

**GALVESTON BAY AREA CHAPTER – TMN  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MINUTES  
September 30, 2008  
Extension Office**

The meeting convened at 7:00 P.M.

**Attending:**

Verva Densmore\* Frank Budny\* Shane Ferguson\* Julie Massey\* Cliff Muehe\* Tawy Muehe\* Sara Snell\* Nelda Tuthill\*

**Absent:** Steve Alexander\* Dick Benoit Terry Jackson\* Beverly Williams\*

\* Voting Members

**Agenda:** Agenda was reviewed.

**Minutes:** The Minutes of the Board Meeting of August 7, 2008 were reviewed and approved with corrections.

**Old Business:**

1) Update on Presentation at National

Mary Jean did a terrific presentation on running a Junior Master Naturalist program. There were lots of questions. Mary Jean was asked to give the presentation at the State meeting. Julie realized that the Texas organization is ahead of the rest of the nation.

**New Business:**

1) Discuss new committee – Education

A meeting was held with some of the key people to draft a charter. Sara presented the draft charter to the Board. Mary Jean has agreed to chair the committee. **MOTION: The Board approve the charter for the Education Committee.** Sara moved. Tawy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2) State Meeting (Scholarship, Photos, etc.)

Cliff reported that the discount date has been extended to October 9. GBA was asked to do a special activity. Diane Hume will make presentation on Wetlands. Sara will make a presentation on Treasures of the Bay and fill in for Mary Jean on Junior Master Naturalists. **MOTION: We present to Marie and Odie a \$75**

**scholarship to attend the state meet.** Tawy moved. Verva seconded. Motion passed.

3) Nomination Committee Chair Recommendation

Mary Beth Arnold has agreed to serve as chair. **MOTION: The Board accept Mary Beth Arnold as chair of the Nomination Committee.** Shane moved. Cliff seconded. Motion passed. Mary Beth will be allowed to recruit the rest of her committee.

Update of Monthly Summary of Events

Events through December 4, 2008 were reviewed. No changes were made. There will probably be many after-hurricane opportunities for the Bay area—High Island, Horseshoe Marsh, etc.

**Committee Reports:**

- 1) President: No report.
- 2) Vice President: Martin Hamilton and Mike Mize will speak at Chapter meeting. They will speak on the Clear Creek Environmental program.
- 3) Treasurer: Presented the financial statement and budget tracking as of September 30, 2008.
- 4) Membership: No report
- 5) Secretary: No report.
- 6) AT/VS Chairperson: No report
- 7) Sponsor: Will start working on 2009 Spring class. Many of the meeting places have been affected by Hurricane Ike.
- 8) Communication Chairperson: No report.
- 9) Training Class Chairperson: No report.
- 10) Chapter State Volunteer Rep: Encouraged members to take advantage of extended discount date
- 11) Class Reps: No report.
- 12) Community Outreach Chairperson: Chapter is doing very well on goals.
- 13) Advanced Training Chairperson: 11/15 has been changed to a program on Bats. Diane Fosse will present. Odie and Marie will talk about monitoring.
- 14) Stewardship Chairperson: No report.
- 15) Spirit Chairperson: No report.
- 16) Historian: No report.
- 17) Other:

Tawy moved and Nelda seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelda Tuthill  
Recording Secretary

### Action Items

Date	Project	Action	Responsible	Expected Date to Complete	Comments