

Minutes of Wellington Garden Club Spring Meeting
Celebrating 40 years 1981 – 2021
May 3, 2021, Wellington Community Center

Attendees: In addition to Club Members, the following individuals were in attendance:

Michelle Gerwig, Mayor of the Village of Wellington

Jim Barns, Manager of the Village of Wellington

Will Gurney, VOW

Bruce Wagner, VOW

Jerome Small, student – UF - Forestry

Georgia Brooks, student – UF – Environmental Studies

- I. Called to Order at 9:37am
- II. Cell phones silenced.
- III. Quorum was established by Kathy Schneider, Parliamentarian
- IV. Welcome Members and Guests
- V. President's Message – Jan Seagrave gave a recount of the past two years, including the need to meet via Zoom. In spite of the pandemic, during 2020 we were able to have a seed package distribution, plant exchange, 2 fund raisers and two around and abouts, all with masks and social distancing. We will continue to strengthen our community through leadership and programs. Jan S also thanked club members for rising to the occasion when needed. Jan S then introduced Michelle Gerwig.
- VI. Michelle Gerwig – included in her speech congratulations to the Wellington Garden Club on the 40 year celebration and thanks to the Club for all of the efforts made on behalf of the Village of Wellington.
- VII. Awards & Recognition – Twig Morris – Awards and Recognition – see attached report.
- VIII. Landscape Design Award – Stormi Bivin – presented the Unsolicited Landscape Design Award to the Jim Barns, Will Gurney and Bruce Wager, VOW, for the Landscape at the Veteran's Award.
- IX. College Scholarship Presentation – John Siena presented Scholarships to the two recipients who were present at the meeting; namely, Jerome Small and Georgia Brooks. Each student was given a scholarship for \$1250.
- X. Installation of Officers – Carol Coleman presented a wonderful installation ceremony for: 1) Maria Wolfe, President, 2) Carol Ralph, 1st VP, 3) Mary Barbara Alexander, 2nd VP; 4) Danese Sloan-Kendall, Treasurer; 5) Evvy Bartley, Asst. Treasurer. Two members of new Board of Directors were not

- X (cont.) present, Amy Schwed, Recording Secretary and Joan Kaplan, Corresponding Secretary.
- XI. Exchange of Pins – Jan Seagrave & Maria Wolfe
- XII. Acceptance Speech – Maria Wolfe presented her acceptance speech which was wonderful and included humor, thanks to past presidents, plans to continue the involvement of the WGC in the community, and her theme for the 2021-2023 Seasons as President of WGC of "Plant Diversity increases Insect Diversity".
- XIII. Presentation of Gavel – Jan Seagrave to Maria Wolfe
- XIV. Presentation of Roses – Mary Anne Greely – there were 3 roses to commemorate the passing in 2020 of Tom Bivin, Carolyn Lowe and Cynthia Hartman.
- XV. Approval of 2021-2022 Budget – Motion to accept by Carol Coleman and seconded by Barbara Zenker. Approved.
- XVI. Diane Rice announced that there will be a Beach Cleanup on September 18, 2021.
- XVII. Adjourned at 10:36.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ralph
Recording Secretary

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Profit & Loss Budget Overview
 June 2021 through May 2022

Jun '21 - May 22

Income		
4000 · INCOME		
4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing		
4101 · Boutique Items		100.00
4106 · Plant Raffle Meetings		200.00
4110 · Misc		100.00
Total 4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing		400.00
4200 · Membership Dues		4,500.00
4300 · Program Services Revenue		
4301 · Awards & Grants		
4301.1 · Awards	50.00	
4301.2 · Grants	250.00	
4301 · Awards & Grants - Other	0.00	
Total 4301 · Awards & Grants	300.00	
4302 · Donations & Memorials	100.00	
4305 · Newsletter Advertising	100.00	
Total 4300 · Program Services Revenue	500.00	
4400 · Special Events		
4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income		
4402.1 · Member meals Holiday Luncheon	3,500.00	
4402.2 · Other Holiday Luncheon Income	250.00	
Total 4402 · Holiday Luncheon income	3,750.00	
4403 · Spring Luncheon Income		
4403.1 · Member meals Spring Luncheon	3,500.00	
4403.2 · Other Income Spring Luncheon	250.00	
Total 4403 · Spring Luncheon Income	3,750.00	
Total 4400 · Special Events	7,500.00	
Total 4000 · INCOME		12,900.00
Total Income		12,900.00
Gross Profit		12,900.00
Expense		
6500 · EXPENSE		
6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses		
6505 · Plants sale	1,500.00	
6507 · Plants Meetings	50.00	
Total 6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses	1,550.00	
6700 · Management & General		
6701 · Chamber Dues (Wellington)	125.00	
6702 · Correspondence	50.00	
6703 · Discretionary	250.00	
6704 · Historian	25.00	
6705 · Insurance	700.00	
6706 · Membership	100.00	
6707 · Newsletter	300.00	
6709 · President's Expense	800.00	
6711 · Treasurer & Accountant	400.00	
6712 · Website	350.00	
6713 · Yearbook	800.00	
6717 · Miscellaneous		
6717 b · Storage	479.40	
Total 6717 · Miscellaneous	479.40	

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Total 6700 · Management & General	4,379.40
6800 · Program Services	
6802 · Award & Grants	100.00
6803 · Member Education	2,000.00
6804 · FFGC & District Dues	
6804.1 · Dues FFGC	1,200.00
6804.2 · Dues District X	50.00
Total 6804 · FFGC & District Dues	1,250.00
6805 · FFGC Convention Ad	100.00
6806 · Honorary Awards	1,600.00
6807 · Floral Design	100.00
6807b · Garden Art	100.00
6808 · Habitat Landscaping	500.00
6809 · Youth Activities	1,600.00
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	250.00
6837 · Community Garden	450.00
Total 6800 · Program Services	18,445.00
6900 · Special Events Direct Expense	
6901 · Around & Abouts	100.00
6904 · Holiday Luncheon	
6911 · Holiday luncheon Other expense	300.00
6913 · Member Meals	3,500.00
Total 6904 · Holiday Luncheon	3,800.00
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
Total 6908 · Spring Luncheon	4,010.00
Total 6900 · Special Events Direct Expense	8,210.00
Total 6500 · EXPENSE	32,584.40
Total Expense	32,584.40
Net Income	-19,684.40

The FFGC awards were announced at the FFGC Convention in Daytona a few weeks ago. Wellington received several FFGC awards and our members can be very proud of their club.

Our newsletter, Allamanda News edited by Tina Richter, won the Newsletter Award for our District. Many thanks to Tina for all she does to create our award-winning newsletter.

Our club won the Madira Bickel Award for Civic Achievement for the community-wide planting of native shrubs and trees in the Environmental Preserve in Wellington that was organized by Kathy Siena. Congratulations to everyone who participated.

The Petite Standard Flower Show, "It's a Small World" held at the Wellington Green Mall won the Flower Show Achievement Award. The club was lucky that their show was held in February 2020, just before COVID hit. Many thanks and congratulations to all who worked so hard to make this show a success.

Our club also won the Flower Show Staging award for "It's a Small World". Kudos to Christine Biscoglio and many thanks to her and the staging team for all their hard work to create spectacular staging for our flower show.

Linda DeSanti won the Designer's Choice award for the 10-inch tall petite exhibition table she created for "It's a Small World". Congratulations, Linda, for your beautiful petite design.

DEEP SOUTH UNIFIED PROJECT – This was a special two-year project open to garden clubs in the six states in the Deep South Region which are: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana and Tennessee.

Wellington was selected as the winner among all the Deep South Unified Project submissions for the Youth participation in the annual tree planting at Wellington's Environmental Preserve organized by Kathy Siena in partnership with the Village of Wellington. This award came with a monetary award of \$200! Congratulations to the club and thank you, Kathy for leading and organizing this successful community-wide event.

The FFGC awards also came with monetary awards of \$25 or \$50 each for a total of \$350 received by our club for awards. Well done Wellington Garden Club!

Some of these projects are eligible for consideration in various award categories of National Garden Clubs awards. These awards will be announced at the NGC convention at the end of May. As soon as I am sent the information, I will be sure to let the club know if we won any NGC awards.

Installation of a Great Symphony Orchestra
New Board of Directors

Will the new **Parliamentarian** please step forward.

_____ It is your job to make sure during meetings that all of “Robert’s Rules of Order” are properly followed. Like the heralds of old, you have the authority on this subject. This **Trumpet** represents that authority and the responsibilities of your office.

Will the new **Corresponding Secretary** please step forward.

_____ In your new position, you will handle all the correspondence of the club just as the Native Americans communicated by the beating of the drum. This **Drum** is being given to you as a symbol of your office.

Will the **Recording Secretary** please step forward.

_____ You are represented by the flute. A recorder is one kind of flute. As the recording secretary, you shall keep the records of the meetings of the club, be custodian of all records and papers of this office and present any recommendations from the Board to the membership. This **Flute** is a symbol of your office.

Will the new **Assistant Treasurer** please step forward.

_____ As the assistant, you shall serve at the direction of the treasurer. The assistant treasurer and the president shall act as alternates in the absence of the treasurer. A coronet is a small crown worn by a lesser royalty, so if the treasurer is the queen of finances, you as the assistant now receive the **Coronet** as your symbol of your office.

Will the new **Treasurer** please step forward.

_____ The treasurer is responsible for keeping an accurate account of financial records of the club. Because these cymbals are reminiscent of gold coins, you are being given this pair of **cymbals** as a symbol of your office.

Will the **2nd Vice President** please step forward.

_____. In your position you shall chair the program committee and arrange for the upcoming club year's programs. You are comparable to the 2nd violin in the orchestra and shall assume the responsibilities of the President and the 1st Vice President in their absence. You are receiving this **2nd violin** as a symbol of your office and responsibilities.

Will the **1st Vice President** please step forward.

_____ As the 1st vice president, you are like the 1st violin. Under the careful instructions of the conductor the violin sets the tempo for the other instruments and carries the theme of the

composition. If for some reason the conductor finds it necessary to step down, the violin proceeds to lead the orchestra to the finished performance. This **violin** represents the responsibilities of your office.

Will the **President** please step forward. _____
As president, you bear the same relation to the conductor as he/she bears to the orchestra. The conductor does not need to be able to play all the instruments but should know how each should be played. Then when each member of the orchestra knows how his part should be played the entire composition will be in perfect harmony. As president I present you with the conductor's baton is a symbol of leadership.


I declare you the duly installed officers of the

Let the music begin! Congratulations



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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS 1981-2021**

*Monday, May 3, 2021, 9:30 A.M.
Lakeview Room, Wellington Community Center*

- ✓  *Call to Order 9:37*
- ✓  *Silence Cell phones*
- ✓  *Establish a quorum – Kathy Schneider, Parliamentarian*
- ✓  *Welcome Members and Guests*
- ✓  *President's Message*
- ✓  *Introduce Mayor Ann Gerwig*
- ✓  *Awards & Recognition – Twig Morris*
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- ✓  *Approval of 2021-2022 Budget – O.C. Zenker*
- ✓  *Adjourn 10:36*
- ✓  *Lunch at Oh's Restaurant with reservations*

*Beach Cleanup
9/18*