

**Minutes of the Fall Meeting
First Baptist Church
Cameron
Friday, October 29, 2010**

President Linda Stewart-Knight called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and welcomed members, guests and new members. Linda thanked JoAnn Nunez and Cyndi Sellars for making the Cameron arrangements, the Cameron Tourist Commission for providing food and Judith O'Neale, Elouise Mullen, Joelle Finley and Ken Harris for working the registration and sales tables.

Linda introduced the evening's speaker Melanie Driscoll. Melanie is the National Audubon Society's Director of Bird Conservation for its Louisiana Coastal Initiative. She leads efforts to identify, prioritize, monitor and implement conservation initiatives for Important Bird Areas in Louisiana. During the BP oil disaster, she monitored bird rescue and rehabilitation efforts for partners and the public. Melanie spoke on "Audubon's Unprecedented Response to an Unprecedented Disaster".

Linda announced that she will lead Saturday's field trip which will leave at 7 am from the Cameron Motel parking lot.

Judith announced that most areas of Cameron were open: behind the Courthouse (lock combination 1212), Lighthouse Rd. (lock combination 30730) and that the Secret Place was closed. Judith drew for door prizes.

Linda announced to turn in badges if not returning and wished everyone a good night and good birding.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectively submitted by:
Joelle Finley
Secretary
November 2, 2010

**Minutes of the Fall Meeting
Creole Community Center
Creole
Saturday, October 30, 2010**

President Linda Stewart-Knight called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm and welcomed members, guests and new members. Linda thanked JoAnn Nunez and Cyndi Sellars for making the Cameron arrangements and the Cameron 4-H group for the chicken-sausage gumbo. She thanked Judith O'Neale, Elouise Mullen, Joelle Finley and Ken Harris for working the registration and sales tables.

Linda introduced the officers and board, VP Ed Wallace, Treasurer Judith O'Neale, Secretary Joelle Finley, past-president Nancy Menasco, board members Joan Brown, Jackie Duncan and Curt Sorrels, LOS News Editor Bob Hamilton and JLO editor Jennifer Coulson.

Nancy Menasco moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Judith O'Neale presented the treasurer's report.

Nominating committee member Nancy Menasco presented the slate of candidates:

President-Linda Stewart-Knight

Vice-President- Ed Wallace

Treasurer-Judith O'Neale

Secretary-Joelle Finley

North LA Board Member-Steve Pagans

Nancy asked if there were any nominations from the floor and called for a vote. The candidates were approved.

Linda thanked Nancy and the nomination committee for their work and thanked outgoing board member Joan Brown for her 7 years of service.

Linda introduced the evening's speaker, Randy Lanctot, executive director of the Louisiana Wildlife Federation. Randy spoke on the "Quest for a Louisiana State Seashore", a proposal to establish a State Seashore along the Caminada Headland between Caminada Pass and West Belle Pass in Jefferson and Lafourche Parishes for conservation and compatible public uses."

Dave Patton called the check list—167 species.

Joan Brown announced the winter meeting in Monroe, January 28-29, 2011 and Linda announced that the spring meeting will be in Cameron April 29-30, 2011.

Steve Cardiff announced that there are still places available for the field trips during the Yellow Rail and Rice Festival to be held in Jennings on November 4-7, 2010. Also, he has ABA items for sale to benefit ABA's Gulf Coast Initiative.

Judith drew for door prizes.

Linda announced to return name badges and to help replace the tables and chairs.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectively submitted by:

Joelle Finley

Secretary

November 2, 2010