

**EAST HADDAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**November 08, 2018**

**6:30 pm at the Rathbun Branch**

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Dawn Barlow, Juliana Tryon Ranaudo, Andrea Pascal, Jane Chisholm, John Bielot, Janine Broe

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** Vicki Riley, Bill Barney

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michael Gilroy

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. A motion to accept the Minutes from the October 11, 2018 meeting was made by J.Bielot, A.Pascal seconded, minutes were approved.

**Director's Report**

There are some notable programs coming up including Family Night on Moodus Green and a Holiday Market at the Rathbun. The Holiday Program Brochure is available.

The Rathbun will be closed on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> for flooring repairs.

**Committee Reports**

**Program Committee:** The committee met and discussed next year's programs centered on Health.

Monthly programs will include digital, mental, physical, autism and financial health topics. There will be programs on anti-bullying, therapy cats, large tropical bats, a bike rodeo, dogs and a cut the cord program.

There will also be a large, prominent menorah and Kinara this holiday season.

**Governance Committee:** The committee will meet again in January. Replies to the annual survey are being compiled.

**Finance Committee:** The committee is waiting on some materials before presenting the budget proposal. The committee will ask Cindy Varricchio for a meeting to discuss a variety of topics.

The biggest gap in coverage caused by not filling the Assistant Director position seems to be the bookkeeping. A temporary solution might be requesting a part time bookkeeper until the Assistant Director position can be worked back into the budget.

**Planning Committee:** The group did a final review of the site options. In the next and final meeting, the group will prepare recommendations for the Board.

**Old Business:** The Eagle Scout shelving project is still waiting for approval from the Boy Scout leadership and has not begun.

**New Business:** J.Ranaudo suggested launching an annual Book Sale, perhaps during Fall Fest. J.Broe and A.Pascal volunteered to work on a committee with J.Ranaudo.

M.Gilroy is considering adding a board game collection to the library. Details would need to be worked out.

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:18pm.

The next meeting will be December 13, 2018 at the EHFPL Branch.