

EAST HADDAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

November 10, 2016

6:30 pm at the Rathbun Branch

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Dawn Barlow; Eileen Schwartz; Celina Nelan; John Bielot, Vicki Riley, Joanne Rocznik

Absent: Andrea Pascal, Maureen Gillis

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Gilroy

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Dawn Barlow at 6:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from October 13, 2016 meeting were approved as written by consensus.

REPORTS:

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Michael reviewed his report. Of note is the Mindful Meditation program – full at 13 participants – this program was very well received. For the month of November the library is accepting food for fines to benefit the food bank. We are still hoping for more respondents to the survey. It was suggested that Michael reach out to the high school – see if the survey can be posted on google classroom.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE:

First quarter budget is on track as planned. There was discussion about fine tuning the policy around designated donations. Michael will work with Selectman's office and Reading Room Association to address questions and finalize building transfer.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Planning for Comer Celebration continues. Speakers are planned – the library will host the Friday speaker. The plans for the memorial site are moving along with land clearing, design and labor set.

Governance:

Did not meet this past month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Reading Room and Friends are now under the same 501C3 and have a new PO Box

Maureen and Eileen attended the ACLB Conference on November 4th at University of Hartford. Eileen summarized what she learned from conference.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

The next meeting of the East Haddam Public Library System will be on December 8 at the Moodus Branch.