

Seymour Public Library Board of Directors

Minutes from the Regular meeting – December 15, 2011

In attendance: Loreen Coe, Nancy Cretella, Joyce Koslowski, Steven Kulas, Pauline Lounsbury, Diane Sosnovich, Susan Strumello, Paul Thompson, Alfred Yangovane and Carol Ralston, Library Director

Call to order: Meeting convened at 7:05 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Pauline Lounsbury.

Election of officers for 2012-13 –
Chairman – Joyce Koslowski – 9-0-0
V. Chair – Steven Kulas – 5-4-0
Treasurer- Diane Sosnovich – 9-0-0
Secretary – Loreen Coe – 9-0-0

Approval of the Minutes from the November 17, 2011 – no additions or corrections.
Motion to accept: Steve Kulas; Second: Loreen Coe 5, with 4 abstaining

Treasurer's Report for November 17, 2011 – Motion to accept: Steven Kulas; second Loreen Coe 5, with 4 abstaining

Librarian's report: Carol Ralston reported that when the parts arrive the library boilers will be retrofitted for natural gas. It is hoped that another oil delivery will be the final one.

Old business: The Board continued to discuss the pending request to the Town for funds to repair and paint the trim on the library building. The Board would like to enlarge this request to include several maintenance issues which were contained in the report from the Energy Committee delivered to the Board by Tom Wallace in March 2011. Among the items mentioned were replacement of the windows on the lower level of the 1958 section of the building and the addition of more insulation in the attic. The Board decided to ask the Town to consider the application for a STEAP Grant funded through the State Bonding Commission. Carol will be meeting with First Selectman, Kurt Miller on Tuesday, 12/20/11 and will deliver this request.

New Business: The Board reviewed the Draft for the FY12/13 budget request for the library. On the endowment portion, Carol mentioned that the figure for the Hamel Trust was a firm figure. The final figure for the Wooster Trust will be known in early January when the year-end figures for 2011 will be available. The endowment portion of the budget should be available for final review and adoption at the January 19th board meeting.

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The Board reviewed the December materials request for \$2,180.00.

Motion to approve: Steven Kulas; second, Loreen Coe – 9-0-0

The Board reviewed the meeting dates for 2012.

Motion to approve as presented: Pauline Lounsbury; second Susan Strumello 9-0-0

Motion to add to agenda – a gift of thanks for the excellent services of our retiring recording secretary, Cheryl Abbott: Steven Kulas ; second, Pauline Lounsbury 9-0-0

Motion to adjourn: Loreen Coe; second Steven Kulas.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Strumello, Interim Recording Secretary

