

Wellington Garden Club
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 2, 2019

Officers in attendance: Carol Coleman, Mary Drexler, Barbara Hadsell, Jan Seagrave, Kathy Siena, Danese Sloan-Kendall, and Maria Wolfe. Absent: Evvy Bartley, and Caren Griffin.

Committee Chairs in Attendance: Doreen Baxter, Stormi Bivin, Claire Falik, Twig Morris, Carol Ralph, Dee Rolfe, Deb Russell, Harriet Samuels, Cass Stryker and Terrienne Tuskes **Absent:** JoAnn Akins, Kay Brown, Linda DeSanti, Lisa Ferrano Denise Friedlander, Larry Grosser, Kate Kouba, Carol Lazzarino, Phil Macnak, Diane Rice, Tina Richter, John Siena, Janet Stein and Jim Thompson.

Member At Large: Barbara Ricksen

Guests: Jeannine Beehler, Bobbi Ziegler, Claudia H. Smith, and Paige Griffin

- I. Meeting called to order at 9:33am by Carol Coleman.
 - A. Quorum established: 17
 - B. Reminded all to silence their cell phones.
 - C. Stormi Bivin and Kathy Siena will review the minutes of the current meeting and edit if necessary.
- II. **Officer Reports**
 - A. President: Carol Coleman met with Peggy Jacobs who informed her that she has installed a butterfly garden and has spruced up the Japanese and Bromeliad Gardens. The tour is expected to take 1-1/2 hours in a golf cart. A map has been created that lays out the gardens and path the golf carts will take.
 - B. Recording Secretary: Edits were made to the 11/26/2018 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes of 11/26/2018 BOD meeting was made by Harriet Samuels and seconded by Carol Ralph. Motion carried.
 - C. Treasurer:
 1. Change Auction to "Raffle" on P&L for Holiday Luncheon. Also move a \$35.00 donation for a raffle prize from Donations and Memorials to holiday luncheon income. This will change the profit amount.
 2. Questioned item listed as Floral Design – Change it to Garden Art
 3. Direction was given to deposit money for Garden Tour tickets that is sitting in PayPal account.
 4. Mounts Membership – will be paid in January. Kathy Siena has the Membership cards. The two tickets given to WGC for the Garden Connoisseurs' Tour should be raffled off
 5. Termination of storage facility – postponed
 6. Treasurer should sign on all Garden Tour contracts and have been sent to Danese Sloan-Kendall for her signature.
 - D. 2nd VP:
 1. Jan Seagrave will have a meeting of Policy Review committee on Wednesday, January 16 at 10:00 at the home of Kathy Siena. The topics to be discussed will be:
 - a. Establish a procedure for member education reimbursement
 - b. Establish a procedure for use of Mounts Botanical Gardens membership (donation).

- c. Establish use of forms for submitting reimbursement claims and/or depositing of checks/cash

III. Standing Committee Reports

- A. Articles of Association: Article 8 revisions will be presented to the WGC membership on January 7 for approval.
- B. Finance – Committee chairs will need to assess what they need for next year. Communicate that to Danese Sloan-Kendall so the finance committee can complete a preliminary budget.
- C. Wekiva - January 2nd at 8:00pm is when registration and sign up begins at the Wekiva website. WGC pays \$200.00 as a scholarship so the parent is responsible for only \$40.00. Notify Harriet Samuels if you are interested in signing up your child or grandchild (Grades 1 – 7). Harriet wanted to make sure the \$200 refund we received for 2018 is credited back to Wekiva account. Should a member be a Leadership Volunteer, Wekiva gives WGC a \$100.00 credit. Last year's attendees will be sharing at the January 7th meeting so everyone can hear about the success of this program.
- D. SEEK – scholarship are still available to high school students interested in studying about the environment.
- E. Newsletter – Complements to Tina Richter on the quality of the newsletter.
- F. Nominating Committee – Carol Coleman will be seeking 5 members to serve on the Nominating Committee, 3 of whom must be from the membership at large. Please let Carol know if you would like to serve on this committee.

IV. Committee Reports:

- A. Winter Luncheon – A profit of \$2,500 was earned at this “Magical and Mystical Event.” Chair, Cass Stryker thanked her team and her report is attached to these minutes.
- B. Spring Luncheon – Dee Rolfe is chairing the May 6, 2019 event to be held at Myacoo. She would like a copy of a past Agenda. Dee was very grateful to Cass Stryker for the raffle prizes that she passed on to the Spring Luncheon committee.
- C. Shredding Event – Total Shredding is available on February 16, 2019; however, the Village can't accommodate us, so an alternate location is being sought. SunTrust was not available, so Jan Seagrave is contacting Jess Santamaria and Maria Wolfe is contacting PNC.
- D. Wine Cork recycling: Maria Wolfe contacted Whole Foods. They do not offer any monetary award for turning in corks due to the fact that Palm Beach County does not participate in any financial compensation for recycling corks.
- E. Garden Tour: Publicity chair, Claire Falik gave her report (attached). Twig Morris made a motion and Cass Stryker seconded a motion to approve the Garden Tour Budget. Motion carried.
- F. Membership: 2 new members, Ann Marie Panji and Allison Mulberry will be joining on Monday, January 7th. Mentors are needed for each member.
- G. Youth Activities: NGC and FFGC Youth Contests (see attached) are being submitted by Janet Stein. Harriet Samuels asked Janet to distribute the Wekiva flyer for anyone who might be interested.
- H. Around & Abouts: On Thursday, January 17 a charter bus will take members to Fairchild Gardens for a tour and lunch. 10 more people are needed to attend to fill the bus.

V. Chairmen Reports:

- A. Wekiva – Reminder that parents can begin to apply on January 2 at 8:00pm and contact Harriet Samuels. WGC pays the \$200 and parents pay only the registration fee. Harriet received a thank you note from FFGC for Wekiva Youth Camp Building Fund. Photo was passed around the BOD. Leadership Training Weekend is February 8-9 beginning at 1:00.
- B. Around & Abouts – River Lily cruise is rescheduled to March 14. Bonnet House is on December 6. Fairchild Gardens tour will be on January 17, 2019. A tour bus is available.
- C. Awards – See report attached.
- D. Coffee Pot – need volunteer for January meeting of WGC.
- E. Polo Shirts – Helga Mesmer

VI. **Unfinished Business:**

- A. Polo Shirts – Helga Mesmer will be handling.

VII. **New Business**

- B. Scrapbooks – Donate all of the WGC scrapbooks to the Wellington Historical Society.
- C. Coffee Pot – Maria Wolfe will go in early and make the coffee for the January meeting
- D. Fall District X meeting – Barbara Hadsell suggested that WGC host this meeting to be held in October 2019. A discussion followed and no decision was made.
- E. Tropical Short Course – held on January 23 – 24, 2019. Visit FFGC for a registration form and more information.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40

Maria Wolfe

Recording Secretary *copies of attachments referenced in these minutes may be obtained on the Wellington Garden Club website