

Henry Carter Hull Library -- Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting
Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2019

Present: Rich Santanelli, Laurie Santos, Robert Igo, Meredith Adler, Ken McDonnell, Mary Gilbert, Dave Reynolds, Michael Brochu, Lynn Hidek

Absent: Christina Acampora, Phyllis McGrath, Dianne Flynn

Administrator: Maribeth Breen

Meeting was called to order by Rich Santanelli at 7:04.

- I. Bob made a motion to accept the minutes, Dave seconded, all approved, motion passed.
- II. Correspondence -- We received notification from the ACLB that our membership fee is due.
- III. Treasurer's Report -- Earlier in the evening, the Board's finance committee met with the Board of Selectman for the library's budget meeting. The only question posed was concerning the interest rate for the library's investments. The First Selectman, Christine Goupil, made an argument that the library should remain fully funded since it serves additional functions as a senior center and a community center in town. Dave Reynolds reviewed the Profit & Loss report as well as the library's investments and trust. The P&L looks good, the only notable item being our fine income continues to trend downward. The library's investments rebounded significantly in January, after December losses.
- IV. Director's Report -- Maribeth recently was interviewed on the "All Politics is Local" show on VSCTV. At the invitation of Christine Goupil, Maribeth enjoyed the opportunity to spread the word about HCH library events and offerings. The next two Saturdays (16th, 23rd) the library hosts its annual showing of the Oscar nominated shorts. This is the only place in CT you can see them for free. The first 25 people to arrive on each day will receive swag bags. In other news, tax preparation services are back in full swing, and we will be offering a new streaming service, Kanopy, which will provide access to independent films, documentaries, etc. Upcoming events include a craft sale on April 13th and the Kentucky Derby party on May 4th.

- V. Committee Reports -- We will be removing the wallpaper and repainting the staff kitchen.
- VI. Old Business -- The Board voted unanimously in favor of welcoming Michael Valenti to the Board.
- VII. New Business -- None at this time.
- VIII. Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 13
- IX. Dave made a motion to adjourn, Bob seconded, all approved at 7:45 p.m.