Meeting Minutes

EAST HADDAM LIBRARY SYSTEM – Governance Committee

August 7, 2019 – 5:30pm

Rathbun Branch

**Trustees Present:** Juliana Tryon Ranaudo, Jane Chisholm
**Also Present:** Michael Gilroy

1. **Call to order**
   The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM

2. **Approval of Minutes from April 19, 2019**
   Minutes from the April 10, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

3. **Discussion on Board Manual**
   A draft update of the EHLS Board Manual is almost complete, including appendices. It is expected to be presented to the Board for review prior to the September Board Meeting.

4. **Elections and Vacancies**
   There are 4 vacant seats for the November election; there are candidates running for election to each vacant seat.

5. **Other Business**
   Progress toward EHLS Goals was reviewed
   a) Increase Library visibility in the community: Facebook updates are planned, including the posting of new acquisitions, and details of activities;
   b) Fund Raising: the Board is working with the Friends of both branches and has supported the EHFPL Book Sale planned for the East Haddam Fall Celebration 12 Oct;
   c) Collection expansion: books have been acquired to follow the Governor’s Reading Challenge; the popular Board game collection has been expanded; Planned book lists have been published in the local newspaper;
   d) Facility Planning: Priority issue is the EHFPL building, with Town Hearing expected this month.

6. **Audience of Citizens**
   No audience of citizens input.

7. **Adjournment**
   The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.
   The next meeting of the Governance Committee will be at 5:30 on October 9, 2019 at the EHFPL.