NCNPS Annual Meeting June 5, 2021

State of the Society for Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2021

2020-2021 Fiscal Year Accomplishments

- Have over 1400 active members.
- We received donations of \$ 18,540
- Awarded 11 Total Grants and Scholarships for a Total of: \$16,200.
 - 6 Tom and Bruce Shinn grants, at **\$1000** each, to students at NC state, Duke University, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Appalachian State
 - 5 B.W. Wells Stewardship Grants, a total of \$ 4,200, awarded for the planting of community native plant gardens
 - Two grants totaling **\$6,000**, to assist in land purchase and conservation easements of a highly sensitive cranberry bog and a coastal property adjacent to Croatan National Forest
- o We added 16 Certified Gardens for a total of 124 Certified Gardens across the state.
- A new brochure/booklet of native plants for the garden for the Piedmont, to be shared with partner native plant nurseries in the Piedmont.
- Implemented Zoom Chapter meetings posted the recordings YouTube! We now have 230 subscribers and getting more very day.
- Updated and reorganized our NCwildflower.org website.
- Add more species and pictures were added to our Plant Gallery. Our database now has over 1,200 species, many with multiple pictures.
- o Constructed a strategic plan for future growth and development

We also want to recognize outgoing President Steve Kroeger, and to thank him for his dedication, time and energy during his service on the Board.

We thank all Members for your support during the last fiscal year. You are a wonderful, generous, and dedicated bunch of people who have donated \$18,540 to make all this happen.