

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF NEW LONDON 63 Huntington Street, New London, CT 06320 Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting August 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Daneen Roth at 4:10 p.m.

Present: L. M. Doherty, J. Esposito, E. Garcia Gonzalez, W. Hannaford , H. Kydd III, A. Kinsall, V. Mueller, D. Roth, Director S. Maryeski

Excused: G. Angell

Absent: L. Braxton, D. Hersant

Minutes of the July 19, 2016 meeting were approved with an amendment to indicate that the proposed internet filtering system will be placed on <u>all</u> PCs in the library.

Director's Report—see her written report

Board members may be getting name tags like those designed for the staff.

The Poet Laureate committee is still at work with the city's Economic Development Committee. A \$300 stipend will be available for use. The library may be able to help with events and programs.

The American Liberty Center, a non-profit organization, has requested use of the Community Room for Sept. 18 to hold a debate for three New London candidates running for office. It will be broadcast at 1:00 p.m. The Center is asking the library to open at noon instead of the normal one o'clock opening. This would mean an increase in payroll costs for five employees, plus the custodian. The director will determine the amount involved. It will then be decided whether to ask the Center to cover these costs.

<u>Development Committee</u>—work will soon be started on the annual appeal letter. Suggestions for contents from board members would be welcomed.

<u>Building/Grounds Committee</u>—Servicemaster has been working on cleaning up/drying out the lower level rooms that were flooded, at a cost of about \$1,000. Everything is almost done.

<u>Friends of the Library</u>—The Bookworm letters are all out and some returns are in. Board members are urged to send in theirs.

<u>New Business</u>—There are some new programs that should be started now. The Finance Committee will meet at 9 a.m., Aug. 23, to discuss this.

A form is being devised to be used for an individual's agreement with the conditions under which he/she will be allowed to photograph material in the History Room.

Caterers are being contacted for quotes for the employee lunch on Aug. 24.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Doherty, Secretary