

## PUBLIC LIBRARY OF NEW LONDON

63 Huntington Street, New London , CT 06320 www.plnl.org Board of Trustees Annual Meeting June 16, 2015

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

Present: G. Angell, L. Braxton, M. Doherty, J. Esposito, D. Hersant, A. Kinsall, D. Roth, Director S.

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Excused: E. Garcia Gonzalez

Absent: E. Gerity, W. Hannaford

Minutes of the May 19, 2015, meeting were approved.

<u>Director's Report</u>—see her written report. She wonders if more surveillance might be needed. She will research this. She has seen Groton Library's one desk setup and will consider that for here. It might free up one staff member. New signs will be put up in the parking lot, after which towing will begin.

<u>Personnel Committee</u>—Gary Evans, custodian, will be using up his sick leave at the end of June. He will be contacted to see if he wishes to continue on on a leave without pay basis.

Julie Holzworth, a library assistant, is a salaried employee who is due a step raise July 1. It was voted to give her two steps this coming year in recognition of all the extra work she has been doing.

Outside advertising has begun for a children's librarian with a master's degree, at a salary of \$48,230 (total of \$64,214.with benefits). The current part time reference librarian will become a full time employee at the same salary as above. (These positions had been previously approved by the board after notification that the city will be upping the library's allotment by \$125,000.)

<u>Nominating Committee</u>—Henry Kydd, a teacher in East Lyme but a resident of New London, may be interested in becoming a member of the board. He will be contacted. The possibility of establishing a liaison member of the Board of Education was discussed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>—a cash balance of about \$138,000 is anticipated for the end of the year. Coming up will be an expenditure of \$75,000 to match the state construction grant.

<u>Development Committee</u>—an additional amount of approximately \$600 toward the annual appeal .has been received as a result of a post card reminder mailing

<u>Building & Grounds</u>—some minor necessary repairs to the new front stairs will be taken care of by the contractor.

<u>Friends of the Library</u>—about \$2,250 has been realized from the book sale of last month. More tee shirts will be ordered when necessary.

Policy/Bylaws Committee—W. Hannaford was elected to another three year term on the board.

Long Range Planning Committee—the initial meeting of the committee is planned for July.

<u>Action Items</u>—it was voted to authorize the Director to execute a contract with the CT State Library for an LSTA grant in the amount of \$3,000.

<u>New Business</u>—a reception to thank the members of the ad hoc committee for their many hours of work on behalf of the library will be held in the reading room on June 30, from 4 to 6 p.m.

There will not be a board meeting in July.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Doherty, Secretary