## Wellington Garden Club Members' Meeting Minutes Wellington Community Center October 4, 2021

- I. Welcome Maria Wolfe warmly welcomed everyone to our meeting.
  - a. A quorum was established
  - b. Cell phones were silenced
  - c. We all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Mary Barbara Alexander introduced our guest speaker, Keith Sahm, Chief Operating officer of FORCE BLUE. Keith spoke about FORCE BLUE's establishment to help combat the rapidly declining health of our planet's marine resources (especially our coral reefs) and the difficulty returning combat veterans have adjusting to civilian life. His presentation, combined with excellent visuals, was very well done and he received a standing ovation!

### III. Executive Committee Reports

- A. President Maria Wolfe
  - 1. Special Presentation Maria Wolfe called up Twig Morris, Carol Coleman and Jan Seagrave. Carol Coleman was given Life Time membership in the WGC and lauded for all her accomplishments, such as: accomplished equestrian, horse show judging, building miniature houses, chairing many committees during her 1st VP years (2015-2017, raising \$20,000+ in fund raisers by Peggy Jacobs opening her house and garden for us to use, and becoming the District X Advisor. Twig Morris put on the official pin. Then Jan Seagrave was given Life Time Membership in the WGC and FFGC. Her accomplishments were also lauded: trained pilot and sky diver, lover of orchids and bromeliads, 1st VP years (2017-2019), the shredding event bringing in the most money, 2019-2021 Presidency meetings during COVID where our meetings were transitioned via Zoom. Twig Morris also pinned on Jan Seagrave's official pin.
  - 2. Hospitality Maxine Fisher thanked all the board members who had brought in brunch items for today's meeting. Huguette Damas passed

around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to bring in brunch items for the November meeting.

- 3. Coral Reef Restoration The donation basket was passed around and members were asked if they believed that this month's collection should be donated to FORCE BLUE. There was a resounding "Yes" response
- 4. Tree Planting Record A sheet was passed around for members to list any trees that had been planted in the last 30 days.
- 5. Garden Tip of the Month Maria Wolfe shared a new use for old venetian blinds: Make plant identifying tags by cutting them up into small pieces, writing on them, **in pencil**, the name of the plant and, if desired, where it's from and the date it was planted. Since they are plastic, they don't disintegrate
- 6. Maria Wolfe reminded us to take two of our new WGC business cards.
- 7. Sip 'n Stroll Our next Sip 'n Stroll will be hosted by Petra Russell, from 5-7PM on Friday, October 8, 2021 at her 2 acre gardens. There is a sign-up sheet if you plan to attend. Remember to bring an appetizer to share and the drink of your choice to sip.
- 8. National Gardener Magazine published an article by Stormi Bivin in its Fall 2021 issue. Her topic was "Unsolicited Landscape Design Awards". This was the third article to be published by a District X member. The link to the National Gardener Magazine will be sent out.
- B. Recording Secretary Amy Schwed needed the September 13, 2021 minutes approved. Twig Morris made the motion to approve and Mary Kastner seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.
- C. Treasurer's Report Danese Sloan-Kendall reported that income this month was \$935.53 from meeting plant raffles, membership dues, Penny Pines donations and the "Around and About"; total expenses

were \$1,911.21 for yearbook, Around and About, Awards, Program Speaker and FFGC dues. The checking account balance is \$24,299.49. The WGC profit and loss statement is on our website.

## IV. Committee Chair Reports

- D. Membership Alison Albury introduced all of our guests today: Teresa Cummings, Donna Baxter, Bill Baxter, Gladys Maloy, Kristi Floyd, Ann Kandel, Edith Pickett, Karen Klotz, Margaret Tamsberg, Jeanette Myers, Howard Mehring, Susan Castillo, Carolyn Pratt, Tina Andrews and Ronnie Levay. Both Margaret Tamsberg and Ronnie Levay joined the WGC today. Teresa Cummings was a former member. All were asked to stand, be recognized and applauded. Our new member from last month's meeting, Renee Lempert, was welcomed and given a shell succulent made by Kimberly Helms and membership pin. Additionally, we were informed that we need a new data manager. Maria Wolfe thinks she may have someone. The raffle guest member winners were Terry Priori and Ann Kandell. Alison also mentioned she needed an Excel expert. John Siena raised his hand.
- E. Around and Abouts Carol Ralph spoke about the trip to the Florida Oceanographic Society, Hutchinson Island, Stuart on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 9AM. There will be a guided walking tour of the complete facility, plus viewings of stingray feedings, turtle feedings and one more special viewing. Lunch will be at the New England Fish Market. The cost for the trip is \$20 plus lunch. Car pools will meet at both the westside and eastside meeting places at 7:15AM and leave by 7:30AM.
- F. Horticultural Moment Lisa Ferrano spoke about native plants which need less fertilizer, less pesticide and less water, plus have a symbiosis and support insects and wild life. She named many different native varieties of: major trees, small trees, shrubs, flowers, orchids, vines and ground covers for us to consider when replacing things. She will type up a list of everything she named and it will be posted on the website and sent to the newsletter as well.
- G. Holiday Luncheon Linda DeSanti said our Monday, December 6, 2021 luncheon would be at the Wanderer's Club from 11AM to 2:30PM and

- will cost \$36. It will have 3 selections of entrees, a cash bar and a 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake. There will be a live plant auction, Toys for Tots (unwrapped) and Fairy Hair. Please see Linda after the meeting if you are willing to help her
  - H. Garden Art Dee Rolfe showed us the garden art project to be given Wednesday, November 3, 2021. It is a fairy cottage, with fairy lights, that she learned about from Twig Morris. The cost for making this is \$10. It will be here in the Community Center in the Everglades room from 9-1. It will be our first such project since Covid began!
  - I. Annual Tree Planting Kathy Siena spoke about the annual tree planting that took place on Saturday, September 25, 2021. This was the 7<sup>th</sup> annual event that the village of Wellington and the WGC had and there were over 100 volunteers. They planted almost 1,000 native native pine seedlings in pre-dug holes. You can see the two minute slide presentation on the Village of Wellington website, which Kathy shared with us. Next year's planting date is September 24, 2022.
  - J. Community Garden John Siena talked about the Boys and Girls Club at Wellington Trace that won awards for growing organic plants and vegetables (AND KIDS!) They use no pesticides at the community garden; it is all organic. John shared some photos of what they have done. He also said they need volunteers so, please sign up on the sheet next door! The group meets on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 and work with kids from ages 5-11. He reminded us: VEGGIES DON'T GROW IN PUBLIX!
  - K. Adopt a Street Kay Brown reminded everyone that tomorrow, from 9-10AM will be the trash pick-up for the street adopted. Everyone will meet at the Dog Park at the intersection of Greenbrier and Aero Club. Gloves and grabbers will be provided.

L. Newsletter - Carol Ralph shared Tina Richter's reminder of the October 15, 2021deadline for getting articles or pictures submitted for the newsletter. Tina would also appreciate any pictures taken at Mary Barbara Alexander's Sip 'n Stroll in September.

#### V. Fundraisers

- M. Fertilizer Maria Wolfe spoke about the 50 pound bags of 365 day, time- release fertilizer for \$75. She asked for a show of hands of interested buyers and 11 people responded. It will probably take place in January, 2022. Maria asked for a volunteer to help coordinate this event with her, and asked for volunteer(s) to see her at the end of the meeting.
- N. The Kings Academy Stormi Bivin told about the TKA shows, starting with the 3<sup>rd</sup> one, the January 22, 2022 matinee show of Romeo and Juliet (NOT a musical). The deadline for ticket purchases is Friday, October 8, 2021. The next 2 shows that the WGC will get tickets for are matinees of Amalie, March 26, 2022 and Matilda, May 7, 2022. Both of them are musicals. It is a fund raiser for the WGC. We need to sell 25+ tickets and we get \$5 per ticket. The Covid protocol at the Kings Academy is everyone is to be masked. The reason we have to order our tickets so early is that group sales begin 6 weeks before the general public can buy them and tickets go on sale to the public 6 weeks before the show.
- VI. Name Tag Raffle A plant arrangement was donated by Linda DeSanti and a plaque was donated by Dee Rolfe as prizes. Cass Stryker won one of the prizes and Linda DeSanti won the other.
- VII. Next Month's Program will present Steve Henry from the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, on November 1, 2021.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 12:16PM.

September 30, 2021

Wellington Garden Club Treasurer Report

Income this month was \$935.53, from meeting plant raffle, membership dues, penny pines donations and around and about.

Total expenses this month were \$1,911.21, for yearbook, around & about, awards, program speaker and FFGC dues.

Balance in checking account is \$24,299.49

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

Danese Sloan Kendall Treasurer

# www.wellingtongardenclub.org Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual June through September 2021

	Jun - Sep	Budget	\$ Over Bu	% of Bud
Income	oun - oep	Dauger	a Over Bu	% or Bud
4000 · INCOME				
4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing 4101 · Boutique Items	00.00	400.00		
4103 · Fertilizer	96.00 35.00	100.00	-4.00	96.0%
4106 · Plant Raffle Meetings 4110 · Misc	109.00	200.00	-91.00	54.5%
	14.78	100.00	-85.22	14.8%
Total 4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing	254.78	400.00	-145.22	63.7%
4200 · Membership Dues 4300 · Program Services Revenue	1,036.50	4,500.00	-3,463.50	23.0%
4301 · Awards & Grants				
4301.1 · Awards	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
4301.2 · Grants	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
Total 4301 · Awards & Grants	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
4302 · Donations & Memorials	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
4305 · Newsletter Advertising 4309 · Penny Pines	0.00 83.75	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total 4300 · Program Services Revenue	83.75	500.00	-416.25	16.8%
4400 · Special Events				
4401 · Around & Abouts 4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income	143.00			
4402.1 · Member meals Holiday Luncheon	0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00	0.0%
4402.2 · Other Holiday Luncheon Income	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
Total 4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income	0.00	3,750.00	-3,750.00	0.0%
4403 · Spring Luncheon Income				
4403.1 · Member meals Spring Luncheon 4403.2 · Other Income Spring Luncheon	0.00 0.00	3,500.00 250.00	-3,500.00 -250.00	0.0% 0.0%
Total 4403 · Spring Luncheon Income	0.00	3,750.00	-3,750.00	0.0%
Total 4400 · Special Events	143.00	7,500.00	-7,357.00	1.9%
Total 4000 · INCOME	1,518.03	12,900.00	-11,381.97	11.8%
Total Income				
Gross Profit	1,518.03	12,900.00	-11,381.97	11.8%
	1,518.03	12,900.00	-11,381.97	11.8%
Expense 6500 · EXPENSE				
6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses				
6507 · Plants Meetings	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
Total 6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6700 · Management & General	405.00	(05.00		
6701 · Chamber Dues (Wellington) 6702 · Correspondence	125.00 0.00	125.00 50.00	0.00 -50.00	100.0%
6703 · Discretionary	28.32	250.00	-221.68	0.0% 11.3%
6704 · Historian	0.00	25.00	-25.00	0.0%
6705 · Insurance	577.50	700.00	-122.50	82.5%
6706 · Membership	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6707 · Newsletter	24.00	300.00	-276.00	8.0%
6708 · Postage	12.96			
6709 · President's Expense	57.07	800.00	-742.93	7.1%
6710 · Printing Expense	55.00		2000000 70000	
6711 · Treasurer & Accountant	260.00	400.00	-140.00	65.0%
6712 · Website	267.98	350.00	-82.02	76.6%
6713 · Yearbook	570.86	800.00	-229.14	71.4%
6717 · Miscellaneous				

8:53 AM 09/30/21 Cash Basis

## www.wellingtongardenclub.org Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual June through September 2021

	Jun - Sep	Budget	\$ Over Bu	% of Bud
6717 b · Storage	113.85	479.40	-365.55	23.7%
Total 6717 · Miscellaneous	113.85	479.40	-365.55	23.7%
Total 6700 · Management & General	2,092.54	4,379.40	-2,286.86	47.8%
6800 · Program Services 6802 · Award & Grants 6803 · Member Education 6804 · FFGC & District Dues	700.00 0.00	100.00 2,000.00	600.00	700.0% 0.0%
6804.1 · Dues FFGC 6804.2 · Dues District X	196.00 0.00	1,200.00 50.00	-1,004.00 -50.00	16.3% 0.0%
Total 6804 · FFGC & District Dues	196.00	1,250.00	-1,054.00	15.7%
6805 · FFGC Convention Ad 6806 · Honorary Awards 6807 · Floral Design 6807b · Garden Art 6808 · Habitat Landscaping 6809 · Youth Activities	0.00 30.78 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	100.00 1,600.00 100.00 100.00 500.00 1,600.00	-100.00 -1,569.22 -100.00 -100.00 -500.00 -1,600.00	0.0% 1.9% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0%
6810 · Meeting Programs/Speakers 6811 · Meeting/Trade Out 6812 · Memorials and Donations 6813 · Mounts Membership 6814 · College Scholarships	100.00 57.44 35.00 0.00 0.00	600.00 150.00 125.00 5,000.00	-500.00 -115.00 -125.00 -5,000.00	16.7% 23.3% 0.0% 0.0%
6815 · SEEK Capital Fund 6816 · SEEK Scholarship 6817 · Sunshine Fund 6818 · Wekiva Camperships 6819 · Wekiva Capital Fund 6820 · Wekiva LIT Program 6827 · Earth Day 6829 · National Garden Week 6830 · NGC Disaster Fund 6831 · Environmental Education 6836 · Wellington Preserve Landscaping 6837 · Community Garden	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 201.22 0.00 0.00	200.00 1,500.00 150.00 1,470.00 500.00 300.00 100.00 200.00 50.00 50.00 250.00 450.00	-200.00 -1,500.00 -1,500.00 -1,470.00 -500.00 -300.00 -100.00 1.22 -50.00 -50.00 -250.00 -450.00	0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 100.6% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0%
Total 6800 · Program Services 6900 · Special Events Direct Expense 6901 · Around & Abouts	1,320.44 143.00	18,445.00 100.00	-17,124.56 43.00	7.2% 143.0%
6904 · Holiday Luncheon 6911 · Holiday luncheon Other expense 6913 · Member Meals	0.00 0.00	300.00 3,500.00	-300.00 -3,500.00	0.0% 0.0%
Total 6904 · Holiday Luncheon	0.00	3,800.00	-3,800.00	0.0%
6905 · Hospitality 6908 · Spring Luncheon 6909 · Spring luncheon Other expense 6912 · Guest meals 6914 · Member Meals	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	300.00 300.00 210.00 3,500.00	-300.00 -300.00 -210.00 -3,500.00	0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0%
Total 6908 · Spring Luncheon	0.00	4,010.00	-4,010.00	0.0%
Total 6900 · Special Events Direct Expense	143.00	8,210.00	-8,067.00	1.7%
Total 6500 · EXPENSE	3,555.98	31,084.40	-27,528.42	11.4%
Total Expense	3,555.98	31,084.40	-27,528.42	11.4%
Net Income	-2,037.95	18,184.40	16,146.45	11.2%

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## TKA performances are LIVE again

- After a long hiatus, live performances are back at TKA! WGC once again can purchase group tickets. We can order tickets 6 weeks in advance of when they go on sale to the general public, so we get great seats.
- If you are not familiar with this state-of-the-art venue or the amazing talent of these students, this is a great opportunity to give it a try. You will not be disappointed.
- 3 performances in 2022 Romeo & Juliet on Jan. 22, Amelie on March 26 and Matilda on May 7. All are Saturday matinees at 1:00 pm. Romeo & Juliet is NOT a musical, the others are.
- Romeo & Juliet order forms were emailed last week. Extra copies on table. Collection envelope for order forms and checks on table also. The deadline is this Friday, Oct. 8.
- COVID protocols require masks, no seats are blocked out.
- Questions?

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### Membership Report-WGC-October 4, 2021

## I. Guests today:

*Teresa Cummings	(Carol Lazzarino)
Donna Baxter	(John Siena)
Bill Baxter	(Kathy Siena)
Gladys Maloy	(Kathy Schneider)
Kristi Floyd	(Maria Wolfe)
Ann Kandel	(Kathy?)
Edith Pickett	(Twig Morris)
Karen Klotz	(Cas Striker)
**Margaret Tamsberg	(Maria Wolfe)
Jeanette Myers	(Mary Kastner)
Howard Mehring	(Amy Schwed)
Susan Castillo	(possibly Town Crier)
Carolyn Pratt	(Stormi Bevin)
Tina Andrews	(Stormi Bevin)
**Ronnie Levay	
Terry Priori	

<sup>\*</sup>former member

All were asked to stand and be recognized and applauded.

#### II. Welcome to new member:

Renee Lampert. Given shell plant and pin.

## III. Need a new Data Manager.

Tried to coerce Chrissy (Twig's daughter) but she works full time and cannot accept the position. Maria thinks she has someone.....

Respectfully submitted

Membership Chair

<sup>\*\*</sup>new members joining today (will be recognized next month)

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We are also donating 3
to Toys For Tots again this year.
Please bring an unwrapped gift \$20 or less and you will get a ticket well put those in a basket to draw a few names for some prizes