

Ansonia Library Board of Directors

Regular Monthly Meeting

January 5, 2015

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*Eileen Ehman*

Board Members Present

Margaret Sullivan, C.P.	Tamara Chisefsky
Karen Phipps, V.C.	Joanne Czczot
Violet O'Donnell	Marcia Dobrowski
Sue Behun	Eileen Ehman (T)
	Robert Martino

Others Present

MaryAnn Capone, Asst. Director

**Call to Order:** Mrs. Sullivan called the Ansonia Library Board of Directors' meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., at the Ansonia Library. All stood to pledge the flag. The recording clerk took roll call attendance: 7 present, 1 tardy, a quorum was declared.

**Consideration of Previous Minutes:** Mrs. Sullivan asked for a consideration of the December 1, 2014 minutes. Mrs. Phipps made the motion to accept the minutes with the corrections listed below. Miss Chisefsky 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor, the motion passed.

**Corrections:** on page 2 under FOTAL REPORT omit the last sentence. Under New Business the sentence should read "Mrs. Behun made the motion to adopt the 2015 Ansonia Library Board of Directors' meeting 2015 calendar....."

**Public Session:** Mrs. Sullivan called the public session to order asking three times if there was anyone from the public wishing to speak. With no one from the public wishing to speak, Mrs. Czczot made the motion to close the public session, Mrs. O'Donnell 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor, motion passed. Public session closed.

**Communications:** None

**Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Mrs. O'Donnell has submitted her report with the following balances as of January 5, 2015:

Checking Account Balance	\$16,003.88
Trust Fund Balance	\$553,883.57
Disbursement from Trust Fund as of 9/26/2014	\$ 14,297.21 (See attached)

Mrs. O'Donnell expressed interest in making purchases of appropriate subject matter from the American Legion #50 Fund.

There was a discussion regarding the timing of the Director's request of funds for the purchasing of books for the library. The request of monies should be submitted in writing no later than March/April, 2015.

**Librarian's Report:** Prepared by Joyce Ceccarelli on January 5, 2015; presented by MaryAnn Capone, Asst. Director.

It was questioned if the desk clerk is continuing to keep statistics of patrons' use of the library, and, "Yes, statistics are still being kept."

The Board will ask the director for a copy of the 2015/2016 proposed budget since it has yet to receive a copy. It was understood that the proposed 15/16 budget has been submitted to the Mayor without any communication from the director to the Board. The Board is aware that the 2015/2016 proposed budget calls for a 2 % reduction from the 2014/2015 final budget.

The Board expressed its dismay at the Director's failure to provide it with a copy of the proposed budget for discussion with the Board prior to submission to the town as requested in the March 2014 meeting which states "Mrs. Czczot stated, "If it is too late to change this year's budget, then fall '14 when the next budget is being written there should be a meeting with the library director to brainstorm how the budget is written."

**FOTAL Report:** No report.

Mrs. Ehman made the motion to accept he reports as submitted. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Martino, all in favor, motion passed.

**Late Communications:** None

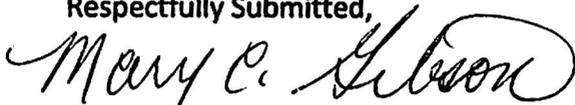
**New Business:** The Board will direct the Director to use the American Legion #50 Fund as stipulated for use.

Mrs. Phipps made the motion that the Library Director submits in writing her request for monies for books no later than March/April 2015, and that no request will be accepted after April 30, 2015. Mrs. Dobrowski 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**Adjournment:** The next meeting is February 2, 2015. The motion to adjourn was made at 7:10 p.m. by Mrs. Czczot and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. O'Donnell, all in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mary C. Gibson, Recording Clerk of  
Ansonia Library Board of Directors

Enclosures: Treasurer's Report  
Librarian's Report