March 21, 2023

Savings		\$1824.14
Checking	Beginning balance as of February 21, 2023	\$6364.04

Payments

Check 1049	2/28	Tablecloth and name badges	127.30
Check 1050	3/02	Tables and tablecloth	136.74
Check 1051	3/16	Texas Floating Classroom	500.00

Deposits

Dues	434.45
Ending balance as of March 21, 2023	\$6034.45

CD	Matures November 14, 2023	\$4475.31
Total		\$12,333.90