



Peachtree City Library, Incorporated
Friends of the Peachtree City Library
201 Willow Bend Road
Peachtree City, GA 30269

MINUTES OF THE FRIENDS OF THE PEACHTREE CITY LIBRARY
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP VIRTUAL MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2020 – 2:00 PM

Attendees Online: Lee Eltzroth, Jerry Kahn, Cherese Cadet, Sharon Marchisello, Rebecca Watts, Ruth Arthur, Susan, Charlie Nelson

1. Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Lee Eltzroth.

2. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting:

- The minutes of the November 5, 2020, meeting were approved as modified by the Board members and will be posted on our website at <https://ptclibraryfriends.org>.

3. Voting to Accept a New Member of the Board:

- Sharon Marchisello was approved as a new member of the Board. Sharon is the local author of *Going Home* and *Secrets of the Galapagos*. She is a member of the Writers Circle and Sisters in Crime and is working on two more books.

4. President's Report (good news and bad news):

- Lee reported that Ruth Arthur will be serving as secretary on the Friends of Georgia Libraries (FOGL) Board.
- Per our contract, a maintenance will take place soon on our FOL website. Textual changes will be made, and some photographs will be added.
- In mid-November Friends purchased a new disc cleaning machine for the library which was much appreciated.
- Friends received an anonymous donation for 2021 to be used to upgrade the Joel Cowan History Room and the Floy Farr Room. Lee Eltzroth will head the work in the History Room, is getting familiar with the needs and will be ordering items this month. Charlie Nelson has submitted a history of the Rotary phone directories and has donated missing phone books to the History Room.
- The bad news is that we still may not have face to face meetings. We still can't host the guest author, Lynn Cullen, in the next few months but she will be with us in 2021 even if

it is a virtual meeting. Also, no book donations may be accepted so we are unable to raise needed funds for the library.

5. Treasurer's Report:

- Jerry Kahn presented the Profit and Loss Statement which showed that for the period January 1, 2020, through November 30, 2020, the FOL had income of \$14,096.75 and expenses of \$7,522.53 with a net gain of \$6,574.22. The Balance Sheet showed that as of November 30, 2020, the FOL assets were \$34,805.10. Details are provided in the attached P/L Statement and Balance Sheet.
- The 2020 books will be closed at the end of December and Jerry will request budgets for 2021 in January.

6. Secretary's Report:

- Ruth Arthur reported that there are 89 members with 6 Sustaining, one Patron and one Corporate memberships. Four members have renewed for 2021. There was one new membership since the November 5th meeting and two members asked to be removed from the membership roll since they have moved out of state.

7. Art Initiative Report:

- Rebecca Watts reported that she and Honey Corbin will approach Michael Saweck of Henry County and a Fayette County artist about a two man show in January/February. They have not mapped out past then and are asking artists who have shown before. No receptions will be held. Rebecca is trying to get someone else involved and assume responsibilities for the Arts Initiative program.

8. Children's Library Report:

- Tracy Ford was unable to attend the meeting and there was no Children's Library report but Lee reported that Janice Dukes continues to place book orders requesting money she would have used on summer programs.

9. Volunteers and Library Announcements:

- Cheres Cadet went over the library schedule and COVID restrictions stating that a limit of 40 persons, not including volunteers, may be in the library at one time. Only one-half of the computers are in use. There will be no extended hours in the near future. Volunteers are still being used, usually before the library opens between 9:00 and 12:00. There is no volunteer training going on now and no book donations are accepted. Jill Prouty will be back in the library next week.

10. Old Business:

- As mentioned above, Lee is still communicating with Lynn Cullen.
- Continuing discussion from our November 5th meeting, as an alternative to Facebook, Lee offered to set up a newsletter site that is not on Facebook. Sharon mentioned Instagram. Rebecca asked how we would envision a newsletter, perhaps monthly. Lee suggested a survey be taken. It was suggested we should commit to a regular schedule and include what the library was doing, staff members and new books.
- Regarding fundraising, Cherese mentioned Fayette County Library does well selling books on-line. It was discussed at our last meeting and Jerry reported that a storage facility was donated so the library can store, stock and sell out of that facility.
- Lee asked that we get in touch with her with ideas about an alternative to Facebook and fundraising ideas. ptc.library.friends.pres@gmail.com

11. Next Meeting Date:

- Our next meeting will be held on February 4, 2021, at 2:00 PM.

12. Adjourn:

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 PM.

13 Attachments:

- Balance Sheet and P/L Statement through November 30, 2020

Recorded by Ruth Arthur, Secretary