

**The Foundation for Mohawk Valley Libraries  
Annual Business Meeting/Regular Meeting  
MVLS Service Center  
June 9, 2023 @1:30pm  
Annual Business Meeting Minutes/ Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Trustees Present:** April Davies, Bill Leitch, Doug McFadden, Sally Rappa, Carl Shepard and Eric Trahan.

**Trustees Absent:** Paul O'Brien

The Foundation for Mohawk Valley Libraries annual meeting was called to order by Board President Carl Shepard at 1:20pm

**Number of Trustees:** Eric suggests setting the number of Trustees as seven (7) for 2023/2024. If the Board approves the change, then the smaller counties would have one representative and the policy would be amended at the July 13, 2023 meeting. A motion was made by Eric and seconded by April.

Ayes: all    Nays: none    Abstentions: none

**Nominating Committee:** The following slate of Officers was proposed for 2023/2024.

President	Carl Shepard
Vice-President	Doug McFadden
Secretary	Sally Rappa
Treasurer	Paul O'Brien

A motion was made by Sally and seconded by Doug to accept the slate of Officers.

Ayes: all    Nays: none    Abstentions: none

**Check Signing:** The Treasurer is authorized to sign checks for the Foundation. If the Treasurer is unavailable then any duly elected Officer is authorized to sign checks.

A motion was made by Eric and seconded by Sally to authorize the Treasurer and or Officers to sign checks.

Ayes: all    Nays: none    Abstentions: none

**Claims Auditor:** A motion was made by Eric and seconded by Doug to appoint Cheryl Cufari as claims auditor for 2023/2024.

Ayes: all    Nays: none    Abstentions: none

**Holder of Funds:** The financial policy of the Foundation requires annual Board approval of its bank. A motion was made by Carl and seconded by April to approve NBT Bank as the holder of Foundation funds for 2023-2024.

Ayes: all    Nays: none    Abstentions: none

**Approval of the Meeting Schedule:** Following is a list of meetings scheduled for 2023/2024 the second Friday of the month commencing at 1:30pm unless noted.

July 14, 2023 @11:30am	September 8, 2023 @1:30pm	November 17, 2023 @1:30pm
February 9, 2024 @1:30pm	April 12, 2024 @1:30pm	Annual Meeting June 14, 2024

A motion was made by Eric and seconded by Sally to accept the 2023/2024 schedule.

Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

After reviewing the 2022 annual report a motion was made by Eric and seconded by Doug to accept the Annual Report as written.

Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

A motion was made by Eric and seconded by Doug to accept the April 2023 minutes as written.

Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

After reviewing the financial reports for April 2023 and May 2023 a motion was made by Doug and seconded by April to accept the financial reports.

Ayes: all Nays: none Abstentions: none

Executive Committee: No reports

Nominating Committee: No seat is available at this time. This is Bill's last term to serve which expires in June 2024, on which he has served since the Foundations' beginnings. Fulton County may have a representative in the spring.

Old Unfinished Business:

Canajoharie Tournament: Eric hands out contributions that have been made to date totaling \$2,100.00.

- Eric hands out a list of people that will be contacted again by the Foundation asking for their support.
- Eric says that Dale Folmsbee and Jane Borelli will be volunteering to help. Dale and her helper will be doing the chip/putt.
- Sally will contact local papers to advertise the event.
- Carl asks if Trustees would contribute to purchasing monogrammed golf balls for the Tournament, and he will contact the vendor where the previous ones were ordered from.

Cobleskill Tournament:

- Doug is concerned about getting teams.
- April will ask her associates who will be able to support the Tournament.
- Sally will contact local papers to advertise the event.
- Eric suggests have a mailing before the next meeting at 11:30am on July 14, 2023.

Summer Advocacy Grants:

- Eric has sent out announcements to member libraries. As of today, June 9, 2023, there have been no applications submitted. The due date for the Advocacy Grant is July 1, 2023.

A motion was made by Carl and seconded by Doug to adjourn the meeting at 2:26pm.

Next meeting July 14, 2023 @12:30pm. Letter stuffing for the September Tournament will begin at 11:30am.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Rappa, Secretary 2023/2024