ARL Treasurer's Report: April 2025

Summary: ARL continues to be in a strong financial position. Revenues exceed expenses consistently when conference costs are managed. This year we will consider a proposal for how to use some of these excess funds to further the goals of ARL.

Introduction

ARL has three primary sources of income: membership, subscriptions from libraries, and conference registration. These income streams are used to pay for expenses associated with producing the Journal of Religious Leadership, putting on the conference, and administrative tasks like maintaining the website, maintaining our status as a non-profit (annual filings), keeping track of our income/expenses, etc. Currently, ARL has no staff, however we do contract with an editor for the journal and with an IT company to update and maintain the website.

Current Financial Position

ARL has two accounts, a Wells Fargo checking account and a Paypal account. Membership income is received in the Paypal account and bills are paid from the Wells Fargo account. Periodically I transfer money from Paypal to Wells Fargo. Presently there are no policies or guidelines for when or whether to transfer money.

As of March 30, 2025, ARL's checking account had \$31,774.52 and Paypal had \$15,060.42 for a total of \$46,831.94. (These numbers do **not** include most of the income/expenses associated with **this** conference.) Last year at this time we had a total of \$39,836.

Please find the Profit/Loss statement and Statement of Financial Position for 2024 on the following pages. There is also a summary of our two primary cost centers, and proposed budget for 2026 with two options for consideration.

Profit and Loss

January - December 2024

	Total
REVENUE	
Library Income	4,824.26
Member-Journal -PayPal	7,416.18
Other Income	11.81
Conference Registration Fee	6,420.00
Total Revenue	18,672.25
COST OF GOODS SOLD	
Cost of Goods Sold (JRL)	5,322.49
Total Cost of Goods Sold	5,322.49
GROSS PROFIT	13,349.76
EXPENDITURES	
Bank Service Charges	463.34
Computer and Internet Expenses	1,284.34
Conference Meals/Catering	3,623.31
Dues and Subscriptions	4,824.2 7,416.1 11.8 6,420.0 18,672.2 5,322.4 5,322.4 13,349.7 463.3 1,284.3 3,623.3 166.0 415.0 1,030.0 128.4 11.8 50.0 7,172.2 6,177.4
Incorporation Annual Fee	415.00
Insurance Expense	1,030.00
PayPal Fees	128.47
Reimbursement	11.81
Tax filing fees	50.00
Total Expenditures	7,172.27
NET OPERATING REVENUE	6,177.49
NET REVENUE	\$6,177.49

Statement of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2024

	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
PayPal -Academy of Religious Le	8,027.60
Wells Fargo	33,432.82
Total Bank Accounts	41,460.42
Total Current Assets	41,460.42
TOTAL ASSETS	\$41,460.42
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	875.00
Total Accounts Payable	875.00
Total Current Liabilities	875.00
Total Liabilities	875.00
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	18,244.04
Unrestricted Net Assets	16,163.89
Net Revenue	6,177.49
Total Equity	40,585.42
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$41,460.42

Cost Centers 2022-2024

Journal Income	2022	2023	2024	
Library Subscriptions	\$5,586	\$5,105	\$4824	
Memberships	\$6,800	\$6,810	\$7416	
Total Income	\$12,386	\$11,915	\$12,240	
Journal Expenses				
Editor for 2 issues	\$1,710	\$1,875	\$2,940	
Publishing (Franklin Trust)	\$2,866	\$2,412	\$3,915	
Total Journal Expenses	\$4,576	\$4,287	\$6855	
Net Profit from Journal	\$7,810	\$7,628	\$5,385	
Conference				
Income/Expenses				
Conference Income	\$5,924	\$5,550	\$6420	
Conference Expenses	\$12,051	\$4,669	\$3,623	
Net profit/loss from				
Conference	-\$6,127	\$881	\$2797	

The significant loss of money on the 2022 conference was the major motivator for shifting conferences to seminaries or other less expensive venues.

Proposed Budget

This budget is based on the average income and revenue of the last two years (2023-2024)

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	Jan - Dec 2022		Jan - Dec Jan - Dec 2023 2024		Average- No Staff				2025+ 10K Stipend				
Revenue													
Library Income	\$	5,586	\$	5,105	\$	4,824	\$	5,172	\$	5,172	\$	5,172	
Member-Journal -PayPal	\$	6,800	\$	6,810	\$	7,416	\$	7,009	\$	7,009	\$	7,009	
Registration Fee	\$	5,924	\$	5,550	\$	6,420	\$	5,965	\$	5,965	\$	5,965	
Tithes/Offerings			\$	75									
otal Revenue	\$	18,310	\$	17,540	\$	18,660	\$	18,145	\$	18,145	\$	18,145	
Cost of Goods Sold													
Cost of Goods Sold	\$	3,946	\$	2,923	\$	5,322	\$	4,064	\$	4,064	\$	4,064	
otal Cost of Goods Sold	\$	3,946	\$	2,923	\$	5,322	\$	4,064	\$	4,064	\$	4,064	
Gross Profit	\$	14,363	\$	14,618	\$	13,338	\$	14,081	\$	14,081	\$	14,081	
xpenditures													
Bank Service Charges	\$	563	\$	580	\$	463	\$	536	\$	536	\$	536	
Computer and Internet Expenses	\$	535	\$	837	\$	1,284	\$	885	\$	885	\$	885	
Conference Meals/Catering			\$	3,139	\$	3,623	\$	3,381	\$	3,381	\$	3,381	
Conferences and Meetings	\$	12,051	\$	1,530			\$	2,000	\$	2,000	\$	2,000	
Dues and Subscriptions					\$	166	\$	166	\$	166	\$	166	
Incorporation Annual Fee	\$	490	\$	410	\$	415	\$	438	\$	438	\$	438	
Insurance Expense			\$	1,000	\$	1,030	\$	1,015	\$	1,015	\$	1,015	
Office Supplies	\$	43											
PayPal Fees (Manual refunds)					\$	128							
Postage and Delivery			\$	36									
Executive Coordiinator/Staff							\$	-	\$	5,000	\$	10,000	
Tax filing fees					\$	50	\$	50	\$	50	\$	50	
otal Expenditures	\$	13,681	\$	7,532	\$	7,160	\$	8,471	\$	13,471	\$	18,471	
let Operating Revenue	\$	682	\$	7,086	\$	6,177	\$	5,610	\$	610	\$	(4,390)	

Note, 2025 has begun. Any stipend paid this year would like increase next year unless it covers only part of the year.

Conference charges do not reflect an average.

2024 Cost of Goods Sold is higher than usual because our Editor did billed us for some of 2023 in addition to 2024. Projected expenses reflect the average over 3 years.

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