

**WELLINGTON GARDEN CLUB**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Community Center, Wellington FL**  
**March 4, 2019**

**I. Call To Order**

- A. Meeting called to order at 10:15 AM by President Carol Coleman
- B. Quorum established
- C. The Membership was asked to silence their cell phones.
- D. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.
- E. Alison Albury and Melanie Harwood volunteered to review the minutes of this meeting for edits.

**II. Officer's Reports**

- A. President:
  - 1. FFGC State Convention: Carol Coleman announced that she has Opportunity Drawing tickets available for sale at \$2.00 each. Carol asked the Member-at-Large, Kathy Hernicz to make sure the tickets are passed in an orderly manner in the audience and no one is missed. Cass Stryker encouraged everyone to buy a ticket because she won one year.
  - 2. Nominating Committee Chair Joan Kaplan presented the slate of Officers for the September 2019 – May 2021. See attached. Committee member Susan Hillson explained the duties of the Recording Secretary, after which she asked if anyone would volunteer. Helga Mesmer asked if she could do it part time. Kimberly Helms volunteered to fill in where Helga could not.
- B. Recording Secretary: Correction to the February 4, 2019 minutes. Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 4, 2019 meeting was made by Harriet Samuels and seconded by Barbara Zenker. Motion carried unanimously
- C. Treasurer: Danese Sloan-Kendall gave the Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2019. See the report attached.
- D. 1<sup>st</sup> VP:
  - 1. As the Chair of the Articles of Association and Policy Revision Committee, Jan Seagrave shared that the committee has revisions that will be emailed to all WGC members so that they can be ready to vote at the April 1, 2019. The biggest change will affect Member Education Reimbursement.
- E. 2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Our speaker for this meeting was stranded up North because of weather delays; however, her associate will be presenting today for Hippocrates Institute. The April program will be YOU Farm.
- F. Corresponding Secretary: Mary Drexler read a thank you notes from Mary Anne Greely and Stormi Bivin to Dee Rolfe and Carol Lazzarino on their efforts in the Garden Art projects.

**III. Committee Reports**

- A. The Penny Pines & Coral Reef Restoration Jar was passed. Instructions were given as to how to pass the jar and all future items. It starts with the section on the left and

is passed from row to row. Then given to the middle section, and then the right section.

- B. Newsletter – Tina Richter will delay the final edition of the WGC newsletter to include installation of officer and scholarship recipients. Please send all submissions to [TinaJRichter@gmail.com](mailto:TinaJRichter@gmail.com). Deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- C. Spring Luncheon: Dee Rolfe announced that Monday May 6 from 11:00am – 2:30pm the Spring and Installation luncheon will be held at Mayacoo Country Club. The theme will be “the Kentucky Derby – Run For the Roses” Tickets are \$35.00 and can be purchased immediately. A raffle will be held.
- D. Membership: New member GiGi (Gayle) Bard. 4 guests Membership is now at 148.
- E. Wekiva: Harriet Samuels announced 6 regular campers and 2 Critter campers will be attending. Stormi Bivin will be a leader for the week her grandson attends. Harriet announced that WGC is donating funds to cover an educational lecture during the week that Stormi and her grandson attend. There are additional camper funds available if space is available at Wekiva. Please contact Harriet if interested.
- F. Fundraisers:
  - 1. Shredding Fundraiser: Co-chairs Maria Wolfe and Jan Seagrave reported that \$1,005.00 has been earned. Because of WGC’s membership with the Wellington Chamber of Commerce they sent an email blast to their members. This contributed greatly to the people taking advantage of the shredding. Thanks to volunteers Rebecca Bolivar, Barbara Zenker, Barbara May, Alison Albury, and Kathy Siena.
  - 2. Fertilizer Fundraiser: Please see attached report. 2 lb bags will be sold at the Garden Tour and meetings for \$8.00.
  - 3. Once In a Lifetime Garden Tour:
    - a. 70 tickets have been sold for the Once in a Lifetime Garden Tour.
    - b. Security is now in place for a cost of \$500
    - c. Golf Carts: 9 golf carts are needed. Drivers will have a script
    - d. Carol Coleman met with Mounts Botanical Garden and they are enthusiastic about supporting us. They will send the flyer out to their membership.
    - e. Raffle/Sponsors/Ads – Kimberly Helms has packets available for anyone who could help solicit these needed items.
    - f. The Butterfly Garden is in the process of being certified.
  - 4. Fundraising at TKA: Stormi Bivin handed out the tickets for Miss Saigon that will be attended on Saturday, April 6 and is selling tickets for Newsies that will be performed again (due to popular demand) on May 4 at 1:00. Please see her report attached.
  - 5. Around & Abouts: Terrienne Tuskes invited everyone to River Lily Cruise on March 14, Hippocrates Health Institute on March 21, 2019, and Port St. Lucie Botanical Farm on Thursday, April 11, 2019.
  - 6. Community Garden: John Siena reported that the Boys and Girls Club garden is being planted with the help of the youngsters at the B&G Club. A butterfly garden is being planted in Bed 4. Members of WGC are asked to help in the

garden on Tuesdays at 3:30. The Young Professionals of Wellington help in the garden on weekends.

7. Scholarships: Scholarship Applications are being accepted for high school students planning on studying Gardening, Horticulture, and Environment.
8. Youth Gardens: Kathy Siena gave a report on the 6 junior gardens. Please see report attached.
9. Succulent Class: Kimberly Helms announced a class to be given at her home on April 30 from 12:00-1:30. The cost is \$25.00. Bring your container or she will have one for purchase.
10. Community Garden at the Boys & Girls Club: John Siena announced that a shed has been purchased, weekly plantings and harvesting with the youngsters. More help is needed and volunteers are encouraged to come to the B&G Club on Wellington Trace on Tuesdays at 3:30.

#### **IV. Unfinished Business**

- A. Storage Facility: Twig Morris announced that we are no longer paying a monthly storage facility fee as she is storing everything for free.
- B. Coffee: Volunteers are needed to set up the coffee pot on the morning of the General Meeting. Barbara Zenker volunteered to do it for April. Dee Rolfe will subdivide the coffee in vacuum packed bags to make it easier.

#### **V. New Business**

- A. Planters for the Wellington Green Mall – Twig Morris is seeking volunteers to help plant in the planters. See report attached.
- B. Tree Count Report: The number of trees planted by members is needed to provide to the FFGC.
- C. Unsolicited Landscape Design Award: The membership is asked to nominate and submit a picture of a residential, sub-division entrance, or commercial landscape design that you find appealing to Barbara Hadsell.
- D. FFGC State Convention: Please notify Carol Coleman if you are attending.
- E. **District X Spring Meeting:** Newly installed Director Carol Coleman will preside over her first meeting on April 25, 2018 at Benvenutos Restaurant. Educational programs and plant sales are available. The cost is \$41.00. Registration forms are available at District.org.
- F. External Events: Liaison Kathy Siena reported on the spring meeting above and the Fall Meeting to be hosted by Indian River County Garden Club. See attached report. FFGC State Convention will be held at World Golf Renaissance Report in St. Augustine April 7-9. See attached report.
- G. Floral Design Moment – Twig Morris explained Small Designs in a Flower Show. She displayed the entries by Christine Biscoglio, Susan Hillson, Barbara Zenker, the sister of Caroline Kessman, and Twig Morris.
- H. Palm Beach Garden Club flower show – April 24 at the Society of the 4 Arts.
- I. Flower Show Judge Announcement: Susan Hillson reported that Twig Morris has become an Accredited Flower Show Judge and Christine Biscoglio is now a Master Flower Show Judge. Christine announced that Susan Hillson is now a Life Judge. Jan Warshauer is judging the Philadelphia show.

- J. Holiday Luncheon on December 2: Barbara Zenker, Bobbi Ziegler, and Carol Coleman have volunteered to organize the luncheon.
- K. Environmental: Diane Rice gave a report – see attached. She announced that Costco will discontinue selling Round-Up.
- L. Hippocrates Institute video and information was shared

Meeting adjourned at 11:36

Maria Wolfe, Recording Secretary

Please visit [WGC.org](http://WGC.org) for attachments and more information on items mentioned in these minutes.