

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF NEW LONDON

63 Huntington Street, New London, CT 06320

Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting

November 15, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Daneen Roth

Present: G. Angell, M. Doherty, J. Esposito, E. Garcia Gonzalez, D. Hersant, A. Kinsall, H. Kydd III, D. Roth, Director S.

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Excused: V.Mueller

Absent: L. Braxton, W. Hannaford

The minutes of the board meeting of September 20, 2016 were approved.

<u>Director's Report</u>—see her written report covering two months

<u>Development Committee</u>—the brochure describing the library's functions, along with a short letter accompanying it, should be in the mail around Dec. 6 as part of the annual appeal for donations.

Building & Grounds Committee—a meeting has been scheduled for the coming week.

Friends of the Library—a successful annual meeting held on November 13 resulted in almost \$6,000 being realized.

Action Items—a budget for the current year of \$870,346 was voted approved. Work on next year's budget will start in the near future.

A policy for use of the local history room was voted accepted as presented by the director.

<u>New Business</u>—it was voted to authorize the purchase of two new data bases, totaling between \$2,000 and \$3,000 each, using funds from the Kitchings Foundation for payment.

Two meetings for focus groups to discuss a Strategic Plan for the library were scheduled for November 30 at 6:00 p.m. and December 3 at 1:00 p.m.

<u>Executive Session</u>—the director left the meeting after which the board reviewed the evaluations of her work over the past year which had been completed by board members. As a result of her excellent performance it was voted to give her a 3% raise for the current year.

The meetings adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Doherty, Secretary