



FRIENDS OF THE PAMLICO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
November 15th, 2023, ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Jessie Aldridge, Deb Aronson, Carolyn Bartz, Rich Bartz, Sue Bowe, Shelia Cantine, Bonnie Cap, Kat Clowers, Jennie DeStefano, Sally Farrell, Mary Hiatt, Jim Kellenberger, Izzy Keppner, Sidney Phibbons, Peg Vick.

1. Call to Order: Bonnie called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm.
2. Approval of Minutes: 2022 Annual meeting minutes reviewed. Minutes were approved with no corrections. Motion to accept: Peg Vick, second: Mary Hiatt. Members unanimously voted to accept minutes.
3. Committee Reports:
  - a. Treasurer: Reviewed 2024 budget. \$2,138,077 on hand and pledged. \$200,000 remaining to be raised, but grant applications are planned to cover this. Likely that the full amount of the "base" cost of the library will be covered. Only have to seek funding for the alternatives and "nice to have" items for the library. Rich presenting. Motion to accept: Jim Kellenberger, second: Peg Vick. Members unanimously voted to accept budget.
  - b. Officers: open for nominations. Current officers nominated for 2024. Motion to accept: Jennie DeStefano, second: Jim Kellenberger. Members unanimously voted to accept officers. Bonnie Cap presenting
  - c. Membership: The membership process is moving online. New and renewing members can use the online portal to donate/join/pay member fees. Mary Hiatt presenting
  - d. Fundraising: End of year Giving or Facebook donation campaigns are options. Giving Tuesday event through New Bern Chamber of Commerce. Benevity set up is complete. Peg Vick presenting.
  - e. Communications/Marketing: Thank you notes for all donations over \$100 will continue. Writing roughly 10 per month. Looking for volunteers to assist with writing.
4. Library News
  - a. Artisan Show taking place 11/18 at 11AM

- b. Groundbreaking celebration is in the works. Date to be announced. Sidney Phibbons presenting.
- 5. Future meetings: Previous "Meet the Author" presentations at meetings have been successful. Members chose to continue these presentations at future meetings. Jan, Mar, May, and Sept meetings to include invited authors. Several options for authors were floated. Volunteers are needed to help set up future "Meet the Author" events. November meeting will be annual meeting.
- 6. **Next Meeting: Jan 18<sup>th</sup> at 4PM**
- 7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Bonnie at 4:57PM.