

FOJEL Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2025

Attending: Beth Cournoyer, Kathy Van Camp, Green Alarie, Andrea Powers, Carolyn McKinley, Barbara Day, Larry Day, Margaret Morrissey

Kathy made a motion to approve the YTD Financials provided by Barbara. Seconded by Gereen.

Kathy made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Seconded by Gereen.

Carolyn distributed a list (attached) of past and possible future events we could use as fundraising. We also discussed which activities generated what revenue. The book carts near the Childrens' Room generated over \$500. This was good news and we will try to keep the carts refreshed with new books.

Tax Exempt Status

Here is how to check:

[Where's my application for tax-exempt status? | Internal Revenue Service](#)

Mass Bankers Association has been in contact with Barbara who have awarded FOJEL a Financial Literary Grant of \$2,000. Barbara will find out if there is another way to get us the money if we don't have the tax exempt status in time.

When we sold raffle tickets there were several people interested in joining FOJEL. Barbara send an email (attached) to them asking if they wanted to join us at the book sort next Monday.

Andrea will send thank you notes to those who provided raffle ticket selling space. She emailed Barbara, Carolyn and Gereen for contact info.

Tote Bags: Barbara had pricing information. We decided to not re-order, as it was expensive. We felt that the tote bags weren't effective advertising for the group.

Margaret wanted to know if we could provide \$400 for Michael Carabello, a pianist who was last here in June 2024. We informally approved this.

Book Sort Jan 13 at 2 PM

Next meeting Feb 3 2025

Next Book Sale April 3,4,5 (to be confirmed)