

Winthrop Public Library  
Board of Trustees Library Agenda  
Wednesday, February 18, 2009 6:30 P.M.

1. Minutes
  - Approval of minutes from the 2/7/09 meeting
  
2. Old Business
  - Budget Issues
  
3. New Business
  
  
4. Date of Next Meeting
  
  
5. Motion to adjourn

**Board of Trustees  
Winthrop Public Library and Museum**

Minutes

Trustees televised meeting, February 18, 2009, Edward A. Hazlett Meeting Room, Winthrop Public Library.

Mr. Matarazzo called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M. The following named trustees were present: James Matarazzo, Chairman; John Tranfaglia, Vice-Chairman; Stephen Dalton, and Richard Tyrell. The library was represented by Ann Gutting, Assistant Director; Alan Thibeault and John Cronin, Directors Emeriti, Janice Flaherty, Administrative Assistant, and librarians Richard Allen and Mary Connolly. Henry Dane, Nancy Dane, and Peggy Hollenstein represented the Friends of the Library. Ellen Van Dalinda, John Eades, and Kim Costigan also attended the meeting.

Minutes

Mr. Dalton made the motion to accept the minutes of January 29, 2009, as presented. Mr. Tranfaglia seconded the motion which was then passed.

Mr. Tranfaglia moved to accept the minutes of the emergency meeting of February 7, 2009. Mr. Dalton quickly seconded the motion. Passed.

Old Business

The budget. Mr. Matarazzo made several announcements: State Aid may be used to run the library; this is a first. \$11,000 has been received from State Aid, and, in five weeks another \$11,000 will be forthcoming. MBLC has also granted the library its requested waiver. Money from the Hyde Fund, State Aid, the Wilson Fund, and donations will be used to sustain the library for the remainder of the year

Mr. Dalton spoke at length about his perception of the state of the library. He spoke well, firmly in control, as he sketched past and present fiscal restrictions placed on the library.

Mr. Tranfaglia and Mr. Tyrell rounded out the presentation of the trustees.

Members of the audience also contributed. Mr. Dane gave

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information and the address for donations

Ms. Costigan and Ms. Connolly cheered everyone in attendance when they told of the warm response to the library on FaceBook.Com.

Next Meeting

The trustees will meet next at 6:30 P.M. on March 18, 2009, in the Hazlett Meeting Room.

Adjournment

At 7:11 P.M., Mr. Dalton moved to adjourn the meeting which had given the trustees and Friends an opportunity to bring their message to the public through WCAT television. Mr. Tranfaglia seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

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