

Public Library of New London Meeting of Board of Trustees February 15, 2011

Next regular meeting

Tuesday March 15, 2011 4:00 P.M.

- **1. Call to order** at 4:00 PM by President Daneen Roth
- **2. Roll Call:** G. Angel, J. Briddell, D. Cornish, M. Doherty, J. Esposito, E. Gerity, E. Garcia-Gonzalez, J. Gonzalez, D. Hersant, S. Maryeski, M. Passero (City Council Liaison) D. Roth, B. Willoughby. **Excused**: M. Cibes

3. Public Comments:

- **3. Community Development Block Grant:** Mr. Passero reported that NO FUNDS will be approved as the first part of the process for the CDBG. There is a cut of 7-10% of the total funding. \$317K will be going to nonprofit youth related and parks and recreation programs for the City of New London. \$600K for infrastructure and abatement programs is already allocated. Ned Hammond received the balance for the "Façade" funding program. On 2/22/11 @ 5:30PM there will be the second round of discussion for the applications. But, essentially there is NO MONEY.
- **4. Minutes.** E. Gerity MOVED, J. Esposito SECONDED. Minutes accepted as distributed.
- 5. Directors Report: Suzanne Maryeski, Director. See attached.
- **6. Executive Committee Report:** The discussion centered on snow removal in the coming year. The Library will get estimates for snow removal from a private contractor with a smaller plow that will have the Library first on their list of clients and be able to better navigate small spaces. Surrounding businesses will be approached for employee parking that will not need to use their parking during the morning hours.

 Subpoena for the Matthew Chew case for the Libraries videotapes was reviewed. The Library's presence for the subpoena was subsequently cancelled for now.
- **7. Personnel and Nominating.** (J. Esposito) Copies of updated Personnel Policies will be distributed to Board Members at the next Board Meeting.
- **8.** Treasurer's Report & Finance Committee: (D. Hersant) Treasurer's Report placed on file. On budget.
- **9. Fund Raising:** A new Annual Giving letter will be sent in April. Many thanks to Jose Gonzalez for investigating **ON-LINE GIVING.** Mr. Gonzalez will also meet with the head of the Science and Tech Magnet High School. Perhaps the students will be able to have some suggestions for the Web Site for the Library, since this is part of their educational

program. It was generally agreed by the Board that we look into a more creative website for the Library.

- **10. Grants:** (B. Willoughby) No report
- 11. Building & Grounds: (G. Angel) No Report.
- **12. Friends of the Library:** (J. Esposito) New Bookworm cycle will be beginning shortly.
- 13. Policy & By Laws: (M. Doherty) Waiting for opinions from the Library Staff.
- **14. Long Range Planning:** (J. Briddell) No report.

There being no further business set before the Board, J. Esposito moved, and D. Hersant Seconded that the meeting be adjourned. SO MOVED. **The meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel Gerity, Secretary of the Board of Trustees

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