

# Pines and Prairies Chapter Native Plant Society of Texas

## Pines and Prairies Chapter Board Meeting – September 22, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:02p by President Gail McConnell.

A quorum was established. Board members present were Gail McConnell, Martin Simonton, Carolyn Worsham, Mike McGee, and Abbie Ince-Hendrickson. Amy Birdwell and Hugh and Diane Wedgeworth also attended.

Minutes were approved for the August 18, 2022, Chapter Board Meeting with correction of a typo (approval moved by Martin; seconded by Abbie; approval was unanimous).

### **Report of the President Gail McConnell –**

- There was no objection from the Houston Chapter, NPSOT, to promote the opportunity for Pines and Prairies to provide volunteer assistance at the pollinator garden at Jesse H. Jones Park & Nature Center.
- There are 34 are enrolled for the Native Landscaping Certification Program, Level 1 on October 15.
- Students in the College Park High School Environmental Club have volunteered to help with plant propagation at W. G. Jones.

### **Report of the Program Committee (Martin) –**

- The Fall Plant Sale will be held at New World Botanical on Friday and Saturday, October 7 and 8. Martin reported that many volunteers had been propagating and replanting for the sale. He singled out Diane Wedgeworth for her contributions.
- Amy Birdwell presented the budget for the plant sale. Mike moved and Carolyn seconded the approval of the budget. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
- Martin estimated the cost for improvement of the irrigation system at W. G. Jones to be \$250. Mike moved and Abbie seconded the expenditure. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
- Martin confirmed that several students from Stephen F. Austin State University would help with the Fall Plant Sale.

### **Report on In-Person Chapter Meetings (Mike) –**

- Wednesday's presentation by **Don Dubois** was excellent. 13 attended in person; 14 attended online.
- October 10 – **Sara Dykman** will discuss her book, *Bicycling with Butterflies*, at Spring Creek Nature Center in a joint meeting with Heartwood Chapter, Texas Master Naturalist.

- November 16 – **Bob Dailey** will present a program on Soils.
- Mike will purchase a two-person microphone and receiver for \$247 for use by the chapter (purchase authorized at August Board Meeting).

#### **Unfinished Business**

- Gail reviewed the three-year plan for Pines and Prairies. Carolyn moved and Mike seconded to approve the plan. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

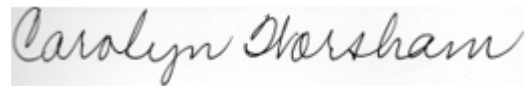
#### **New Business - None**

#### **Announcements**

- The next board meeting will be held via Zoom on Thursday, November 10 at 7p.
- A Friendsgiving and Seed Dispersal will be held at W. G. Jones on Sunday, November 20.
- Several items will be on the agenda for November – Calendar for 2023, Budget for 2023, appointment of a Nominating Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00p.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Orsham". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.