

## **Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Troy Library October 10, 2018**

**Attendees:** N. Burgin, M. Gavazzi, E. Katz Greenstein(presiding), C. Kennedy, M. Miller, A. Nock , M. Oliver, L. Segreto

Also attending: P. Hicok

**Minutes:** Approved on a motion from L. Segreto and seconded by M. Miller.

**Public Comment:** None

**Treasurer's report:** M. Oliver made the motion to "pay the bills." The motion was seconded by L. Segreto.

Oath of office for new members: Cheryl Kennedy and Evelyn Katz Greenstein were sworn in.

Building committee: We will meet on November 5 at 3 PM, at Main.

Administration committee: We met last month to go over different formats for evaluating the director. We will meet again this Thursday at 6:30.

Nominating committee report and elections of officers: The following officers were elected: N. Burgin, Secretary, M. Miller , Treasurer(nomination from the floor. L. Segreto and A. Nock made and seconded the motion). The office of President was contested. M. Gavazzi won; E. Katz Greenstein accepted the position of Vice President.

Community Foundation Grant: N. Preston needs our questions.

**President's report:** Upper Hudson Library Association says their audit is in the black. It will now be possible to pay fines with a credit card. Not all libraries are doing this, but Troy is. There are many variables that go into fines. It is up to the individual board of each library. All libraries that were offered the Upper Hudson grant have accepted. Upper Hudson is waiting to hear if other library systems have extra funds. UHLS will repackage the Advocacy Program for 2019. New York Library Association meets November 7-10, in Rochester. It will be Tim Burke's conference as president. Farmers' Market outreach will be October 20, from 9-2. C. Kennedy asked about a Capital campaign, and /or a Strategic Plan. She pointed out that, in some cases, fines inhibit availability.

Board Committees: The Building Committee is a Committee of the Whole. Administration Committee members are N. Burgin, A. Nock, E. Katz Greenstein, C. Kennedy, M. Miller, and L. Segreto. Finance Committee members are: M. Gavazzi, E. Katz Greenstein, C. Kennedy, M. Miller and L. Segreto.

**Director's report:** For our vote this year, we had worse weather and a better turn out. 6:1 budget approval. Total votes were 422, with 365 yes and 57 no.. The breakdown is as follows: Lansingburgh had 64 yes votes and 33 no votes. Main had 288 yes votes and 21 no votes. Absentee ballots were 13 yes and 3 no. We received a larger payment from the City. Upper Hudson grant will be for \$190,300 which is 80%

of our original request. Our match would be \$128,200. Lansingburgh front windows are in. P. Hicok will be on vacation for the next two weeks.

**Old/New business:** We thank E. Katz Greenstein for her service as Board President.

Public comment: None.

**Next meeting: November 13, 2018. Finance Committee meets at 5:15. Regular Board meeting starts at 5:30**