

Liaison Report to DA from MHLS Board Meeting

March 21, 2015

MHLS Auditorium

Trustees Present:

X	Caroline Profera Benton (Greene)	X	Roland Patterson (Dutchess)
	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	Dean Lavin (Dutchess)	X	Janet Schnitzer (Columbia)
X	Michele Ment (Putnam)	X	Richard Swierat (Dutchess)
	Regina Morini (Putnam)	X	Camilla von Bergen, Camilla (Putnam)
		X	Mark Wilson (Columbia)

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

Liaisons Present: Frank Rees (Saugerties), Tom Lawrence (Poughkeepsie)

Others Present: Sara Potwin (LaGrange)

Items:

- Approved minutes from February 13, 2015 meeting.
- Approved December 2014 and January 2015 Treasurers Report.
- Reviewed Moving Forward Assessment Project and the Interlibrary Loan Services Assessment.
- Reviewed issues regarding funding of public library services by the Town of Union Vale.
- Accepted claims of “serious inequities and hardships” filed by the boards of the Beekman, LaGrange, and Millbrook Libraries based on 5% or more of each library’s circulation going to Town of Union Vale residents.
- Authorized the MHLS Executive Director to implement a plan for restrictions for Town of Union Vale residents in collaboration with the Beekman Library, LaGrange Library, the Millbrook Free Library and the MHLA Directors Association.
- Approved funding priorities and a definition of an “economically disadvantaged community” for the Public Library Construction Program.
- Reviewed and accepted Certification of Expenditures of 2014 Central Library.
- Approved 2015 Central Library Development Aid and Central Book Aid Budget.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 10:00 a.m., at the Roeliff Jansen Community Library (Hillsdale).

Respectfully submitted by Frank Rees (Saugerties).

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