

**Llano River Watershed Alliance  
Board of Directors Meeting**

**Draft Agenda  
4:30pm  
March 9, 2017**



Work detail at Llano River Field  
Station followed by regular  
meeting at  
*Paddler's Porch  
Junction, Texas*

Art, Tom, Holly, Koy, Emily, Tyson, Nol...Will  
Platz guest

1. Met at 4:30 at Richardson Garden at Llano River Field Station to remove Mexican Needle Grass-finished in 30 minutes
2. Resumed meeting at 5:30 at Paddler's Porch
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes-Holly moved-Tyson 2<sup>nd</sup>-approved
5. Treasurer's Report - \$6,294.62 in account. Paid \$27 for domain...\$240 new memberships income
6. Membership Report – 2 sponsors :White Family Trust (Ember White Cain & Deborah Hobbs) & Scott and Ivy Whitener
7. Suggestions for Newsletter Content –city wide cleanup May 31<sup>st</sup>, EDC. Get info from Donna Leep...dark skies party
8. Hour Tracking-Nol: 5 hours for volunteer workshop, Art-3 hours soil board, 1 hour from Emily for Pilot
9. Old Business –River History at Museum-meeting with Charles Hagood- Tyson gave synopsis of meeting attended by Gary, Z and Tyson. There are several ways we could tell the story of the river-one could be a specific section on the river. Another could be how the river plays a role in each section. Also outside display possibilities.

10. Grants update: TPWD, SARP, Healthy Watershed (Tyson)-no new information
11. New Business –Tom talked about the Envirothon coming to Junction. There will be a need for volunteers on Monday April 10<sup>th</sup> to judge concurrent student presentations. Tyson will put info in newsletter.
12. Star Party (Holly) – International Dark Sky for S Llano St Park. Designation is 3<sup>rd</sup> park in state...Have a Stary Party on March 25<sup>th</sup> ...expect to get 60 people attending
13. Insurance –There was much discussion re what insurance to get. All Board members felt D&O was needed at a minimum. Concerns was expressed about not having liability insurance since we sponsor outings. D&O is about \$600 and liability about \$300. Art move to get D&O insurance, Emily 2<sup>nd</sup>...unanimous approval. Emily will discuss with agent which of the numerous D&O options we should get. Board suggest getting the lowest coverage. Nol moved and Art 2<sup>nd</sup> that we get liability. This decision was unanimously approved.
14. Pilot Trash Clean Up and Oil Spill Emily discussed volumes of trash on the other side of chain link fence at Pilot. Others mentioned general problem with trash at all of the businesses at the Freeway. Decision to work with EDC and May 31<sup>st</sup> community clean up to begin to address this. Tyson will also talk to Pilot as part of beginning discussions about constructed wetland at the end of the drainage ditch that is part of Watershed Protection Plan. Emily also discussed oil spill (100 gallons) at Pilot that was mentioned in the Junction Eagle. Nol will contact TCEQ to see if they were notified about the spill. There may be a minimum reporting amount; Tyson will check on this
15. Next Outing –Tyson suggested an outing on the Llano between Whites and James Crossing with Dr. Andre Droxler from

Rice University to learn about stromatolites. Tyson will get the details re length of trip and shorter options. September is possible date depending on Dr. Droxler's schedule.

16. Advertisements Spring Guides Tyson inquired about potential of advertising in spring guide, but determined that the deadline has passed. Something to think about for next year.
17. Youth Scholarship...Art asked for \$500 donation from Alliance for Youth Scholarship in conjunction with the Upper Llanos Soil and Water Conservation Board. We have supported this effort at this amount two previous years. Tyson wants to make sure picture gets in the Eagle...Art move...Nol second...approved
18. Next Board Meeting—April 17. This is the date for a potential meeting. This is a very busy time of year for Board members and we may postpone the meeting if there are no pressing matters.
19. Discussions were had about sponsoring next year's Envirothon team from Junction.
20. Adjourn at 7:05pm