

**Hays County Master Naturalist Chapter Board Meeting Minutes**  
**August 10, 2017 6:30 PM**  
**Woodcreek City Hall Meeting Room**

**In Attendance:**

Beth Ramey, President  
Connie Boltz, Vice President  
Larry Calvert, Treasurer  
Art Arizpe, Past President  
Dixie Camp, State Representative & Volunteer Services  
Susan Neill, Training Committee Chair  
Roxana Donegan, Outreach Events & Host Committee  
Mary Dow Ross, Host Committee  
Lauren Young, Interim Historian

**(Continued)**

Gordon Linam, TPWD Representative  
Tom Jones, At Large Member  
Dick McBride

**Not Present:**

Beverly Gordon, Calendar, Advanced Training Committee & Calendar  
Jason Mangold, AgriLife Extension Advisor  
Hope Shimek, Newsletter

**Order of business**

**1. Call meeting to order – Beth Ramey**

- a. Beth called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.
- b. Review & Approve minutes of previous meetings. Skipped because the July meeting minutes were not available.
- c. Member Topic – blue shirts for graduates – Dick McBride.
  - i. Dick discussed spending money on shirts and they don't seem to be used much.
  - ii. Chapter t-shirts instead.
  - iii. Discussion followed. Decided to add questions about this to the survey.

**2. Officer Reports/Announcements**

- a. President – Beth Ramey
  - i. State Meeting Scholarship
    1. Dixie moves that scholarship goes to Lauren Young. Seconded by Roxana Donegan. Approved by acclamation.
- b. Vice President – Connie Boltz
  - i. Chapter Meetings
    1. Gordon will present September meeting. Location is AgriLife but may change.
    2. October Star Party at Freeman Ranch planned.
- c. Secretary – Tracy Mock - absent
- d. Treasurer – Larry Calvert
  - i. Larry sent financial reports.
  - ii. No questions.
- e. Past President – Art Arizpe
  - i. Invited everyone to Bluehole Exhibition reception on 9/17 and the Naturescapes Exhibition reception on 9/9.

**3. Committee Reports/Announcements**

- a. Advanced Training Committee – Beverly Gordon - absent
- b. Calendar – Beverly Gordon - absent
- c. Historian/Interim – Lauren Young
  - i. Lauren will handle request to submit chapter photos for annual meeting.
- d. Host Committee – Mary Dow Ross & Roxana Donegan

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- i. 115 RSVPs, 10 are from Beth's list.
- ii. Setup – caterers can use the kitchen
- iii. Discussion about preparation – setting up tables and chairs
- e. Membership Committee – Jane Dunham – absent
- f. Website Administrator – Jane Dunham – absent
- g. Newsletter Committee and Editor – Hope Shimek - absent
- h. Outreach Coordinator – Art Arizpe
  - i. Outreach Event Coordinator – Roxana Donegan
    - 1. Mermaid festival in San Marcos in September
  - ii. Speakers Bureau
    - 1. Art contacted past outreach coordinators to locate presentations
    - 2. Kim Ort says she has them and will forward
  - iii. Beautifulhayscounty.org
    - 1. Art reports site administrator training received from Upbeat Marketing on 8/3
    - 2. Next step is to assign tasks to admins
- i. Training Committee Coordinator – Susan Neill
  - i. Next class is next week, class #9
- j. State Representative – Dixie Camp
  - i. We were asked to help publicize the state meeting
- k. Volunteer Services – Dixie Camp
  - i. Bamberger is still a project. Ask Karen Archer to coordinate.
  - ii. Dixie asked board if we knew of any projects in Driftwood.

### 4. Advisors

- a. TP&WD Representative – Gordon Linam
  - i. Nothing to report
- b. AgriLife Extension – Jason Mangold - absent

### 5. At Large Member

- a. Tom Jones – Preparing a project proposal for the Cypress Creek Watershed Walk.

### 6. Unfinished Business

- a. 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project Chair/Team
  - i. Beth will have info at the social/reunion chapter project admin table.
- b. TMN Operation Docs
  - i. Beth provided update and discussion about recommended changes to chapter operating handbook
  - ii. Beth discussed feedback with Michell. Michelle will review with state-level committee.

### 7. New Business

- a. Missing data in VMS.
  - i. Beth led discussion.

### 8. REVIEW ACTION ITEMS

- a. Upcoming Calendar events - Reviewed

- 9. **Adjourn** – Larry made a motion to adjourn, Dixie seconded. Meeting adjourned 7:50 pm.