

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

6/15/10

1. The Board welcomed Company-elected Trustees Cynthia Sanders and Bruce Markot and City-appointed Trustee Izzi Greenberg. Trustee Kamins was reappointed by the City.
2. The Board elected Officers for 2010-2011:

President	Richard Kamins
Vice-President	Carolyn Shaw
Secretary	Andrew Becker
Treasurer	Marvin Farbman
3. The Edna and Benjamin Creative Writing Awards Ceremony drew many families.
4. We submitted a Neighborhood Assistance Act application for enclosing the front entrance way, through a 100% business tax credit for energy conservation by Northeast Utilities.
5. We submitted a \$22,500 request for CNR (Capital Non-Recurring) funds for 15 computers and peripherals, 10 laptop computers for classes, and a laptop charging cart. Using laptop PCs for teaching computer classes in the Hubbard Room will free up the 9 machines in our teaching area for use by the public during classes.
6. We thanked the Citizens Advisory Committee for a new \$13,750 Community Development Block Grant for our Job and Career Services.
7. We reviewed 100+ applications for Reference Librarian, the Business & Career Resources Librarian position from which Michelle Foyt is retiring in July.
8. Many staff members are performing tasks related to EnvisionWare, the public computer reservation and printer system. Information Services defined guidelines for its use and re-arranged room layout. Technology Services reviewed technical requirements, evaluated and ordered hardware, and prepared machines. Circulation Services will assist patrons with library cards. Facilities Services moved shelves and furniture to accommodate the self-service print and reservation stations. Programs & Publicity prepared leaflets and signs on the change in operation.
9. Trustee Shaw reported on a meeting of the Middlesex Area Interagency Council. She urged that contact be made with the Youth Services Bureau for Board and Staff Meetings and incorporate Developmental Assets in our work with young people.
10. The new Board list was distributed and reviewed.
11. An orientation to the Library for the new Board members will be arranged.
12. The Interim President of the Friends of the Russell Library and the Director will attend the Friends of Connecticut Libraries meeting on June 12 at Cheshire Public Library.
13. The Friends of the Russell Library will hold their Annual Meeting on June 22.