Minutes for STTMN CHAPTER meeting 10/17/2023

Conducted in person and VIA ZOOM Platform

NOVEMBER MEETING IS ZOOM ONLY.

Attendees

Paula Baker, Jenny Dailey, Ricard Garces, Nancy Gettelfinger, Teri Gettelfinger, Chelsea Hastings, Holly Grand, Mandi Bever, Jon Brant, Kevin Gibbs, Jean Meadors, Kim Ogden, Charlie Ogden, Aracely Negrete, Michele Connolly, Cindy Frank, Ron Schulz, Debra Plowman, Linda Conley, Pat Clements, Cornelia Gates, Bibi Dalrymple, Leslie Albrecht, Bryan Tilley, Denise Beaman, Bill Beaman, Pat Clark, Nada Martin, Richard Martin, Mike Wenzel, Phillip Woods, Chad Huckabee, Winnie Shrum, Randy Bissell, Sherry Stewart, Emma Martin, Ann Flanagan, Bob Brown, Christy Blend, Chuck Blend, Lewis Smith, Suzanne Smith, Dawn Bissell, David Neipert, George Gardiner, Michelle Alvarez, Holly Ahern, Shawn Carrigan

Meeting called to order 6:30 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: No Visitors

Awards and Recertification

Initial certification
Pat Clark, Bill Beaman, Denise Beaman

Recertification:

Jon Brandt, Pat Clark, George Gardiner, Joan Wolf

4000 hours Phil Woods 15,000 hours Chad Huckabee.

Guests and Visitors

No one.

Officer and Directors reports

Michele Connelly-President

Got back from State meeting, Next year's meeting will be in San Marcos the 3rd week of October. Next years' recertification pin is the diamond back rattlesnake. The event gave out great presents, such as a pullup signs and microscopes.

Leslie Albrecht-Vice President

No report

Jean Meadors-Secretary

No report

Ann Flanagan-Treasurer

See report at end of minutes.

Bibi Dalrymple-Immediate Past President

She chaired nominating committee with Cindy Frank and Mike Wenzel. Michele Connolly has agreed to be president and Jean Meadors has agreed to be secretary again. For meeting in November, since it's a virtual meeting she can do google form for vote or a voice vote. Bibi will stay as past president if Michele is president again.

Let Michele and Bibi know of any outreaches you are doing, We can do signup genius for people who are volunteering for programs. Make sure and go to website calendar.

Chad Huckabee-Advanced Training Program Director

We will be responsible for the Christmas Bird count at the Nueces Delta Preserve. Don't have the dates yet.

Mike Wenzel-Communications Director no report.

Sherry Johnson-Membership director

She will no longer be membership director. Executive board will get together next month to decide who they can get to replace her.

Dawn Bissell-New Class Director (Initial Training)

They are half way through the training and classes have been going well. They will visit Lake Corpus Christi this Saturday. Next week they will visit Kingsville and hopefully the serpentarium.

Jenny Dailey-New Class Representative

Will not be at Lake Corpus Christi training, They had a great visit at the Nueces Delta Preserve.

Cindy Frank-Volunteer Management

Phil Woods will receive an eagle pin and a letter from the President of the U.S. Chad Huckabee will receive a plaque for his 15,000 from Aloe Title,

Announcements and Opportunities

Christy Blend stated that since we won't have in person meeting in November and no meeting in December she will have a sign up in January for February's meetings so they won't have lots of food left over. Chuck Blend stated there was a lot of positive feedback on the annular eclipse. The Astronomical Society is going to have a star party at the Nueces Delta Preserve on January 13th 2024.

Advisors- Kevin Gibbs,-no report. Holly Grand-no report.

Chapter meeting adjourned at 7:15 by Michele Connolly

Chapter business -.75 hours Advanced training .75.

Leslie Albreach introduced the special guest Dr. Alicia Meja talking about Building DIY Wildlife pond.. See attached link at end of report for powerpoint presentation.



Treasurer's Report October 17, 2023

Savings 1827.55 Interest 9/30 \$1.15

Checking Beginning balance as of September 19, 2023 \$11,039.78

Deposits

Payments

10/04/23 check 1061 Michele Connolly
Hobby Lobby - display cases
Dick's Sporting Goods - shade shelter tent
(outreach grant)

10/04/23 check 1062 Michele Connolly reimbursement for Master Naturalist annual meeting registration

10/04/23 check 1064 Michele Connolly
Art for silent auction at annual meeting

60.00

Total payments 625.99

400.00

Ending balance as of October 17, 2023 \$10413.79

CD Matures November 14, 2023 \$4475.31

Total as of October 17, 2023 \$16,716.65

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