

February 14, 2017
Board Meeting

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Bossier Parish, Louisiana was held in the Nature Center building, located in the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation Area, Benton, Louisiana on the above date with the following:

Present: Alan Warren, Jerry Fowler, Gary Wyche, Robert Berry

Absent: Walt Bigby

Also Present: Chelle Carroll, Nancy Scripture, Stacey Smith, Madora Abney, Randy Miller, Charles Keene, and Rosemarie Goin

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 by Mr. Warren. Roll call was made by Chelle Carroll.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fowler. The prayer was given by Mr. Warren.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Wyche. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 01-10-2017 Board Meeting was made by Mr. Wyche and seconded by Mr. Fowler. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the bills for payment was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Wyche. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

Nature Center Report: Given by Madora Abney

Walk-in visitors to Cypress Nature Study Center for January, 2017 93

Educational Activities

January 04	Boy Scout Eagle Project Meeting (3)
January 06	Waterfowl ID
January 18	Lisa Dick with AXI – Technology (3)
January 23	Wildlife ID and Waterfowl Grouping (3)
January 26	Benton Middle School Science Fair (71 Projects)
January 28	Waterfowl Grouping
January 28	Cindy Singletary - Eagles

Total number impacted by Cypress Nature Study Center in January 184

Memorandum

The Nature Center was closed to the public January 12 – January 18 to pack up the facility, wax the floors, and return each room back to their proper place.

Classes start back February 16 for the spring touring season and continue through May 18.

The Nature Center is hosting “Art in the Park” featuring artwork by The Louisiana Society of Animal Artists. This will serve as a fundraiser for updates at the Nature Center. “Art in the Park” will be March 11, 2017. There will be a fishing rodeo for the kids, arts, food and fun for all ages.

Coming Events

February 17 – February 20 - Great Backyard Bird Count

February 20 - 4-H Hunting Skills Training 9:30 Nature Center

March 11 – Cypress Nature Center’s “Art in the Park”

Director Report: Given by Robert Berry

- The first cabin should be finished in about 2 weeks.
- Mr. Joe Monsour will be helping to get the Marina running.
- Mr. Sibley with Wildlife and Fisheries will try to be at the March meeting to discuss Black Bayou.

There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Wyche to adjourn the meeting. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

Alan Warren, President

Jerry Fowler, Vice-President