

**Friends of the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 14, 2023**  
**5:30 pm**

**Attendance:** Proal Heartwell, David Plunkett, Peter McIntosh, Peter Manno, Bill Schrader, Wendy Craig, Ted Magilley, Grier McCain, Pat Dogil and Jane Kulow, Jack Hanrahan.

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

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Peter McIntosh presented the financial statement and reported that the transition to Ted was going well. Ted and he are both now signatures on the checking. They are planning a meeting with the bookkeeper to finalize responsibilities.

Peter's comments:

- Cash position is very strong.
- 2 of 3 large holdings are in current CD's earning above 5% interest.
- Received \$10,000 donation from Mr. Grisham. Waiting on Red Light.
- Reminder that JMRL expenses are always low at the beginning of the year as most expenditures occur in Spring/Summer.

**Book Sale Director's Report: Peter Manno:**

Peter reported on the success of the sale and the broad selection of books. He noted that he was reviewing the donor software program (cost \$2,100) and was optimistic that it would be beneficial for membership development and record keeping. Discussion centered on the creation of a membership committee (Pat) and the need for book shelving.

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

**JMRL Director's Report: David Plunkett**

- David thanked Jane for joining the working group or renovation committee. The committee is meeting with City Councilors and Board members.
- David announced that JMRL will be designing a public survey for the fall.
- Book mobile service has started in Nelson and Louisa.
- David will attend the Virginia Library Association Conference to accept the **Friends of the Jefferson**

**Madison Regional Library (JMRL) 2023 Friends of the Library Award.** This award is presented to a Friends of the Library group in recognition of distinguished service to libraries in Virginia. He invited interested members to attend the awards ceremony.

**Old Business: Revised Bylaws**

After a discussion of the changes and edits of the bylaws, the amended bylaws were adopted unanimously. Thanks were extended to Peter and Proal for consolidating the changes and summary.

**Update on Building Book Sale Supply**

Discussion centered on ideas for soliciting book donations for the sales including appealing to the general media or designating specific groups. It was decided that the board create a list for future action.

**Announcements:**

Crozet Library 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (September 29)

Fall Book Sale Members' Night (October 6)

Jhumpa Lahiri tickets (October 22)

Next Board Meeting (January 18, 2024)

**With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.**