

**EAST HADDAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**March 14, 2018**

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

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Dawn Barlow, Juliana Tryon Ranaudo, Jane Chisholm, John Bielot, Bill Barney, Andrea Pascal, Vicki Riley

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** Janine Broe

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michael Gilroy

The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm. A motion to accept the Minutes from the February 14, 2018 meeting was made, minutes were approved without objection.

**Director's Report**

The fisher program was well received with over 30 attendees. The Pinterest party has also been popular with regular attendance.

The library will have a booth at the upcoming Celebrate East Haddam event. Volunteers to help man the booth and sign people up for library cards are needed. The event is April 27<sup>th</sup> from 11-3pm.

The library budget was not modified by the Board of Selectman but the capital projects were amended. The boiler and crumbling wall at the Rathbun were deemed urgent and will be handled this year. The budget goes to the Board of Finance next. Michael will keep the Board updated as to any meetings pertinent to the library budget and any questions the BoF may have.

There is no update as to the ownership question on the EHFPL building.

**Committee Reports**

**Program Committee:** The committee is planning to show the new Avenger movie April 29<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a Heart Health talk featuring Kate O'Boyle.

May is scheduled to have a program on Scam Alerts and June will be the Bike Rodeo. A donation jar will be made available at events. V.Riley suggested having the legacy brochures available.

**Governance Committee:** The committee did not meet this month. A draft of the new meeting room policy will be circulated to the Board before the next Board meeting.

**Finance Committee:** In addition to the topics covered in the director's report, the committee discussed how to get the new building proposal in front of the right people.

The group also is discussing shifting the focus from grant writing to fundraising/donations.

**Old Business**

The EHFPL friends will take over planning the suggested annual Fall book sale. Logistics planning is going well and the Board will continue to offer support.

B.Barney suggested publicizing new acquisitions in the local paper. There was also talk about an adopt a book program.

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:26pm.

The next meeting will be April 11, 2019 at the Rathbun Branch.