

Friends of the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library Minutes
Thursday, June 22, 2023
5:30 pm

Attendance: Proal Heartwell, David Plunkett, Peter McIntosh, Peter Manno, Bill Shrader, Wendy Craig, Ted Magilley, Grier McCain, Ashely Schneider, Jane Kulow, and Jack Hanrahan.

Call to Order: Proal Heartwell called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the April meeting were approved.

Vote & Approval of Nominating Committee Slate: Proal welcomed new members with a brief introduction of each. The Board unanimously approved the slate of officers and directors presented by the nominating committee: Jane Kulow, Jack Hanrahan (Directors) and Ted Magilley (Treasurer). Ted Magilley will receive support from Peter McIntosh to transfer accounts and data as he assumes the treasurer's office. Proal explained the extended term limits of the treasurer.

Treasurer's Report: Peter McIntosh presented the budget to the Board with an overview and explanation of investments and expenses for new Board members.

The Board unanimously approved the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2023-24.

Book Sale Director's Report: Peter Manno:

Peter emphasized the success of the spring sale and the subsequent diminishing inventory of books. Discussion centered on suggestions for ways of increasing donations and supplies for the book sales creation of an exploratory group was suggested.

Fall Book Sale Dates: Oct. 6 (members) through Oct. 15.

JMRL Director's Report: David Plunkett:

David reported that an official working group will explore the community interest in and funding for the renovation of the Central Library.

The Summer Reading Kick-Off was the largest ever.

The new website is up, and Louisa and Nelson will begin bookmobile services.

Old Business

Updating our membership and donor lists:

Bill reported on benefits of contracting with a software service that might accommodate many of the membership services and accounting. He has been examining Boomerang, a nonprofit organizing tool, and suggested the Board consider it.

The Executive Committee will meet this summer to revise the bylaws of the Friends of JMRL. Several of the current articles and sections appear outdated.

New Business:

The next Friends meeting will be on Thursday, September 14 at 5:30.

The Fall Book Sale is scheduled for October 7 - 15. Members' Night will be October 6.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.