

**WINTHROP PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES AGENDA
THURSDAY, March 9, 6:30 P.M.**

1. Bills to be signed
2. Call to order and acceptance of previous minutes
3. Old Business
 - a. Commonwealth's FY06 Budget recommendation for museum still intact.
 - b. Wireless connection postponement
4. New Business

FY07 Town Budget shortfall (possibly \$2,000,000)

 - a. Budget Transfers
 1. \$1,000 from State Aid to Conference
 2. \$1,000 from State Aid to Administration
 3. \$1,000 from State Aid to Building Maintenance
5. General Business

Director's talk to Chamber of Commerce

Mission Statement Approval

Negotiations delayed
6. Date of next meeting
7. Motion to adjourn

**Board of Trustees
Winthrop Public Library & Museum**

Minutes

Trustees meeting, Edward A. Hazlett Meeting Room, Winthrop Public Library
March 9, 2006

Mr. Matarazzo called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M. The following trustees were present: James Matarazzo, Chairman; Alex Alexanian, Vice-Chairman; Stephen Dalton, Betty Peabody, John Tranfaglia and Richard Tyrell.

The library was represented by John Cronin, Director; Ann Gutting, Ass't Director and Janice Flaherty, Administrative Assistant. Erin Flaherty, public member of the Capital Improvement Committee, also attended the meeting.

Minutes

Mr. Alexanian moved to accept the minutes of February 9, 2006. Ms. Peabody seconded the motion. Unanimous.

Old Business

a. - Commonwealth's FY06 Budget recommendation for museum is still intact.

b. - Wireless connection postponement. Mr. Cronin announced that he will wait on wireless connection.

New Business

FY07 Town Budget shortfall. A possible \$2,000,000 shortfall has been predicted. The gloomy forecast came with the notation that some town spending has come from the emergency fund.

A. - Budget Transfers—requested by the Director

1. - \$1,000 from State Aid to Conference. Mr. Tranfaglia moved that \$1,000 be taken from State Aid to fund this item. Ms. Peabody seconded the motion. Unanimous.

2. - \$1,500 from State Aid to Administration. Mr. Alexanian moved that \$1,500 be taken from State Aid for this purpose. Ms. Peabody seconded. Unanimous.

3. - \$1,000 from State Aid for Maintenance. Mr. Tranfaglia moved that \$1,000 be taken from State Aid for this use. Ms. Peabody Seconded the motion. Unanimous.

B. - Gift to the Library. The chairman reported that a check for \$30,000 from Mr. Basch had been received and deposited in the Hyde Fund. Mr. Matarazzo and Mr. Cronin shepherded this generous gift.

General Business

Director's talk to Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Cronin spoke (reportedly eloquently) at this month's breakfast meeting of the Chamber.

Mission Statement. On motion of Mr. Tranfaglia the library's Mission Statement was taken for editing and amendment to be submitted at the next meeting. Mr. Dalton seconded the motion. Unanimous.

Negotiation. There has been no movement by the Town on contracts for the library.

Date of Next Meeting

Adjournment

Mr. Alexanian moved to adjourn this meeting at 7:08 P.M. Mr. Tranfaglia quickly seconded the motion which met no opposition.

Afterword

It should be noted that Mr. Matarazzo ran tonight's meeting with solar speed, clinical efficiency and surgical deftness. Huzzah!

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