

**MINUTES**  
**SIMSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Town of Simsbury, Connecticut**  
**Regular Meeting – Monday, January 8, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**  
**Simsbury Public Library – Weatogue Room and Zoom**

**Present:** Director of Simsbury Public Library, Lisa Miceli; Chair of the Library Board of Trustees, Holly McGrath; Vice Chair of the Library Board of Trustees, Polly Rice; President of the Friends, Greg Golinski; Library Board of Trustees Members: Anne Erickson, Tolly Gibbs, Mary Glassman, Laurie Shinaman, and Rebecca Schultz.

**Absent:** Library Board of Trustees Member, Collen Yates.

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Ms. McGrath called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 18, 2023**

**MOTION:** Ms. O’Neil made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rice, to accept the Minutes of the December 18, 2023, Regular Meeting, as written. Ms. Glassman abstained. The motion carried unanimously.

**IV. PUBLIC AUDIENCE**

No public audience.

**V. COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. McGrath stated that the Sustainability Committee will partner with the Library and hold a Sustainability Fair in late April or early May.

**VI. ELECTION OF SECRETARY**

**MOTION:** Ms. Rice nominated Ms. Glassman as Secretary of the Library Board of Trustees. Ms. O’Neil seconded the nomination. The nomination carried unanimously.

**VII. FRIENDS’ REPORT**

Mr. Golinski reported that Great Decisions starts tomorrow.

**VIII. CHAIR’S REPORT**

No Chair's Report.

Ms. Miceli stated:

- The new Town Manager, Marc Nelson, began today.
- The Connecticut Humanities Grant that would have funded the mobile cooking Charlie Cart was denied, but wanted to know if the Library Board of Trustees would still fund the \$7,500 that they agreed to match to the grant so that they can find another grant to fund the remainder of the Charlie Cart.
  - Mr. Golinski stated that the Friends will still offer their financial support.

**MOTION:** Ms. Gibbs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rice, to have the Library Board of Trustees fund \$7,500 towards the Charlie Cart. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Miceli stated that The American Revolution: Artifacts and Stories from Across Connecticut display is in the Technology Learning Center until January 30<sup>th</sup>. This traveling exhibit was made possible through the generosity of the Abigail Phelps Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Simsbury Historical Society.

#### **IX. BUDGET 2023-2024**

Ms. Miceli stated that under the "Administration" section, "Equipment Maintenance" is still reflecting as overbudget. The Library has corrected it at their end and is waiting for the Finance Department to change it on their side. She has the Budget meeting with the Town Manager and Finance Department on Thursday the 11th. The Budget Workshop is on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Shinaman inquired about the elevator. Ms. Miceli responded that work began January 2<sup>nd</sup> and should take 5-6 weeks.

#### **X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No executive session necessary.

#### **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Ms. McGrath made a motion, seconded by Ms. O'Neil, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. McGrath adjourned the meeting at 7:08 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Blaze  
Commission Clerk

