

FRIENDS OF THE STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES OF FLORIDA INC.

MINUTES

December 15, 2023

In person and via webinar

Present:

Board of Directors

David Benjamin
Gloria Colvin
Claire Dygert
Kathleen Malloy
Taryn Rodriguez-Boette
Susan Swiatosz

Division Staff

Amy Johnson
Robin Martin
Cathy Seeds
Chelsea LaFever
Anya Owens
Jackie Attaway
Kymberly Keaton
Weston Funcheon

Visitors

Andrea Ringer
Sheila Leach
Jennifer Salas
Florida Channel

Absent

Rachel Walton
Ramona La Roche

Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Claire Dygert, at 9:30 a.m. Eastern on December 15, 2023. Roll was called and a quorum was noted.

Adoption of agenda

David Benjamin moved to adopt the draft agenda. The motion was seconded, and the agenda was unanimously adopted.

Approval of minutes from the October 13, 2023 meeting

David Benjamin moved to approve the draft minutes. The motion was seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Financial report

Treasurer Claire Dygert, with Division staff assistance, presented the year-to-date budget and an update of the current account balance via the profit and loss worksheet.

Division Director comments

Division Director Amy Johnson provided information on an event being held that afternoon, the Sunshine Award Ceremony for Employee Recognition. She indicated that the Division was now accepting applications for research stipends. These are due by the end of January and will be decided

by the end of March. She introduced the new bureau chief for the Bureau of Archives and Records Management, Anya Owens, and advised that the Division was working to fill other positions.

Archives Reference Supervisor Jackie Attaway provided an overview of her work.

Andrea Ringer, a research stipend recipient, gave a presentation related to her research.

New business

The board held the election of Board Officers. Claire Dygert was nominated to be President, Rachel Walton was nominated to continue as Secretary, and David Benjamin was nominated as Treasurer. A request was made for any other nominations, and there were none. Kathleen Malloy moved to close nominations, and the motion was seconded. The nominated Board Officers were elected.

Taryn Rodriguez-Boette presented fundraising ad hoc committee meeting ideas from the April 2023 meeting. The ideas include a virtual lecture series or author presentation. The Board requested to discuss these and other ideas at a future meeting.

Next meeting

The board will meet in-person, with a virtual attendance option via Zoom, on March 25-26, 2024, in Jacksonville at the University of North Florida.

Public comment

A call was made for public comment and there was none.

Adjourn

Taryn Rodriguez-Boette moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded, unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m. Eastern on December 15, 2023.