



## Pines and Prairies Chapter Minutes Thursday, May 2, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:03 p.m. by Vice President Alicia Mein-Johnson.
2. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum. Present were: Helen Capozzelli, Alicia Mein-Johnson, Anne Blout, and Jay Gowen.
3. Minutes for the March 7, 2024 meeting was approved – Alicia 1<sup>st</sup> Jay 2<sup>nd</sup>
4. Alicia Mein-Johnson started the discussion regarding:
  - Begin search for new President
    - Discussed need to find a new president hoping for suggestions and divided the Presidents tasks among themselves.
  - Follow-up Woodlands Waterway Arts Festival
    - Alicia stated that it was not as busy as expected.
  - Discuss September 7, 2024 plant sale at Alspaugh's Ace Hardware of the Woodlands in coordination with NPSOT
    - This is a yearly event that is volunteer based, no sales
  - Discuss and create a Plant Sale Leader – tabled
  - Discuss Fall plant sale in coordination with Woodlands Landscaping Solutions
    - After great discussion it has been decided that we will coordinate with Woodlands Landscaping Solutions to have a booth, as we did for the Woodlands Waterway Arts Festival, and will have egg crates and Basket Flower seeds for planting. **WE WILL NOT HAVE A PLANT SALE THIS YEAR.**
  - Discuss and consider cross training/creating job binder for all top positions of P&P
    - This was discussed and tabled for the time being.
5. Report from the Treasurer Anne Blout
  - Anne let us know that the finances are such that missing a plant sale this year will not be a detriment to the Chapter
6. Report of VP-Membership - Alicia Mein-Johnson
  - Discussed responsibilities of each position and how we would split up the President's position.

7. Director at Large – Membership – Jay Gowen

- Follow-up to NLCP Level 1 – Class was well, some students stated how impressed they were with the content
- Discuss and approve making NLCP Level 1 a virtual only presentation
  - Level 1 as a virtual class has been approved by Linda Foss and NPSOT, a vote was taken, and approved by all - Alicia 1<sup>st</sup>, Anne 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Discuss NLCP Level 3 and Level 2
  - Discussed Level 3 in the Fall and Level 2 next Spring with the new Level 1 being virtual in the Spring
- Discuss purchase of 100 more plant markers and storage containers for each NLCP level – Alicia 1<sup>st</sup>, Jay 2<sup>nd</sup>

8. Unplanned New Business

- Jay proposed streamlining chapter meetings by using a Google form for plant sales
- The team also discussed future plans, finding that most members were interested in attending plant walks or NLCP classes to learn about native plants

9. Next Administration Chapter Board meeting, June 6, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
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Helen Capozzelli

Future Chapter Meeting Speakers:

June 20 – Carson Stokes “Beneficial Insects and Native Plants”, with plant swap