

## THE FRIENDS OF THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board Meeting Minutes, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

**PRESENT:** President Karen Harrison; Past President Chuck Collins; Treasurer Mary Ouellette; Assistant Treasurer Connie Mayes; Secretary Kathy Yancy; President-Elect Angela Bryant McGlothin; Directors Josie Talbot, Janet McFarland, Wayne Talbot, and Ricki McMillian, Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Olmstead; and Library Director Sally Miculek.

**NOT PRESENT:** Directors Don Ballard, Judy Arnold, and Mindy Klein.

**Call to Order:** President Karen Harrison called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. No guests were present.

**Library Director's Report:** Sally told us that no decision has yet been made regarding closing the library over the weekend due to bad weather and dangerous driving conditions. The City Manager makes that decision; it will be posted on social media and the library website.

The ongoing activities such as Sunday music and adult movies, funded by the FOL, continue to be popular. Upcoming opportunities include ukelele classes, mindfulness instruction, and evening story time.

The update to the Memorandum of Understanding between the library/city and FOL has been returned to Sally from City Council. Some modifications have been suggested, and Sally will meet with the Governance Team next week to address these.

We discussed the recent increase in library membership cost to \$100./year for households within the city limits (\$80 for seniors). It simply costs more to buy books, provide streaming services, pay for licenses to show movies, etc. Since the state legislature has tightened guidelines on raising taxes, there was no other choice. Sally reminded us that the library is free to use in person, and that GISD students may join for free.

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

**Consent Agenda:** Wayne moved to accept the Consent Agenda; Kathy Y. seconded and all voted in favor.

**Treasurer's Report: Mary Ouellette.** Total revenue for December was \$49,108 and net revenue was \$49,051. Expenses totaled \$3,425. Net operating income equaled \$45,626. With investment and interest income, minus other costs, the total net income for the month was \$49,127. Total assets were \$481,600 as of December 31<sup>st</sup>. (All numbers are rounded to whole dollars.)

**Communications Report: Angela Bryant McGlothin.** Angela and her team focused on marketing for the Hill Country Authors Series events. Angela also met with the Membership Coordinator to discuss possible changes to the tiers of membership and how such changes might have an impact.

**Book Sales.** Secondhand Prose made \$1,069.75 in Collectors' Corner sales and \$4,206.32 in donations in December. Online sales totaled \$4,054.61 and the donation cart plus other donations/sales added up to \$652.32. The grand total for all book revenue was \$9,983. in December.

**Fundraising: Wayne Talbot:** Giving Season total donations add up to \$47,814 and are still arriving by mail. The postcard campaign produced some results; the magnitude of this isn't clear.

**Volunteer Orientation: Kathy Olmstead.** Orientation will take place today. It seems that our desire to involve new volunteers right away needs greater emphasis, including with team coordinators.

**Membership: Mindy Klein.** We have 1263 members from 890 households as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, including more Life members.

The next event for Membership is the Sun City Nonprofit Fair on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to noon.

**Information Technology: Wayne Talbot.** Wayne reported no new technology issues. He's working on a means of acknowledging Tribute gifts (in honor of, in memory of), but this is proving to be problematic.

#### **Old Business:**

**Board Vacancy: Karen Harrison.** Ron Weiss has informed us that he isn't able to take a seat on the board, though he wants to continue assisting with Membership team duties.

**Attorney Meeting: Angela Bryant McGlothin.** No additional candidate was found. Josie reminded us that one of our business members is an attorney. Angela will be in touch with her.

#### **New Business:**

**Communications Protocol: Angela Bryant McGlothin.** The comments that Angela received will be incorporated into a new draft and sent to the board via email for review. The board will review and vote on this in the February meeting. These guidelines will apply to public communications, not internal FOL messaging. Karen asked who would see these guidelines and where; they will be available on our website and perhaps included in training for new volunteers. Josie pointed out that the approval process can become onerous and counterproductive if taken to the extreme. We want to avoid that.

**Volunteer Appreciation: Karen Harrison.** We have no Special Event Coordinator at present and this annual event is usually held in April. We aired our ideas and opinions about improving the event and put together a team to work on this. Chuck suggested having each team coordinate its own event. We also talked about the organization of the teams.

**Lifelong Learners: Karen Harrison.** Karen received a message from Ron Snell, president of this group, offering free attendance to a series of lectures at the library in the spring. We agreed to participate with the proviso that we provide a link for our interested members to register. Angela will organize communications about this opportunity.

**Collaboration with Village Elementary School: Karen Harrison.** FOL has been invited to join the school's spring fair, along with the library's WOW!mobile. If Mindy is in favor, and if the library agrees, then we will participate.

**FOL Supply Closet: Karen Harrison.** Karen indicated that our supply closet needs to be cleaned out and reorganized. Kathy Y. requested that the filing cabinet nearby be included. All interested persons will meet in the work area downstairs following the February board meeting.

**Other:**

**Wayne Talbot:** Wayne asked if we wanted annual statements of our donations sent by mail/email – we don't feel that's necessary. Should annual statements of hours worked be sent to active volunteers? -- No need.

**Kathy Yancy:** Rosie Rocke is recuperating at home from knee surgery and complications; we sent her a card. Anne Jordan's husband Milton passed away; his memorial service is on January 31. Ricki will send a card.

**Ricki McMillian:** The Belton Friends of the Library group is having an author event.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Kathy Y. moved that we adjourn. Wayne seconded, all approved, and this meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. Our next meeting will be on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the Class Room at the library. Immediately following, those interested in straightening the supply closet and filing cabinet in the work area will meet downstairs.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date