Minutes ILLINOIS NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY December 12, 2022, 6:00pm | Zoom Meeting Governing Board Meeting

Attending: Joe Armstrong, Floyd Catchpole, Trish Quintenz, Susanne Masi, Bo , Lailah Reich, Eric Ulaszek, Paul Marcum, Anna Braum, Daniel Pohl, Gretel Kiefer, cassi saari, Courtney Cartney

Meeting Begins: 6:01PM

- Review Minutes from the November governing board meeting. Minutes approved.
- Plant Discussion: (limit 20 seconds of talk) or type about 1 (limit 1) plant a board member loved, are seeing, are researching, want to know more about, blooming, etc.
 - Clematis occidentalis known only to occur on algific slopes = north facing slopes in IL in driftless area, buried ice beneath slope.
- Web Report: (Gretel)
- New Memorial donations (Lailah)
 - Kathy Daniel memorial donation (\$100) for William Ashby in the Harbinger.
 Another \$50 memorial donation received from Mary Blayney for William Ashby.
 - Spring of 2023 to include write up in Harbinger. Bo to assist with write up.
 - Leonard Williams memorial donation (\$100) for Gary Marx.
 - Chris Benda knew Gary Marx, will assist with write up for Harbinger. Donation specific to Southern Illinois Chapter. Include write up in Spring 2023 Harbinger.

Chapter Reports:

- Central Meeting monthly. October talk with Paul Marcum updates for IL listed species.
 November talk with Chris Benda on IL Big Tree Registry. December holiday dinner and Dr. Zettler presentation on orchids.
- Forest Glen Forest Glen Chapter continued with several events in 2022. Our latest was a Fern Workshop and associated field trip led by Eric Ulaszek. The morning of October 8, 2022 folks gathered at the Illinois Natural History Survey Forbes building for a PowerPoint presentation and demonstration with living and pressed specimens. In the afternoon several participants visited Portland Arch Preserve in Indiana to get up close to ferns in the field.
- Grand Prairie No updates.
- Kankakee Torrent Meetings paused for winter.
- Northeastern cassi to send.
- Quad Cities Reassessing full chapter status. May combine with a larger area, NW Chapter/Driftless Area?
- Southern -

Old Business:

- Lydia Davidsmeier Donation Money (Floyd):
 - Partnering with Red Bison, Grant Creek Conservation Area, Floyd will also check with Central Chapter and scope out the area where she is from near Virginia, IL.
 Trish will follow up on this after January 2023.
- Membership Renewals (Anna and Lailah): Anna working on setting up MailChimp.
- April 2023 petition for Native Plant Month.
- State Governing Board Election = Ballots to be sent out soon.
 - New State Board President No candidate thus far. Emily may serve as interim president TBD. Potential for advertising on our website. Small committee to assist with finding candidates. Check descriptions for Officers to lessen burden for President elect, revise to make specific what time commitment would be required? Special election between terms?
 - Need to schedule an election date, which will be after November 14th. Lailah to prepare draft ballot to circulate for approval prior to formally sending. Include note on ballot that states we are seeking a new President while Emily serves as interim.
 - VP: Susanne will run again
 - At-large board member: Gretel will run again
- Updates on 2023 Annual Gathering Central Chapter will be hosting last weekend of September 29th, 30th, and October 1st.
- New Business:

Meeting Adjourned: 7:08PM

Next Meeting: January 9, 2023