

## **Friends of Union County Library (FOUCL) Quarterly Meeting Minutes – Oct 15, 2025**

Present: Judy Baldwin, Steve Bradford, Vera Coupal, Cathy Dalton, Joan Dorogi, Robert Harford, Alison Jaffee, Kathy Lawrence, Claudia Naylor, Connie Rosenberry, Jackie Volk, Roslyn Wise

Judy Baldwin called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

### **Minutes of Meetings**

April 16 Meeting Minutes: Robert Harford made a motion to accept as presented, Joan Dogori seconded, Membership approved

July 30 Meeting Minutes: Kathy Lawrence made a motion to accept as presented, Connie Rosenberry seconded, Membership approved

August 21 Meeting Minutes: Robert Harford made a motion to accept as presented, Claudia Naylor seconded, Membership approved

### **Union County Public Library (UCPL) Librarian's Report**

Branch Manager was unavailable. No report.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

FOUCL's assets stand at \$66,574.94. Annual library budget for 2026 will be presented for vote at the November Annual Meeting.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Membership Committee (Roslyn Wise) – current membership number will be presented at the November Annual Meeting.
- Newsletter Editor (Connie Rosenberry) – Next newsletter will be published in November with streamlining changes. It was suggested that hyperlinks be used to aid in moving to specific topics.
- Facebook (Vera Coupal) – FOUCL's Facebook page has 576 followers and had 10,989 views. It was suggested that our Facebook name be referenced in newspaper articles and on our "business card" sized handouts. Our QR Code could also be added.
- Webmaster (Robert Harford) – Robert will provide a link from our homepage to our Facebook. He said he would be providing statistics regarding the website once a year in the future for comparison from year to year instead of quarterly.

### **Old Business:**

- Robert Harford reported for the Nominating Committee by presenting the 2026 slate of officers: Claudia Naylor, President; Vera Coupal, Vice President; Jackie Volk, Secretary; and Debora Quigley, Treasurer. No additional nominations were made. Connie Rosenberry made a motion to accept the slate. Roslyn Wise seconded. Membership approved. Voting will take place at the November Annual Meeting.
- National Friends of Libraries Week is October 19-25. Judy Baldwin thanked our members for their contributions.
- FOUCL is holding a Bake Sale on Thursday, November 13, coordinating with the first day of Union County Public Library's Fall Book Sale. Cathy Dalton has volunteered to chair this fundraiser. The sale will be held from 10 to 2. Baked goods can be dropped off that day or the day before from 3 to 5 PM.

Jackie Volk will send an email to members requesting volunteers to help with baking, set up, selling, and cleanup. (After the meeting, Marlene Cannon granted permission for Cathy to arrive early on Thursday and “greet” bakers at the front doors at 8:30 AM to accept their baked goods.) Vera Coupal volunteered to sell cookies to people who might be standing in line waiting to enter the book sale.

### **New Business:**

- Jackie Volk presented two options for FOUCL holiday book donations: one for Union County Public Library (UCPL) families and the other for Isaiah 117 House. Claudia Naylor made a motion that a maximum of \$300 be spent for UCPL family book purchases. Connie Rosenberry seconded. Membership approved. A Holiday Children’s Picture Book Committee was formed for the purpose of choosing a title, purchasing the books, and attending a storytime to distribute the books at the library. Those who volunteered for this committee were Claudia Naylor, Joan Dorogi, and Jackie Volk. Claudia Naylor then made a motion to send \$200 to Isaiah 117 House for the purchase of books of their choice. Robert Harford seconded the motion. Membership approved.
- UCPL Staff gifts will be given in December. Volunteers for the selection, purchase, and organization of their presentation of these gifts were Jackie Volk and Vera Coupal. The gifts will be in the \$20-25 range for each staff member.
- Judy Baldwin announced Peach State DVD donations are labeled and available.
- Judy Baldwin informed the membership that large print books and the memorial labels order is in process. There will be approximately 70 books purchased by UCPL in memory of Medora Mackinnon.
- Judy shared the status of FOUCL’s room, which has suffered a recent flood of water after some previous small damage and much dust from the installation of electricity for the new exterior book hold machine. The FOUCL vacuum cleaner was also damaged beyond repair by Union County workers doing the electrical work. The carpet may need to be cleaned after the water leakage. Dehumidifiers have been running continually, and the room has been open to improve air circulation, for several weeks. We are working with the library, which has reached out to Union County, to make sure there is no permanent damage (black mold being the concern).
- Our annual holiday luncheon and book exchange (members were reminded to bring an unwrapped book or two) will take place on Thursday, December 11, beginning at 11:30 AM at Vincent’s Coppertop Restaurant.
- Judy and the members thanked Jackie Volk for providing wonderful homemade treats for our celebration of National Friends of Libraries Week during our meeting this afternoon.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 19, beginning at 1:00 PM in the UCPL Community Room. This is our Annual Meeting for election of officers. Also on the agenda will be an update of our bylaws and a vote on the 2026 budget. This meeting will be followed by a brainstorming session.

Minutes Prepared by  
Jackie Volk, Secretary