

**Friends of the Hackettstown Library, Inc.**

**Minutes of the Meeting April 9, 2024**

**DRAFT, to be approved at June meeting**

**Present:** Officers Yoli Worth, Nick Ferrelli, Bev Saunders

Attending Members: Paul Bartkus, Phyllis Bartkus, Alice Burke, Kathy Garlick, Tom Marchicelli, Kathy Mayberry, Jim Richards, Holly Turner, and Library Director Jerry Galante

**Meeting commenced** at 6:00 pm.

**Treasurer's Report:** The February report indicated an ending balance of \$3,978.58 with restrictions on \$1,500 from Ann Marie Bleach and \$500. minimum balance for our checking account. See attached report for all transactions.

The March report indicated an ending balance of \$2,632.89 with restrictions on \$1,500. from Ann Marie Bleach and \$500. minimum balance for our checking account. See attached report for all transactions.

**Note:** A check for \$1,500. was written on 2/22 to transfer the Bleach donation to our library but did not clear the bank as of March 31.

**Secretary's Report:** Kathy Garlick made a motion that the Minutes for the February 20 meeting be approved, Kathy Mayberry seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Used Book Sale, April 25, 26, 27:** Nick will get \$100. seed money and then leave the cash box with Laura Uhl to be stored in the safe. Kathy M, along with a volunteer or two, will begin the sorting process tomorrow and will organize by category; to go on through Tuesday, April 23.

Set up will begin on Wednesday, April 24 at 10 am, come and help as best you can. Paul will arrive before 10 am to set up tables. Yoli will upload a tentative sign-up page on our website.

Confirmed is as follows:

<b>Thursday</b>	9 to 12	Kathy M and Bev
	12 to 4	Kathy G, Paul, Phyllis
	4 to 8	Tom
	5 to 8	Alice
<b>Friday</b>	9 to 12	Kathy M, Alice
	12 to 5	Kathy M, Paul, Phyllis
<b>Saturday</b>	10 to 1	Kathy M, Alice, Bev

Packing up to begin at 1:00. Yoli, Bev, Holly, Kathy M, Kathy G, Alice, and Tom volunteered. Packing up allowed to continue on Monday morning, if necessary, from 8:30 am to 10:30 am.

On **Wednesday evening**, April 24, all members of the Friends organization will have early access, 6 pm to 8 pm, to purchase; this is a membership benefit. Yoli and Jerry will email an invitation.

**PR:** Bev will distribute a blurb to the usual paper media, such as the PVPOA Newsletter, The Messenger, Hackettstown Life, Treasure Hunt, Mt Olive Chronicle, The Belt and Beyond, and Lehigh Valley Live; because the space we get is free of charge, we don't always get published. A notice was sent to WRNJ

radio, was posted on hackettstownlife.com, and Deb Jones uploaded to Facebook Hackettstown Community Forums and Next Door Forums. Bev also hung flyers in appropriate venues around town, such as our bank, supermarkets, beauty parlors, Town Hall, and three nearby libraries. She will also email the flyer to our attending members so they can publicize as might be convenient for them.

Paul and Phyllis will set up “stick in the ground” signs around town on Wednesday, April 24; one will be proudly displayed on our Library Director’s lawn.

Bev offered to inspect DVDs for scratches on Thursday, April 18, at 10 am.

**Future DVD Sale:** To be held on Saturday, June 1, 10 am to 3 pm, with set up taking place on Friday, May 31, 3 pm to 5 pm. We did not plan an inspection day/time for this batch, but it is certainly advisable.

**New Business:** Yoli and Jerry will write the application to get a 2024 Mini Grant for teen arts, \$2,000. and lower, to pay teachers; can be poetry, hands-on art, wreath making, and/or music programs.

**Fund Raising:** Nick suggested a raffle. A two-year license costs \$100 and we must apply for each event at a cost of \$20. For further discussion.

Kathy G made a motion to adjourn, Jerry seconded, and the motion passed unanimously; the meeting ended at 6:58 pm.

**Next meeting** will be held on Tuesday, June 11, at 6:00 pm, in the library conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Saunders  
Recording Secretary  
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