



Pines and Prairies Chapter Minutes Thursday, March 7, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:03 p.m. by President Bob Dailey.
2. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum. Present were: Bob Dailey, Helen Capozzelli, Alicia Mein-Johnson, Jay Gowen, Hugh and Diane Wedgeworth
3. Minutes for the following board meetings were approved – Helen 1st Jay 2nd
 - January 11, 2024
 - January 18, 2024
 - February 15, 2024
4. President Bob Dailey began discussions regarding:
 - Discuss and vote to change Finances to increase Scholarship amounts – Jay 1st Helen 2nd
 - Total amount in fund was \$1,000.00 want to increase for small scholarships.
 - Discuss and vote to change from Spring Plant Sale to Woodlands Waterway Arts Festival - Alicia 1st Helen 2nd
 - Thousands of people who attend event. Have information booth, children's activities, have 16 arm bands which include free admission to event.
 - Helen suggested doing seed bombs but Alicia stated they had tried in a previous event and suggested separated egg trays (which she has). Have the kids fill with dirt and seeds to take home
 - Chapter will purchase American Basketflower seeds
 - Alicia suggested \$400.00 for table and chair rental, soil, seeds, and paper lunch bags for transport.
 - Helen has banners for booth.
 - Need business cards for booth.
 - Alicia will make up flyer with QR code to scan for plant information.
 - Discuss starting a Junior NPS group or invite Woodlands Green to help/join – College Park Science program has great leader
 - Discuss and create a Plant Sale Leader – need involvement
 - Discuss an April/May plant swap at meeting – this will now be the normal for Chapter meetings.
 - Six (6) ideas from the survey:
 1. Landscaping Process
 2. Transitioning to a Native Landscape

3. Knowing Your Wildflowers
 4. How to Use Native Plants for Landscape Solutions
 5. Designing with Native Plants
 6. The Edible Landscape
 - Discuss creating monthly book raffle for attendees, not to include zoom
 - Discuss Publicity (social media) Committee and suggested new committees
5. Report from the Treasurer Anne Blout – Unable to attend meeting
6. Report of VP-Membership - Alicia Mein-Johnson
- Discuss purchasing Membership pins and NLCP shirts to help participation
 - No pins. Would rather send seeds than have a pin.
 - Create tee shirts for each level.
 - Need sizes at NPSOT Level 1 – to claim tee shirt (white for Level 1 with each level after a different color) at next meeting any leftovers will be raffled at next meeting Alicia 1st Helen 2nd
7. Director at Large – Membership – Jay Gowen
8. Next Chapter Board meeting, May 2, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.



Helen Capozzelli

Future Chapter Meeting Speakers:

March 21 – getting to know your chapter and plant swap with presentation by Jay Gowen “Native Volunteers in the Landscape”

April 18 – Della Barbato of the Native Prairies Association of Texas

May 16 – Tina Davies – “Fungi in the Web of Life”

May 18 – Teri McArthur – Mushroom walk in The Woodlands

June 20 – Carson Stokes - tentative