

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

**Minutes
5:30pm
February 18, 2016**



*Hacienda Maria
Native American Seed
Junction, Texas*

Znobia, Emily, Gary, Tyson in attendance

1. Approval of Minutes—Z move to accept all. Emily second. Tyson was asked to put minutes in pdf form as word document locks computers.
2. Treasurer's Report-Expenditures: 27.9 domain name \$7,163.38 new balance
3. Membership Report -- no new activity
4. Board Insurance – Emily will fill out forms and send back for D&O insurance. We have Liability Insurance
5. Status Report Upper Llano River Watershed Protection Plan— Tyson is waiting on final review from Soil Board...Tyson discusses new healthy watershed grant opportunity that could be used to fund hog traps, exclosures, and spraying of invasive species
6. Landowners Guides to Realtors and Talking Points- Board decided to go ahead and distribute books to realtors first and see what develops on other fronts. There had been discussion in previous meetings about waiting on realtor distribution to see if that was the most efficient. The consensus of the Board was that we need to go ahead and move forward.

7. Mason Lions Club—Tyson made a presentation to the Mason Lions Club February 9th. Had several positive comments. One person joined list serve
8. Texas Stream Team Training—The Alliance is submitting a grant to Mason Community Foundation for water quality probes to be used in Mason County. The Alliance Board also gave approval to purchase 2 sets of water quality probe kits: Core Kit (\$497) and Advanced Kit (\$197) for a total of \$1,388.
9. Other news – Tyson reported that the Llano River Field Station will be hosting Texas Academy of Sciences the first weekend in March. About 400-500 students are expected to participate
10. Discussion of Next Outing—Tyson and Gary Garrett are working with Kerr WMA and Jim Stanley to put together outing for either April 16 or April 30th.
11. Llano Earth Art Festival (LEAF)-Tyson will be manning a booth and making public presentations in exchange for booth space. He will use the banner and will borrow a tent from NAS.
12. Sewage Spill in Junction- This issue has not come before TCEQ Commissioners
13. Meeting with City of Llano re Waste Water Treatment Application-The Board discussed signing on to a letter with Hill Country Alliance raising some questions, but not opposing the permit—there was no opposition to signing on to letter...
14. Water Right Permit Application on North Llano-a permit amendment has been requested for Maynard Creek, a tributary of the North Llano. TCEQ has been slow in responding to information requests; they are primarily set up for folks to have to drive to Austin. Information will be made available to the Board as soon as it is received.
15. Next Board Meeting will be March 10th at NAS