

**Minutes of the
CHATHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY
Public Library Advisory Committee (CPLAC)
Held at the
CHATHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY, CHATHAM, NY
September 10, 2012 at 10:00 A.M.**

In attendance: Muriel Faxon, Gail Day, Nancy Hammell, John McGowan, Co-Chair, Karen Malina--Co-Chair, Al Vinck, Elizabeth Powers, Berndadette Brusco--Friends Rep, Rebecca Greer, Friends member; C Nuciforo--CCSD Superintendent, Hanna Bachrach Library Director, Mike Chudy, CCSD Business Administrator.

OPENING REMARKS:

Meeting was called to order at 10:04 by Chairman McGowan. Welcome remarks were given by the Chair to new Director, Hanna Bachrach. Cheryl Nuciforo introduced Mike Chudy, the new Business Administrator of the Chatham Central School District who will supervise transportation, building and grounds and food service departments of the CCSD.. The current agenda was approved with two items added as were the minutes from the previous meeting.

FRIENDS REPORT:

B Brusco noted two upcoming Friends events to be held at the Library. Saturday, September 15, 2012 riverboat Captain Wilcox was to speak of his experiences and October 27, 2012, author Hugh Howard to speak about his book "Mr. and Mrs. Madison's War." Also talked about the goal of the events as raising awareness not fundraising. Gave update on co-hosting the welcome reception for Hanna Bachrach scheduled for September 24th from 5-7p.m. at the library. B Brusco reported on grant writing submissions.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:

Welcomed Mike Chudy and asked M Chudy to give update on the front doors of the library. Barenfeld Cabinets will repair the door. M Chudy will also add landscaping to the regular maintenance schedule of the school district. The Friends had volunteered to do some weeding and mulching around the library sign but those duties will be added to the regular rotation of the grounds department. M Chudy is reorganizing all budget codes.

Chairman McGowan read letter of thanks from Eileen Rice, Treasurer of the Friends for CPLAC's donation in memory of Ben Clark.

NEW BUSINESS:

Al Vink gave update on Hanna's reception. Posters will be distributed around town to advertise the reception, press releases issued. Price Chopper to donate cake, CPLAC and Friends to donate refreshments. Staff and public invited to attend.

Karen Malina asked for an update on the use of the library by minors pamphlet and the internet use policy. H Bachrach to clarify.

DIRECTOR's REPORT:

Director Bachrach reported the turnout and success of the recently completed Summer Reading Program. She distributed handout citing statistics for the program and noted that the Fall schedule of children's programming is underway.

Director Bachrach outlined upcoming events of note at the library. She summarized the results of her meeting with Superintendent Nuciforo regarding staff substitutions.

Updated CPLAC on self checkout system. All components are at the library but not yet set up for public use.

Working with the Friends, the Library is applying for the Council of the Arts DEC grant which supports local artists coming into learn gin institutions as part of the summer reading program.

Staff is working to weed through adult audiobook collection on tape.

Staff meetings are being held on alternate Thursday mornings. On the other Thursdays, staff will meet to work on weeding and other projects in the library.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Submitted by E. Powers