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Board of Trustees Meeting

March 16, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Daneen Roth at 4:40 p.m.

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

Excused: E. Gerity, D. Hersant

Absent: E. Garcia Gonzales, W. Hannaford, A. Kinsall

Minutes of the meeting of January 20, 2015 were approved.

Public Comments—a letter was received from a couple in Ledyard praising L. Braxton's programs for Black History month held at the library.

Director's Report—see her written report. She and her staff are participating in a training program conducted by a speaker from Common Cause. There will be additional sessions. She reported that the library has received \$8,200 so far resulting from the annual giving appeal.

Nominating Committee—C. Raney has declined to become a member of the board, citing other commitments. Irving Steel a New London resident, of a generator company in Old Lyme, will be contacted to see if he is interested in joining the board.

Building & Grounds Committee—the committee met and developed a list of about twelve projects for the coming year. Priority will be given to the reading room.

Friends of the Library—Quarterly letters are out, seeking members of Bookworms. Loomings is also in the mail. The committee is now working on the upcoming book sale. The Groton Friends are planning a forum on running book sales on Saturday, April 11 in the morning. Some of our members will attend.

Long Range Planning Committee—The committee met and plans to start off with a survey to find out what the public wants in a library.

Action Items—Dental insurance coverage for the employees will be proposed to the staff. If a majority want it the library will join the city's plan.

The director needs assistance for some administrative work. It was voted that she may delegate whomever she wishes whenever necessary to help her with this work.

New Business==The ad hoc committee has been very active. Information cards have been printed. Postcards to be mailed to councilors will be coming. Suzanne and Daneen plan to speak at the City Council April 10. The library's budget will be in the council's finance committee's hands March 31.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Doherty, Secretary