Seymour Public Library Board of Directors
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 16, 2010

Present: Loreen Coe, Joyce Koslowski, Brian Koskelowski, Steve Kulas, Pauline Lounsbury, Diane Sosnovich, Susan Strumello, Carol Ralston, Head Librarian

CALL TO ORDER convened at 7:00 p.m. with pledge of allegiance led by Pauline Lounsbury.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from June 17, 2010 meeting was granted with correction noted regarding budget line for books and material reduced $3,000.00, should read reduced to $3,000.00 under Librarian’s Report. Brian Koskelowski also brought up that switching bank account in July from Bank of America to Naugatuck Savings and Loan, under New Business, should have been voted on. This was void and null, as Carol pointed out, because bank accounts were not switched.

Motion to Accept: Steve Kulas; Second: Diane Sosnovich; Abstain: Brian Koskelowski, Loreen Coe 5-2-0

TREASURER’S REPORT: Final Annual Treasurer’s Report for FY2009/2010 was accepted.
Motion to Accept: Steve Kulas, Second: Loreen Coe 7-0-0

July/August Treasurer’s Report was accepted.
Motion to Accept: Steve Kulas, Second: Diane Sosnovich 7-0-0

LIBRARIAN’S REPORT: The town budget for FY2009/2010 was over expended by $230.93 with $194.00 remaining in the endowment line. The Beach Fund will be used to purchase genealogies of families connected to Town of Seymour, local histories and history connected with Connecticut and the arts and crafts of the state settlers. Carol has asked the Board to transfer $500.00 from the Beach Fund to a supplemental income line to pay for an 1879 framed map and copies of Pictorial History of Seymour by Theresa Conroy. The library has also received a backup copy of Seymour Past and Present. Carol asked Loreen to find out if the library could retain copies of the town history from the Historical Society. There was discussion about obtaining a pictorial book of Seymour. Copies are limited and suggestions were made on how to make quality copies of the book on hand.

The K-Reception hosted for students entering kindergarten at Bungay, Chatfield and LoPresti schools was a great success. The morning program included 50 children and 58 adults for Bungay. Afternoon program attendees included 60 children and 58 adults. Feedback has been excellent from the schools, parents and from Carla Sullivan, representative from the Valley Foundation. The Library hopes to make this an annual event.

Wireless has been installed and we are just waiting for the electricians to install the routers and set up the wiring.

Board Treasurer Diane Sosnovich contacted the local Bank of America branch which resulted in the upgrade of our savings account from Regular status to Select Busines
Interest Max. Interest has gone from an average of 4.50 per month (February and March) to $33 (April – June). Rates changed from .01% to .04%. Mary Ann Magda will keep one thousand in checking account to protect the account from extra charges. We are grateful to Diane for securing this rate. At this time Carol asks that the board not move the account from Bank of America.

Motion to Approve: Steve Kulas; Second: Brian Koskelowski 7-0-0

Wooster Account: Regina Collins has been invited to the Board’s November 18, 2010 meeting to present the portfolio. Everyone is concerned about the loss of $99,000 in the second quarter. Carol requests the Board invite the First Selectman, Finance Director and members of the Finance Board to attend this meeting. The funds from the Wooster account impact services and have a direct relation to the town appropriation. We can start the meeting with this topic first on the agenda so the town representatives can leave or stay after this presentation. The Board approved Carol’s suggestion.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Total expenditures of $4,935.00 for September requested to be approved.

Motion to Accept: Brian Koskelowski; Second: Loreen Coe 7-0-0

Motion to Adjourn: Steve Kulas; Second: Joyce Koslowski 7-0-0

Next Meeting: October 21, 2010

Respectfully Submitted, Cheryl Abbott, Recording Secretary