Welcome: Kathy Henderson called the meeting to order welcoming 37 members and recognizing 10 guests.

Reports:
Treasurer’s Report: Cindy Stone reported $5,067.37 in checking and $8,957.85 in savings for a current total of $14,025.22. The Wildflower Plant Sale profit was $2,674.28.
Spring Plant Sale: Randy Pensabene posted an article on the Wilco website about the successful April event, thanking supporters and volunteers.
Garden Grants: This program was originally for elementary schools but has expanded to include the Southwestern University garden maintained by the students. Kathy Henderson introduced 3 student gardeners, who invited NPSOT members to their May 9 potluck.
Earth Week: Marilyn Perz reported that Earth Week was celebrated the last week in April with a display at Georgetown Library provided by NPSOT and Habitat Stewards volunteers.

Old Business:
Volunteers: People are needed for May 10 for 2 events: Dino Days at Champion Park and Central Texas Home and Garden Show in Hutto. The Hutto event will have children’s activities, vendors including Wright’s Nursery, and guest speakers with Cindy Stone’s session both morning and afternoon. Berry Springs Park will have a bluebonnet seed harvesting on May 15 from 8:30 – 12.

Spring Symposium at the Wildflower Center: 8 chapter members attended the seminar that featured Dr. Doug Tallamy. His book, Bringing Nature Home, was the door prize.

Taxonomy Classes: Cindy Stone reported that Dr. Flo Oxley will be teaching these classes the 4th Saturday starting in June through September; the first class will be a refresher. Classes from 9 a.m. to 12 noon are offered at Wells Branch Library. 40 spots are available for $15 each session. Magnifying lenses are recommended. Additional information is on the Wilco website.

New Business:
Native Certification Landscape Program: NCLP classes will be taught in Georgetown in the fall. Dates are to be announced. Instructors must have taken the level they teach. Level 1 is being taught June 7 in Denton; June 14, San Antonio. Level 2 is being taught June 21 in San Antonio; June 28, Dallas. See Dennis Perz for more information or the Wilco NPSOT website.

Nominating Committee: Kathy Galloway needs one more person for this committee; she spoke about members being more involved. Walt Henderson spoke of his last 3 years experience with the chapter, working with others to make the chapter a good support system for board members.

Field Trips: June 29 is the field trip to Berry Springs Park for another plant survey. See the Wilco NPSOT website.

Programs: The speaker for the June 12 chapter meeting will be Diane Sherrill of Native Earthscapes and long time NPSOT member; the new NPSOT garden at the Georgetown Library will be the topic. The annual members’ potluck and planning meeting will be held July 10.

Program:
Plant ID Activity: Stephen Brueggerhoff presented photos of spring native plants for audience identification.
Program: Pat Merkord with the Native Prairies Association of Texas (NPAT) presented, “Saving the Prairies.” The State of the Prairies Conference will be held May 29-31 in Fort Worth.