East Haddam Public Library System Finance Committee Minutes Moodus Branch April 11, 2016

Members present: Dawn Barlow, Michael Gilroy, Eileen Schwartz, John Bielot

We reviewed the status of the budget as of this date it remains 100% intact. April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm there will be a public hearing at the high school. At the state level the CT Education Network is being defunded. The Willimantic Service Center is closing – which will have minimal impact on our system – our service center is in Middletown.

Third quarter Financial reports are not available at this point.

Library Value Calculations – Michael and Laurie will work on these and have them for us in May.

Funding for Tri-fold brochure – will come out of our communications line item. The cost will be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$200

Grants – Eileen will work on the Walmart grant to help fund the books for newborns program and Dawn and Nancy are working on identifying needs and funding opportunities for the historic collection. John brought up the smile.amazon.com program – which is now functioning – for amazon purchases Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. We need to educate our patrons about this program and let them know they can direct this funding to the libraries.

Dawn and Michael will schedule a meeting with Cynthia Varricchio to review how we are using the SRF.

We will re-schedule the meeting with the Friends to adjust the 501C3 in order to make it inclusive of both branches.

The meeting concluded at 8pm

The next meeting of the Library Finance committee will be on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.