

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____ ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC. 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 12/31/1972
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC. 402 INDUSTRIAL LANE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 63-0798460
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 205-942-3737
2d	Business code (see instructions) 451211

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.			
Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.			
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	08/23/2024	DAMIAN TOBY DOGGETT
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor		3b Administrator's EIN	
		3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:		4b EIN	
a Sponsor's name		4d PN	
c Plan Name			
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year		5	4101
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).			
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year		6a(1)	3564
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	3020
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits		6b	7
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits		6c	438
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d	3465
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits		6e	11
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f	3476
g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g(1)	1438
g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g(2)	1369
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6h	90
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....		7	
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3D 3H			
b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:			
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)		9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)	
(1) ☐ Insurance		(1) ☐ Insurance	
(2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts		(2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	
(3) ☒ Trust		(3) ☒ Trust	
(4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor		(4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)			
a Pension Schedules		b General Schedules	
(1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information)		(1) ☒ H (Financial Information)	
(2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		(2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan)	
(3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		(3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____	
(4) ☐ DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____		(4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information)	
(5) ☐ MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)		(5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)	
		(6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)	

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC. 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 63-0798460

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

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Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a

Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).....

Yes

x

No
- b

If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b)

Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 52 60 62 72	RECORDKEEPER	161711	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
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Explanation:

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
code**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or
103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

Part II **Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)**

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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A Name of plan BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC. 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 63-0798460	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	6939	1200
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions.....	1b(1)	0	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	0
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	577874	352181
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	0	0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred.....	1c(3)(A)	0	0
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)	0	0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred.....	1c(4)(A)	0	0
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	0	0
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	0	0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	0	0
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	0	0
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	927707	914461
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	2654188	1754520
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts.....	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	26813056	32172659
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	30979764	35195021
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	30979764	35195021

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	537198	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2381193	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	112720	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		3031111
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	1909	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	45944	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		47853
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	718620	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		718620
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		64453
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		4942234
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		8804271

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	4339973	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		4339973
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		87255
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		0
h Interest expense	2h		0
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	161786	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	0	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		161786
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		4589014

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		4215257
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		0

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☒ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP**

(2) EIN: **13-3891517**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)	☒	☐	481733
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒	☐	1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	☐	☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒	☐	
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	☐	☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	☐	☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	☐	☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	☐	☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	☐	☐	

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC. 401(K) PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOOKS-A-MILLION, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 63-0798460
Part I	Distributions	
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.		
1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....		1 0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 94-1687665		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year		3
Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____		
If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.		
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)		6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year		6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)		6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.		
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
Part III	Amendments	
9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box. ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No		
Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.	
10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) ☐ Yes ☐ No		
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.		
Schedule R (Form 5500) 2023 v. 230707		

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14c	

15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	

17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%

High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:

☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more

20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation. _____

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

☐ Design-based safe harbor method

☒ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☐ N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702803A.

Financial Statements, Supplemental Schedules and
Independent Auditor's Report

Books-A-Million, Inc. 401(k) Plan

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the
Year Ended December 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator of:
Books-A-Million, Inc. 401(k) Plan

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of the Books-A-Million, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matter — Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2023 and the schedule of delinquent participant contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental schedules related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Deloitte + Touche LLP

August 23, 2024

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

As of December 31	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Assets		
Noninterest-bearing cash	1,200	6,939
Participant directed investments, at fair value	34,279,360	30,045,118
Notes receivable from participants	914,461	927,707
Company contributions receivable	834,801	537,197
Participant contributions receivable	52,119	109,442
Total assets	36,081,941	31,626,403
Liabilities		
Excess contributions payable	78,691	-
Total liabilities	78,691	-
Net assets available for benefits	36,003,250	31,626,403

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the year ended December 31

2023

	\$
Investment income:	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	4,942,234
Interest and dividends	784,983
Net investment income	5,727,217
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	45,944
Contributions:	
Company contributions	834,801
Participant contributions	2,245,180
Rollovers from participants	112,720
Total contributions	3,192,701
Deductions from net assets available for benefits attributed to:	
Distributions to participants	4,427,229
Administrative expenses	161,786
Total deductions	4,589,015
Net increase	4,376,847
Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	31,626,403
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	36,003,250

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

1 Description of the Plan

The following description of the Books-A-Million, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. For a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions, refer to the Plan agreement.

Plan Description and Eligibility

The Plan is a defined contribution plan subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”). All employees of Books-A-Million, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the “Company”) who have completed two consecutive months of service and have attained the age of 21 are eligible to participate in the Plan.

Contributions

Each year, participants are allowed to make elective contributions to the Plan, up to 100% of their earnings, subject to Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) pre-tax deferral limits as defined. The Plan also offers Roth 401(k) contributions as an alternative to traditional pre-tax contributions. Participants may also make rollover contributions of amounts representing distributions from other qualified retirement plans. Participants age 50 and older may also make catch-up contributions as defined by the Internal Revenue Code (the “Code”). The Company may make a discretionary contribution equal to a uniform percentage or dollar amount of the participant’s elective deferrals, which is determined annually. In order for participants to receive discretionary matching contributions, they must meet minimum annual service requirements and be actively employed as of the last day of the Plan year. For the Plan year ended December 31, 2023, the Company’s contributions to the Plan equaled a discretionary matching contribution of 50% of the first 6% of a participant’s eligible compensation. All contributions are subject to certain limitations of the Code.

Participant Accounts

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s elective contribution and any related investment earnings, and annually with the Company’s discretionary matching contribution. Participants are also charged with an allocation of investment losses and administrative expenses, if any, based on the provisions of the Plan and the specific funds invested. Participants may direct their contributions, any Company discretionary matching contributions and any related earnings into various investment options available under the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual funds, collective trust funds, and an interest-bearing cash account. In addition, participants are allowed to change their investment elections at any time. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings (losses) thereon. Vesting in the Company’s discretionary matching contributions, plus actual earnings (losses) thereon, is based upon years of service. A participant vests 20% each year after completion of one year of credited service and is 100% vested after five years of credited service.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeitures are created when participants terminate employment before becoming fully vested in their benefits under the Plan. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$69,005 and \$127,323, respectively. Under the terms of the Plan agreement, forfeitures can be used to pay Plan expenses or can be used to reduce future Company contributions to the Plan. During 2023, Company contributions were reduced by \$127,323 from forfeited nonvested accounts.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to the lesser of \$50,000 (subject to certain restrictions and approval) or 50% of the participant's vested account balance. The loans are issued by the Plan and secured by the balance in the participant's account. Loans with a face amount less than \$2,000 must be repaid within a period of three years. All other loans must be repaid within a period of five years, unless the loan is used to purchase a principal residence, whereby the loan must be repaid within a period of time not to exceed 15 years. Under the terms of the Plan agreement, Plan loans will bear a reasonable rate of interest consisting of a fixed rate of interest equal to the prime rate at the loan's inception plus one percent. The loans bear interest rates that range from 4.25% to 9.50% as of December 31, 2023 and from 4.25% to 8.00% as of December 31, 2022. Principal and interest are repaid to the Plan ratably through biweekly payroll deductions and are credited back to the participant's account. The Plan allows for a participant to have a maximum of two loans outstanding at a time.

Payment of Benefits

Upon separation from service with the Company due to death, disability, retirement or termination, a participant whose vested account balance exceeds \$5,000 may elect to receive either a lump-sum distribution or installment payments on a quarterly or annual basis over the time period elected by the participant. Participants who are no longer employed with the Company, may not take a partial withdrawal/distribution. A participant whose vested account balance is \$5,000 or less and who has not commenced receiving installment payments will automatically receive an immediate lump-sum distribution equal to the participant's vested account balance. Hardship distributions are also available from participants' elective deferral accounts, subject to regulatory requirements. Distributions from participant rollover sources can be withdrawn at any time.

Administrative Expenses

The Plan's administrative expenses are paid by either the Plan or the Company, as provided by the Plan's provisions. Administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan include recordkeeping and trustee fees. Expenses relating to purchases, sales or transfers of the Plan's investments are charged to the particular investment fund to which the expenses relate. All other administrative expenses of the Plan are paid by the Company.

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the Plan have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants represent participant loans that are recorded at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income on notes receivable from participants is recorded when it is earned. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses was recorded as of December 31, 2023 or 2022. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments, and the Plan administrator deems the participant loan to be a distribution, then the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (an exit price). Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Shares of mutual funds are valued at the quoted active market values of shares held by the Plan at year-end. Collective trust funds are valued based on their net asset values as provided by the trustee and used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The net asset value is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported net asset value. The collective trust fund provides for daily participant redemptions by the Plan at reported net asset value per share, with no advance notice requirement. Interest-bearing cash accounts are valued at cost plus accrued interest. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Collective Trusts

The Plan has an investment in a collective trust, the Putnam Stable Value Fund (the "Stable Value Fund"). The Stable Value Fund permits redemptions on a daily basis at the calculated net asset value on that date, subject to certain restrictions. As of December 31, 2023, the Plan had no unfunded commitments related to collective trusts.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid, which is generally when incurred by the Plan.

Subsequent Events

The Plan administrator has evaluated all events or transactions that occurred after December 31, 2023 through August 23, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No material recognizable subsequent events occurred.

3 Fair Value Measurements

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements*, establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC 820 are described below:

- Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mutual funds	32,172,659	-	-	32,172,659
Interest-bearing cash	352,181	-	-	352,181
Total	32,524,840	-	-	32,524,840

Collective trust measured at net asset value:	1,754,520
Total investments	34,279,360

December 31, 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mutual funds	26,813,056	-	-	26,813,056
Interest-bearing cash	577,874	-	-	577,874
Total	27,390,930	-	-	27,390,930

Collective trust measured at net asset value:	2,654,188
Total investments	30,045,118

4 Information Certified By Trustee

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Bank of America, N.A., the trustee of the Plan, has certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate:

- Investments, at fair value, and notes receivable from participants, as shown in the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments, and interest and dividends, interest income on notes receivable from participants, as shown in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- All investment balances and investment information, excluding the classification and level of investments, as shown in Note 3, Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.
- Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2023.

5 Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan, subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts.

6 Excess Contributions Payable

Amounts payable to participants for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the Code are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions.

7 Risk and Uncertainties

The Plan provides various investment options to its participants. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate risk, credit risk, and overall market volatility. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the value of the participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

8 Exempt Party In Interest Transactions

The Plan holds an investment in interest-bearing cash account managed by Merrill Lynch, an affiliate of Bank of America, N.A.. This investment qualifies as party-in-interest transactions.

The Plan also issues loans to participants, which are secured by the vested balances in the participants' accounts.

9 Income Tax Status

The underlying non-standardized prototype plan has received an opinion letter from the IRS dated March 31, 2014 stating that the form of the Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code, and, therefore, the related trust is tax-exempt. In accordance with Revenue Procedures 2011-6 and 2011-49, the Plan administrator has determined that it is eligible to and has chosen to rely on the current IRS prototype plan opinion letter. Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualified status. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code.

10 Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500:

December 31	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	36,003,250	31,626,403
Contributions receivable from the Company	(834,801)	(537,197)
Contributions receivable from the participants	(52,119)	(109,442)
Excess contributions payable	78,691	
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	35,195,021	30,979,764

The following is a reconciliation of contributions per the financial statements to Form 5500:

December 31	2023
Total contributions per financial statements	3,192,701
Prior year participant receivable	109,442
Prior year Company contributions receivable	537,197
Current year Company contributions receivable	(834,801)
Current year participant contributions receivable	(52,119)
Prior year excess contributions payable	-
Current year excess contributions payable	78,691
Total contributions per Form 5500	3,031,111

11 Non-exempt Party-In-Interest Transaction

The Company remitted certain 2023 participant contributions of \$481,733 to the trustee later than required by Department of Labor (DOL) Regulation 2510.3-102. The Company will file Form 5330 with the IRS and pay the required excise tax on the transactions. In addition, participant accounts will be credited with the amount of investment income that would have been earned had the participant contribution been remitted on a timely basis.

Supplemental Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of assets (held at end of year)

December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue	(c) Description	(e) Current Value
			\$
	American New World Fund	Mutual Funds	131,352
	American New Wordl Fund GM	Mutual Funds	144,852
	American US Government	Mutual Funds	452,144
	American US Government GM	Mutual Funds	256,699
	American Balanced Fund CL R6	Mutual Funds	1,219,874
	Clearbridge Small Cap Grth IS	Mutual Funds	365,360
	Vanguard International Value	Mutual Funds	314,017
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2030 Instl	Mutual Funds	3,630,811
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2050 Instl	Mutual Funds	5,648,291
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2025 Instl	Mutual Funds	12,680
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2020 Instl	Mutual Funds	753,819
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2045 Instl	Mutual Funds	39,811
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2035 Instl	Mutual Funds	91,925
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2040 Instl	Mutual Funds	4,672,127
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2055 Instl	Mutual Funds	149,537
	TIAA Cref Life Indx 2060 Instl	Mutual Funds	498,826
	TIAA Cref Life Indx RT In Inst	Mutual Funds	169,426
	Pimco Diversified INC FD INSTL	Mutual Funds	86,659
	Pimco Diversified INC FD INSTL GM	Mutual Funds	89,693
	Vanguard Equity Income CL ADM	Mutual Funds	2,099,720
	Vanguard INTL GRWT FD ADM CLAS	Mutual Funds	132,457
	Vanguard US Growth FD ADM	Mutual Funds	5,258,439
	Ishares MSCI EAFE Internl IDX K	Mutual Funds	45,461
	Ishares MSCI EAFE Internl IDX GM	Mutual Funds	349,258
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Mutual Funds	282,719
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index GM	Mutual Funds	211,223
	Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	Mutual Funds	44,600
	Fidelity Small Cap Index FD GM	Mutual Funds	66,948
	Metropolitan West Total Rtn P	Mutual Funds	125,837
	Metropolitan West Total P GM	Mutual Funds	223,663
	Fnnaklin Small Cap Value FD R6	Mutual Funds	451,927
	MFS Mid Cap Value Fund RS	Mutual Funds	52,964
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Funds	3,216,702
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund GM	Mutual Funds	480,167
	Blackrock Mid-Cap Grth EQ FD K	Mutual Funds	402,673
		Total Mutual Funds	32,172,659
	Putnam Stable Value Fund 20	Collective Trusts	1,741,024
	Putnam Stable Value Fund 20 GM	Collective Trusts	13,496
		Total Collective Trusts	1,754,520
*	Merill Lynch Retirement Bank Account	Interest-bearing Cash	352,181
	Pending Settlement Fund	Non-interest-bearing cash	1,200
	Total Investments		34,280,560
		Participant loans (maturing through 2028 at interest rates from 4.25% to 9.5%)	
*	Notes receivable from participants		914,461
	Total assets (held at end of year)		35,195,021

* Represents a party-in-interest
See accompanying Independent Auditor's Report

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4a—Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total That Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
For the year 2023	\$ 481,733	\$	\$	\$

See accompanying Independent Auditor's Report

Attachment to 2023 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held At End of Year)

Plan Name: Books-A-Million, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Plan Sponsor's Name: Books-A-Million, Inc.

EIN:63-0798460
PN:001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	ACCRUED INCOME	ACCRUED INCOME	155	155
	MERRILL LYNCH BANK DEPOSIT PROGRAM	CERT OF DEPOSIT / BANK DEPOSIT	37,497	37,497
	RETIREMENT BANK ACCOUNT	CERT OF DEPOSIT / BANK DEPOSIT	314,685	314,685
	PUTNAM STABLE VALUE FUND 20	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	1,741,024	1,741,024
	PUTNAM STABLE VALUE FUND 20 GM	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	13,496	13,496
	LOAN FUND	LOANS	858,623	858,623
	AMERICAN BALANCED FUND CL R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	1,156,477	1,219,874
	AMERICAN NEW WORLD FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	149,603	131,352
	AMERICAN NEW WORLD FUND GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	148,344	144,852
	AMERICAN US GOVERNMENT	MUTUAL FUNDS	514,779	452,144
	AMERICAN US GOVERNMENT GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	268,301	256,699
	BLACKROCK MID-CAP GRTH EQ FD K	MUTUAL FUNDS	452,206	402,673
	CLEARBRIDGE SMALL CAP GRTH IS	MUTUAL FUNDS	448,814	365,360
	FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	2,588,810	3,216,702
	FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	434,820	480,167
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX	MUTUAL FUNDS	257,398	282,719
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	197,406	211,223
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX FD GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	64,434	66,948
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	44,285	44,600

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	FRANKLIN SMALL CAP VALUE FD R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	428,695	451,927
	ISHARES MSCI EAFE INTL IDX GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	335,102	349,258
	ISHARES MSCI EAFE INTRNL IDX K	MUTUAL FUNDS	43,628	45,461
	METROPOLITAN WEST TOTAL P GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	236,724	223,663
	METROPOLITAN WEST TOTAL RTN P	MUTUAL FUNDS	145,574	125,837
	MFS MID CAP VALUE FUND R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	50,624	52,964
	PIMCO DIVERSIFIED INC FD INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	94,616	86,659
	PIMCO DIVERSIFIED INC INSTL GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	93,497	89,693
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2020 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	791,508	753,819
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2025 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	12,289	12,680
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2030 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	3,607,635	3,630,811
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2035 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	87,508	91,925
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2040 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	4,433,680	4,672,127
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2045 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	36,918	39,811
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2050 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	5,236,313	5,648,291
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2055 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	137,107	149,537
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX 2060 INSTL	MUTUAL FUNDS	458,560	498,826
	TIAA CREF LIFE INDX RT IN INST	MUTUAL FUNDS	177,759	169,426
	VANGUARD EQUITY INCOME CL ADM	MUTUAL FUNDS	2,024,987	2,099,720

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	VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL VALUE	MUTUAL FUNDS	304,653	314,017
	VANGUARD INTL GRWT FD ADM CLAS	MUTUAL FUNDS	187,291	132,457
	VANGUARD US GROWTH FD ADM	MUTUAL FUNDS	5,941,883	5,258,439
	PENDING SETTLEMENT FUND	PENDING SETTLEMENT FUNDS	1,200	1,200
	UNINVESTED CASH	UNINVESTED CASH	0	0