Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees Eastern Monroe Public Library

The regular scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Monroe Public Library was held on January 20, 2015 at the Hughes Library.

Present: Maria Candelaria, John Field, Gerard Geiger, Charles Green, Tim Hegarty, Seamus McGraw, Carol Pooley, Janis Selving, Ann Super, William Weitzmann.

Absent: Phyllis Gibson, Stan Miles, Anthony M. Stevens-Arroyo

Staff in attendance: Barbara Keiser, Korey Rustici, Julie Bonser, Mary Stewart Erm, Suzanne Campbell

Guests:

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM by Board President, J Field.

All members introduced themselves for the new members.

G Geiger/S McGraw moved to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2014 meeting as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

President's Report – John Field thanked everyone for their services and reviewed the major accomplishments for EMPL during his two terms. EMPL solicitor J Prevoznik will request property tax relief in the lease payments for our Smithfileds location.

Comments:

Treasurer's Report – The Board Treasurer, William Weitzmann, reviewed the report which had been emailed to Trustees previous to the meeting.

Comments:

J Field accepted the Treasurer's Report.

C Pooley/G Geiger moved to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

<u>Buildings and Equipment</u> – **J Field reported that Dry-vit contractors have yet to examine Hughes**

<u>Publicity & Community Relations</u> – **No report**

Policy and Operations - No report

<u>NominatingCommittee</u>: Representing Nominating Committee Chair P Gibson, J Field presented the slate of Board Officers for 2015 as follows:

G Geiger - President S Miles - Vice President S McGraw - Secretary W Weitzmann - Treasurer

<u>Art Committee</u>:- Library has an extensive art collection from various local artists. During February and March, photographs from the Jesse Weiss bequest will be on view in the gallery at Hughes. The Sunday **Pocono Record** will also feature several in the "Yesterdays Photos" column in the hope that some of the people will be identified by readers.

<u>Strategic Planning</u> – G Geiger reviewed what has been accomplished so far and where we are in the process for the benefit of the new board members.

S McGraw/C Green moved to go into executive session at 9:10am to discuss potential candidates for the director position.

S McGraw/A. Super moved to get out of executive session at 9:25am.

<u>Personnel</u> – Second interviews will be arranged for candidates applying for the director position.

Director's Report – Associated libraries has scheduled meetings with vendors to get quotes for a new combined catalog and circulation system for the county. The Youth services department programming for 2015 began at all locations. February 3 is the first day of our AARP tax services at the Hughes and will also be available on Saturdays at Smithfields. A print report will be distributed when the 2014 annual activity totals are available.

B Keiser thanked all board members for their service, time enthusiasm and dedication.

Comments:

Youth Report – The report was distributed by email previous to the meeting.

Comments:

Old Business -

New Business –

S McGraw/ A Super moved to elect the slate of new officers of the Board as presented by the Nominating Committee chair P Gibson via J Field. The motion was carried unanimously.

B Keiser & G Geiger presented the retiring board members in attendance, C Pooley and J Field, with a plaque thanking them for their time and service on the EMPL Board of Trustees.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM on a motion by S McGraw/J Selving which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Korey Rustici, Administrative Manager