

CALL TO ORDER: The September 2, 2008 meeting of the Sea Shell Searchers was called to order by president Tina Petway.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Tina Petway welcomed everyone back from a wonderful summer. She expressed hope that everyone went to beach or COA. The anniversary committee was praised for a wonderful job.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: A motion was made by Cliff Harris, seconded by Freida White to approve the minutes as mailed in the newsletter. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wayne Humbird reported a balance.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Newsletter: Patty Humbird - reported a miscommunication between partners, check the website if newsletter is not timely
2. Field Trip: No report because Darwin Alder is not feeling well. Cliff Harris is willing to take people Apple Snail collecting
3. Hospitality: Frieda White - announced that the sign up sheet going around, food and beverage information will be in newsletter and on website
4. Historian: Sherry Tesch - pictures and pages for viewing
5. County Fair: Wayne Humbird - entries due October 4, plenty of case space, clean up September 20 beginning at 9:00
6. Auction: Wayne Humbird - no report
7. Program: Steven Coker - tonight COA report, November-Tina Petway on her dredging experience, Jackie Reid-underwater photography
8. Membership: Steven Coker - We still have members, dues are due, now have triplicate forms to keep track of membership and checks. Steven asked about the membership directory, do we want one, costs about \$100. Members expressed more interest in electronic copies than paper copies.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Dean Harris brought an article in Texas Parks and Wildlife for which she and Cathy Betley were interviewed about shelling and the beach environment.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Patty Humbird announced that extra museum T-shirts are being given away. She asked if the shell club was interested in giving away left over T-shirts from a previous design. A motion was made by Freida White, seconded by Wanda Coker to donate old shell club T-shirts to Jimmy Ernst in Panama. Motion passed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Jamboree will be in Corpus Christi, probably 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in May

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Cliff Harris and seconded by Dave Barziza. The motion passed.

PROGRAM: A COA convention summary given by Wanda Coker using photography by Wayne Humbird. The preview program for 2009 convention in Clearwater, Florida was viewed.