## HARWINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Board of Trustees Regular Meeting - Monday, March 7, 2016

**Unapproved Minutes** 

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Leslie Flowers

<u>Trustees Present</u>: Karen Kelleher, Leslie Flowers, Art Potwin, Rich Agoston, Debby Janssens, Mac Beatty, and Jamie O'Meara were present. Also present was Library Director, Alice Freiler.

<u>Public Input:</u> Ken Best from DRA Architects was also in attendance.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Motion to accept the minutes from the meeting as written made by R. Agoston, seconded by A. Potwin. Approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Income is up from the Annual Appeal, as are miscellaneous donations and donations from tax preparation clients and groups using the community room. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by A. Potwin, seconded by K. Kelleher. Approved.

<u>Librarian's Report:</u> Highlights include: The Northwest Connecticut Arts Council membership is expiring soon. One of the benefits of membership is advertising. A motion was made to use money from the Art Fund to renew the Northwest Connecticut Arts Council membership by K. Kelleher, seconded by D. Janssens. Approved. There is a fundraising workshop at the Warner Theater on May 4. Alice plans to attend with Deb Janssens and Jamie O'Meara. The website researchIT CT is updated and working. Now we are waiting for the interlibrary loan program to go back online. Meanwhile the c-car is working. The Civic Family Services grant was used for two programs. The Thomaston Savings Bank grant was used to purchase e-books, and there has been a large increase in people borrowing e-books. The front door has been fixed, and it opens easily. Alice and Mary plan to attend the CLA conference. The library will partner with the Harwinton Recreation Department to offer kids in the summer camp program time in the library. Library card applications have been included with the camp registration materials. The library will also partner with the First Selectman for a Readers are Leaders summer reading incentive program. The Friends have generously voted to fund the library's Summer Reading 2016 program and sponsor magazine subscriptions. Their Plant, Book, and Bake Sale is scheduled for May 21st.

A motion to accept the Librarian's Report was made by K. Kelleher, seconded by R. Agoston. Approved.

## **Committee Reports:**

- Art: Girl Scouts are currently displaying some of their artwork. Next photography will be
  on display followed by a juried art show.
- Budget: The budget has been submitted.
- Computers:
- **Fundraising:** Ideas continue to be discussed. A fundraising planning meeting will be held on Monday, March 14, at 7:00 pm.
- Property and Building: Ken Best came to give us an update.
- Governance: The board is full.
- Correspondence: A card was sent to Dave Christensen thanking him for his service.

Other Business: Ken Best from DRA Architects came to discuss the new plans with the board.

Motion to adjourn was made by D. Janssens, seconded by A. Potwin. Approved at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jamie O'Meara, Secretary

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