

**Town of Ulster Public Library
Board Meeting
September 8, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by President Anne Davis. Ann Decker, Joseph Kovacs, Richard Metzger, Ruth Quick, Todd VanEtten, Lurline Adams, Anne Davis, Cynthia Wadnola and Library Director Faith Johnson were present. Dorothy Carbo was excused.

Communications: There were no communications received.

Minutes: The minutes of the August 11th meeting passed unanimously as Lurline Adams made the motion to approve and Todd VanEtten seconded the motion.

Director's Report: Faith Johnson reported Stephanie has been wonderful keeping up with categorizing the books for the Book Fair set for Saturday, October 3, 2009. Five hundred people attended the Summer Reading Program. Fall Story Hour will begin on September 28th. Junior Programs start September 25th. Flags are being created to be flown during the opening ceremonies of the Walkway over the Hudson. A Heartfelt THANK YOU was given to all the leaving trustees.

Statistics Report: Every phase of operations- circulation, holds and summer reading programs are up for the year.

Financial Report: Joseph Kovacs made a motion to approve the financial transactions. Lurline Adams seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was approved 8-0, one excused. Anne Davis made a motion to accept with regret Jessica Spada's resignation and to present her with a gift for all her service to the library. Richard Metzger seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was approved 8-0, one excused. Anne Davis made a motion to accept the bid to update our fire alarm system. Ruth Quick seconded. The motion was approved 6 yes, 1 no, 2 excused.

Committee Reports: The Policy Committee will be meeting to review existing policies. The grates were removed by Mr. Organtini. We thank the Organtini's for all their help. They did not charge us any rental fee for the use of the grates. They were in place from February to September. Richard is redoing the craft room to help with better organization. The Long Range Planning Committee is hosting a meeting on Monday, October 5th at 5PM at the Library. Josh Cohen, Executive Director of MHLS and Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Coordinator of Member Information will make a presentation on what could be included in a long range plan. The public is welcomed.

Old Business: Faith Johnson reported the election went smoothly. Three new trustees, Jeanette Debeaumont, Jackie LaBarge, and Walter Maxwell, were elected. The budget was also passed. Seven absentee ballots were submitted. The election committee will meet with Chairperson Sainsbury for a follow up assessment of the revised election procedures.

New Business: The first meeting of the new board will be rescheduled for October 6th so Faith can attend the NYLA Conference. The UCLA Meeting is scheduled for September 21st.

The meeting was adjourned at 9PM.

A public comment was made concerning possible credit for Solar energy was made.

Respectfully Submitted:

Cynthia A. Wadnola, CEC