

**Liaison Report to DA from MHLS Board Meeting
September 17, 2014
Mahopac Public Library**

Trustees Present:

Caroline Profera Benton (Greene)	X	Roland Patterson (Dutchess)
X John Bickford (Dutchess)	X	Lynne Ridgeway (Ulster)
X Lisa Baker Brill (Greene)	X	David Rolfe (Ulster)
X John Dax (Columbia)	X	Myrna Sameth (Ulster)
X Stephen Mac Nish (Dutchess)	X	Janet Schnitzer (Columbia)
X Michele Ment (Putnam)	X	Camilla von Bergen, Camilla (Putnam)
X Regina Morini (Putnam)	X	Mark Wilson (Columbia) (via Skype)

Staff Present: Merribeth Advocate, Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Robert Drake, Tom Sloan, Linda Vittone, and Peggy Winn.

Liaisons Present: Frank Rees (Saugerties),

Others Present: Representatives from Sedore & Company, CPA's; Carol Donick, Director of Kent Public Library.

Presidents Report:

President Patterson welcomed attendees.

Action Items & Discussion Items:

- Minutes of July 2014 meeting approved.
- Approved Treasurers Reports: June, July, and August.
- Approved Warrants: June, July, and August.
- Reviewed and accepted the proposed 2015 budget summary report format.
- Approved the expenditure of System Capital Funds for two exterior MHLS building maintenance projects.
- Authenticated the System's Construction Grant Application for 2014-2015.
- Approved the Incentive's Committee's recommendations for 2014-2014 member library Construction Grants.
- Reviewed the formats for the 2014 Annual Member Survey to Library Directors and Board Presidents.
- Authorized the Executive Director to hire the C.P.A firm of Sedore & Company, CPA's, P.C., to provide the System's review/auditing services for the years ending December 31, 2014 and 2015.
- Went into Executive Session to review the results of the Executive Director's evaluation.
- Were presented a PowerPoint "tour" of the 8 Putnam County Libraries, by Carol Donick, Director of the Kent Public Library

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 24, 12:30 p.m., at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel (immediately following the Annual Membership Meeting).

Respectfully submitted by Frank Rees (Saugerties)