

Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. (DRAFT)  
Annual Membership Meeting  
January 12, 2026  
St. John the Evangelist Church - Rome Room

**Board members in attendance**

Eric Cosentino, Skip Counselman, Kim Finer, Donna Graham, Jane Myers and Valerie Thompson

Absent: Monica Slattery

**Park staff in attendance:** Park Manager Cody Peters

President Kim Finer convened the meeting at 10:06 a.m. and ensured the establishment of a quorum.

**1. President:**

Kim Finer welcomed Friends members to the Annual meeting and introduced Board members. She acknowledged past President Janice Kmetz and thanked her for her exceptional leadership on the Board.

**2. Treasurer's Report:**

Eric Cosentino presented the following: For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, total assets increased \$18,789.23 or 6.0% compared to the previous year. Total income was \$33,281.29, down 45.6% vs. the previous year. Total expenses were \$14,492.06 up 3.8% and net income was \$18,789.23 down 60.2% year-over-year.

Eric highlighted the shift in fundraising strategies since Hurricane Ian. In the absence of a Ranger Station to facilitate sharing of CSO information and accept donations, Friends organization's revenue has experienced a decline. Consequently, following Hurricane Ian, the primary source of income has transitioned to membership, Adopt-a-Nest program, and pop-up Beach Boutiques.

**3. Membership Report:** Donna Graham reported 115 members. She encouraged members to renew.

**4. Park Manager's Report and Presentation:**

Manager Cody Peters provided an overview of Park activities and improvements. Topics included increased visitation, site improvements such as resurfacing the main road, repairing parking lot #1, and restoring utility services in housing and operations areas. Resource management included dune restoration, an increase in designated shorebird areas, and an increase in sea turtle nests (65 identified nest) in 2025. Cody also noted volunteer and CSO support through maintenance, resource management such as the MoSH (mobile shade house) plant nursery, invasive plant removal, interpretive opportunities, and other visitor services.

**5. Nominating Committee:**

The Nominating Committee (Donna and Eric) submitted the following slate of nominees for Board positions: Jane Myers and Monica Slattery. A call for nominations from the floor was made. With no further nominations, Jane and Monica were unanimously elected in a voice vote.

**6. Highlights from Year in Review:** Kim shared the "2025 Year in Review" handout (see attached), highlighting key events of 2025. Kim presented a list of significant CSO purchases made during the year, encompassing equipment for the park, an interpretation trailer, generator, supplies and materials for Park programs, resource management, and redesign and monitoring of the Friends website. Kim also shared information about Friends fundraising activities, happenings and work in resource management. Donna emphasized the Adopt-a-Nest program and ongoing "Beach Boutiques" fundraising initiatives.

**7. Upcoming Events:**

- Name the Sea Turtle - ongoing
- Pop-up Beach Boutique on January 17
- Native Plant Walk with John Finer on January 31
- Wiggins Walk on February 2
- Delnor Dash on February 27

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
*Valerie Thompson*

Date approved: February 4, 2026