

**WINTHROP PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES AGENDA
Wednesday, September 12, 2007 6:30 P.M.**

1. Bills to be signed

2. Call to order and acceptance of previous minutes

3. Old Business

Museum work is nearly 95% completed. Director will begin final report to MHC next week.

Basch Room work delayed due to injury.

Christopher Reeve grievance/arbitration scheduled for next Tuesday, the 18th.

4. New Business

Library budget situation - (call for executive session?)

Air Conditioning repairs (Chair OKd \$1,000 and library Wil take balance from Building Maintenance.)

5. General Business

Purchase of 2008 calendars out of Hyde Funds (200 for \$145)

Stairs in Children's Room – dangerous?

6. Date of Next Meeting

7. Adjournment

WINTHROP PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

Minutes

Trustees Meeting, September 12, 2007, Edward A. Hazlett Meeting Room,
Winthrop Public Library

Mr. Matarazzo called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M. The following named trustees were present: James Matarazzo, Chairman, Alex Alexanian, Vice-Chairman, Stephen Dalton, Betty Peabody, John Tranfaglia and Richard Tyrell. The library was represented by John Cronin, Director, Ann Gutting, Assistant Director and Janice Flaherty, Administrative Assistant.

Minutes

Mr. Dalton made the motion to accept the minutes of August 14, 2007. Ms. Peabody seconded the motion. Unanimous.

Mr. Alexanian then made the motion to accept the minutes of the Executive Session of August 14, 2007. Ms. Peabody seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Old Business

- Museum work is nearly \$95 completed. Director will begin final report to MHC next week. All work is expected to be completed by next week.
- Basch Room delayed due to injury. Mr. Rich Lombardi fell at home, injuring his hamstring.
- Christopher Reeve grievance/arbitration scheduled for next Tuesday, the 18th. Mr. Cronin outlined the consequences if Mr. Reeve wins his grievance complaint at the Court Street Meeting to be attended by Mr. Howard Greenspan. No appeal will be possible.

General Business

- Purchase of 2008 calendars out of Hyde Fund (200 for \$145). Mr. Dalton made the motion to appropriate \$145 from the Hyde Fund to pay for the 200 calendars. The motion was seconded simultaneously by Mr. Alexanian and Mr. Tranfaglia. The motion passed on a 5 to 1 vote with Mr. Alexanian casting the dissenting vote.

- Stairs in the Children's Room – dangerous? Mr. Cronin reported that a youngster had been injured in the Children's Room. The Director will get a price from Lighthouse Construction to install safety treads on the stairs. Mr. Matarazzo is free to authorize up to \$1,000 for the project.
- Hearing that Mr. Ron Bergman is seriously ill, the trustees on a motion from Mr. Alexanian voted to install a plaque in Mr. Bergman's name. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dalton and unanimously approved.
- Ms. Flaherty reported that there were a few bills that were not submitted by the June 15, 2007, deadline, and therefore, have not yet been paid. The bills total about \$2,000.

New Business

- § Library budget situation – deferred to Executive Session.
- § Air-conditioning repairs (Chair OKd \$1,000 and library will take the balance from building maintenance.). Mr. Dalton moved to support the action which received unanimous approval.

Meeting

The trustees will meet next on October 10, 2007 and then on November 14, 2007. meetings will be held at 6:30 P.M. on each of those occasions in the Hazlett Meeting Room.

Executive Session

Mr. Alexanian made the motion at 7:26 P.M. that the trustees go into Executive Session to discuss the library budget situation. Ms. Peabody seconded the motion which was then unanimously approved.

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