

THE FRIENDS OF THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board Meeting Minutes, March 18th, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: President-Elect Angela Bryant McGlothin; Secretary Kathy Yancy; Assistant Treasurer Connie Mayes; Past President Chuck Collins; Directors Josie Talbot, Janet McFarland, Don Ballard, Mindy Klein; and Library Assistant Director Becca Sexton.

NOT PRESENT: President Karen Harrison; Treasurer Mary Ouellette; Directors Wayne Talbot and Ricki McMillian; and Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Olmstead.

Also present was Friends member Sheryl Westwick.

Call to Order: President Karen Harrison called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. She introduced Jennifer Campbell, who told us about the library in Bartlett. She and her staff hope to expand and continue to bring in the community, as they're doing with their Community Garden.

Library Director's Report: Sally told us that the MOU, executed by the FOL, was returned to the City to be signed. She also invited us to the grand opening celebration for the book lockers at the GPL Express at Carver Center. In addition to the beautiful wrap that FOL paid for, the lockers also feature a touchscreen system and motion sensing lights for security.

The feedback after the HCAS presentation was very favorable, Sally said. She also mentioned the upcoming Sunday Music Series performance and movie offerings.

In August the library staff will begin implementation of RFID scanning for books; this will take the place of the usual inventory period. Applying RFID stickers is the first step. The scanning equipment that comes next will save time but cost a great deal of money. FOL may be able to help with that expense.

Sally said that the budget process has begun for 2026-27. We should have a preliminary look at the library's wishlist in April. Perhaps a third van, a new projector system for the Classroom, and some furniture replacements could be on the list.

Karen asked about the status of the damaged Tales on the Trail installation; Sally stated that a police report was filed. Next steps are uncertain.

Mindy inquired about the availability of copies of the final iteration of the Long Range Plan. Sally indicated that the final report isn't out yet.

Karen reported that Judy Arnold has resigned from the board.

Secretary's Report: Kathy Yancy. The minutes of the January meeting were approved as presented; Wayne made a motion to approve, and Ricki seconded. The minutes will be posted on the FOL website.

Consent Agenda: Don moved to accept the Consent Agenda; Ricki seconded and all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Ouellette. Total revenue for January was \$20,233 and net revenue was \$20,205. Expenses totaled \$5,897. Net operating income equaled \$14,309. With investment and interest income, minus other costs, the total net income for the month was \$15,013. Total assets were \$496,460 as of January 31st. (All numbers are rounded to whole dollars.)

Communications Report: Angela Bryant McGlothlin.

Book Sales. Secondhand Prose made \$1,067.89 in Collectors' Corner sales and \$4,131.95 in donations in January. Online sales totaled \$1,913.28 and the donation cart plus other donations/sales added up to \$997.33. The grand total for all book revenue was \$8,110.45 in January.

Fundraising: Wayne Talbot: Giving Season total donations add up to \$49,144 and will continue to arrive by mail.

Volunteer Orientation: Kathy Olmstead. Orientation will take place on Saturday.

Membership: Mindy Klein. We have 1259 members from 888 households as of January 31st. The next event for Membership is the Sun City Nonprofit Fair this Friday, February 20th from 9 a.m. to noon. With the resignation of Ron Weiss, more help is needed on this team.

Information Technology: Wayne Talbot. Wayne reported no new technology issues.

Old Business:

Special Events Coordinator: Karen Harrison. Karen stated that she had contacted four new volunteers and invited them to the upcoming Mingle on the Bridge to meet and discuss the position. Barbara White has offered to mentor the person selected.

Lifelong Learners: Karen Harrison. The series of lectures will be open to active volunteers without advance reservations. We discussed how to define "active" volunteers, since there are so many FOL members and volunteers. Wayne indicated that the Little Green Light database could be filtered for numerous factors in a query, to produce a workable list. We settled on members who have donated more than once since January 2023 with a minimum of \$250 in total donations. Mindy pointed out that the subject matter of the lectures should be made clear. We won't issue invitations but will make use of our website and social media.

Attorney Meeting: Angela Bryant McGlothlin. In Angela's absence, Karen reported for her that no attorney contacted thus far has been interested in our proposal. The search will continue.

New Business:

Lawlor Fund: Ricki McMillian/Don Ballard. Ricki and Don met with Sally and Becca to discuss disbursing the remaining balance in this fund in the most effective manner. There's roughly \$69,000 to be spent. The most useful purchase right now would be another van to deliver and retrieve books from the GPL Express; buying and customizing a van would cost about \$70,000. As for the WOW!mobile and WOW:HD, the City would assume ownership and maintenance responsibilities. We will vote on this proposal at our March meeting.

'Pie in the Sky' List: Ricki McMillian/Don Ballard. This list of potential projects for the wishlist resulted from the same meeting as above. One of the items is a playscape; the Cedar Park library has one which would be a great example for us. Such projects would help us to use the monies we've set aside for library expansion. We feel these funds need to be used in a timely manner.

Placemats: Karen Harrison. It's time to reorder placemats. Karen found an error in the current printing; she and Mindy will collaborate on updating both the placemats and membership brochures before reprinting both.

Other:

Recruitment: Karen Harrison/Ricki McMillian. With the loss of Ron Weiss and Judy Arnold, we need at least one new board member. Ricki suggested asking Joan Baker, who has been on the board previously. She's busy with book sorting and SHP so can't be expected to take on additional responsibilities -- Ricki will talk to her. In terms of a Fundraising Coordinator, we feel that this position is unnecessary. We won't pursue this.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Wayne moved that we adjourn. Don seconded, all approved, and this meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m. Our next meeting will be on March 18th at 9:30 a.m. in the Class Room at the library.

Respectfully submitted,

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February 23, 2026
Date