



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

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## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 10, 2024 –11:00 AM

Attendees: Lee Eltzroth, Jerry Kahn, Susan Bloemendaal, Sharon Marchisello, Anna Hollander, Ruth Arthur, Charlie Nelson, Tricia Stearns, Kimber Huff

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting:

- A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2024. The minutes will be posted on our website <https://ptclibraryfriends.org>.

3. Voting on Board Positions:

- A motion was made, seconded, and a call to vote Carl Hoverstad as a new Board member was made. The motion carried and Carl was approved.
- A motion was made, seconded, and a call to vote Susan Bloemendaal as Vice President was made. The motion carried and Susan was approved.

4. President's Report:

- Lee acknowledged three guests - two Friends members Charlie Nelson and Tricia Stearns (writer, author, and community advocate), and Kimber Huff, (Executive Director of Clothes Less Traveled).
- We received a \$3,000 grant from Clothes Traveled (CLT) to fund the StoryWalk® project for the Children's Library. Materials need to be purchased and verification from the city as to when and where it can be placed. Lee attended a workshop at CLT for non-profit leaders on March 29, 2024.
- Lee applied for a \$500 Rotary Club grant on March 22<sup>nd</sup> for set up funds for a Children's Library project to establish a Lego Club. Grants will be awarded in July.
- Friends of Georgia Libraries (FOGL) cancelled its annual meeting and workshop, which was to have been held at the Peachtree City Library, due to very low registration.
- Joel Cowan History Room:
  - There was an on-site researcher recently – a young man researching his family in the Shakerag area.
  - Jerry and Julie Peterson came by to chat and tour. Jerry will bring another version of the PTC Monopoly game, so we will have three.
  - Lee hopes to hang the Joel Cowan portrait in the history room soon.

- Floy Farr Room:
    - Lee is revising the Floy Farr timetable which could be a handout or go onto our website. It will not be another panel, but rather supplements in information that can't be covered in panels.
5. Secretary's Report:
    - A ZOOM meeting was held on April 5<sup>th</sup> in leu of the in-person FOGL annual meeting. Representatives from several local groups attended including Lee and Ruth. FOGL reported on the assistance given to local FOL groups, explained the Google ad grant partnership with Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS), and announced the awards to be presented in person at each winner's library. Author grants were awarded to Friends of Smyrna Library and Friends of Georgia Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (GLS). The Best Friend award was given to our own Eleanor "Honey" Corbin and the Fabulous Friends award went to Friends of GLS. Representatives of the local groups reported on their activities. FOGL recommended Georgia Center for the Book for a list of Georgia Authors and United for Libraries for a good source for organizational tools.
    - Ruth is rotating off the FOGL board.
  6. Treasurer's Report:
    - Jerry presented the Profit and Loss Statement through March 29, 2024, and the Balance Sheet as of March 29, 2024.
    - The checking account balance at Ameris Bank as of April 10, 2024, is \$44,229.29
  7. Library Report:
    - Submissions for the second Peachtree City anthology are coming in.
    - The graphic artist is working on his design for the Floy Farr exhibit.
    - The solar eclipse program was very popular. Four hundred and sixty-seven solar glasses were given away made possible through a grant from the National Science Foundation.
    - The library will place another temporary story stroll from GPLS in Drake Field.
    - National Outreach Day was April 10th for National Library Week. However, there was no golf cart bookmobile with honor books due to the weather. It will be rescheduled.
    - Next week is Smart Money Week with programs Monday through Wednesday.
  8. Art Initiative:
    - The March – April featured exhibit is called *Tres Jolie* showing artwork by Trish Land and Honey Corbin based on their travels in France. It will close on April 26<sup>th</sup>.
    - The May/June exhibit will become an annual event featuring 3-D art of sculpture, wood, ceramics, and clay.
  9. Old Business:
    - The long-vacant vice president slot on the board has been filled.
  10. New Business:
    - Our thank-you luncheon for the staff and volunteers will be held April 19<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with National Library Week and National Volunteer Week.
    - On June 1<sup>st</sup> Clothes Less Traveled will hold a community fair from 10:00am to 2:00pm for non-profit organizations to share information and network.

- Michael Thurmond was to be the guest author at the FOGL annual meeting, which was cancelled. Jill said he is willing to hold a talk and book signing here for his new book on Oglethorpe.

11. Next Board Meeting Date:

- TBD

12. Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm.

Attachments:

Profit & Loss Statement through March 29, 2024  
Balance Sheets as of March 29, 2024

Recorded by Ruth Arthur, Secretary