

FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING

Minutes for March 25, 2026

Called to Order: 11:21 AM

Present: Carol Hutner, Sandee Ruth, Carol McKee, Barbara Brown, Barbara Gilbert Whitcomb, Lila Lewis, Jackie Fedako, Victoria Mowcomber, Laurie Laubacher, Marcia Kubach, Kathy Michaels, Becky Denes, Les Kreeger, Cookie McLoda, Liz Hui.

Previous Minutes: Jackie Fedako moved to accept the minutes from the February 25 meeting. Carol Hutner seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Les Kreeger reported on behalf of Marilyn Hubbard:

January 29, 2026 – February 25, 2026

Checking: \$15,117.34

CD: \$6,511.52

Total Assets: \$21,628.86

Book Nook for January-February: \$89.00

Report was submitted for audit.

Correspondence:

Library Liaison:

- Becky Denes asked for volunteers for seed packing March 26 at 1:00. The Seed Library will be launched soon.
- Library Workers' Day is Tuesday, April 21
- DIY Cleaning Supplies will be held Monday, April 13

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Auditing: Kay Clark. No report.

Author Lunch: Laurie Laubacher. Cookie McLoda is verifying the October 15 event date.

Book Nook: Kay Clark. February's proceeds were \$89. Still working on fixing the lock box.

Book Sale: Les Kreeger. The spring book sale will be May 7-9. The committee will draft a 1 page instruction sheet for setup that will be left for volunteers over the course of the setup week. Lila gave an update of organizations to whom we can donate any unsold books. Please save boxes and bring them in for the sale. The book sale signup list for setup, running the sale, and teardown will go out the second week of April.

Budget: Cookie McLoda. No report.

Bulletin Board: Angela Cecil. No report.

Bylaws: Cookie McLoda. No report.

Fundraising: Liz Hui. No report.

Kindergarten Reading: Victoria Mowcomber. Victoria is currently researching possible books to be selected for this fall's kindergarten reading.

Membership: Carol Hutner. Carol reported that current membership is at 69 members; we are waiting on renewals.

Nominating: Barb Brown. No report.

100 Day School Restock: Angela Cecil. No report.

Publicity: Liz Hui. The Friends' Facebook followers are up to 556, up from 270 in March 2024. A Facebook event was created event for booksale; will send to Senior Years soon, then the newspapers.

Shredding: Rhonda Neuhoff. No report.

Sunshine: Kathy Michaels. Requests for cards for Kay Clark, Marilyn Hubbard, Victoria Mowcomber, Diane Lamoreaux, Marilynn Bronson, Judy Alexander & Bill Strohm, and Bev Paige.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Cookie McLoda will coordinate purchasing gifts for Library Workers' Day

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM.

Next Meeting: April 22, 2026 at 11:15 AM