

## THE FRIENDS OF THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board Meeting Minutes, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

**PRESENT:** President Karen Harrison; President-Elect Angela Bryant McGlothin; Secretary Kathy Yancy; Treasurer Mary Ouellette; Assistant Treasurer Connie Mayes; Directors Wayne Talbot, Ricki McMillian; Josie Talbot, Janet McFarland, Don Ballard, Mindy Klein; and Library Director Sally Miculek.

**NOT PRESENT:** Past President Chuck Collins and Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Olmstead.

**Call to Order:** President Karen Harrison called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. There were no guests.

**Library Director's Report:** Sally explained what a busy month April was at the library, with popular films and the well-attended Holocaust memorial event and exhibit. For the upcoming National Library Week, the theme will be "What Do You Love About the Library?". The annual Art Walk is also coming up, with live music as well.

Some new furniture (tables and chairs) is on order, to be paid for with our recent donation.

Sally described a new approach for the Summer Reading Program which begins in June. The adult program will be a version of a puzzle game similar to the one employed by the library in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The game involves finding and reading QR codes around town for clues.

The proposed library budget for 2026-27 will be sent to City Council next week, and Sally is putting together the list of items she'll request from the Friends. The staff still hopes to get a new van for home delivery and servicing the book lockers, though the cost estimate is increasing. A new monitor for the classroom is also on the list, to replace the projector and pull-down screen. The list should be ready for our next board meeting, per Karen's request.

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

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

**Treasurer's Report: Mary Ouellette.** No report available, due to the hacking attempt.

**Communications Report : Angela Bryant McGlothin.** A new volunteer, Dee Cover, completed training and is now actively supporting graphics and social media. Additional volunteers are sought to support the team.

**Book Sales.** Secondhand Prose made \$1,385.68 in Collectors' Corner sales and \$4,733.79 in donations in March. Online sales totaled \$2,003.88 and the donation cart plus other donations/sales added up to \$998.73. The grand total for all book revenue was \$9,122.08 in March.

**Fundraising: Wayne Talbot:** Donations for Giving Season continue to trickle in, putting us more than \$1,400 above our goal for the year.

**Volunteer Orientation: Kathy Olmstead.** No upcoming orientation.

**Membership: Mindy Klein.** We have 1306 members from 919 households as of March 31<sup>st</sup>. Mindy also had brochures printed after Communications updated the design. Canva was utilized as a trial, but the brochures from Roberts Printing were superior (though they cost more). Thank you and acknowledgement templates (email and physical mail) for memberships and donations now reflect the new brochure content. The next membership drive will be during National Library Week, April 20-24. Janet MacFarland is assisting and Dee Cover designed a new poster and graphic for the event. Staff appreciation (homemade cookies) will be on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the break room – join us!

**Information Technology: Wayne Talbot.** Wayne reported on the attempted hacking of our QuickBooks account. The Intuit security team handled this by locking the account. No harm was done. Wayne recommends buying a new laptop for Finance, dedicated to accounting and isolated from our network. Kathy moved and Ricki seconded that this be implemented right away; all voted in favor. Wayne also warned us again that computers using Windows 10 are not safe – this was a factor in the attempted hack, as was an email infected with a virus.

#### **Old Business:**

**Attorney Meeting: Angela Bryant McGlothlin.** Angela reported that no attorney contacted thus far has been interested in our proposal. She suggested contacting LegalZoom and submitting our own draft document for a legal opinion. We agreed to give this a try.

**Village Elementary PTA Carnival: Karen Harrison.** Along with Mindy, Karen will participate on behalf of the FOL. Our new Special Event Coordinator Rita Bohn will also get involved. Membership brochures will be on display for the parents, and staff from the library will be there: May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Volunteer Mingle: Karen Harrison.** This event was not well attended, and we're disappointed and at a loss as to what else to try. Ricki suggested adding and emphasizing Volunteer Appreciation as an element of our Annual Meeting. We'll plan on this.

**Meeting with Pflugerville FOL: Mindy Klein.** Mindy and Kathy met with the treasurer of the Pflugerville Friends group. They support organizing a get-together with various FOL groups from around the area as a networking opportunity. We can host here at GPL.

#### **New Business:**

**BookPage: Mary Ouellette.** The print subscription price is increasing again. Usage seems to vary with attendance in the library during the month. We'll vote on this expenditure next month.

**Chamber of Commerce Membership: Karen Harrison.** Karen contacted a representative to discuss Chamber services for members and will begin posting FOL events on the Chamber's calendar.

**Other:**

**Library Anniversary:** Don mentioned that the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the library’s move into the current building will be January 20<sup>th</sup>. We hope to participate in a celebration, adding a photo display from Don’s treasure trove. There are no details yet.

**FOL Brochures:** Mindy said she’d recently come across some older versions of our brochure and solicited suggestions for archiving them. She’ll confer with Josie and Susan Biggs for their input.

**Charging to the FOL Accounts:** Mary described problems she experiences when members place orders for various goods or services without providing the FOL name as the account holder. The invoices arrive on her desk with no indication of who ordered what or for what purpose. She highlighted the necessity to initiate all orders in the name of the FOL and stressed that we’re exempt from sales tax.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Kathy moved that we adjourn. Connie seconded, all approved, and this meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. Our next meeting will be on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the classroom at the library.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 18, 2026  
Date