

**Friends of Queen Anne's County Library
2021 Annual Meeting
Virtual Meeting held February 24 – March 1, 2022**

FINAL – Approved March 7, 2023 at 2023 Annual Meeting

MINUTES

Traditionally, The Friends of Queen Anne's County Library holds its Annual Meeting in March. The 2022 Annual meeting was not held in person due to COVID.

An email was sent out to all Friends members asking them to vote on two motions: 1) the slate of two directors, Kathie Smarick and Joan Moored, to three-year terms and 2) approval of the minutes from the March 2021 Annual Meeting. These are described in more detail in the February 22, 2022, email message sent by President, Connie Zillig, included below. In addition, a video recapping the year and an Annual Report of the Friends accomplishments was also provided in a February 25, 2022, email sent by President, Connie Zillig, to members, also shown below.

For those members without an email, a postcard was sent asking them for their email so that they could participate in this process.

The results of the two motions were as follows:

Vote on motion to approve the slate of directors to a 3-year term: 46 yes, zero no

Vote on motion to approve the minutes from the 2021 Annual Meeting: 46 yes, zero no

Email that was sent on February 22, 2022, to members asking for their vote on two motions:

Traditionally, the Friends of Queen Anne's County Library holds its Annual Meeting in March. It's always a great chance to catch up with friends, to get updates on what the Friends and QACL have been up to and what is planned for the year ahead, and to take care of some required Friends business.

In line with current library practices, The Friends of QAC Library decided to hold the 2022 Annual Meeting virtually. We look forward to being able to meet in person next year.

For now, though, we'll rely on technology to address some of the work of past Annual Meetings. Later this week, we'll send you a video review of Friends work in 2021, so keep an eye out for that! For now, we need your help to take care of required Friends' business, by voting at <https://bit.ly/3uYiPd9> on the **two motions discussed below**.



Board of Directors election: The bylaws of the Friends states that a Nominating Committee comprised of Friends members should work each year to assess candidates for the organization's Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee is tasked with presenting a slate of candidates for open positions on the Board to the membership, and members are asked to vote on this slate to determine whether the nominees will be elected to 3-year terms on the Board.

We are very thankful to Kim Baklarz, Barb North, and Harriet Caporin for agreeing to serve as our Nominating Committee this year and for their diligent work in reviewing the candidates for the Board of Directors. The Committee has assembled a report for Friends members to consider, which concludes with the recommendation that the following slate of nominees be considered for election to the Board of Directors: Joan Moored and Kathie Smarick. *Please review the Committee's full report at: <https://friendsofqaclibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/FOL-Nomination-Committee-Report-2022.pdf>.* These 2 nominees would join 4 returning Board members for 2022.

Friends member Beth Maier has made a motion to approve this slate of nominees, and Friends member Kerry Miller Harris has seconded the motion. ****We ask all Friends members to vote on the motion to approve this slate of nominees to the 2022 Friends Board of Directors: Votes should be cast via the web form listed below.****

2021 Annual Meeting minutes: The 2021 Annual Meeting was also held virtually. Friends member Beth Maier has made a motion to approve the minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting, as presented at <https://friendsofqaclibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/2021-FOL-Annual-Meeting-minutes-DRAFT-no-links.pdf>, and Friends member Kerry Miller Harris has seconded the motion. ****We ask all Friends**

members to vote on this motion, via the same voting form listed below.**

******VOTING FORM ACCESSIBLE thru Tuesday, March 1, 5pm
at <https://bit.ly/3uYiPd9>**

Thank you for your time on this Friend's work and for your ongoing support!

Email that was sent February 25, 2022, to members with links to the Annual Report and a video of accomplishments of the past year:

Thanks to all of you who have already voted for the 2022 Board of Directors nominees. For those who haven't, please **Vote** online at <https://bit.ly/3uYiPd9> before Tuesday, March 1st, at 5pm on two questions.

I hope that you'll find the year-in-review materials we have put together for you informative. Our **Annual Report** below provides a summary of all the Queen's Anne County Library initiatives that the Friends were able to support this year—initiatives that were welcomed by our community!

And, please head to <https://friendsofqaclibrary.org/year-in-review-2021/> for a **Video** that goes into more detail about the growth of our organization and the impact that it's having. Thank you to each and every member for contributing to this impact!!

Respectfully submitted,

Lis Cockey
Secretary