

**Minutes  
WMLF Board Meeting  
January 16, 2025**

**Present:**

**McKensie Avens, Chair  
Barbara Bravo, Treasurer  
Bill Ehrlich, Board Member**

**Morgan Sutton, Vice Chair  
Cody Long, Board Member**

1. **Call to order:** McKensie called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.
2. **Approval of 11/21/24 Minutes:** Minutes from the last meeting were approved upon a motion from Cody, seconded by Bill, this was unanimously approved.
3. **Committee Reports**
  - a. **Treasurer's Report:** Barb reported no bank business other than the gift card purchase and Lydia's reimbursement that went through. The library checking account sits at \$5,528.90. A motion was made by Bill to approve this report and was seconded by Cody, unanimously approved.
  - b. **Librarian's Report:** N/A
4. **Old Business**
  - a. **Record Interim Text Vote(s):** Monday, December 16th, 2024 - Morgan initiated a text vote for the Friends to use funds to purchase a gift card for Diana to use toward gas during her urgent family matter. Motion made by Christine for a \$50 gas card, seconded by Morgan, and was unanimously approved. Barb got McKensie the debit card to make the purchase and Morgan got the gift card to Diana. (When making the purchase Loaf N' Jug had failed 3 times to solidify the purchase and gave McKensie 'canceled transaction' receipts, Barb notified McKensie today that the transactions were still showing on the account - McKensie will call to discuss with Loaf N' Jug. Walmart ended up being the final vendor, totaled \$59.94 - increase was okayed by board members through text.)
  - b. **Miscellaneous Updates:** Barb and McKensie have finalized the updating of the account records with The State Bank. As for the bylaw review, McKensie will wait to hear back from Erin once more before moving forward with a different attorney to review. Motion to approve Old Business by Cody, seconded by Morgan, unanimously approved.

## 5. New Business

- a. **Confirm book sale dates & times:** After discussion within the group a few items have been decided. For times, we will have Saturday, April 5th open from 9-10am for Friends members, then 10am - 4pm for the public. Sunday, April 6th will be open from 12-4pm. McKensie proposed making a book sale flier not only for the library TV's but also for community distribution. She will create a flier and run it by the group and will then have them printed and will distribute them around high-traffic areas in La Junta. Also, we will sell our WMLF stickers for \$1 at the checkout table, magnets to be determined. McKensie will get dates and times for the book sale (now confirmed) to Kristine for the Upcoming Events section of the Friends page and Pamela who is with Visit La Junta for their calendar as well.
- b. **Meeting Scheduling for March (Regular & Annual):** Upon discussion we'll have both the Annual and Regular March meeting back-to-back March 13th at 4pm in person. McKensie will call to reserve the WML meeting room. Motion made by Bill to approve these dates, seconded by Barb and unanimously approved.
- c. **Miscellaneous:** McKensie reported an update on Facebook which was that she had been unable to create a Facebook page. She has made numerous attempts since October to no avail; she asked if anyone on the board would be willing to create a general individual page, not linked to any one member, which can be used as the starting point. McKensie is willing to create the page and work on that portion but requested assistance creating the first general page as she hadn't succeeded in that. Bill offered to look into this and give it a shot, will work on this and update as necessary. McKensie asked all board members to be thinking of potential fundraisers that the board could put on in the summer. This doesn't have to be huge right out of the gate but some type of fundraiser to get the ball rolling so the Friends can pick up steam through the next few years in the fundraising sector.
  - i. The group had been discussing what should constitute a formal vote from the board vs. a 'yeah - that works' type of response. Bill made mention that maybe if it's something that costs \$5 or \$15 dollars or less (or some amount of the board's choosing) we just say 'yeah - that works' and if it's a amount of \$50 for example (again a amount of the board's choosing) or more, then it's something we vote on. Present parties thought this was a swell idea and the board will look into getting this added to our bylaws. McKensie, when reaching out to Erin again, will see about where this would integrate into the bylaws and reach out to the group for a vote on what amount would be appropriate. We can think on this now and when we have a meeting again, we will discuss.

6. **Adjourn:** There being no further business, McKensie adjourned the meeting at 6:10pm.

**7. Dates to Remember:**

- a. February 20, 2025 - Next monthly meeting.
- b. March 13th, 2025 @ 4pm - Annual meeting followed by Regular meeting.  
This is **in-person** and will be held in WML's meeting room.
- c. April 4th, 2025 – book sale set up in the morning. Time to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

McKensie Avens

**Addendum to the minutes:** McKensie called WML on 1/17/25 to reserve the meeting room for March 13th and this time was already filled by another party. McKensie took the closest availability as slots were filling up and this will be Tuesday, March 12th, still at 4pm in-person. Notified board by text and most seemed amenable.