

HENNEPIN COUNTY

LIBRARY BOARD


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January 24, 2024, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Ridgedale Library, RHR Meeting Room

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.

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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.

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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.

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

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Library Board Schedule

2024

Library Board Meetings

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
January 24, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room
March 20, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Brookdale Library, ABC Meeting Room
Annual Meeting May 15, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Edina Library, Meeting Room
June 26, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Brooklyn Park Library, Mississippi River Meeting Room
September 18, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Southdale Library, Full Meeting Room
November 13, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Oxboro Library, River Valley Meeting Room

Executive Committee Meetings

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
January 4, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room
February 29, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room
April 25, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room
June 6, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room
August 8, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room
October 24, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room

HENNEPIN COUNTY LIBRARY

events



Méline 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 Méline 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'rung (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

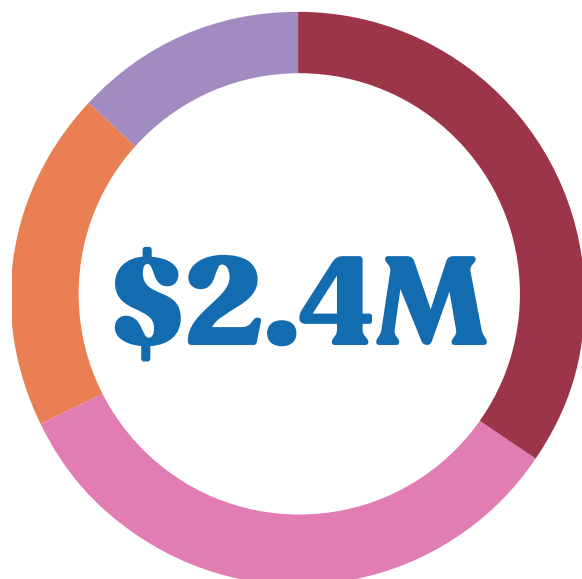
Developing strong leaders with *Teen Tech Squad*, *Youth Advisory Committee*, *Young Adult Library Internship program*, and more.

\$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

2024 FHCL Funding Commitment to HCL

Detailed List of Programs and Initiatives



FUNDING COMMITMENT

Student Success	\$800,000
Let's Read! (literacy initiative)	\$500,000
Homework Help (after-school tutoring)	\$300,000
World-Class Collection	\$310,000
General circulating collection (print, audio, and eBooks)	\$204,000
Special Collections (preservation and digitization)	\$70,000
MNspin (Minnesota music streaming platform)	\$16,000
Library collections at 19 homeless shelters	\$20,000
Career Development	\$440,000
Teen Tech Squad program	\$150,000
Teen Tech Center at Minneapolis Central Library	\$160,000
Young Adult Library Technology Internship program	\$90,000
Library Youth Advisory Committee (14 paid teen positions)	\$40,000
Outreach & Engagement	\$850,000
Local programs & resources at 41 Libraries (equity fund initiatives)	\$345,000
Regional programs (early literacy, All Are Welcome van, etc.)	\$270,000
Youth summer programs	\$100,000
Services to homebound patrons	\$70,000
Services to incarcerated patrons	\$35,000
Library awareness campaign	\$30,000
Total FHCL Funding to HCL	\$2,400,000



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:

HCL Board Meeting Date	FHCL Funding Report Due	Payment Amount	Payment Due
1/24/2024	1/17/2024	\$200,000	February 2024
3/20/2024	3/13/2024	\$300,000	April 2024
5/15/2024	5/8/2024	\$300,000	June 2024
6/26/2024	6/19/2024	\$400,000	August 2024
9/18/2024	9/11/2024	\$600,000	October 2024
11/13/2024	11/6/2024	\$600,000	December 20, 2024

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,

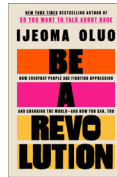
Kristi Pearson
Executive Director & CEO
Friends of the Hennepin County Library

cc: Rosa Marroquin, FHCL Board President

Upcoming Events Calendar – UPDATED 1/16/2024

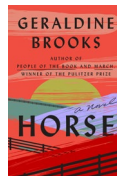
Friends of HCL proudly presents our nation’s most thought-provoking voices in our two events series.

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
Free Registration for Talk of the Stacks events at www.supporthclib.org/talk-stacks

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Budget & Long-Term Planning Committee Schedule 2024

Budget & Long-term Planning Committee Meetings

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
February 21, 2024	4:30 – 5:30	Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174
August 21, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174
November 13, 2024	4:30 – 5:30	Oxboro Library, Meeting Room

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Policy Committee Schedule

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February 21, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174
April 17, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174
June 12, 2024	5:30 – 7:30	Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174
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