

**Wellington Garden Club  
Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes  
September 2, 2020 – Zoom Meeting**

Attendees: Jan Seagrave, Carol Ralph, Kathy Siena, Twig Morris, Maria Wolfe, Stormi Bivin, Joanne Akins, Carol Lazzarino, John Siena, Tina Richter, Danese Sloane-Kendall, Alison Albury, Lisa Ferrano, Kathy Schneider

Absent: Kate Kouba, Carol Coleman, Kay Brown, Jim Thompson, Larry Grosser, Deb Russell, Barbara Ricksen, Diane Rice, Dee Rolfe, Evvy Bartley, Janet Stein, Roxanne Henry

- I. Called to Order – 9:55 am
- II. A. Established a quorum by Jan Seagrave  
B. Silenced all cell phones  
C. Committee members who will approve minutes of this meeting are Maria Wolfe and Joanne Akins.
- III. Officer Reports
  - A. President – Jan Seagrave
    1. Meeting Room – Jan asked for members’ opinion about meeting in person at the Wellington Library for the Sept. 30 BOD meeting. It will be in the big meeting room. A poll was taken and 11 BOD members approved holding the meeting at the Wellington Library. We will be wearing masks and practice social distancing.  
  
The general meetings will be held via Zoom. In-person meetings won’t be held until the Village of Wellington opens up.
    2. Yearbook – We are going forward. There will be a lot of “to be announced”. We have the calendar ready. Maria, Carol and Jan will get together next week to work on it. We are waiting for some garden photos from members – want to add more member’s photos throughout the yearbook. Also, there was discussion about using the photos that were entered into the Flower Show and also that were submitted to Tina for the Newsletter.  
  
Kathy Siena questioned who is the Around and About chair. There was discussion about how we would circulate the yearbook and what will be in the yearbook. We have a lot of dates, meeting dates, the only thing we don’t have are the Around and Abouts and we can announce them when they are made. We have all the current members in the yearbook now, plus upcoming events, updates in NGC, FFGC Chair persons. Jan Seagrave advised we will hold off printing and have it ready to go. Stormi Bivin suggested meeting at the Amphitheatre to distribute the yearbook, which will be considered when the time is near.
    3. Danese Sloan-Kendall asked about the budget approval. Jan Seagrave explained that it has been approved by the BOD and will have to be ratified by the general membership at the 9-14-20 meeting.
  - B. Approval of February 26, 2020 meeting’s minutes. Stormi Bivin moved to clarify VIII New Business to read “This will be done for Tom Bivin with private funds.” John Siena seconded. Motion was carried. Minutes are approved as amended.
  - C. Treasurer’s Report – Danese Sloan-Kendall – See attached Report.

- D. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Maria Wolfe – no report
- E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – John Siena – see attached report. – Includes Speakers and Community Garden.
- F. Corresponding Secretary – Kate Kouba – No report
- IV. Standing Committee Reports
  - A. Newsletter – Tina Richter – questioned printing it. If she doesn't print it she can be more flexible in preparation. There are only 6 people on the list of members who need a printed copy. She has to mail to those individuals. Currently twelve are in color and maybe 15 in black and white. There was further discussion. Twig Morris motioned to print only 5 copies in B&W and one color copy for historian which will be maintained digitally. Lisa Ferrano seconded it. Motion carried.
  - B. Website – Carol Ralph – see attached report.
- V. Special Committee Reports
  - A. Luncheon – Jan reports that Roxanne Henry has volunteered to do one of the luncheons – she doesn't know which one at this time.
  - B. Special Fund Raisers
    1. Shredding – date is January 16, 2021. – Joe Piconcelli of the VOW said if the Village of Wellington isn't open, we won't be able to do the Shredding Event.
    2. Plant Sale - Stormi B and Carol are going to try to go forward on this on March 13, 2021 if the Village of Wellington is open.
  - C. Membership – Alison Albury – No Report
  - D. Youth Gardens – Kathy Siena – see attached report.
  - E. Tree Planting – Kathy Siena – see attached report
  - F. National Garden Week 2020 – Twig Morris – see attached report.
  - G. Other –
    1. Lisa Ferrano read Kate Kouba's report regarding the Butterfly Garden at Wellington Preserve. – see attached.
- VI. Other Chairmen Reports – None
- VII. Unfinished business
  - A. Alison Albury reported on status of new club shirts. It is still on hold. FYI, Art of Life design's cost for our crest is \$14.00/each.
- VIII. New business - none
- IX. Announcements – Upcoming season for Kings Academy is:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Program is virtual – with virtual price same as in person
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> will be at the theatre and virtual (Possibly)
- X. Adjourn at 11:12am.

Respectfully submitted  
 Carol Ralph  
 Recording Secretary



Wellington Garden Club  
Board of Directors Meeting - Agenda  
September 2, 2020 - 9:30 am  
Zoom Meeting

- I. **Call to Order –**
- II. A. Establish a quorum  
B. Silence all cell phones  
C. Announce Committee members who will approve Minutes of this meeting
- III. **Officer Reports**
  - A. President's Report
    - 1. Meeting Room
    - 2. Yearbooks
  - B. Recording Secretary—approval of February 26, 2020 meeting's minutes.
  - C. Treasurer's Report – Danese Sloan-Kendall
  - D. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President— Maria Wolfe – no report
  - E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – John Siena
  - F. Corresponding Secretary – Kate Kouba – no report
- IV. **Standing Committee Reports**
  - A. Newsletter - Tina Richter
  - ✓ B. Website – Carol Ralph
- ✓ V. **Special Committee Reports**
  - A. Winter Luncheon Report - Roxanne Henry
  - B. Special Fund Raisers—
    - 1. Shredding ~~1/20/21~~ 1/14/21
    - 2. Plant Sale / VOW Location – ~~2/2021~~ Mar 23, 2021
  - C. Membership – Alison Albury – No report
  - D. Youth Gardens – Kathy Siena
  - E. Tree Planting – Kathy Siena
  - ✓ F. National Garden Week 2020 – Twig Morris
  - G. Other –
- VI. **Other Chairmen Reports**
- VII. **Unfinished Business**
- VIII. **New Business**
- IX. **Announcements** ✓
- X. **Adjourn**

Good seeing your face today 😊

1 message

Kathy Schneider <kathyschneider1@comcast.net>

Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 3:06 PM

To: Carol Ralph <caroltaylorralph@gmail.com>

Sure you know, but change Tom Bivin was amended to read "with private funds"

It was moved by Twig to Print black and white newsletters for mailing, and 1 color for historian digitally.

Hope to actually get together soon.

Kathy  
Sent from my iPad

*This is in lieu of Motion Forms*

*3/26 BOD MTG.  
- CHANGE TO 1 MIN.*

September 1, 2020

Wellington Garden Club  
Treasurer's Report

Income since June 1, 2020 totaled approximately \$381.00 from Awards, fertilizer sale, and a donation.

Expenses since June 1, 2020 totaled approximately \$1,820.90 for tree planting, insurance, CPA review, website and storage.

Current balance as of August 31, 2020 in the Wellington Garden Club checking account is \$31,724.05.

Items completed for the year end include insurance renewal, Florida Department of Agriculture report, and form 990 IRS and CPA Annual review.

Additionally, for more detailed information please review the WGC profit & loss versus annual budget to date report.

Danese Sloan-Kendall  
Treasurer

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**Profit & Loss Budget Overview**  
 June 2020 through May 2021

	Jun '20 - May 21
<b>Income</b>	
4000 · INCOME	
4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing	
4101 · Boutique Items	100.00
4103 · Fertilizer	2,500.00
4106 · Plant Raffle Meetings	400.00
4110 · Misc	100.00
<b>Total 4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing</b>	<b>3,100.00</b>
4200 · Membership Dues	6,300.00
4300 · Program Services Revenue	
4301 · Awards & Grants	
4301.1 · Awards	50.00
4301.2 · Grants	250.00
<b>Total 4301 · Awards &amp; Grants</b>	<b>300.00</b>
4302 · Donations & Memorials	
4302.1 · Donations Other	100.00
<b>Total 4302 · Donations &amp; Memorials</b>	<b>100.00</b>
4305 · Newsletter Advertising	100.00
<b>Total 4300 · Program Services Revenue</b>	<b>500.00</b>
4400 · Special Events	
4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income	
4402.1 · Member meals Holiday Luncheon	3,500.00
4402.2 · Other Holiday Luncheon Income	250.00
<b>Total 4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income</b>	<b>3,750.00</b>
4403 · Spring Luncheon Income	
4403.1 · Member meals Spring Luncheon	3,500.00
4403.2 · Other Income Spring Luncheon	250.00
<b>Total 4403 · Spring Luncheon Income</b>	<b>3,750.00</b>
<b>Total 4400 · Special Events</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>
<b>Total 4000 · INCOME</b>	<b>17,400.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>17,400.00</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>17,400.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
6500 · EXPENSE	
6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses	
6504 · Fertilizer	2,375.00
6507 · Plants Meetings	50.00
<b>Total 6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses</b>	<b>2,425.00</b>
6700 · Management & General	
6701 · Chamber Dues (Wellington)	125.00
6702 · Correspondence	50.00
6703 · Discretionary	500.00
6704 · Historian	25.00
6705 · Insurance	700.00
6706 · Membership	100.00
6707 · Newsletter	350.00
6709 · President's Expense	800.00
6711 · Treasurer & Accountant	400.00
6712 · Website	350.00
6713 · Yearbook	850.00
6717 · Miscellaneous	
6817 b · Storage	435.00



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**Profit & Loss Budget Overview**  
 June 2020 through May 2021

	Jun '20 - May 21
Total 6717 · Miscellaneous	435.00
<b>Total 6700 · Management &amp; General</b>	<b>4,685.00</b>
<b>6800 · Program Services</b>	
6802 · Award & Grants	100.00
6803 · Member Education	2,000.00
6804 · FFGC & District Dues	
6804.1 · Dues FFGC	1,680.00
6804.2 · Dues District X	70.00
<b>Total 6804 · FFGC &amp; District Dues</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>
6805 · FFGC Convention Ad	100.00
6806 · Honorary Awards	2,000.00
6807 · Floral Design	100.00
6807b · Garden Art	100.00
6808 · Habitat Landscaping	500.00
6809 · Youth Activities	1,700.00
6810 · Meeting Programs/Speakers	600.00
6812 · Memorials and Donations	150.00
6813 · Mounts Membership	125.00
6814 · College Scholarships	5,000.00
6815 · SEEK Capital Fund	200.00
6816 · SEEK Scholarship	1,500.00
6817 · Sunshine Fund	150.00
6818 · Wekiva Camperships	1,470.00
6819 · Wekiva Capital Fund	500.00
6820 · Wekiva LIT Program	300.00
6827 · Earth Day	100.00
6829 · National Garden Week	200.00
6830 · NGC Disaster Fund	50.00
6831 · Environmental Education	50.00
6836 · Wellington Preserve Landscaping	200.00
6837 · Community Garden	450.00
<b>Total 6800 · Program Services</b>	<b>19,395.00</b>
<b>6900 · Special Events Direct Expense</b>	
6901 · Around & Abouts	100.00
6904 · Holiday Luncheon	
6911 · Holiday luncheon Other expense	300.00
6913 · Member Meals	3,500.00
<b>Total 6904 · Holiday Luncheon</b>	<b>3,800.00</b>
6905 · Hospitality	300.00
6908 · Spring Luncheon	
6909 · Spring luncheon Other expense	300.00
6912 · Guest meals	210.00
6914 · Member Meals	3,500.00
<b>Total 6908 · Spring Luncheon</b>	<b>4,010.00</b>
<b>Total 6900 · Special Events Direct Expense</b>	<b>8,210.00</b>
<b>Total 6500 · EXPENSE</b>	<b>34,715.00</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>34,715.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-17,315.00</b>

## WEBSITE REPORT

BOD Meeting – September 2, 2020

(ZOOM Meeting)

- 1) Jan and I have been working together to bring the website up to date. Committee chairs have also contributed to this endeavor.
- 2) Systems Design Wizards has submitted their invoice for their services for another year. Danese Sloan-Kendall paid this in August.
- 3) The invoice from Network Solutions has been paid by Danese Sloan-Kendall and we have received confirmation from N.S. that WGC's Domain Name is paid through 09/16/2021.
- 4) There continues to be attempts to hack into our website, and that is being kept under control with John Gonzales' involvement.

*5) Saving on Thumb drive*

Carol Ralph

Website Liaison



Board of Directors – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President report – September 2, 2020 meeting

Speakers for this year's meetings:

We have the following speakers scheduled for the coming season:

- I decided, with our president's concurrence, not to schedule speakers for September and October due to the uncertainty of having an "in person" meeting and the location availability for the meeting.
- Scheduled speakers:
  - November: Joseph Chamas -- organic gardening of herbs and mushrooms.
  - January: Kirsten Hines – Photographer and naturalist
  - February: Mark Peters – Crotons
  - March: Fred Sklar – Everglades restoration
  - April: Kathy Jones – Ikebana
- Our website has information on each of the speakers, please check it out.

Community Garden at the Boys & Girls Club of Wellington:

- The garden was resting and the beds solarized during the summer.
- The butterfly garden was attended during the summer and is in excellent condition.
- We met with the Wellington Boys & Girls Club director to coordinate our activity considering the uncertainty due to the COVID 19 pandemic; she is very positive about our garden and the WGC.
- We had our first team "planning" meeting on Friday August 28. We will clean up the garden at the last week of this month and first week of October. We will plant the second week of October. We will do the best that we can to be flexible and accommodate the schedule that the kids have at the B&G Club. We will employ whatever protocols the State and local governments recommend at the time.
  - Here is a public "mea culpa" from me to our president...I forgot to invite her to our planning meeting so I owe her a mimosa or a mojito, her choice 😊.
- There will be an article in our next newsletter on the garden with a photo or two of what it currently looks like.
- Looking forward to a great growing season.

John C. Siena

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, WGC

WGC ZOOM Board Meeting

Sept 2, 2020

Youth Garden Clubs

Kathy Siena, Chair

There have been no youth garden club kid's activities since COVID-19 shut down last March. Then school was out of session from end May til now. However, it is important for me to let our WGC members know that once school clubs are back in working order, we plan to continue working with the teachers and students at the various youth garden clubs. As of this point, WGC gives financial support to the following youth gardens: Binks Forest Elementary, Girl Scout Troop 22222, Palm Beach Central High School, Pine Jog Elementary, Wellington High School and our newest addition, New Horizons Elementary School. We need a WGC liaison for Binks Forest Ele if anyone is interested, please contact me.

I understand that this has certainly been an unusually difficult time for all of us and I think especially for the kids. I am confident they are looking forward to getting back to their physical school setting with their friends and teachers, as well as working in the youth gardens. A benefit to these gardens is that they are outdoors and not in a closed environment. I am looking forward to the time when we can all return safely to our activities and get-together's. My contact is [ksiena2000@gmail.com](mailto:ksiena2000@gmail.com) or 561-371-3388.

WGC ZOOM Board Meeting

Sept 2, 2020

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Tree Planting-CANCELED

*Kathy Siena, Event Chair*

Every year since 2013, we have had a tree planting in partnership with the Village of Wellington mostly at the Wellington Preserve and one time at Peaceful Waters. It was planned for Sept 26 on National Public Lands Day. Before Brian Hopper moved to another job location, he ordered several hundred seedlings from Jane Thompson at Indian Trails Nursery to be planted for the 2020 event.

These tree plantings have been highly successful as a great way for WGC to give back to the community and help beautify the Village by planting various kinds of native trees and shrubs. We are always thankful for so many volunteers from the scouts, the schools, the churches and of course, our own garden club volunteers. After a few ZOOM planning meetings on how to safely go forward with the event, I was informed recently that the Village decided to cancel it. Perhaps the Village will allow a few garden club volunteers to help plant some of the trees rather than do nothing. That is my goal. Are there any questions?



## WELLINGTON GARDEN CLUB CELEBRATES NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK

Every year during the first week of June, Wellington Garden Club (WGC) joins with garden clubs across the country to celebrate National Garden Week, a project of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC).

A special highlight this year was the planting of a Florida native Gumbo Limbo tree in Wellington's Foresteria Park on Wednesday, June 17 at 9:00 a.m. In addition to celebrating National Garden Week the event also supports the NGC President's Project – Plant America with Trees. The Club is sponsoring the tree planting through Wellington's Commemorative Tree Program that is administered by the Public Works Department.

According to Jan Seagrave, WGC President, "This program is a perfect way for our Club to enhance our community and to celebrate National Garden Week and the Plant America with Trees project." WGC National Garden Week Chairman Twig Morris added, "We are so grateful for the support our club receives from Wellington and are delighted we can show our appreciation in this way."

On June 8, WGC members began National Garden Week by creating floral arrangements that were distributed to Wellington's first responders at four fire stations and two hospitals, as well as to Wellington's municipal offices and library. WGC members are shown below creating arrangements and distributing them to the recipients.

Wellington Garden Club (WGC) is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization that has been serving Wellington area communities since 1982. Its motto is "Gardening Makes a World of Difference." The club is a member of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs (FFGC), District X, the Deep South Region (DSR) and National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC). For more information see [www.wellingtongardenclub.org](http://www.wellingtongardenclub.org).



L-R: WGC members Mary Anne Greely, Kate Kouba, Linda DeSanti, Twig Morris



Station 20 Fire Fighters and WGC member Stormi Bivin



L-R: Wellington Regional Hospital Veronica May, Physician Relations Manager; WGC member Twig Morris; Pam Tahan, CEO; Colleen Thielk, Chief Nursing Officer; Steve Ruppert, Director of Surgical Services; and Cathie Lessard, ICU Nurse Manager





WGC President Jan Seagrave presents flowers at Wellington's Town Hall



WGC member Kathy and John Siena (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> from left) present flowers to Wellington's Public Works Department



President Jan Seagrave and WGC member Mary Anne Greely assist with planting the Gumbo Limbo as part of National Garden Week and Plant America with Trees.



WGC Members proudly display the Plant America with Trees banner following the planting of a Gumbo Limbo, a Florida native tree

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**Report**

2 messages

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**LISA STATTMILLER** <paddockpark@bellsouth.net>

Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 11:24 AM

To: Carol Ralph &lt;caroltayloralph@gmail.com&gt;

Cc: Jan Seagrave &lt;jflygirl@bellsouth.net&gt;

Report from Wellington preserve

The Village of Wellington has determined that our butterfly garden needs a "face lift". They removed plants and mulched areas to give it a more manicured look.

Unfortunately, in the process, they removed a Dahoon Holly tree that had been planted with 3-4 butterfly orchids from the Million Orchids Project. This "face lift" was done without any consultation with garden club chair, Kate Kuba.

Kate has indicated to various people, myself included, that the garden was getting to be too much for her. She might have mentioned this to Scott, park supervisor, he may have taken that as an ok.

I spoke to Will Gurney, public works supervisor, about the orchids project and also about communicating with GC on any major changes ,ie tree removal, in the future.

I believe we are going to try to set up a meeting with Will,Scott,Kate, Kathy, Jan and myself in the garden to discuss issues.

Sent from my iPhone

Lisa Ferrano

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**Janet Seagrave** <jflygirl@bellsouth.net>

Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 2:44 PM

To: LISA STATTMILLER &lt;paddockpark@bellsouth.net&gt;

Cc: Carol Ralph &lt;caroltayloralph@gmail.com&gt;

Thank you. Good report and conversation.

Jan

Sent from my iPhone

&gt; On Sep 2, 2020, at 11:24 AM, LISA STATTMILLER &lt;paddockpark@bellsouth.net&gt; wrote:

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&gt; Report from Wellington preserve

[Quoted text hidden]



addition, shirt color was discussed. A motion to allow Pink and Navy was passed.

- VII B. TKA – Stormi Bivin – We just did our order for the last show of the year which is “Phantom of the Opera”. The Red Hats bolstered the sale for the tickets for Cinderella. This season we have had a \$1000 profit with the TKA sales and this is a good fundraiser for WGC which Stormi stated she will continue next year.

**VIII. New Business** – Stormi Bivin – informed the BOD of the VOW Commemorative Tree program which is done by the Wellington Public Works. A tree is planted in Memory of or in honor of a “Loved One” with a plaque. Stormi will announce this to the membership at the March 2 meeting. This will be done for Tom Bivin. See attached copy of information from the Village of Wellington website.

IX. Announcements - none

X. Adjourned at 11:19am.

*with private funds.*

*ST - JSBEC*

*MOTION CARRIED.*

Respectfully submitted  
Carol Ralph  
Recording Secretary