

**Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park
Board Meeting Minutes January 9, 2026
Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Office and Call in**

Board Members Present: Eric Cosentino, Skip Counselman, Kim Finer, Donna Graham, and Valerie Thompson.

Park Staff in Attendance: Park Manager Cody Peters

The meeting was called to order at 8:57 a.m. and a quorum was established.

President's Report: President Kim Finer requested a Board member step forward to volunteer to write the Friends quarterly newsletters and the "End of Year Report".

Secretary's Report: Skip made a motion to approved the minutes from the December 1, 2025 Board meeting. Donna seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Board and member meeting minutes will be posted on the Friends website when the new website is developed.

Treasurer's Reports: Eric reported that for the period ending November 30, 2025, total assets were up \$19,214.07 or 7.0%. Total income was down \$28,154.71 or 47.2% versus the same period last year. Total expenses were down slightly 0.7% or \$109.07 and net income was down \$28,045.01 or 61.2% compared to the same time period last year.

Membership report: Donna reported there are 114 members.

Manager' Report:

Personnel: Cody reported there are currently four Park staff positions open: Administrative Assistant, two PSS and one Ranger. Applications are being submitted and interviews are taking place.

In the absence of the PSS who oversees the volunteer program, Cody should be contacted for volunteer questions, interest, etc.

Projects:

- Interpretation Trailer: Cody reported the build out on the trailer is underway and should take about 2 months.
- Residence improvements: New windows have been installed in the Manager's home, work is now taking place at the Assistant Manager's home.
- Enhancement of Park Sign at entry: Permits are in hand and work will begin soon. Lunetta is being restored and will be secured near the sign.
- Enhancement of entrance island: Permits for this project are outstanding.
- Volunteers for MoSH: On hold until a new PSS is hired.
- Pay stations: Plans for new pay station are progressing.
- Road resurfacing: Completed on main road
- Delnor Dash and Wiggins Walk: Paige will be working with this event. The monthly events will begin in February and continue through May. The Walk will be held on the first Monday of the month and the Dash on the last Friday of the month. A promotional poster was shared. Cody requested the Friends members provide fruit and water to the participants. Registration will be open to Friends members first, with general public later and each event will be limited to 15 individuals.

Old Business

Annual Meeting: January 12 at St. John the Evangelist Church, 10:00 a.m. to noon. Set up to begin at 9 a.m. Donna will bring coffee & donuts and Skip will bring a cooler with drinks and ice. Valerie will set up a small merch table for donations. A drawing for a gift basket will be held. Cody will bring the green turtle and those attending will be able to chose to enter a name for the turtle.

Interpretation Trailer: covered in Manager's Report

FDWPAP migration of website to new host website redesign and update: A Beta version of the new Friends website is in place and development is ongoing. If BOD members have any content they would like to be considered, send it to Kim and she will pass ideas on to website creator Mary Ann. The website should go live in about 6 weeks. Zeffy (free fundraising software for nonprofits) will be integrated into the website. Janice will continue to post Friends information on Facebook.

Earth Day at the Conservancy: April 18, 2026. Let Kim know if you will be able to help cover the Friends table.

New Business

Annual meeting: Kim shared the agenda for the annual meeting.

Adopt-a-Nest Program: Discussion included how donors' plates will be displayed at the nests.

Ideas for communication improvement were shared: In addition to the required webinar training program, hold a staff and volunteer on-site training session for individuals who have sea turtle permits and will be working at the Park and have one Park staff member who will work with the Adopt-a-Nest program chair to accumulate and share data.

Adoptions are already taking place and program publicity will begin on January 19.

Training date were not available.

Plant Walk with John Finer: Scheduled for January 31 at 8:30 a.m.

Review of the "Action Outline".

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Submitted by

Valerie Thompson.

Date approved: February 4, 2026

Upcoming dates:

January 12	10:00	Annual Friends meeting at St. John the Evangelist Church BOD Organizational meeting to follow
January 17		Beach Boutique
January 19		Adopt-a-Nest program promotion begins
January 31	8:30 a.m.	Park Plant Walk with John Finer
February 2	9:00 a.m.	FDWPSP BOD meeting at Park
February 2	8:30 a.m.	Wiggins Walk
February 27	8:30 a.m.	Delnor Das