



Board Meeting Minutes, 15 January 2020

Called to order at 5:01 PM

Present: Don Graves, Wendy Graves, Bill Norris, Betty Spence, Elroy Limmer, Joan Limmer, Keller Suberkropp, Beth Leuck, Les Brandt.

Treasurer's report by Wendy, given and accepted

Treasurer's Annual Report for 2019 passed around and a signed copy given to Keller to take to the January 24th Board meeting of the NPSNM.

Investments, aggressive are to be kept as they have been for some length of time.

Don reported that the 2019 GNPS Annual Report was sent to Tom Stewart, President, NPSNM.

Don will do article on galls for the next NPSNM bulletin, using photos from Elroy.

Bill Norris spoke of the 8th Natural History of the Gila Symposium (Feb. 27-29 2020), which will include hikes and a field trip led by Richard Felger and Russ Kleinman.

Keller will attend the NPSNM Board meeting on the 24th of January.

Joan stated that the December 2019 GNPS membership held at 139.

Jeff heads Technology Committee. Facebook page is up. Talk of using Instagram to inform young people. City of Rocks event should be posted on facebook.

No Board meetings for February and March. Next Board meeting will be on April 15th.

Silva Creek. Elroy said it was a good winter with plenty of moisture. Will be adding some plants and sowing some seeds yet this winter. Trying to find ways to soften appearance of the wall in front of storage area.

Hannah Blood has sold her house and has moved to Tucson so will no longer be available for spring/summer plant hikes. A new person needs to be found.

April 17th plant walk to AT and Cinda Cole's Pitchfork Ranch. Leaders to be announced.

April 18th is the Earth Day celebration at Gough Park. GNPS will, once again, have a table and activities.

A calendar has been created by Wendy and Don which will include deadlines, activities, events, board meetings, etc... Board meetings will now be scheduled the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Discussion was held on updating and reprinting "Trees and Shrubs of New Mexico" by Jack and Marth Carter. Where do the proceeds go?

Storage unit for the books. Elroy reported 5x5 for \$35. 5x10 \$55

Bill suggested including some of the non-natives in the book, an idea that was not acted on.

Motion was made by Bill Norris, and seconded by Joan Limmer to update and reprint 2000 copies: Motion passed unanimously.

Audubon/GNPS picnic is scheduled for May 17

Donna Stevens will present Spring Flowers in our area for the May program. May plant walk may be on 3rd Saturday this year.

Bill Norris will organize a March plant walk.

Susan Claire Memorial: Lots of comments. Pollinator mural her idea And she was active with the Commons. Not appropriate to have a memorial at Silva Creek. Start a chapter of Bee City USA as her memorial With cost to belong is \$200 a year. Lots of support from city organizations Requirements to become a Bee City: City has native plant inventory, which needs to be updated, probably add areas for pollinators and reduce amount of pesticides usage in city.

Memorials at Silva Creek: Charles Holmes. Gerry Nivis. Butterfly Garden bench for Ella, Ella and Michael

Bill, Ron and Elroy will work on moving forward on updating and reprinting Trees and Shrubs of NM. .

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM