



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

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 23, 2024 –11:00 AM

Attendees: Lee Eltzroth, Jerry Kahn, Anna Hollander, Susan Bloemendaal, Sharon Marchisello, Jill Prouty, Ruth Arthur

1. Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Lee Eltzroth at 11:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting:

- A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2023, Annual Meeting. The minutes will be posted on our website <https://ptclibraryfriends.org>.

3. President's Report:

- Lee has submitted a grant application to Clothes Less Traveled asking to fund StoryWalk® for the Children's Department as suggested by Janice Dukes. The book could be changed monthly or less in this outdoor experience. Grant recipients will be notified in March.
- Lee will submit an application to FOGL for an author grant after obtaining the author's agreement to appear. The author is Johnathon Scott Barrett, a seventh-generation Georgian. His recent book of fiction is *Ship Watch – A Savannah Novel*. He is also the author of several cookbooks. He is the Executive Director of Development for the State Botanical Garden at the University of Georgia. If the board has other suggestions of other likely Georgia authors, let Lee know.
- Joel Cowan History Room: The Joel Cowan portrait by Martin Pate is finished and will likely hang in or near the Joel Cowan History Room.
- Floy Farr Room: Lee passed around the "final" version of the Floy Farr exhibit panels. A timeline will be added. Jill will work with Maggie to get ideas and quotes from designers to produce this movable exhibit.

4. Secretary's Report:

- The annual renewal letter will go out to members and include the membership form and the 2023 Annual Financial Report.
- Our membership number is 128.
- Board members signed their annual Conflict of Interest forms at the meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report:

- Jerry reported that the annual registration with the Georgia Secretary of State has been filed.
- The board reviewed the 2023 Annual Financial Report. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the 2023 Annual Financial Report.
- The board reviewed the 2024 Budget and will vote to approve it at a later meeting.
- The checking account balance at Ameris Bank as of January 23, 2024, is \$45,308.94

6. Library Report:

- Jill distributed the 2023 4th Quarter report and a flyer on the Chad Davidson author event to be held on February 22, 2024, at Line Creek Brewing. Proceeds from the beer sales will go to a charity of the author's choice.
- The library will have a new website soon, still with the button to link to Friends.
- Jill has asked the new city graphic designer to help with the design of the Floy Farr panels. They will visit UGA to see their traveling exhibits and hope to have options to show the board with a grand opening of the exhibit by August.
- The library will hire a summer intern for six to eight weeks to transcribe oral histories for the history room so they can be digitalized at the Digital Library of Georgia.
- A call for submissions to the new Hip Pocket, Volume 2, has gone out with an April 15 deadline.

7. Art Initiative:

- The exhibit up through February is the paper flower art of Rae Duncan, president of the Newnan-Coweta Art Association.
- March-April 2024 will feature Trish Land, artist, and interior designer.
- May-June 2024 will feature the 3D art of several artists working in sculpture, ceramics, clay, and wood.

8. Old Business:

- Anna reported that all 35 of the Holiday Mystery Bags prepared for Christmas were sold.
- Anna has been speaking with a person who is interested in a board position.

9. New Business:

- The FOGL Annual Meeting on April 5, 2024, will be held at our library. We need to plan.

- The board agreed to nominate Eleanor “Honey” Corbin for the Best Friend Award from FOGL. Sharon will write the accompanying letter.

10. Next Board Meeting Date:

- February 21, 2024, at 11:00

11. Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Attachments:

Profit & Loss Statement CY 2023
Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2023

Recorded by Ruth Arthur, Secretary