Llano River Watershed Alliance Board of Directors Meeting

Draft Minutes 4:30pm December 1, 2016



Paddler's Porch Junction, Texas

Holly, Nol, Koy, Emily, Tyson, Gary Guest: Bobby Gierisch

- 1. Meet at Flat Rock for Trash Pick-up
- 2. Reconvene at Paddler's Porch 5:30
- 3. Approval of Minutes-Emily move, Holly second. Approved
- 4. Treasurer's Report -- \$5,692.52...deposited \$450 of memberships...Expenses:\$58 for PO Box renewal...\$5 on debit card...
- 5. Membership Report: Seven new memberships including 2
 Business
- 6. Hour Tracking...Hours to be added for Film Festival, trash pickup, Board meetings, museum, and Ocktoberfisch.
- 7. Old Business —River History at Museum...Emily and Nol attended Open House for History Museum. TTU Museum is helping museum with design. The Alliance will schedule a tour with Charles to discuss displays about the River.
- 8. New Business ...Nol received report of individual pushing sand and gravel into river between 150 and State Park...Tyson and Gary will makes plans to evaluate this issue.

 Koy mentioned that 3-5th grade Junction ISD will be participating in the Outdoor School on Dec 8th, 12th and 13th. Invited Board

- members to come out. This is the first time in many years that Junction has participated in the Outdoor School
- 9. State Wildlife Grant. This grant will likely come from the Public Access Grant. Progress on this grant has been delayed as TPWD has had to put a lot of resources into addressing the Balmorhea/Apache Oil issue
- 10. SARP Grant Proposal Tyson has submitted a grant proposal to Southeast Aquatic Resources Partnership for exclosure/tree planting efforts in riparian zone. The Alliance will help coordinate volunteer efforts for the proposal if granted.
- 11. Climate Messaging Board discussed how to message climate change given the resurgence of questions regarding its existence. Messaging should stay focused on vulnerability of watershed to reductions in recharge due to reduced precipitation and what folks in the watershed can do to make their lands more resilient to these reductions.
- 12. Planning Meeting...Board discussed whether to have a Planning meeting as part of its next meeting. The Board has done this the past two years. As pending grants will likely shape activities in the coming year, it was decided to postpone planning meeting until a time the grants are in place.
- 13. The next Board meeting will be February 2nd at Paddlers Porch, weather permitting
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