

Balcones Canyonland TXMN  
Chapter Meeting Notes  
November 13, 2019

Meeting Time: 7-9 pm, Concordia University

Attendees: Larry Root, Julian Yates, Karen Yates, Sam Whitehead, Mark Staerkel, Erick Zubay, Mary Ann Robalino, Sarah Oldmixon, Deborah Holle, Colette Pearce, Pete Aranda, Amy Robertson, Mark Staerkel, John Laisy, Levihn-Coon, Rachel McGill, Lori Najvar, Bryan Hale, Zach Stark, Heather Valey, Tania Homayoun, Frances Franklin

7:00 – 8:00 pm

Presenter: Barbara Dugelby, PhD

Presentation: Principles and Prospects for Land Stewardship  
Wild Basin Creative Research Center, St. Edwards University

1. History of Wild Basin
2. Inventories
3. Q&A

Chapter Announcements and Business:

Pete nominated current board members to serve another year. Heather seconded. Will be voted on at December meeting.

To get credit for bringing food on VMS, go to Chapter Meeting, click on Welcome Desk.

Note: Once a member has completed the required 8 hours of AT, Additional Training, for the year, they can enter 2 hours of volunteer work for attending the chapter meeting.

Dr. Whitehead: Naturefest, April 8-11, 2019. The chapter needs to form a committee for Saturday to engage the public. We need to finalize silent auction by February. Need volunteers to lead tours in the preserve.

Bioblitz/Nature Challenge, April 26-29, Friday-Monday. There will be five days afterward to identify sightings.

Suggestion to have a Bioblitz in the Concordia Preserve, Rachel could conduct an I-Naturalist workshop/session.

Michael Lewis will get with Zach and Dr. Whitehead to make a presentation on Naturefest next month.

**December 11 Chapter Meeting – Christmas Party! Potluck dinner.  
Speaker is Ina Alexatos, a certified arborist with Treefolks.**