

# **Manchester Library Board**

## **Meeting minutes for January 8, 2018**

Members present: Miriam Byroade, Karl Hasel, Jessica Scorso, David Austin, Mary Fischer, Joyce Hood, Melissa Pattacini, Sally Nyhan

Also present: Doug McDonough, Norma Nevers, Dede Moore. Absent: Grace Cedrone

Chairperson Miriam Byroade called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Election of Officers for 2018: Chair- Miriam Byroade, Vice chair -Jessica Scorso, and Secretary- Mary Fischer were nominated and approved unanimously.

Minutes for Nov 13, 2017 were approved as submitted.

There were no public comments.

Librarian's report: Doug noted that the new sign for Whiton was completed and installed and a picture was circulated for all to see. Norma reported on several library programs ongoing or completed: (1) Verplanck kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grades had a field trip to visit the library Dec 13, where 30 new library cards were issued, (2) there is an art-related program for children called Pre-school Picasso, and (3) there is a Cool Crafting program for grades 1-2 children. Doug also passed out statewide library statistics for July 2016-June 2017 showing that Manchester has moved up from 5<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> in total circulation. Other circulation and spending stats show the Manchester libraries to be very competitive (average or better) in all categories.

Old business: Melissa Pattacini volunteered to fill the position of Board member representing the Board on the Arts Commission.

New business: Doug reported that the library had received multiple copies of "Fire and Fury" (6 copies) to meet needs for reservations for the book. Also decided that at meetings in March, June, and November, the Board would get financial updates on status of the library investment funds. Doug will notify Jeff Capone of this schedule.

Motion to adjourn by Sally Nyhan, seconded by Jessica Scorso, and approved at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Karl L. Hasel**

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