

**TRUMBULL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES**

March 14, 2012

Trumbull Library

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Members Present: Chairwoman Tara Liskov, James Cebulski, Joan Hammill, Antonio Petitti, Laura Ponzio, Carol Porrata Elstein, Jeannine C. Stauder, Mary Whatley

Members Absent: Arthur A. Kukla

Also Present: Louis Sheehy, Assistant Library Director, Joanne Orenstein, Clerk

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairwoman Liskov.**

**Public Session:** No members of the public were present.

**Correspondence:** There were three e-mails from members of Friends' of the Library, including one that was resent from Ms. Heilbrunn objecting to the re-rewording of her comments in the January Minutes. The suggested correct wording is: "As in the case of the construction of the original shed, The Friends' of the Library will be paying for the additional storage. The Town will do the site work."

Ms. Whatley made a motion to amend the Minutes and adopted the wording as Ms. Heilbrunn suggested in her e-mail of January 29 and March 14. Mr. Petitti seconded. **VOTE:** All in favor.

In her correspondence, e-mails dated March 13 and 14<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Hall noted the area to move the pod had not been re-staked as had been promised (Ms. Porrata Elstein said this is true, she forgot), and, in fact, the pod would be very difficult to move, due to how full it is.

Minutes: Ms. Porrata Elstein made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 8, 2012 meeting as presented. Mr. Cebulski seconded. **VOTE:** 7 in favor, 1 abstention.

Minutes: Mr. Cebulski made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 29<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Petitti seconded. **VOTE:** 7 in favor, 1 abstention.

**Director's Report:** Mr. Sheehy presented an overview of this year's 2012-2013 budget process. The position of Head of Children's Services which was eliminated from the First Selectman's Budget recommendation has been reinstated by the Board of Finance with no budget give backs or adjustments (passing 6-0). It now has to go before Town Council.

Ms. Hammill noted that at the Cold Mountain Pizza and Movie Night, she was told by a resident that the Library was the best use of his tax dollars in Town. Ms. Ponzio noted that the Trumbull Community Women were having an event on Sunday and wanted to know how early they could be there to set up, and how late they could stay to clean up. Mr. Sheehy said they could come at 12:30

p.m. (when the first Staff arrived), and could stay as long as the cleaning people were there. Forty-six people came to the movie and 350 to the re-enactment which was held on March 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Petitti reported. Everything is moving accordingly. Funds were used for the motor of the screen in the Community Room, and reconfiguring the AV system. The Lost Book fund includes fines for late books and materials, fees for lost books and materials and Community Room fees.

**Fairchild-Nichols Branch:** Ms. Whatley reported there was no meeting.

**Old Business:**

Parking Lot: Mr. Cebulski reported it is in the hands of the Town, there is no specific date, but he will check. Ms. Horton had requested they not do it during One Book/One Town.

Electrical Work: After it was bid out by the Town, it was awarded to the lowest bidder, Chagnon of Trumbull, with a bid of \$3986. The work will probably be done within 6 to 8 weeks.

Friends of the Library: A letter, composed to the Friends' after the Special Meeting, was discussed at length. It was reviewed and amended.

Because a motion was unanimously passed in January to expand the shed, a new motion was made, reflecting the decision made at the February 29<sup>th</sup> meeting, and discussion of this meeting.

Ms. Whatley made a motion to reverse the decision of the January 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. The Board will not be authorizing a new shed or expansion to the current structure. Ms. Stauder seconded.

**VOTE:** All in favor.

Mr. Petitti made a motion to submit a letter to the Friends' of the Library summarizing the discussion, and to communicate the decisions resulting from it, at the Special Meeting of February 29<sup>th</sup> and the regular Board Meeting of March 14. Ms. Stauder seconded. **VOTE:** All in favor.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Petitti made the motion to adjourn, Ms. Whatley seconded. **VOTE:** All in favor at 8:22pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Joanne Glasser Orenstein  
Clerk

Approved; pending final approval by the full Board of Trustees,

Tara Liskov, Chairman  
Trumbull Library Board of Trustees

The next meeting of the Trumbull Library Board of Trustees will be Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.