Library Board Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance of Library Board Members
3. Approval of Agenda*
4. Consent*
   A. Approval of Minutes of November 15, 2023
   B. Donations
5. Public comment
6. Welcome from Ridgedale Library Staff
7. President’s report
   A. Announcements
   B. ALA Training
8. Director’s report, Scott Duimstra
   A. Library, Community, and County Updates
9. FHCL 2023 Year-End Presentation, Kristi Pearson
10. Acceptance of FHCL Financial Report
11. Library Staff Dialogue
12. Committee Reports
   A. Executive Committee
   B. FHCL
   C. Budget Committee
   D. Policy Committee
13. Unfinished Business
14. New Business
15. Adjourn

*Denotes board action item.

Library Board
Jane Brissett, President | Lynn Stetler, Vice President | Amal Karim, Secretary | Adja Kaba | Ashley Krohn | Michael Hogan | Erin Carney | Briana Eicheldinger | Randy Klauck | Jessica Kraft | Gordy Aune, Jr.

Library Director
Scott Duimstra
Hennepin County Library Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes
The Hennepin County Library Board met on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at Golden Valley Library, Meeting Room.

Attendees
Present: Jane Brissett, Lynn Stetler, Gordy Aune, Jr., Ashley Krohn, Randy Klauk, Briana Eicheldinger, and Jessica Kraft.

Hennepin County Staff: Scott Duimstra, J.R. Genett, Amy McNally, Josh Yetman, Patti Hetrick, Ayanna Muata, Christy Mulligan, Sarah Garbis, Jesse Sawyer, Kelli Koob, Heather Deutschlaender, Kelly Kraemer, PJ Maracle, Jeannette Lewis, and Dan Rogan.

Call to Order
President Jane Brissett called the Hennepin County Library Board meeting of November 15, 2023, to order at 5:30 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Attendance of Library Board Members
Library Board Clerk Jeannette Lewis took the roll call. The Board met the quorum with seven members present.

Introductions
Board members gave brief introductions and welcomed Library Director Scott Duimstra.

Approval of Agenda
Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Second: Ashley Krohn
Motion passed.

Approval of Consent Items
Minutes of September 20, 2023, and Donations.
Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Second: Lynn Stetler
Motion passed.
Public Comment
There were no public comments.

Welcome from Golden Valley Staff
Heather Deutschlaender welcomed the Board and provided highlights of Golden Valley Library.

President’s Report
• President Jane Brissett asked for Board members interested in attending the PLA Conference.
• Lynn Stetler, on behalf of the Board, gave a “Thank you” to Dan Rogan for his work as the interim library director.
• Next Board meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2024, at St. Louis Park Library.

Director’s Report
Library Director Scott Duimstra discussed Library, Community, and County updates.

Library Staff Dialogue
Kelly Kraemer, PJ Maracle, Sarah Garbis, and Jesse Sawyer presented on Makoce – Engaging Native Communities. The objective of Makoce is to encourage and promote library services for American Indian communities.

Endorsement of Policies
The Board voted to endorse the Freedom to Read and Freedom to View policies.

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Second: Jessica Kraft
Motion passed.

Library Board Resolution on Book Banning
The Board discussed the resolution and suggested amendments to the Library Board resolution on Youth’s Freedom to Read.

Motion: Briana Eicheldinger
Second: Lynn Stetler
Motion passed.

Committee Reports
The Executive Committee’s next meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2024, at Ridgedale Library.

Friends of the Hennepin County Library (FHCL) ex-officio Jane Brissett provided an update.

The Budget Committee had no updates.
The Policy Committee chair presented the Communications Policy for vote from the full Board.

Motion: Lynn Stetler
Second: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Motion passed.

Unfinished Business
There was a discussion about audiovisual equipment at Minneapolis Central Library. At future meetings at this location, administration will ensure a working sound system is offered to the Board.

New Business
The Patron Conduct Policy is an administrative policy that is being reviewed by HCL staff.

Adjourn
There being no further business, Lynn Stetler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m.; seconded by Briana Eicheldinger. Motion passed.

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Amal Karim, Secretary
Hennepin County Library funding recently received from the Friends of the Hennepin County Library

Friends of the Hennepin County Library
Current Support - $200,000

Current Total = $200,000

Friends of the Hennepin County Library 2024 Support Summary
Current Support - $200,000
Prior Support - $0
Total Support - $200,000

Prepared by Linda Merritt
Friends of the Hennepin County Library
January 17, 2024
## Library Board Schedule

### 2024

#### Library Board Meetings

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*Updated September 2023*
Mélina Mangal and Sarah Warren

Wednesday, January 31, 6:30pm
Online Event

Writer to Writer is a series featuring conversations between BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and people of color) writers.

Join children’s authors Mélina Mangal and Sarah Warren in an online conversation about why they write for children, how their biracial backgrounds influence their work, and the challenges and joys of writing fiction and nonfiction.

Collaborator: More Than a Single Story.

Register online at hclib.org.

Music for Healing

Thursday, February 1, 1:30pm
Minneapolis Central Library

Explore both Western and Eastern philosophies of how music has been used throughout history as a healing practice.

Participants will delve into studies of physical anatomy, scientific research, and historical practice while being guided in explorations through movement, singing, vocal toning, chanting, and percussion instrumentation. Part of a 4-part series.

Collaborator: MacPhail Center for Music.

Tết/Vietnamese New Year

Sunday, February 4, 2pm
Southdale Library

Celebrate the Year of the Dragon by learning the history, meaning, and process of various rituals during the Vietnamese new year celebration.

Listen to traditional Vietnamese songs, watch traditional dances, participate in the lion dance, observe a Kung-Fu demonstration, make Banh Chung (sticky rice cake), decorate a red envelope, and play Bau, cua, ca, cop (traditional dice game). Enjoy Vietnamese folktale storytelling, a t'rưng (traditional Vietnamese instrument) performance and demo, along with a New Year’s Eve and Tết ceremony.

Sponsored by Friends of the Hennepin County Library.
Library Board Executive Committee Suggested Webinars from the American Library Association

https://elearning.ala.org/page/free-events

- Challenges & Crises: Preparing Your Board of Trustees
- Keeping Governance on Track
- Local, State, and National Library Advocacy: A GrasSTOP Approach
- Using the DEI Scorecard for Library and Information Organizations
- Get On Board: Emerging Leaders eCourse
- Data Storytelling: Advocating for the Library and Community
- Digital Equity through Literacy: Framing the Conversation
- Preparing for Program Challenges at your Public Library
2024 FHCL Funding Commitment to HCL

$850,000
OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT
EXTENDING RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES
Offering patron-responsive programs to communities served by all 41 libraries, engaging youth, families, the homebound, the incarcerated, and more.

$800,000
STUDENT SUCCESS
CHAMPIONING LITERACY AND LEARNING
Providing students with Homework Help tutoring and Let’s Read! literacy support to build foundational reading skills for lifelong success, nurture curiosity, foster confidence, and more.

$440,000
CAREER DEVELOPMENT
EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION WORKFORCE
Developing strong leaders with Teen Tech Squad, Youth Advisory Committee, Young Adult Library Internship program, and more.

$310,000
WORLD-CLASS COLLECTION
EXPANDING ACCESS TO BOOKS, MUSIC, AND E-RESOURCES
Expanding the print and digital collection, preserving and digitizing local history, providing access to Minnesota music, and more.

TOTAL 2024 FHCL FUNDING COMMITMENT
$2.4M

Friends
2024 FHCL Funding Commitment to HCL
Detailed List of Programs and Initiatives

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January 12, 2024

Scott Duimstra, Library Director
Hennepin County Library

Jane Brissett, President
Hennepin County Library Board

Dear Scott and Jane,

As we embark on another exciting year of partnership and collaboration, I’m reaching out today to formalize Friends of the Hennepin County Library’s 2024 financial commitment to Hennepin County Library in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between Hennepin County Library and Friends of the Hennepin County Library, dated December 22, 2023.

Friends of the Hennepin County Library pledges to grant $2.4 million to Hennepin County Library in 2024, to be paid in six installments throughout the year. Because the Hennepin County Library Board must vote to accept any grants paid to the library, the following payment schedule has been set to align with the 2024 HCL Board meeting schedule:

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We at FHCL look forward to working together to grow awareness, appreciation, and financial support for this one-of-a-kind institution where resources and opportunities are made available to everyone in our community. Thank you for your leadership.

With gratitude,

Kristi Pearson
Executive Director & CEO
Friends of the Hennepin County Library

cc: Rosa Marroquin, FHCL Board President
Upcoming Events Calendar – UPDATED 1/16/2024

Friends of HCL proudly presents our nation’s most thought-provoking voices in our two events series. **Pen Pals** continues its 27th season with ticketed events at Hopkins Center for the Arts, and **Talk of the Stacks** begins its new 2024 season of free events—one virtual, one in person at Minneapolis Central Library’s Pohlad Hall.

**Talk of the Stacks with Ijeoma Oluo**
FREE Event – Virtual Only
Thursday, February 29, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

**Pen Pals with Geraldine Brooks**
Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option
Thursday, Mar. 14, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Mar. 15, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.

**Talk of the Stacks with Tommy Orange**
FREE Event – In-person + Virtual Option
Tuesday, March 19, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

**Pen Pals with Abraham Verghese**
Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option
Monday, May 6, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 7, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.

Tickets to Pen Pals events are now on sale at [www.supporthclib.org/pen-pals](http://www.supporthclib.org/pen-pals)
Free Registration for Talk of the Stacks events at [www.supporthclib.org/talk-stacks](http://www.supporthclib.org/talk-stacks)
## Budget & Long-Term Planning Committee Schedule

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