

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Fall Board of Directors Meeting

September 8-9, 2021

Held via ZOOM

Call to Order:

The regular Fall Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. was called to order at 10 a.m., September 8, 2021, by President Marge Hendon. President Hendon extended a warm welcome to all members.

Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America:

Pat Strawn, FFGC Chaplain, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. A picture of the Flag of the United States was shown.

Quorum:

The Chair declared a quorum present. Roster report is attached.

REGULAR BUSINESS IN ORDER

Appointment of Committees:

The Chair named the following committees who were appointed with no objections.

Committee to Approve the Minutes – Kelley Wood, Carol Wood, & Ingrid Velez

Tellers of the Meeting: none

Timekeeper for this meeting: Donna Thomas

Introductions

NGC Board Members:

Honored attendees: Former NGC Presidents Lois Shuster and Barbara May

Officer Introductions: Mary Whisler (3rd VP), Christy Linke (2nd VP), Tina Tuttle (1st VP), Sue Roberts (rec. secretary), Ingrid Velez (corr. Secretary), Carolyn Nation (parliamentarian) , and Jana Walling (treasurer)

New appointments: The following new appointments to the BOD were approved.

Mickey Quigley – Adopt a park

Susie Berryhill – convention vice Chairman

Jennifer Barber – Junior Garden Clubs

Devon Villareal-Dabbs – Legislative Positions ad Policies

Linda Johnson – NGC School Credentials

Lydia Barbour - NGC Environmental Schools State Chairman

Mercy Abrams - NGC Gardening study Schools State Chairman

Susie MacPherson – NGC Landscape Design Schools State Chairman

Jackie Host – Tri-council President

Judi Jodoin – Parks, Trails and Greenways

Resignation:

Nancy Richards – Tri-council President

These appointments were approved with no objections.

Report of Committee to Approve the Minutes of the April 2021 Special Post convention Meeting of the Board of Directors:

Tina Tuttle reported that the minutes were approved as written.

Report of the Committee to Approve the Minutes of the April 2021 Post convention Meeting of the Board of Directors:

Gwen Carter reported that the minutes were approved as corrected.

Note: all reports will be filed with the minutes.

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

President: Marge Hendon

Treasurer: Jana Walling reported on the completed year (June 2020 through May 2021 and then the period from June 1 - July 31, 2021. The financial reports will be filed with the minutes.

MOTION presented by Treasurer (coming from Finance Committee):

The Finance Committee moved at its September 1, 2021 Committee meeting that the following temporarily restricted net assets be unrestricted and be accounted for as net Assets Without donor restrictions, effective at 5/31/2021, the end of the last completed fiscal year.

Polly Moody Net Assets	\$5,342.00
Sally Rahm Net Assets	\$3,137.00
Blanche Covington Net Assets	\$5,507.25
Mary Compton Net Assets	\$30,000.00
Paths of sunshine Net Assets	\$16,187.78

This Board has the authority to release the above funds since the corpus of the donations has necessarily been exhausted in prior years.

MOTION Passed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: Tina Tuttle, FFGC 1st VP

WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP: Christy Linke, FFGC 2nd VP

BY-LAWS: Cissy Richardson

On behalf of the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee, I move -
(pg. number on right hand side denotes page # in Bylaws/SR's)

- ART III MEMBERS, Sec 1 Voting Membership and Sec 1 a. (1) pg. 4
 - ART IV DUES AND FEES, Sec 1 Dues and Fees; Sec 1 d. pg. 6
 - ART XI REPRESENTATION, Sec 1 b; Sec 1 b (1); Sec 1 b (2) pg. 14
- STRIKE: Independent**

RATIONALE: Garden Clubs and Garden Clubs organized on the Circle Plan are the correct designations.

Also -

- ART III MEMBERS, Sec I Voting Membership (1), (2), (3); pg. 4, 5
 - ART III MEMBERS, Sec 2 Non-Voting Membership , a., (2) pg. 6
 - ART XVII COMMITTEES, Sec 3 Members of the Board of Directors b. pg. 19
 - ART XIX, DISTRICTS, Sec 2 District Directors b. (1) pg. 20
- STRIKE: typewritten**

RATIONALE: "typewritten" is obsolete

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: Yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

ART III MEMBERS, Sec 1 Voting Membership a. Eligibility, Admission (4) Life Members

STRIKE: upon approval of Life Membership Committee and pg. 5

RATIONALE: A Life Membership Committee for approval does not function.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

ART IV DUES AND FEES Sec 1 b. **STRIKE: family** **INSERT: couple** pg. 6
Sec 1 e. (1) **INSERT: and until** pg. 6

This will now read: ...membership and all privileges shall be forfeited unless and until reinstated.

Sec 1 f. **STRIKE: husband and wife** **INSERT: legally married couple** pg. 7

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

ART IV DUES AND FEES Sec 2 **STRIKE: of** **INSERT: for** **STRIKE: Member** **INSERT: Membership**
STRIKE: Operating **INSERT: General** pg. 7

This will now read: The fee for a Life Membership shall be three hundred dollars (\$300.00) the sum to be placed into the FFGC General Fund.

RATIONALE: Clarify sentence and consistency in noting General Fund.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

maintaining of Headquarters Building and Grounds.
The Color Our Garden Fund is part of the Headquarters and Endowment Fund and budget for the continued stewardship and care of the grounds of FFGC.

RATIONALE: H&E Trustees voted on July 12, 2021, to maintain one H&E Fund only.
A separate budget is established for H&E and Color Our Garden is part of the H&E Budget. All Finance including Special Funds information needs to be in one place.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

ART VII DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Sec 5 Recording Secretary d. **STRIKE: a bound** **INSERT: an electronic** pg. 11

This will now read: Present to the FFGC Board of Directors an electronic copy of the Minutes and of the Reports as soon as possible after the close of the term of office.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

Sec 6 Treasurer h. **STRIKE: in entirety as written** **INSERT: as written below in green** pg. 12
h. Coordinate with the President the engagement of a Certified Public Accountant for purpose of completing an annual tax return as required by the Internal Revenue Service. Additionally, coordinate with the President the engagement of a Certified Public Accountant for conducting an audit upon the replacement of current Treasurer. The President shall submit the Certified Public Accountant firm for FFGC Board approval pursuant to Article VII, Section 1. k. The audit shall be reported at the Board of Directors meeting following completion.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

Sec 8 Parliamentarian a. **STRIKE: and** b. **INSERT: ; and** pg. 12

INSERT: c. Be knowledgeable of the FFGC Charter, Bylaws and Standing Rules.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

ART X MEETINGS Sec 1 Annual Convention pg. 14

INSERT: a. An Annual Convention shall be held, the place and date to be subject to the approval of the FFGC Executive Committee.

INSERT: b. The Voting Strength is determined on the Credentials Report submitted by the FFGC Treasurer from information supplied by the Convention Registrar. Three Credentials Reports are adopted – Opening Day Business Meeting; second day Business Meeting and final Credentials Report at the close of Convention. The Registrar presents the Registration Report.

DATE: 9/8/2021 ADOPTED: yes LOST: COMMITTEE:

ART XII EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Sec 2transact business requiring immediate action, either in session or by mail, between meetings....

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STRIKE: or **INSERT: or by email and/or electronic means**

This will now read: It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact business requiring immediate action either in session, by mail or by email and/or electronic means between meetings of the Board of Directors, and the Committee shall submit a full report at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

RATIONALE: Business requiring immediate action by the Ex Committee should use every means possible to make contact with the Ex Committee. In case of natural disaster or other unforeseen circumstance all available means of communication should be available.

DATE: 9/8/2021 **ADOPTED:** yes **LOST:** **COMMITTEE:**

ART XIV HEADQUARTERS AND ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

pg. 17

INSERT: Sec 6 Honors and Funds

- a. The Honors listed below have been established to honor Garden Club members or others who have distinguished themselves in garden club work for FFGC. The fees/contributions for each of these honors will be placed in the H&E Fund. Specific details of each honor are listed in the Standing Rules, # 4. HONORS. These honors are Guardian of Gardening; Patron; Hall of Fame and Earth Steward.
- b. "Color Our Garden Fund" is a Headquarters and Endowment Fund established for the continued stewardship and care of the FFGC grounds at Headquarters. This is a budgeted item for FFGC supported by donations.

DATE: 9/8/2021 **ADOPTED:** yes **LOST:** **COMMITTEE:**

ART XVII COMMITTEES Sec 3 Members of the Board of Directors e.

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STRIKE: e. Vice-Chairmen of Committees, with the exception of State Flower Show and State Conventions, are not members of the Board of Directors in that capacity.

RATIONALE: In keeping with National guidelines on the Board of Directors and the FFGC President being able to select the members serving on the Board of Directors, the FFGC President can select a BOD necessary to carry on the goals and objectives of FFGC.

DATE: 9/8/2021 **ADOPTED:** yes **LOST:** **COMMITTEE:**

STRATEGIC PLANNING: Gina Jogan

MOTION: The Strategic Planning Committee Nominating Committee (Cheryl Howard, Cissy Richardson, and Helen Purvis) proposed the following nominations to the Strategic Planning Committee:

Helen Purvis for a 3 year term

Barbara May for a 3 year term

Joanne Mulinare for a 2 year term

MOTION passed.

HEADQUARTERS AND ENDOWMENT: Sue Angle

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DIRECTORS:

D 1- D 12 See report Book for individual reports.

REPORTS OF BOD CHAIRMEN:

TRAVEL AND TOURS: Shelley Atkinson reported on the upcoming travel opportunities for FFGC.

TRI-COUNCIL: Jackie Host, tri-council President

DEEP SOUTH UNIFIED PROJECT: Gina Jogan

MATCHING GRANTS: Gina Jogan

AWARDS: Gwen Carter

MOTION 1:

Subject of Motion: Add Revised FFGC # I-4 FIELD TRIP AWARD (Intermediate Grades 6-8)

We have a motion: I Move to reinstate FFGC # I -4 Field Trip Award (Intermediate Grades 6-8) as an FFGC Intermediate Award.

Donor: Debra Gaffney, Deland

Description and Purpose: Where did you go and what did you learn on the field trip?

Proof of Accomplishment: Give specifics in your electronically produced report (100-200 words) about the information you gained at the park, school, garden, nursery, program, flower show, or urban garden center, and tell about your participation.

An award of \$25 is offered

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

Rationale:

2021 Convention: Intermediate Awards that had not been won in 4 years were retired.

The field trip award has been revised and updated with specifics and learning goals.

An award of \$25 is offered.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative __47__ Negative __8__

MOTION 2:

Subject of Motion: Add Revised FFGC # I-8 WILDFLOWER FOLDER AWARD (Intermediate Grades 6-8)

We have a motion: I Move to Reinstate FFGC # I -8 Wildflower Folder Award (Intermediate Grades 6-8) as an FFGC Intermediate Award.

Donor: Betty J. Moss, Miami

Description and Purpose: An award of \$25 may be given to the Intermediate Youth Gardener compiling the best folder about wildflowers.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include drawings or pictures of at least 5 wildflowers, identified botanically, with information on each one. Tell about their culture: blooming time, how and where they grow, their usage and importance. Attach the completed FFGC Awards Application to folder.

An award of \$25 is offered

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

Rationale:

2021 Convention: Intermediate Awards that had not been won in 4 years were retired.

The Wildflower Folder award has been revised and updated with specifics and learning goals.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative __47__ Negative __8__

MOTION 3:

Subject of Motion: Add Revised FFGC # I-10 THE MARY NEWSOME AWARD FOR A FLORIDA STATE PARK (Intermediate Grades 6-8)

We have a motion: I Move to Reinstate FFGC # I -10 The Mary Newsome Award for a Florida State Park (Intermediate Grades 6-8) as an FFGC Intermediate Award.

Donor: Miami Beach Garden Club

Description and Purpose: The Intermediate Youth Gardener who submits the best folder on a Florida State Park.

Proof of Accomplishment: Your folder should include the history of the park, its importance, location, available facilities, drawings or pictures of plants, photographs, maps, and information on wildlife within the park. Report needs 100-200 words.

Attach the completed FFGC Awards Application to folder.

An award of \$25 is offered

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

Rationale:

2021 Convention: Intermediate Awards that had not been won in 4 years were retired.

The Mary Newsome Award for a Florida State Park has been revised and updated with specifics and learning goals.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: Yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative_44_____ Negative _11_____

Motion 4:

Subject of Motion: Add Revised FFGC # I-16 THE MRS. MORGAN P. GILBERT TREE AWARD (Native Tree Award) (Intermediate Grades 6-8)

We have a Motion: I Move to reinstate FFGC # I -16 The Mrs. Morgan P. Gilbert Tree Award (Native Tree Award) (Intermediate Grades 6-8) as an FFGC Intermediate Award.

Donor: Junior and Intermediate Gardeners, Miami Beach Garden Club

Description and Purpose Description and Purpose: The Intermediate Youth Gardener who provides the best report on a Florida native tree.

Proof of Accomplishment: Provide it's botanical name and common name, benefits of growing this tree. Does it have edible fruit, is it ornamental, or grown for its wood? Photographs or drawings of the entire tree are necessary. Other visual presentations may include leaves, flowers, fruit and/or byproducts of the tree. Discuss its growth, positive impact and how it survives in the Florida landscape. Attach the completed FFGC Awards Application to folder.

An award of \$25 is offered

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

Rationale:

2021 Convention: Intermediate Awards that had not been won in 4 years were retired.

THE MRS. MORGAN P. GILBERT TREE AWARD (Native Tree Award) has been revised and updated with specifics and learning goals.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: Yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative_51_____ Negative _7_____

MOTION 5:

Subject of Motion: Add Revised FFGC # I-18 BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION AWARD (Intermediate Grades 6-8)

We have a motion: I move to reinstate # I -18 Butterfly Conservation Award (Intermediate Grades 6-8) as an FFGC Intermediate Award.

Donor: Judy Greenberg in memory of Marion Miller

Description and Purpose: An award to an Intermediate Youth Gardener for the most informative report of on the life cycle of one or more butterflies.

Proof of Accomplishment: The report should have 100 – 200 words and include pictures or drawings with information on habits and plant hosts. 8 1/2" X 11" paper size

An award of \$25 is offered

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

Rationale:

2021 Convention: Intermediate Awards that had not been won in 4 years were retired.

The Butterfly Conservation Award has been revised and updated with specifics and learning goals.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative__ 52__ Negative __ 6__

MOTION 6:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC #HS-1 YOUTH HORTICULTURE EDUCATIONAL AWARD

We have a motion: I Move to Add New FFGC # HS-1 Youth Horticulture Educational Award as an FFGC High School Award.

Donor: Gwen Carter, Clermont

Description and Purpose: To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application and report in narrative style. Entry should include:

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested
4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

Categories:

1. Grades 9-12

An award of \$50 is offered

Rationale: At this time there is not a Youth FFGC Horticulture Educational Award, awarded specifically to a youth garden club, to promote outdoor gardening based on the premise that our youth should be educated to become future horticulturists.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative__ 54__ Negative __ 3__

MOTION 7:

Subject of Motion: Add Revised FFGC # HS – 2 FIELD TRIP AWARD

We have a motion: I Move to Reinstate FFGC # HS - 2 Field Trip Award as an FFGC High School Award.

No Donor

Description and Purpose: The High School Youth Gardener who provides the best report (300-500 words) about a field trip to a garden, park, landscape center, school, urban gardening center, program or flower show.

Proof of Accomplishment: Information and knowledge gained from this field trip should be included in your report that is electronically produced on the FFGC Awards Application.

An award of \$25 is offered

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

Rationale:

2021 Convention: Intermediate Awards that had not been won in 4 years were retired.

THE FIELD TRIP AWARD has been revised and updated with specifics and learning goals.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: Yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative __52__ Negative __5__

MOTION 8:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # 42 EDIBLE GARDEN AWARD

We have a motion: I Move to Add New # 42 Edible Garden Award as an FFGC Award.

No Donor

Description and Purpose: Edible Gardening Award for the most outstanding garden of edibles, (fruits, vegetables, edible flowers)

Proof of Accomplishment: Pictures of the Trees if used and before planting pictures with prep areas and after pictures of the garden and edibles that were grown include a landscape or container garden plan.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Individual

NGC Specific Point Score G-2

Rationale:

NGC introduced this award in 2017 and the interest in Growing Edible Gardens has grown over the past year. By adding this Award individual members will have an opportunity to win at the State level as well as the National Level.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter
Secretary's Record: Date:
Motion Number: Secoded by Motion
Amended by:
Motion Adopted: Motion sent back to committee for rewrite

MOTION 9:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # 45 EDIBLE GARDEN IN AN ORNAMENTAL LANDSCAPE AWARD

We have a motion: I Move to Add New FFGC # 45 Edible Garden in an Ornamental Landscape Award as an FFGC Award.

No Donor

Description and Purpose: Garden incorporating edibles in an ornamental landscape grown by an individual. (Ornamental landscaping serves the primary purpose of adding visually pleasing plants to the landscape. In contrast, some gardens are established with the purpose of providing food, shade or a privacy screen from neighbors. While plants used in an ornamental landscape may serve other purposes as well, the reasons for their selection in an ornamental landscape are their visual qualities and decorative effect.) Add your edibles in harmony with your ornamental landscape.

Proof of Accomplishment: Before **planting** edibles photos showing ornamental garden and after photos of the edibles that were grown included in an ornamental landscape. Include your landscape plan and the edible plants you included. Did you grow from seed or with a already established plant?

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Individual

NGC Specific Point Score G-2

Rationale:

NGC introduced this award in 2017 and the interest in Growing Edible Gardens has grown over the past year. By adding this Award individual members will have an opportunity to win at the State level as well as the National Level.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter
Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021
Motion Number: Secoded by Motion
Amended by:
Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative __56__ Negative __1__

MOTION 10:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC #52 Wildlife Survival Award

We have a motion: I Move to Add New # 52 Wildlife Survival Award as an FFGC Award.

Donor: None

Description and Purpose: **Wildlife Award will be awarded to the garden club with the most notable project or projects educating the public on the benefits of gardening for wildlife.**

Given for the most comprehensive and effective project for pollinator, bird, or wildlife protection and welfare. This may include habitats or gardens specific to the natural population being supported, sanctuaries, migratory routes, public education project or program, legal and legislative activities, or other.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application. Report must include landscape plan, if applicable, well labeled photos, impact on members/recipients/community/etc. and results. Involvement of others (community, government agencies, professionals, youth, facility residents, others) % of Membership Participation (may include any type of support given)

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Category

Club Size

1. Small 10-20 members
2. Medium 21-50 members
3. Large 51 members & above

NGC Point Score Chart EC-3

Rationale:

NGC introduced this award in 2017 and the interest of Wildlife (pollinator, bird, or wildlife) has continued to grow. By adding this Award our members will have an opportunity to win at the State level as well as the National Level.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative_56_ Negative ___1__

MOTION 11:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # 53 WILDLIFE GARDEN AWARD

We have a motion: I move to add new # 53 Wildlife Garden Award as an FFGC Award

Description and Purpose: Wildlife Garden Award will be awarded to the garden club establishing a wildlife garden or gardens at a public place or places, to include signage to educate the public on how to garden for wildlife and the benefits of doing so.

Extra points will be given for articles published in newspapers and periodicals on the project.

Club size will be taken into consideration when judging, so please include the number of members in the club, the percentage of member participation, and the approximate number of people educated and how they were notified of the project.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application. Report should include landscape plan, photo of signage, and results. Membership participation is emphasized.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Category

Club Size

1. Small 1-20 members
2. Medium 21-50 members
3. Large 51 members & above

NGC Point Score Chart G-4

Rationale: NGC introduced this award in 2017 and the interest of Wildlife Gardening (pollinator, bird, or wildlife) has continued to grow. By adding this Award our members will have an opportunity to win at the State level as well as the National Level.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative_59_ Negative ___1__

MOTION 12:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # 80 Art in Bloom Award

We have a motion: I Move to Add New # 80 Art in Bloom Award as an FFGC Award.

No Donor

Description and Purpose (Individual Award) Award for the best representation of a floral design inspired by a piece of art using fresh or dried flowers. (No Artificial Flowers)

Proof of Accomplishment: Use of FFGC Awards Application in narrative style to interpret your design.

- Submit Title and Inspiration for design (75-100 words)
- Include 1 photo of design and piece of art together (1 photo)
(Exception, if design is unable to be photographed with the piece of art, submit 1 design photo and 1 piece of art photo, 2 photos)
- Include all materials used

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Category

Club Size

1. Small 10-20 members
2. Medium 21-50 members
3. Large 51 members & above

Rationale: For many years FFGC Club members have been participating in “Art in Bloom” programs. “Art in Bloom” has become a popular garden club event among members and the community. Members create beautiful thoughtful floral designs inspired by a piece of art. However, members do not have the opportunity to apply for an FFGC Award.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary’s Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: **Seconded by Motion**

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative 58 Negative 2

MOTION 13:

Subject of Motion: Add FFGC #133 FLORALIA VI BOTANICAL ARTS ARTISTIC CRAFTS AWARD

We have a Motion: I move to add FFGC #133 FLORALIA VI BOTANICAL ARTS ARTISTIC CRAFTS AWARD AS AN FFGC AWARD.

Donor: Floralia VI, District VIII

Description: To recognize the most outstanding artistic craft that has received the Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award in an NGC Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

- two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s)) of the artistic craft,
- a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel,
- and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

Submission: Send FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form to: Parke Finold, FFSJ President

Rationale: Botanical Arts Section was added to the 2017 NGC Flower Show Handbook and there isn’t an award for this section in the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards.

Motion made by: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Motion Number:

Motion Amended by:

Date: Seconded by

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative__57____ Negative __3____

MOTION 14:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # I-1 YOUTH HORTICULTURE EDUCATIONAL AWARD

We have a motion: I move to add New # I-1 Youth Horticulture Educational Award as an FFGC Intermediate Award.

Donor: Gwen Carter, Clermont

Description and Purpose: To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application and report in narrative style. Entry should include:

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested
4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

Category:

1. Grades 6 - 8

An award of \$50 is offered

Rationale: At this time there is not a Youth FFGC Horticulture Educational Award, awarded specifically to a youth garden club, to promote outdoor gardening based on the premise that our youth should be educated to become future horticulturists.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative_54____ Negative __6____

MOTION 15:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # J-4 YOUTH HORTICULTURE EDUCATIONAL AWARD

We have a motion: I Move to Add new # J-4 Youth Horticulture Educational Award as an FFGC Jr. Gardener Award.

Donor: Gwen Carter, Clermont

Description and Purpose: To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application and report in narrative style. Entry should include:

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested
4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

Category:

1. Grades K-5

An award of \$50 is offered

Rationale: At this time there is not a Youth FFGC Horticulture Educational Award, awarded specifically to a youth garden club, to promote outdoor gardening based on the premise that our youth should be educated to become future horticulturists.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative 54 Negative 3 _____

MOTION 16:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC President's Project # 61 Nell Coe Award

We have a motion: I Move to Add FFGC President's Project # 61 Nell Coe Award as an FFGC Award.

Donor: Marge Hendon

Rationale: The Nell Coe Award reflects theme of the 2021-2023 Administration "Play Outdoors" and our need to grow our membership numbers through fun and person to person involvement.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/8/2021

Motion Number: Seconded by Motion

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative 55 Negative 2 _____

MOTION 17:

Subject of Motion: Change the 4 Classes of GS-1 Award: A – Pre - K-1st; B - 2nd-3rd; C - 4th-6th; D - 7th-12th to include only Garden Clubs that participate with a Girl Scout Troop to create an activity that promotes Arbor Day in Florida.

We have a motion: : I move to change the 4 classes of Award: GS # 1 , Girl Scout Arbor Day Award: A – Pre - K-1st; B - 2nd-3rd. C - 4th-6th; D - 7th-12th to include only Garden Clubs that participate with a Girl Scout Troop to create an activity that promotes Arbor Day in Florida.

Donor: Barbara Rao and Sue Killion

Purpose : To recognize a Garden Club that works with Girl Scouts to encourage them to create an activity that promotes FFGC/NGC goals and objectives for Arbor Day. Trees planted for Arbor Day show a concern for future generations. The simple act of planting a tree represents a belief that the tree will grow and provide shelter from wind and sun. It will create beauty and inspiration for future generations.

Proof of Accomplishment: Narrative style. Photographs of this activity can show the progression of the event and how it was presented. The program should involve activities which include environmental elements or horticulture lesson. The activity may be one day, or one week in length. Project expenses or means of funding should be provided. Number of Garden Club members and troop numbers should be included. Continued involvement should be mentioned. All age groups are included. The younger ones will be helped by leaders.

All Ages and Classes

An award of \$25 may be offered to an individual Garden Club or Circle

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Barbara Rao, 872 Bayport Circle, Venice, FL 34292 email: barbara_rao@hotmail.com

Rationale: original award classes were confusing and too varied. Garden Club will receive the award.

Motion made by: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Motion Number: _____ **Date: 9/8/2021**

Motion Amended by:

Date: Seconded by

Motion Adopted: Sent back to committee for rewrite

Number Voting _____ **Affirmative** _____ **Negative** _____

MOTION 18:

Subject of Motion: To change award size groups from four (4) to three (3) categories

We have a motion: I move to change award size groups for clubs/ circles from four (4) categories to three (3) categories.

Description and Purpose: To Change FFGC Award Size for Groups, Clubs/Circles, from 4 Categories to 3 Categories.

New Categories	Clubs/Circles	Current Categories	Clubs/Circles
Small	10 – 20members	Small	10 - 29 members
Medium	21 – 50members	Medium	30 – 59 members
Large	51 + members	Large	60 – 99 members
Ex-Large	100 + members		

Rationale: NGC changed award size for groups, clubs, to 3 categories in 2021. Changing FFGC's categories will better align our judging process with NGC's judging process. FFGC has 23 clubs with 100 + members as of August 13, 2021.

Motion made by: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Motion Number: _____ **Date: 9/8/2021**

Motion Amended by:

Date: Seconded by

Motion Adopted: motion failed Affirmative 26 Negative 31

Day 1 Meeting ended

Day 2 Meeting Begun at 10:00 AM

Awards – Continued Gwen Carter

RESUBMITTED MOTION:

Subject of Motion: Add New FFGC # 42 EDIBLE GARDEN AWARD

We have a motion: I Move to Add New # 42 Edible Garden Award as an FFGC Award.

No Donor

Description and Purpose: Edible Gardening Award for the most outstanding garden of edibles, (fruits, vegetables, edible flowers)

Proof of Accomplishment: Submit before and after pictures of the entire garden and edibles that were grown. Include a landscape or container garden plan. Show progression of your edible garden.

Some examples may include plants sprouting, plants blossoming and a display of mature edibles.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Individual

NGC Specific Point Score G-2

Rationale:

NGC introduced this award in 2017 and the interest in Growing Edible Gardens has grown over the past year. By adding this Award individual members will have an opportunity to win at the State level as well as the National Level.

Motion made BY: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Date: 9/9/2021

Motion Number: **Seconded by Motion**

Amended by:

Motion Adopted: yes Number Voting _____ Affirmative 61 Negative 0

RESUBMITTED MOTION:

Subject of Motion: Change FFGC GS-1, Girl Scout Arbor Day Award to FFGC S-1, Scout Arbor Day Award to include only Garden Clubs that participate with Scouts to create an activity that promotes Florida Arbor Day.

We have a motion: I move to change FFGC GS-1, Girl Scout Arbor Day Award to FFGC S-1, Scout Arbor Day Award, to include only Garden Clubs that participate with Scouts to create an activity that promotes Florida Arbor Day.

Donor: Barbara Rao and Sue Killion

Purpose : To recognize a Garden Club that works with Scouts to encourage them to create an activity that promotes FFGC/NGC goals and objectives for Florida Arbor Day.

Proof of Accomplishment: Narrative style. Photographs of this activity can show the progression of the event and how it was presented. The program should involve activities which include environmental elements or horticulture lesson. The activity may be one day, or one week in length. Project expenses or means of funding

should be provided. Number of Garden Club members and Scouts should be included. Continued involvement should be mentioned. All age groups are included. The younger ones will be helped by leaders.

An award of \$25 is offered to one (1) individual Garden Club or Circle

Due: January 30

Submissions sent to: Barbara Rao, 872 Bayport Circle, Venice, FL 34292 email: barbara_rao@hotmail.com

Rationale: . Original award did not include all Scouts. Garden Club will receive the award.

Motion made by: Gwen Carter

Secretary's Record: Motion Number: **Date: 9/9/2021**

Motion Amended by:

Date: Seconded by

Motion Adopted: yes **Number Voting** _____ **Affirmative_61_____** **Negative** **_0_____**

ANNUAL DUES RENEWAL PROJECT: Sue Roberts

As of 9/8/2021 FFGC has 154 clubs with 9318 members.

JUNIOR GARDENERS: Jennifer Barber (absent, read by Sue Roberts)

MOTION 1: I move that Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) be added as a class of Junior gardener making them eligible for club membership and awards.

Motion made by Jennifer Barber and Motion seconded by Dale Defeo.

Motion Passed

MOTION 2: I move that 6th grade be moved from Junior gardener to Intermediate Gardener.

Motion made by Jennifer Barber and seconded by Ingrid Velez.

Motion Passed.

SEEK: Mary Whisler

BEES: Christy Linke

SCHOLARSHIP: Helen Purvis

CONVENTION 2022: Carol Wood

SHORT COURSE NORTH: Kat Spieker

FFSJ: Parke Finold

FL. GARDENER: Dave Spaulding

Karen Smith – District News coordinator

Kelley Wood – circulation manager

Inger Jones – advertising, sales, and finance

Magazine will be distributed via email and will be put on the FFGC website.

All articles should be submitted to the BOD chairman and should only be submitted to magazine from BOD chairman

CONVENTION ADVERTISING: Inger Jones
TREES & REFORESTATION: Kat Spieker
TROPICAL SHORT COURSE: Michele Maguire
FFGC EVENT CALENDAR: Ingrid Velez

BENEDICTION: Pat Strawn ended the meeting with an inspirational message.
ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned on September 9, 2021 at 11:45 AM.

Susan Roberts
Susan Roberts, Recording Secretary

Attest:

Marjorie Hendon
Marjorie Hendon, President

Could you add under new appointments: Judi Jodoin for Parks, Trails, and Greenways.
Great job,
Marge

Committee to approve the minutes:

Kelley Wood
Sue,
The minutes look good to me – Ingrid’s name is misspelled on page 1, other than that I would approve.
Kelley

Carol Wood
Sue,
Looks good. Misspelling of Cheryl Howards name as SPC committee
Thanks
Carol

Ingrid Velez
Sue
Looks good - agree with Kelley and Carol ... also Carol's last name needs capital W on first page.
Ingrid