

HARWINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Board of Trustees Regular Meeting - April 6, 2015

Unapproved Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Co-chair Leslie Flowers.

Trustees Present: Barbara Buss, Rich Agoston, Leslie Flowers, Marilyn Mitchell, Jamie Cartwright, Art Potwin, Patti Sederquist, Karen Kelleher.

Also present was Library Director Stasia Motuzick.

Public Input: Janet Russo, Town Treasurer, attended the meeting to discuss investments. After much discussion about different CDs and interest rates motion was made by B. Buss to invest \$10,295.91 which is in the Labreque fund, \$11,582.97 from the Weingart fund, and \$28,598.92 in the Donor fund into 18 month CDs to earn an interest of 1.106% at Thomaston Savings Bank. The motion was seconded by P. Sederquist, unanimously approved. Janet will complete these transactions tomorrow.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the minutes from the March meeting as written was made by M. Mitchell, second by B. Buss, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Not much change, computer fees up a little, donations up a little. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by A. Potwin, second by R. Agoston, approved.

Librarian's Report: The computers will be on the town budget next year, the library won't have its own computer budget. State grants may not be available next year. Money not being used for professional development may be used when a new librarian is hired and will be working at the same time as Stasia. Engineering plans are needed for wetlands board. Governor's budget wants to take away library support, cut C-Card grants, and cut funding for the internet. The C-Card grant brought in \$1,068 last year. AARP volunteers have helped ~100 people this year. Stasia has been cleaning out old files and can eliminate a file cabinet. Mary wrote a grant for a second AWE computer. Stasia will request a grant from the Thomaston Savings Bank. The grant computers are installed and working. Ancestry.com has been popular. There will be one final session on April 15. Joan Kirchner will be looking into the Literary Landmark. The summer art show is a joint show with staff, Friends and Board members.

Committee Reports:

- **Art:** No report.
- **Budget:** No report.
- **Computers:** Rich received a letter from Bibliomation, an outsourcing company. Their fees are higher than TLC.
- **Fundraising:** Received a grant and met with Frank Mack from Peer Advisor Network. Will put in 12 hours toward fundraising. Looking for how to promote the project. Motion made by B. Buss to spend \$150 for the grant. Motion seconded by P. Sederquist, approved. Fundraising committee met with Roberta Andrulis who runs the Litchfield Community Center. She gave ideas about fundraising projects. For the Board of Finance proposal night we should try to get a lot of support to show the Board there is support for the project. There was a question as to whether there can be a "Go Fund Me" type site made to donate funds. Need to find out if it's legal. Leslie would like someone to lead the Fundraising Committee - Jamie and Patti will co-lead.
- **Investments:** See above.
- **Property and Building:** No report.
- **Governance:** Full board.
- **Correspondence:** None.

Other Business: Super Saturday will be May 2. There will be tomato plants for sale on the porch. We'll put our display board out there, have a handout and have Board members there to discuss plans and answer questions. Hours are from 9-2.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:25 by B.Buss, second by M. Mitchell, approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Kelleher, Secretary

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