

**Minutes for STTMN CHAPTER meeting 5/16/2023**  
Conducted VIA ZOOM Platform

**Attendees**

Michele Connolly, Mike Wenzel, Randy Bissell, Kristen Eggers, Ann Flanagan, Art Siebert, Jean Meadors, Brian Tilley, Chad Huckabee, Chelsea Hastings, Christin Vega, Clndy Forbes, Lewis Smith, Suzanne Smith, Cornelia Gates, Jennifer Pshigoda, Jenny Dailey, Kim Ogden, Jesse Ogden, Kesley Dahlbeck, Kevin Gibbs, Leslie Albrecht, Melissa Williams, Nancy Gettelfinger, Teri Gettelfinger, Philip Woods, P.J. Pratt, Sheri Johnson, Sherry Stewart, Winnie Shrub, Daisy Castillo, David Neipert, David Snapka, Debbie Plowman, Holly Grand, Janice Knezek

**Chapter Meeting**

Call to order at 6:34 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:** David Smith, Kristen Eggers, David Snapka, Christin Vega, Chelsea Hastings, Daisy Castillo

**Awards and Recertification**

Recertification:

Gerry Vahle, Carol Singleton, Dave Rasco

250 hours

Jenny Dailey

**Achievement award**

Art Siebert received an award for volunteering for 4000 hours from the President of the United States This is the presidential achievement award..

We are holding our meeting by zoom because the Flour Bluff Intermediate Library experienced flooding.

### **Officer and Directors reports**

#### **Michele Connelly-President**

Sending thank you letter to Flour Bluff Librarian for allowing us to use her library and being so gracious,

Our new meeting place, beginning in August, will be back at the Botanical Gardens. They are fixing the floor and now have an ethernet cable for the internet. They are happy to have us back. Hopefully we can get more people volunteering there and maybe trade information about speakers that we have and that they have..

The state is updating and firming up the logos that can be used. We now have two choices in colors of lettering, dark or light-if you already have a shirt that is fine.

#### **Leslie Albrecht-Vice Preside**

No report

#### **Jean Meadors-Secretary**

No report

#### **Ann Flanagan-Treasurer**

See report at end of minutes. Our CD matures in August if anyone has a suggestion on our next step please let Michele and her know.

#### **Bibi Dalrymple-Immediate Past President**

Not present.

#### **Chad Huckabee-Advanced Training**

There will be advanced training available on June 6th-Bay and nearshore Marine fish and invertebrates. June 16th 17th-Native plant Id and June 24th-Fauna of the Ice Ages

**Mike Wenzel-Communications Director**

no report

**Sherry Johnson-Membership director**

No report

**Dawn Bissell-New Class Director (Initial Training)**

Orientation will be held August 5th at the Botanical Gardens. Our social has been moved to August 19th. The new goody bags this year will have Eclipse glasses. Cindy stated there are 53 people on the interested list, some as far back as 2017. She sent out emails to find out if they are still interested, they have until May 15th to respond

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**Dharma Webb-New Class Representative**

not present

**Cindy Frank-Volunteer Management**

No other report.

**Advisors-** Kevin Gibbs, Holly Grand. No reports.

**Announcements,**

Kristen Eggers, Goose Island is looking is looking for volunteers to help her with several projects , such as invasive species removal.

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm. By Michele Connelly

Leslie Albrecht introduced guest speaker=Kelsey Dahlbech from the Texas State Aquarium

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Treasurer's Report  
May 16, 2023

Savings		1825.26
Checking	Beginning balance as of April 18	\$6301.52
	Deposits	
	Dues	23.97
	Payments	
	check 1053 to Phil Woods for beach biota	72.59
	Ending balance as of May 16, 2023	\$6252.90
CD	Matures November 14, 2023	\$4475.31
Total		\$12,553.47