

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
STATE LIBRARY BOARD
January 25, 2016

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Members present: John N. Barry, Bob Harris, Judge Michael Sheldon, Allen Hoffman, Jay Johnston, Justice Peter Zarella, Ellen Cohn

Members absent: Matt Poland

Others present: Dawn La Valle, Mark Smith, Jane Beaudoin, Lizette Pelletier, LeAnn Power, Robert Kinney, Diane Pizzo, Carol Trinchitella, Jane Cullinane, Yasemin Agis, Maritza Pagan, Christine Pittsley, Gratien Meda, Tamra Coleman, Elizabeth Esquilin, Christine Gauvreau (State Library)

MINUTES

It was MOVED (J. Johnston) seconded (A. Hoffman) THAT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 23, 2015, BOARD MEETING BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED. PASSED unanimously.

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BOARD COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Harris distributed copies of an article that appeared in the November, 2015 issue of *CRUX* magazine. *CRUX* is published by the Episcopal Church in Connecticut. The article was titled "The importance of partnerships", and was written by Matt Poland. The article explains the Hartford Public Library's commitment to building long lasting partnerships in order to address the increasing and broader needs and expectations within the community. Bob complimented Matt, who was not able to attend the meeting, on his article and acknowledged his dedication and success in his leadership of the Hartford Public Library.

**BOARD
COMMENTS/
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

John Barry stated that he's sure the Hartford Public Library will miss Matt and that the Russell Library in Middletown is lucky to have him.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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STATE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

John advised, that in Ken's absence, the board direct any questions on the State Librarian's Report to Jane. She will see that Ken receives them.

**STATE
LIBRARIAN'S
REPORT**

John introduced Diane Pizzo, Head of Collection Services who gave a presentation on her division. Diane introduced each member of her staff and briefly explained their respective responsibilities. She also explained the responsibilities of the Collection Services unit as a whole. Ellen Cohn thanked the Collection Services staff for doing so much on such a bare bones budget. John expressed his appreciation, on behalf of the board, for their important work which helps keep the State Library moving forward.

OTHER REPORTS

Connecticut Library Association (CLA): CLA President Beth Crowley was unable to attend the meeting. Dawn La Valle stated that CLA has hired Gallo and Robinson as their new lobbyist.

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CLA**

ACLPD

Advisory Council for Library Planning and Development (ACLPD): Dawn La Valle reported that deliverIT CT (formerly CCar) has officially taken over the routes formerly assigned to a private contractor. With the hiring of 4 full-time drivers and 4 new vans, the transition is going well. As part of the transition process, ACLPD assembled a deliverIT CT Task Force to research and review interlibrary loan standards and develop guidelines and marketing programs so that the library community will understand the steps that will be taken to ensure the sustainability of this important service.

CLC

Connecticut Library Consortium (CLC): No report at this time.

ACLB

Association of Connecticut Library Boards (ACLB): Dawn La Valle reported that Betsy McIlvaine has resigned from ACLB. ACLB is actively seeking new board members and hopes to host a meeting on February 11, 2016, for these new members.

FOCL

Friends of Connecticut Libraries (FOCL): No report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

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Budget Update

Budget Update: Mark Smith answered questions on the financial report that was included in the board packet. Although Ken expressed to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) the impact the holdbacks would have on the State Library, no reassurances for restoration to the operating budget were offered.

Judge Sheldon addressed the cut reflected in the Legal/Legislative Library Materials line item. He questioned whether there was a list prepared to see what resources in the collections are affected by this. Judge Sheldon is willing to contribute time to make suggestions on what shouldn't be lost from the collections.

Diane Pizzo replied that, yes, the continuity of the collections could be compromised. She will prepare the information Judge Sheldon has requested. Mark Smith thanked Judge Sheldon for his support. This matter will be expanded on at the next State Library Board meeting scheduled for March 28.

Legislative Update

Legislative Update: John encourage the board to email Ken with any matters they would like considered by the legislature this session.

NEW BUSINESS

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Approval of Appointments to the Connecticut Digital Library Advisory Board (CDLAB): CDLAB is seeking approval of six nominees to the CDLAB. It was Moved (J. Johnston) seconded (A. Hoffman): That the State Library Board approves the appointments of Pamela Graham (U.S. Coast Guard Academy) and Janice Wilson (Eastern CT State University) in the category of Academic Librarians; Max Cohen (New Canaan Public Library) in the category of Public Librarian; Cynthia Sanders (The Sanders Solution in Middletown) in the category of Business Community or Library User; Rob McCoolle (Guilford Public Library) in the category of Parent of a K-12 Student; and Jenifer Smolnik (Ellington High School) in the category of School Librarian, for terms of January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017; Andrea Buka to a second term of February 26, 2016 to February 25, 2018 in the category of Student, School or College; and the appointments of Barbara Johnson and Marie Shaw to the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson positions, respectively, for January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016.

Appointments to ACLB

Motion

John questioned what authority the State Library Board has in the nominations stage of the CDLAB member recommendations since it ultimately approves the nominations. Dawn explained that the CDLAB membership consists of individuals who represent the library, education and business communities in Connecticut. CDLAB's Nominations Committee is charged with recruiting candidates for appointment or reappointment to CDLAB and also prepare recommendations for its board officers. Once the CDLAB Nominations Committee has completed its review of the nominations, recommendations are brought to the State Library Board for approval. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 1:55 p.m., it was MOVED (B. Harris) TO ADJOURN. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 28, 2016, in the State Library's Reading Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Beaudoin, Recorder