

**Minutes of the Board Meeting**  
**Friends of the J.R. Van Pelt and Opie Library**  
**Thursday, May 7, 2015, 4:00 PM**

**Present:** Don Durfee, Eloise Haller, Amy Hughes, Karen Hubbard, Kelly Luck, Mary Marchaterre, Ellen Marks, Susan Martin, Dana Richter, Kevin Waters

**Absent:** Adrienne Minerick, Faith Morrison, Holly Nemiroff

Chairperson Amy Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**1. Minutes**

- The minutes of the April meeting were reviewed and approved. Motion was by Susan and seconded by Eloise.

**2. Treasurer Report (Kelly Luck)**

- The treasurer's reports for April were reviewed and approved. Motion by Mary and seconded by Dana.
- Kelly sent out a corrected Treasurer's Report that showed Michigan Tech Fund amounts.
- \$200 in donations from alumni and \$120 from friends were received. \$405 in donations from the Book Sale. The Michigan Tech Fund Account balance is \$2,310.57.
- \$24 in notecards sales, \$130 in blanket sales and \$57.25 in book shelf sales were received. The Spring Book Sales (net after taxes) was \$3,354.34 with \$46.20 in donations during Book Sale. The Friends Account balance is \$16,849.39.
- Total balance of both accounts is \$19,159.96.
- Book Shelf sales have surpassed the previous three years.

**3. Old Business**

**a) Annual Book Sale**

- 2016 Annual Book Sale dates/place selection.
  - April 8 Friday, April 9 Saturday was selected as next year's date.
  - The East Reading Room in the Library will be the location.
  - Eloise emailed the 2015 book sale floor plan to help determine if the East Reading room's floor plan.
  - In Sept meeting, need to determine times for book sale.
  - Eloise will train Susan Martin about the process of working with Chad on signs.
  - Dana will work with facilities on setup.
  - Amy will work with MUB about the sign holders.
  - Need to remember to put a sign up at Ballroom that the sale has moved.
  - October newsletter should have an article about the book sale changes.

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- 2015 Book Sale notes:
  - The big sellers bought more than last year.
  - Need to remember to watch back walls for piles of books. Don't want to have a big rush to check out.
  - ARTIS mentioned that if they close their store, they will donate their books to us. It was mentioned it could be about 30,000 books.
  - Needed more volunteers at the end. Had the right number of volunteers during the sale.
  - See Dana's email about the problems at the end.
  - Amy will ask Adrienne to send out thanks to our volunteers.

**4. New Business**

- a) Rename to the FVPL to FVPOL?
  - Recommended by the Board to change our name to Friends of the Michigan Tech Library (FMTL). At the annual meeting, the membership can vote on the new name. Bylaws will need to be revised.
  - Email Mary at [mmmarcha@mtu.edu](mailto:mmmarcha@mtu.edu) if you notice a location/web site/sign, etc. that will be impacted by the name change.
- b) Date for September meeting: September 10? Yes
- c) Travel Grant Information – see Lindsay Hiltunen's email forwarded by Amy Hughes May 6th.
  - a. Three awards were made, two of which are research projects examining unique aspects of student life at MTU. The recipients are:

David M. Brown, PhD Student at University of Kentucky, travel grant of **\$750** will support his dissertation research on college student life and the personal and collective meaning-making experiences that cause students to form strong bonds with their alma mater.

Philip Hartmeyer, Maritime Archaeologist at the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, travel grant of **\$300** will support his research into the Keweenaw's maritime identity, including maritime landscape, life on the water, and the peninsula's important maritime heritage.

Kera Lovell, PhD Candidate at Purdue University, travel grant of **\$750** will support her investigation of Michigan Tech's involvement in the People's Park movement.

Next Meeting is **Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 4pm**  
Meeting adjourned 4:40PM

Art Committee= Hubbard, Marks  
Audit Committee= Hughes, Marchaterre  
Book Sale Committee= Minerick, Richter  
Book Shelf Committee = Haller, Hubbard, Nemiroff.  
Budget Committee= Durfee, Luck, Richter  
Newsletter and Website= Morrison  
Travel Grants= Durfee, Martin