

Florida State Winnie Gators, Inc.  
General Meeting  
Orlando Fair Grounds, Orlando, Florida  
January 21, 2012

Our meeting was called to order by President Jerry Miller, at 9:30 a.m. After the invocation by Ted Fumia, all present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jerry welcomed all Chapter Presidents and Special Guests. He introduced the State Officers, Cliff & Ree Spiller, 1st VP, Ted and Janis Fumia 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Christine & Bob Ross, Secretary, Walter & Belinda Feldgoise, Treasurer, and Nancy Miller, Director.

A big THANK YOU went out to the NEW Chapter Presidents, Pete & Corinne Wightman, Caloosa Winnies, Ed & Carole Gies, Funtime Travelers and Larry Bergsman, Suncoast Winnies. A big THANKS also went out to Presidents returning for another term, Judy Weaver; Buccaneer Winnies, Jack Caffrey; DuBol Winnies, Richard & Kathleen Bock; Florida Sunshine Winnies, Tom Zoff; Mid-Florida Winnies, Curt Newton; Miracle Strip Winnies, Bob Meader; Panhandle Winnies, Bernie Gaudet; Seaside Winnies, Rick Bunn; South Florida Winnie-Gators and Jim Rae; Spacecoast Winnies. As of today Big Bend Winnie-Tascas and Treasure Coast Travelers Presidents have not been confirmed.

**Secretary's Report:** A motion was made by Nancy Miller and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Tuzzolo that the reading of the October 22, 2012 minutes be waived.

**Treasurer's Report:** Walter Feldgoise read the Treasurer's report which covered a period from October 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012. Walter reported that our club's finances remain in a good position. We started the period with \$17, 102.00 and ended with \$22,675.00. Some noteworthy expenses incurred during this period were software, supplies for the March Rally, miscellaneous admin expenses and an outstanding 2011 rally pin invoice. As always the treasurer's report is filed for audit.

**Presidents Report:**

Jerry reported that the October Campout was a great success and hoped everyone saw the pictures on the website. Jerry showed everyone the new lights we're trying out to spotlight the stage for the March Rally Entertainment. Each light only cost around \$10.00. The COOKBOOKS are ready and one will go in each goody bag. Extra cookbooks were ordered and will sell for \$10.00 each and will be available at the registration desk during the rally.

**Officer and Committee Reports:** Nancy gave a report on the Vendors and Seminars. Nancy reported that she and Corinne have been out soliciting vendors at the RV shows in the area.

Jack Caffrey reports that the Goody bag donations need to be submitted to the DuBol Winnies by 5:00 pm on Tuesday in order for them to be included in the Goody Bags.

The door prize committee asked that each chapter donate a basket for our door prize drawing. There is a suggested list of themes available after the meeting. It was also requested that each chapter ask their member to donate a small basket for the Friendship Walk these baskets should not exceed \$10.00.

Nancy needs the goody bag donation list sent to her for the program.

The audit committee for the treasurer has been appointed and will be completed and reported at the March meeting.

**Old Business:** The Slate of Officers for 2012-2013 was presented by Nancy Miller. They are as follows:

President	Jerry Miller
1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Ted & Janis Fumia
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	Cliff & Ree Spiller
Secretary	Christine & Bob Ross
Treasurer	Walter & Belinda Feldgoise

It was asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Given a few minutes to respond with no other nominations given the nominations were closed. A motion was made by Joe Sholtes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Sala to accept the slate of officers. This slate of officers is elected and will be installed in March during the meeting.

We are looking for a volunteer to video tape the opening ceremonies. Please let us know if you can help.

We will have a garage sale table set up in the main hall so bring your items for sale or a picture of that item and place it in the appropriate area.

**New Business:** Bob Olson will be retiring in February but will remain on the board. WIT has announced that Sunnybrook RV Owners are eligible to join WIT. Jerry sent an email to the Sunnybrook President welcoming them to our March Rally.

GNR 2012 plans are underway! July 15-20 are the official dates of the GNR Rally but you should try to arrive the week before for the Puckerbrush Celebration which begins about July 9<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is "Treasure Island". Volunteers are needed and you may come in on June 29, 2012 but plan on working. There are several special events scheduled for GNR. Happy Hour everyday! Prime Rib dinner at the Branding Iron, Monday July 9<sup>th</sup>, Hog Roast at the Florida Row on Wednesday July 11<sup>th</sup>, Puckerbrush Parade July 14<sup>th</sup> (with our very own Parade Float), First Timers Party on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. And the biggest and best Row Party you have ever seen on Tuesday July 17<sup>th</sup>. Raffles during the January and May State Meetings will help offset some of these expenses. SOOOOOO buy LOTS of tickets!!!

**Announcements:** Dues are due!! Please send in your form and check to Christine Ross, P.O. Box 1176, Sebring, Florida 33871.

Butch and Becky Moore stated that if you had any questions or concerns about WIT to please send them an email at butchandbecky@gmail.com. They will be glad to help in any way they can. They also stated that they would have the WIT store open at the March Rally as usual. Please come take a look!!!

Future Campout Dates:

March 15-18, 2012 Central Florida Fairgrounds, Orlando, Florida – State Rally

May 11 – 13, 2012 Paradise Oaks, Bushnell, Florida

July 7-14, 2012 PreRally week, GNR, Forest City, Iowa

July 15-20, 2012 GNR, Forest City, Iowa

October 19-21, 2012 Torrey Oaks RV Resort, Bowling Green, Florida

Be sure to check out the Winnie Gators website!!

Ted Fumia and Cliff Spiller thanked everyone for the get well wishes, phone calls, emails and mostly the prayers they received during their recent illnesses. They are on the mends but please keep them in your prayers as well as others not mentioned.

Birthdays and Anniversaries were announced.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bruce Cinader and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Thurston. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Ross

Secretary

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