

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
STATE LIBRARY BOARD
September 27, 2010

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Members present: Bob Harris, Mollie Keller, Allen Hoffman, Judge William Lavery, Joy Hostage, Daphne Deeds, Linda Anderson, Judge Francis Hennessy, Eileen DeMayo, John Barry

Members absent: Mark McQuillan, Scott Hughes

Others present: Kendall Wiggin, Jane Beaudoin, Sharon Brettschneider, Mark Smith, Nancy Peluso, Mary Louise Jensen (State Library), Nancy Nolan (Ridgefield Public Library), Carl Nawrocki (FOCL),

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mollie Keller at

MINUTES

It was MOVED (W. Lavery) seconded (B. Harris) THAT THE MINUTES OF THE May 24, 2010 & July 26, 2010, BOARD MEETINGS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED. PASSED unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sharon Brettschneider announced that planning is underway for the first ever Connecticut Book Festival which is scheduled for May 21-22, 2010 and will be held at the UConn, Greater Hartford Campus. The featured speaker and honorary chair of the festival is Wally Lamb. The festival is sponsored by the CT Center for the Book at the Hartford Public Library, CT Commission on Culture & Tourism, CT Humanities Council, CT Library Association, CT State Library, Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, UConn Co-op Bookstore, and the UConn, Greater Hartford Campus. Sharon distributed an announcement of the Connecticut Book Festival Fundraising Gala Reception which is scheduled for November 20, 2010 at the Town & County Club, 22 Woodland Street, Hartford. More information is available at ctbookfestival.org.

STATE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Ken Wiggin stated that State Library staff, Mary Engels and Linda Williams, along with Kat Lyons of the Hartford Public Library, were in Washington, DC to staff a table at the Pavillion of the States at the National Book Festival. The Library of Congress provides grants to the State Library Agencies to support each state's participation. The upcoming Connecticut Book Festival scheduled for May 2011 will be a nice compliment to the National Festival.

OTHER REPORTS

Connecticut Library Association (CLA): There was no report.

Advisory Council for Library Planning and Development (ACLPD): Sharon Brettschneider stated that nominations to ACLPD are on the agenda for later in this meeting.

Association of Connecticut Library Boards (ACLB): There was no report.

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Connecticut Library Consortium (CLC): There was no report.

CLC

Friends: Carl Nawrocki reported that on Saturday November 6, 2010, The Friends of Connecticut Libraries will hold their Annual Conference with a program that focuses on membership. The conference will be held at Central CT State University in New Britain, CT. If you are interested in attending, the deadline for registration is October 22, 2010. Last year's conference was filled and some Friends were not able to attend. Arrangements for a larger room have been made for this year but early registration is still encouraged.

FRIENDS

OLD BUSINESS

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Budget Update: Ken distributed the State Library's financial report which has a new format. Ken also distributed his proposed reductions to meet the Governor's requested 15% budget reduction options. The proposal was discussed in great detail. There was a difference of opinion amongst the Board about the proposed adjustment to the Grants to Public Libraries line item. It was MOVED (J. Hostage) seconded (A. Hoffman) TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED STATE LIBRARY REDUCTION OPTIONS FOR CURRENT SERVICES BUDGET FY2012 and FY2013 - WITH APPREHENSION. PASSED with three no votes: (J. Barry, L. Anderson, W. Lavery)

Budget Update

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Legislative Update:

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Ken Wiggin stated that he would like to propose legislative action to increase the land recording filing fee that supports the Historic Documents Preservation program. The proposed increase would raise the \$3 fee to \$6 and would add an estimated \$300,000 to the State Library's budget. Ken Wiggin explained that this fee has not been increased in the 7 years that it has existed and also explained how the revenue from this fee is disbursed. Judge Lavery stated that he is opposed to this fee increase. After considerable discussion among the Board it was MOVED (J. Barry) seconded (F. Hennessy) THAT ANY ACTION ON THE PROPOSED FEE INCREASE BE TABLED UNTIL THE NOVEMBER 22, 2010 MEETING. PASSED unanimously. Ken Wiggin will bring more information about this proposal to the next meeting.

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Ken Wiggin said that he would also like to seek a legislative change to the Public Library Construction legislation to provide the State Library with a small portion of the bond allocation to offset some of the administrative costs of the program. One of the retirees that the Library was not able to replace was the grants administrator in the Business Office. After much discussion there was consensus that the Board needed more information on this and that Ken should not move forward on this until after further discussion at the November meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

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Approval of State Public Library Construction Grant Extension for the Middlebury Public Library Association: It was immediately MOVED (W. Lavery) seconded (B. Harris) THAT THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD APPROVES MIDDLEBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S GRANT EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE TO INITIATE ITS PROJECT FOR THE \$500,000 STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION

Approval of Grant Extension

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GRANT TO DECEMBER 29, 2011. PASSED unanimously. Mary Louise Jensen thanked the Board for Jane Gallagher, who was unable to attend the meeting. She reported that the Middlebury library has hired an architect to redo the schematics. They are also working on the water main and a gas connection.

Approval of State Public Library Construction Grant Extension for the New London Library: Mary Louise reported that this request has been rescinded because the library has already started construction.

Approval of State Public Library Construction Grant Extension for the Ridgefield Library Association: It was immediately MOVED (W. Lavery) seconded (B. Harris) THAT THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD APPROVES THE RIDGEFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE TO INITIATE ITS PROJECT FOR THE \$500,000 STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION GRANT TO DECEMBER 29, 2011. PASSED unanimously. Mary Louise Jensen introduced Christine Nolan of the Ridgefield Library who thanked the Board and stated that Ridgefield is moving towards a referendum and continuing to fundraise.

Approval of Appointments to the Advisory Council for Library Planning and Development (ACLPD): Sharon Brettschneider reported that the statutes provide for annual appointments to ACLPD by the State Library Board. Nine nominations are being presented for consideration. It was MOVED (W. Lavery) seconded (J. Barry) THAT THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR LIBRARY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A TERM BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2010 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012: DENISE STANKOVICS (Library User Region 3), GARY GIANNELLI (Large Public Libraries), ROBERT FARWELL (Medium Public Libraries), AMY TERLAGA (CT Library Consortium), ANNE LEENEY-PANAGROSSI (Academic Libraries), ELAINE DEVOSS (School Library Media Centers), STEVEN FAMIGLIETTI (Persons with Disabilities), VALERIE KILMARTIN (Small Public Libraries), MARY HOGAN (Shared Automation Systems) and PAUL MCILVAINE (Library User Region 4). PASSED unanimously.

Agreement Between the Connecticut Heritage Foundation, Inc. and the Connecticut State Library: Ken Wiggin reported that the statutes require that there be a written agreement between the State Library and the Connecticut Heritage Foundation. A recent audit of the Connecticut Heritage Foundation showed that the 1995 agreement between the State Library and the Foundation had not been updated to reflect the Foundation's name change in 1999 from the Connecticut State Library and Museum Foundation, Inc, to the Connecticut Heritage Foundation. It was MOVED (W. Lavery) seconded (F. Hennessy) THAT THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD APPROVES THE OPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE LIBRARY AND THE CONNECTICUT HERITAGE FOUNDATION AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE STATE LIBRARIAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE STATE LIBRARY. PASSED unanimously.

Approval of Library Service and Technology Act (LSTA) Needs Assessment Grants: Sharon Brettschneider explained that the State Library conducts a competitive grant program using federal LSTA funds. The State Library opened an accelerated, six month grant round in September, 2010, which will end in

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Approval of Appointments to ACLPD

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Approval of State Library & Connecticut Heritage Foundation Agreement

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Approval of LSTA Needs Assessment Grants

March, 2011. An application was received from the Cragin Memorial Library in Colchester and the Wolcott Public Library. If the grant requests are approved, both libraries will receive \$1,500. It was MOVED (W. Lavery) seconded (J. Hostage) THAT THE STATE LIBRARY BOARD APPROVES THE ALLOCATION OF \$3000 IN LSTA FUNDS FOR TWO COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT GRANTS. PASSED unanimously.

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Joy Hostage asked about the Third Thursday programs. Ken Wiggin stated that it is a new program where there is a presentation given in Memorial Hall from 12:00 p.m.-12:45 p.m. The next one is scheduled for Thursday, October 21. The presentation is called "*Death by Witchcraft: Witch Trials and Medicine in 17th Century Connecticut*" and will be presented by historical consultant, Robert Laughlin. Ken will send the Board members a schedule of the programs once they are finalized.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 22, 2010, at 1:15 p.m. at the Van Block Facility.

Respectfully submitted,

Kendall F. Wiggin, Secretary

Jane Beaudoin, Recorder