

## FOAL Meeting Notes

May 2023

Attendance: Claire Christian, Jamie Krovontka, Linda Friedman, Rob Hizon, Sharyn Meister, Laura Porter, Jane Posner, Judy Kindell, Kate Summers, Brittany Robertson, Natalia Lanteigne, Todd Ludeke

Library: Pete Petruski, Diane Kresh

Other: Marty Pippins, Merri Horn, Carol

### MOA Update (Diane)

County attorney said that we were too far apart in our approaches and what we wanted it to do.

Dropping the idea of an MOA for now while we jointly figure out how to work more effectively together.

The library's biggest needs are:

- Advocacy
  - Open Door Mondays
- Fundraising
  - More opportunities to think more broadly beyond the book sale and memberships
  - They are exploring having their own foundation to pick up the advocacy and fundraising
  - Next steps: Pete will discuss budget needs with the Board in June, and FOAL will look at potentially expanding our fundraising support staff or contractors

### FOAL eBay or Facebook Marketplace (Carol)

- eBay takes less than Abe Books and gives nonprofits a discount
- FOAL agreed to move forward with having an eBay account.
  - Carol will come up with the criteria; she will do a 6-month trial to sell books there on our behalf
  - May want to increase our \$100 max of specially priced books for the next sale.

### Booksale Updates

After the April sale, we had 12,000 lbs. of books left, but this was down from 34,000 lbs. from the Oct 2022 sale.

For the Fall:

- October 19 – 22 1<sup>st</sup> choice
- October 26-29 2<sup>nd</sup> choice