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SIMSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF

TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday,

February 27, 2012

THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT YET BEEN APPROVED BY THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT: Marianne O'Neil, Joy Himmelfarb, David Blume, Lydia Chiapetti, Diane Madigan, and Diana Fiske. Susan Bullock, Director, Eileen Sickinger, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. O'Neil, Chair, at 7:05 P.M. Mrs. Madigan moved that the minutes of the January 23, 2012 meeting be approved with one spelling correction and, correct that the six library hours were removed last year. Second: Mrs. Fiske. The minutes were approved as corrected.

PUBLIC AUDIENCE: George Boissard, Friends Liaison.

There were no additional agenda items.

COMMUNICATIONS: Recent TV and print coverage of the proposed budget were reviewed and Mrs. O'Neil thanked everyone for their help in promoting the return of the six hours.

Mrs. Bullock received a letter from the Jack and Jill organization about their use of the Library and both Mrs. Bullock and Mrs. O'Neil have responded.

REPORTS: Friends: Mr. Boissard reported on the Friends January meeting. A piano has been obtained by Friends for the Library and it will be delivered after the Avon Library's piano is returned. At this point a new treasurer has not been found. Plaques have been put in place for both the Ruth Bolz and Dorothy Lappen Large Print Collections. At this evening's Board of Selectmen's meeting the Friends' gifts to the Library for the 2011 calendar year will be acknowledged.

Personnel/Budget: During discussion on the monitoring of the part-time personnel budget, the overall current budget was covered. Mrs. Bullock reported on spending in general and noted that ordering is complete. The Town's cuts and changes to the proposed budget were reviewed. Reinstatement of the lost six hours remains a top priority. The Library was well represented at this evening's budget workshop and the final budget workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, February 29th.

Decorating: Mrs. Bullock, Mrs. Glew and Mrs. O'Neil have spoken with Dale Cutler, architect, about the dark spaces in the building.

Building, Landscaping and Parking: A meeting regarding the upper level

handicapped parking, as well as the condition of some of the trees, will be arranged. The P.M. outside lighting is still poor and Mrs. Bullock will bring this up to Mr. Sawitzke.

The Chair's and Director's reports were covered in above reports.

RESTRUCTURE UPDATE: The meeting for Friday, March 2nd has been cancelled and another date will be determined later.

At 8:45 P.M. J. Himmelfarb moved for adjournment. Second: D. Madigan. So moved.

Diane Madigan, Secretary/es