Novel Annual Meeting Club Minutes (DRAFT)

May 7, 2023

The membership convened at 5:00PM at the home of Rob and Victoria Ware for cocktails and hors d’ouevres on the backyard deck and enjoyed the fine weather, lovely setting, and good company. At 5:45, we moved indoors, where Toby and Linda led a discussion of the novels proposed for 2023/24. Following the discussion, members voted on paper ballots that were collected and counted by Rob, Linda, and Toby. There were no ties and no recounts. A delicious catered dinner was served and a good time was had by all. The winning novels were announced during dinner.

The novels for 2023/24 are:

**Modern**

***The Namesake*** – Jhumpa Lahiri

***Trust*** – Herman Diaz

***The Sea*** – John Banville

***Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow*** – Gabrielle Zevin

***Chances Are*** – Richard Russo

***Properties of Thirst*** – Marianne Wiggins

**Classic**

***Their Eyes Were Watching God*** – Zora Neale Hurston

***My Antonia*** – Willa Cather

***The Adventures of Augie March*** – Saul Bellow

Rob Ware will send out a sign-up sheet for hosting and paper assignments for next season. You may email him with any specific requests.

Linda Sandhaus