

FoCP Full Body Q2 Meeting

April 15, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

2023 Meetings

3rd Sat. of first month each quarter

- Q1 - Jan. 21 at 9:30am
- Q2 - Apr. 15 at 9:30am
- Q3 - Jul. 15 at 9:30am
- Q4 - Oct. 21 at 9:30am
- Elections - Dec. 16 at 9:30 am

Visit focwp.org/events for updates!

2023 Park Work Days

3rd Sat. or Sun. of 3rd month ea quarter

- Q1 - Sun. Mar. 19 at 2:00pm
- Earth Day cleanup with Chosewood Park NA
- Sat. April 22 at 9:30am
- Memorial Day playground polishing
- Sun. May 28 at 2:00 pm
- Q2 - Sat. Jun. 17 at 9:30am
- Q3 - Sat. Sept. 16 at 9:30am
- Q4 - Sun. Nov. 19 at 2:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://kaufmanhall.zoom.us/j/91824278745?pwd=Ok1Zb3RkdExRaGYvMnpWa1BUZ2hNOT09>

Agenda:

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval of Q1 2023 minutes
 - A. <https://focwp.org/agendas-and-minutes>
- III. Exec Committee updates
 - A. President's Report (Taryn):
 1. Past events report:
 - a) Q1 Work Day, March 19, 2023 at 2pm.
 - b) Park Pride Conference on 3/27
 2. Upcoming events
 - a) **April 22 at 9am Conserve the 4-0-Forest (Trees Atlanta)** - see focwp.org/events for sign up link. (<https://www.treesatlanta.org/40forest/>) City-wide event focuses on watersheds, including our watershed (Intrenchment Creek), with events taking place in Chosewood Park.
 - b) **April 22 at 9:30am Earth Day Clean Up (Chosewood Park Neighborhood Association)** - pick up trash, recycle bulk dumped items at CHaRM, clear debris from sidewalks, replant Nolan planters - see focwp.org/events for sign up link
 - c) **April 29 at 8am** - bird walk with Josh Jackson of @atl_birds - wear outside clothes and bring binoculars if you have them
 - d) **April 29 at 10am** - City Nature Challenge at Chosewood Park (Park Pride). Park Pride will lead participants in identifying plants/fungi/animals via the iNaturalist app!



e) **May 7 at 4pm** - Third Annual Beat the Somm Wine Tasting & Fundraiser benefiting Friends of Chosewood Park. We've raised \$4,600, which is 61% of our goal.

f) **May 28 at 2pm** - Second Annual Playground Polishing event.

B. Treasurer's Report (Lan)

C. Secretary Update (Nate)

1. Koozies available for \$10 donation
2. 2023 Chosewood Bark Calendars - \$20
3. Roots of Chosewood Park Annual Sponsorship Program - \$600
4. Bird houses are up for sale \$25 (1 available)
5. Wine tasting fundraiser - **May 7 for 2023**
6. Donate at focwp.org - link on our homepage (select "Chosewood Park" from dropdown menu)

IV. Old Business

A. **Unity Bridge & Gault Street Entrance Update** (Taryn)

B. **Tennis Court Mural Update** (Nate)

C. **Forest restoration/invasive plant removal contract update** (Lan)

D. **Gault Street Entrance & Unity Bridge updates** - (Taryn)

E. **Protective removable bollards for baseball field, park signs, & other smaller projects** - (Shana, Lan).

F. **ChoseWoodstock Fall 2023** - porch performances with cash donation bucket benefiting Chosewood Park. Tentative date: November 4-5, 2023

V. New Business

A. Solicitation of new ideas

1. Replace wooden benches with matching metal ones (Taryn)

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For Q1 Jan 2023:

2. *Past Meetings/Events*

- a) Q2 Membership Meeting - At June 2022 meeting, approved \$5k budget for invasives removal and passed a resolution to make invasives removal a priority. Expenses:
 - (1) WoodsKeeper
 - (2) TreesAtlanta (new business)
- b) November 20, 2022, Q4 Work Day - hired Michael Hudgins of Woods Keeper again to remove invasives from future park entrance/Gault Street area. About 7 volunteers attended.
- c) \$295.87 for koozies created by Amanda Peters, so far recovered \$288. To order a koozie, donate \$10.
- d) Trees Atlanta - continues to remove invasives in the park on an irregular basis. New business - option to sign contract with TA for spraying kudzu over the next few years in concert with AH and other neighbors removing kudzu.

3. *HandsOn Atlanta pilot program* - continues to be a success!

4. TSW Survey updates

5. Vote on Mural artist

6. *Upcoming events*

- a) Next work day - Q1 Sun. March 19 at 2pm
- b) Next meeting January 21 at 9:30am

7. Approval of report

- a) Publicly thank donors

8. *Forest restoration/invasives removal*

- a) xx

9. *Tennis Court drainage*

- a) xx

10. *Gault Street Entrance & Unity Bridge*

- a) First working group meeting with City officials was held in July 2022. Next meeting will be scheduled for this fall.
- b) POND & Co. has presented a proposal for stream restoration and is making some revisions before we present it to the City. Side note: fees are > 21% of project budget.

(1) Should executive committee search for design-build firms instead?

11. *Front slope revitalization*

- a) On October 21, HGOR and Collins, Cooper, Carusi Architects participated in a corporate workday organized by Park Pride. They completed weed & invasive tree removal (including volunteer trees growing in the fence line and more) and prepared the tennis court wall for a mural as part of a revitalization area for the front of the park.
- b) They also installed the free little library we voted on at the Q3 meeting, which we received from Park Pride/ToolBank.

12. *Picnic areas*

- a) Seasons' Bleatings?

13. Other updates

- a) xx

B. President updates (Taryn)

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C. VP updates (Bobbie)

1. *Fundraising*

2. *Playground/TSW park design update*

- a) Phase I ("Discovery") currently in progress
- b) Survey questions deadline - December 10

D. Co-Secretary updates (Nate)

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E. Co-Secretary updates (Amanda)

1. Mural updates

- a) Taryn: motion to update visioning plan to include mural; motion to approve additional \$5,000 for mural for all sides of tennis court wall