



NFLL Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 12, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

DTC – 4th floor, 145 North Centennial Way or by Zoom

Attendees:		Curriculum	Suzanne Brown*
President	Cindy Schrantz*	Membership	Mary Boehlen*
Vice President	Jacki McDugle*	Social	(chair needed)*,
Secretary	Pat King*		Monica Karels
Treasurer	Fred Searing*	Communications	(chair needed)*
Members-at-Large	Carolyn Follett*	Technology	Allan Zisner*
	Lois Schaffer*	Volunteer	Dan Taylor*
Past President	Roland Tanner*	MCC Admin	
		MCC Liaison:	Neva Hansen

*Designates voting member per Operating Procedures for NFLL (1-9-2023)

Call to Order. President Cindy called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. with a quorum of voting members present.

Minutes of Last Meeting. The May 2024 minutes were approved as amended with the addition that Sammy's gift card was funded by individual council members. (Roland Tanner, Jacki McDugle).

Mission Minute. Cindy recently met member Eileen Brause, a Friendship Village resident, at the NFLL office who plans to continue her NFLL membership. Cindy was excited about the enthusiasm shown by Eileen, who is a young 94 years old!

President's Message. Cindy reported on the following:

- MCC's Fire and Police program classes are still being held at 145 North Centennial Way, so NFLL may continue to use the conference room until we are told otherwise. The room is currently reserved through 2024.
- Barbara Thelander's Hall of Fame nomination is under consideration. MCC has reached out to her for additional information. We will know in September if she has been selected as a member for this year's recognition.
- MCC's new president Richard Daniel met with staff to provide an update. As part of his message his statement that "we have to improve the quality of life in our community" sounds positive for NFLL's future. College budget cuts of \$2.98B have been identified; however, additional cuts are needed for the next year. MCC will be celebrating its 60th year in 2025.
- 2025 will mark NFLL's 30th anniversary. Dan Taylor is spearheading that recognition for 2025.

Treasurer's Report. [Secretary's Note: There was not a Council Meeting in July to review June activity. However, there were no income or expenses incurred for June, so the Fund Balance going into the new fiscal year remains as \$29,749.54 as reported in the June financial documents supplied by Fred.]

Fred reported NFLL did not incur any expenditures in July either. Revenue was \$360 for 8 members' dues paid in July. This matches what we experienced in July of 2023. The Fund Balance at the end of July was

\$30,109.54. At this time last year our Fund Balance was \$28,186.85. Our goal for Fall membership is 210, an increase of 20 members over last year.

Cindy commented on Line 42 of the Financial Budget Report for July 2024 labeled "Fund Balance Beginning" showing \$29,000+. This number is pre-pandemic and has been spent by MCC even though it is/was NFLL monies. Therefore, if we do not reach 210 members this fall, we will need to cut our current budget as that reserve money is not available. Essentially, our account balance is \$360 at this time, but the \$29K+ will continue to be shown on our monthly financial reports. The challenge is getting current members to continue paying dues AND adding new members.

MCC Liaison Report. Neva commented that the Fall 2024 schedule "looks awesome!" She also requested a shopping list for the Open House. Neva reported being contacted by the Regal Technology Group asking for a speaker promoting NFLL. Dan and Cindy will follow up on this request.

Committee Reports:

- a. Curriculum. No report.
- b. **Membership.** Report included in meeting materials packet.
- c. **Social.** Report included in meeting materials packet. Monica will edit the report with a corrected name spelling.
- d. **Communications.** Report included with meeting materials packet. Cindy will update the report to include the request for a speaker that Neva received.
- e. Volunteer. No report.
- f. Technology. No report.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Human Library project. Cindy reported for Dan Taylor about the Human Library project in conjunction with MCC's Red Mountain library. The City of Mesa has been involved with this project for years and will pay the \$99 to join the international national library so that we can use that nomenclature.
- b. Assisted hearing in classrooms. This issue is still unresolved according to Cindy. The May meeting was cancelled for a number of reasons. Another meeting with MCC is set for August.

New Business:

- a. Pat said she liked the new monthly newsletter format.
- b. As approved at the previous Council meeting, an additional Member-at-Large was selected for the Council. Two interested candidates' names were presented and discussed. Janice Overdorff was selected by the majority of voting Council members.
- c. Fall mailing. Cindy indicated that August 23 is the goal for emailing the fall schedule, open house information, and the monthly newsletter. Previously, these materials were sent via USPS mail. Some printed copies of the fall schedule will be available at the Open House.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m. The next NFLL Council meeting is set for Monday, August 12, at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pat King, Secretary