

**Liaison Report to DA from MHLS Board Meeting
September 19, 2012
Mid-Hudson Library System Auditorium**

Trustees Present:

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| X Baker Brill, Lisa (Greene) | X Minor, Michael (Ulster) |
| X Benton Profera, Caroline (Greene) | X Morini, Regina (Putnam) |
| X Bickford, John (Dutchess) | X Patterson, Roland (Dutchess) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conine, Bill (Greene) | X Perry, Matthew (Columbia) |
| X Hoffmann, Peter (Ulster) | X Sameth, Myrna (Ulster) |
| X MacNish, Steve (Dutchess) | X Schnitzer, Janet (Columbia) |
| X Miller, Martin (Putnam) | X Tuttle, Jim (Columbia) |

Staff Present: Peggy Winn, Linda Vittone, Mike Nyerges, Merribeth Advocate, Rebekkah Smith-Aldrich, Robert Drake, Eric McCarthy

Directors Present: Erica Freudenberger (Red Hook), Tom Lawrence (PPLD)

Visitors: Fred Van Tassel, Mary Keelan, Frank Van Zanten

Action Items:

1. Minutes of July 11, 2012 approved
2. Financial Report for June approved
3. Financial Report for July approved
4. Financial Report for August approved
5. Warrant for July accepted
6. Warrant for August accepted
7. Revised NYSHIP Resolution & Policy for Post-Employment Benefit Insurance approved
8. Revised NYSHIP Resolution & Policy for Dependent Survivor Coverage approved
9. MHLS Mileage Reimbursement Policy approved
10. MHLS Conference Travel Policy approved
11. Authentication of MHLS Construction Grant Application approved
12. Member Library Construction Grant recommendations approved
13. Proposed Meeting Dates for 2013 approved
14. Approval was given for Executive Director to designate an Assistant Director for 2013.

Discussion Items:

1. MHLS BOT President Peter Hoffmann
 - a. Attended two DA meetings since last MHLS BOT meeting
2. Executive Director Mike Nyerges
 - a. Invited all to the Annual Meeting on October 19 at FDR Library in Hyde Park
 - b. Membership satisfaction survey is being reviewed by Ad Hoc System Services Committee
 - c. MHLS will apply for a \$22,828 Construction Grant for asbestos abatement in the basement of the auditorium. Total costs are expected to be \$45,657.
 - d. Replacement of auditorium roof will begin soon, to be completed this fall. Painting and refurbishing of Auditorium's façade scheduled for spring 2013, expected to cost \$12,500.
 - e. MHLS has received 90% of state aid. Expect to receive an additional \$27,350 in general aid, \$29,005 in categorical aid.
 - f. Former intern Elizabeth Anastasi is now a temporary employee working on a special project.
3. Trustee Martin Miller reminded all that Rotary Clubs are focused on literacy this year, reach out to partner with local Rotary Clubs.

4. Dutchess County Trustees Steve MacNish, Skip Patterson and John Bickford attended a Board of Trustees meeting at East Fishkill Library.
5. The MHLS BOT went into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

*Next meeting 8:30 a.m. Friday, October 19, 2012, at MHLS.
Respectfully submitted by Erica Freudenberger*