

Wellington Garden Club
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
September 30, 2020 - 9:30 AM
Wellington National Golf Club

ATTENDEES: Alison Albury, Stormi Bivin, Carol Coleman, Lisa Ferrano, Kate Kouba, Twig Morris, Carol Ralph, Barbara Ricksen, Dee Rolfe, Kathy Schneider, Jan Seagrave, John Siena, Kathy Siena, Maria Wolfe

ABSENT: JoAnn Akins, Evvy Bartley, Kay Brown, Linda DeSanti, Maxine Fisher, Larry Grosser, Roxanne Henry, Carol Lazzarino, Diane Rice, Tina Richter Becker, Deb Russell, Danese Sloan-Kendall, Jim Thompson

- I. Called meeting to order at 9:30

- II.
 - A. Established a quorum
 - B. Silenced all cell phones
 - C. ~~Committee member~~ volunteers to approve minutes of this meeting are Carol Coleman and Maria Wolfe

- III. **Officer's Reports**
 - A. **President's Report**
 1. Jan Seagrave announced the passing of Carolyn Lowe and that her wish is for donations in lieu of flowers to the Compassionate Pug Rescue. WGC has made a donation in Carolyn's honor. Her Obituary is in the Palm Beach Post.
 2. Around and About – October 15, Thursday, at Mounts Botanical Garden. We can meet outside and be admitted in groups of 5. That is our first official Around & About. Twig Morris talked about a possibility for an Around & About. The Society of the Four Arts garden in Palm Beach is free and open to the public. Groups of 10 can take a self-guided tour of the gardens, a special art exhibit and the sculpture garden. There is a printed brochure at the entrance that explains the sculptures. Jan will look into this.
 3. Members-at-large - Jan Seagrave has two nominees – Barbara Ricksen and Cass Stryker. Jan asked for Nominations from the floor. No nominations forthcoming. Maria Wolfe moved that we approved the nominations of Barbara Ricksen and Cass Stryker. Stormi Bivin seconded it. Motion carried.
 4. John Siena questioned what he should do about the speakers for the membership meetings that are being held via Zoom. He will cancel the November speaker and we will have to see what the VOW does regarding opening the Community Center for activities. Maria Wolfe asked whether the speakers would be able to give their presentation via Zoom. John will check into this.
 - B. Recording Secretary – Approval of Minutes from 9/2/20 BOD Meeting – Twig Morris moved that the minutes be approved as amended by Twig Morris and Stormi Bivin. Alison Albury seconded the motion. Approved as amended.
 - C. Treasurer's Report – Danese Sloan-Kendall – Twig Morris brought up points at the General Membership Meeting. 1) The expense for the tree planting for National Garden Week was \$425.00 and it was charged to discretionary expense (6703) We got a grant of \$100.00 from the National Garden Week Budget. It all came out of discretionary. Twig M concern is that her budget for National Garden Week will show

- C. (cont.) incorrectly with this incorrect posting. This also lessens that balance in discretionary and leaves less money for other projects. It was moved by Twig M and seconded by Stormi B that the full amount will come out of National Garden Week (6829) and be removed from discretionary (6703). Motion approved. Stormi B explained the \$425.00 includes the cost of the tree, planting, bubbler irrigation, maintenance and the plaque. 2) Twig M also said that nothing was sent to the National Disaster Fund (6813). Jan Seagrave asked Danese S-K to send \$100.00 to the National Disaster Fund. Twig Morris explained that the donation may go to NGC and or to FFGC. If it goes to FFGC it will stay in the state of Florida and if to NGC it will go anywhere in the States. Jan will call Danese and find out where she has sent it. Twig Morris moved that we give \$100.00 to NGC Disaster Fund. Carol Coleman seconded it. 3) WGC will be holding the Shredding Event on January 16, 2021 – budget isn't really a budget – no expenses and \$1000 income. Alison Albury stated it should be shown in the club budget. Discussion about whether in the budget should be amended to include fund raisers. 4) We also have a budget for the Plant Sale, see attached. Plant Sale scheduled for March 13, 2021. Maria Wolfe offered an alternate location at PNC Bank for the Shredding event.
- D. First Vice President – Maria Wolfe - No report
 E. Second Vice President – John Siena – No report
 F. Corresponding Secretary – Kate Kouba – No report

IV. Standing Committee Reports

- A. Newsletter – Tina Richter – No report
 B. Website – Carol Ralph – No Report

V. Special Committee Reports

- A. Membership – Alison Albury – No Report
 B. Youth Garden Clubs – Kathy Siena – No Report

- VI. **Other Chairman Reports** – Carol Coleman asked to change the Garden Tour from A Barn Tour to a Home Garden Tour. Christine Tauber is Co-Chair with Carol Coleman. Home Gardens suggested Uma Bhatti and Petra Russell's. Carol C. is planning on \$25.00 per person. Event costs would be programs, refreshments, gifts to homeowners for an approximate total cost of \$1000. It will be in April 2021. Information can be found in the Glorious Gardens binder which is in storage.

Carol Lazzarino - Dee Rolfe reported that the Fire Station has closed for events, therefore the November Arts & Crafts workshop has been cancelled. The workshop in February is a question at this point.

Here Kathy Siena suggested that we included the cancelled events also in our events calendar. It is agreed to do this.

JS - The Yearbook is a work in progress. It will be ready by the beginning of November.

The Around and Abouts – Maria is still working on it.

- VII. **Unfinished Business** - Kate Kouba brought up the changes at the Marjorie Stoneman Douglas at Wellington Preserve. A Dahoon Holly tree had been cut down; there were Orchids placed in the tree during the Million Orchid project. Additionally, on both sides about 7-8 feet

VII. (cont.) had been cleared and mulched and replanted with non-native species, based on the information given to Kate by the employees of the VOW. There was much discussion regarding these changes that were made and why. The result of the discussion is that Jan Seagrave is working to get a meeting with the Village of Wellington personnel, Kate and Lisa to determine what the VOW wants.

VIII. **New Business** - none

IX. **Announcements** –

- 1) Tropical Short Course for January 2021 has been cancelled. District X will continue to be the host for future TSC.
- 2) Course #3, Garden Study, has been cancelled – may be a zoom.
- 3) District X Meeting via Zoom – October 8, 2020 – 9:00. One item for discussion will be membership. Carol Coleman explained the need to register for the meeting.
- 4) Maria Wolfe – requested the club to donate to the Institute for Regional Conservation (a non-profit organization) – Maria recommends that the Garden Club donate \$100.00 and District X donate \$100.00. (The Speaker for the meeting will be from the IRC.) Carol Coleman explained that she has hired a tech for this meeting and may need help from WGC to pay for this tech service. Discussion of where the moneys for the donation to IRC would come from. Result of discussion – Maria Wolfe moved that WGC donate an additional \$100 to IRC from our operating budget. Twig Morris seconded. Motion passed. Carol Coleman will send a check for \$100.00 from District X.
- 5) Stormi Bivin brought seeds to share.
- 6) Jan has Opportunity Drawing Tickets to sell.
- 7) Lisa Ferrano asked if we could include donations to the Penny Pines at the Luncheons or end of year event. This will continue to be volunteer donations.
- 8) Kay Brown's garden won an award from the VOW - Flower Award (Fabulous Landscape of Wellington Earning Recognition). Stormi Bivin – Explained that every year the VOW issues the Flower-awards. Stormi can provide additional information and forms to enter this. Jan Seagrave will go to Kay's home to see and photograph her garden.
- 9) Dee Rolfe advised that the chef at Myacoo where we had our luncheon was shot to death at a local gas station.

X. **Adjourned** – 11:25 am

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ralph
Recording Secretary

Maria Wolfe (Print Name)

Who seconded this motion?

Stormi Bivin (Print Name)

Write detailed motion:

Move that we approve
the nomination of

Barbara Rickson

Cass Stryker

as Members at Large

9/30/20

Twig Morris (Print Name)

Who seconded this motion?

Stormi (Print Name)

Write detailed motion:

\$425 for Nat'l Garden

tree be expensed

to National Garden

with ⁶⁸²⁹ ~~6703~~ and be

removed from Discretionary

6703

Twig (Print Name)

Who seconded this motion?

Alison (Print Name)

Write detailed motion:

Approve minutes

as amended

Twig (Print Name)

Who seconded this motion?

Carol Coleman (Print Name)

Write detailed motion:

Give \$100 to NGC

Disaster Fund as

go \$50 over budget

amount

Maria Wolfe (Print Name)

Who seconded this motion?

Twig Morris (Print Name)

Write detailed motion:

Move that ~~we~~ WGC

donate an additional

100 to IRC from our

Operating Budget -

9/30,

	2017 PLANTS GALORE				2020 WGC BIENNIAL PLANT SALE		Actual
Income:							
	TOTAL		3079			3500	
Expenses:							
	Quintessence	\$748.50			750		
	Pat Ford's	95.08			100		
	Southern Gardens	149.9			150		
	Indian Trails	230.75			250		
	Excelsa Gardens	256.5			250		
	A-One Stop				250		
	Total Plant Purchases		1480.73			1750	
	Water for Volunteers	6.99				8	
	Credit Card Processing Fees	38.43				40	
	Fertilizer	75				75	
	Flyer Printing (Southern)				62.5		62.5
	Total Misc Expenses		120.42			185.5	
	Total Expenses		1601.15			1935.5	
	Net Profit Plant Sales		1477.85			1564.5	

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A. Silence all cell phones

B. Committee member volunteers to approve minutes of this meeting - C.C., M.W.,

III. Officer's Reports

A. President's Report

✓ 1. Member Carolyn Lowe

✓ 2. Around and About - October

3. Members-at-large

a. Nominations from the floor

✓ B. Recording Secretary – Approval of Minutes from 9/2/20 BOD Meeting

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✓ VI. Other Chairman Reports – Carol Coleman, C. Lajoie

✓ VII. Unfinished Business

VIII. New Business –

IX. New Business

IX. Announcements – District X Meeting via Zoom – October 8, 2020

X. Adjourn