

**Friends of the MCLS
Board Meeting
Wednesday January 10, 2024**

Present:	Sally Banfield, President
Amy Goffe, At-Large, Bookstore	Beverly Bell, Vice President
Joyce Patton, New Concord Rep	Sue Danhauer, Treasurer
Janet James, South Rep	Karla Frye, Secretary
John Furek, Member At Large	Joanne Brown, Nominating Committee
Beth Brown Outreach Services	Stacey Russell, Executive Director, MCLS

Absent: Laura Natalie, At-Large, Jo Davis (Bookstore/Nominating-Resigning)

Call to Order:

President Sally Banfield called the meeting to order at 4:01. The minutes of the December 13, 2023, meeting were reviewed. Sue noted that the beginning treasurer's balance should have been \$16,506.86 rather than the amount stated in the minutes of \$16,025. Janet James made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Beverly Bell seconded, and the motion passed. The minutes will be posted on the MCLS homepage under the Friends link.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue Danhauer reported a beginning balance of \$16,506.86. Deposits totaled \$857.22 and expenses were \$405.66, for an ending balance of 16,958.42. Sue noted that a \$500 deposit currently in the account will be included in the January report.

Library Updates:

- Beth Brown will retire 3/1/24. Joshua McPeek will be the new Outreach Services manager.
- The Book Pages subscription was discussed. Digital access is based on the number of cardholders. The cost would be \$2500. It would be accessed through a link on the library page. After discussion concerning other means available to access book recommendations online, Joyce Patton made a motion to continue to subscribe to 150 hard copies of Book Pages and to forgo the digital copies due to the expense. John Furek seconded, and the motion carried.

Branch Reports:

- New Concord Rep, Joyce Patton, reported that they have scheduled a pop-up book sale for 2/14/24, Pancakes & Paperbacks for some time in May, and their big book sale in August.
- Roseville Rep, Beverly Bell, reported that they will not meet until 3/28/24.
- Beth Brown, speaking for Duncan Falls, said that they, too, are taking a break and have not yet met.
- South Rep, Janet James, reported that they will meet next week to determine plans for the year.

Committee Updates:

- Bookstore: Amy Goffee reported that December sales totaled \$441.75, and 2023 total sales of 9,189.10. Possible book sales were discussed. After discussion, Amy Goffee moved to have a \$2 a Bag book sale in April or May. Janet James seconded the motion and the motion carried. The sale probably will be one day only, with members only from 10:30 AM-12:00 PM and a public sale from 12:00 PM-2:00 PM. Sue Danhauer then moved to have a tent sale outside on June 1st in conjunction with the literacy festival. Joyce Patton seconded. The motion passed with Beverly Bell voting against it.
- Membership: Membership renewal forms have been mailed.
- Program/Funding: Books and Brews will be 4/10/24 from 5:30-7:30 PM at Weasel Boy Brewery. Jay Wince will open the Rum Room early for this event.
- Corporate Memberships: Any action tabled until the February meeting

Meeting adjourned at 5:03 PM

Due to Valentine's Day on the next regular meeting date, the meeting will be scheduled for February 7th, 2024 at 4:00 PM. This meeting will be held in the Board Room in the Carnegie Wing.