

Friends of Georgia Libraries

Meeting Minutes

Winder Public Library

January 25, 2019

Opening

The regular meeting of the Friends of Georgia Libraries was called to order at 12:08 PM by President Dan Aldridge.

Present

Dan Aldridge, Beth Ratliff, Bel Outwater, George Tuttle, Kathy Ames, and Sharon Lyon (phone)

Secretary's Minutes from last meeting

Motion to approve minutes from November 16, 2018 meeting made by Dan. Seconded by Beth. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

No current update from Keith, but we have an estimated \$1200-1300 in account. Reminder went out in December for people to pay dues.

Old Business

- 1) **Incorporation of Friends of GLASS Atlanta (final update):** First meeting held and they elected their board. Still working on their bylaws. Next meeting will be in February and they are planning a membership drive. They were able to collect \$300 for their incorporation.
- 2) **Spring Workshop:** Location confirmed for Fayette County. We are going with a space theme to tie into the libraries' summer reading programs. Panel discussions will be on communication/social media (SCORE possible presenter), how to grow your Friends group, and grantwriting (would Renee from Auburn be willing to present?). Friends of Fayette County are providing breakfast. Food – several restaurant options discussed. Final decision to DIY a salad bar and ask people to bring items. Cake is being donated and Beth's daughter is making cookies. Mike Thurmond confirmed for lunch speaker and his publisher will take care of book sales. Beth will work on decorations.
- 3) **2019 Library Directors Survey** – Dan following up with Wendy.
- 4) **KSU Donated Books** – Uhaul expense slightly less than \$300. Working with vendors to sell. Stored in Dan's garage, so we can take some time and maximize our return.

New Business

- 1) **Board Development Committee/Associates of GA Friends:** Dan has identified 3 people, would like to invite to next meeting.
- 2) **FOGL Grants & Awards 2019:** Extending deadline to March 15. George will send out email reminder.
- 3) **Request for help from Ida Hilton Public Library in Darien, GA:** Friends group is potentially dissolving; asking Dan to meet with them and help work out financial issues in March.
- 4) **Request for help from Dougherty County Public Library:** Dan met with them and they initially seemed enthused and moving in the right direction, but then Dan received a call that the group has fallen apart and can he meet with them again.

- 5) **Bylaws:** Bel raised the point that since the merger went through, we need to look at our bylaws to make sure we are compliant. We will discuss at next meeting and decide if we need to call a special meeting at the Spring Workshop to vote on any changes.
- 6) **Next board meeting:** February 15th at noon in Winder.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Dan Aldridge at 12:48 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Bel Outwater