BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Session Minutes

February 5, 2015

Members Present: Lisa Kost, Constance Barnes, Cheryl Ebert, Margaret Coffey, Laura Evans, Jesse Katen, Jennifer Monroe, Wendy Stewart, Amoreena Wade

Members Not Present: Gary Ksenak, Margaret Shiel

Also Present: Director Lisa Wise, CSEA Union President Michelle Ford, Broome County Attorney Peter DeWind

The meeting was called to order by L. Kost at 8:35 a.m.

A motion to approve the minutes of January 8, 2015 was made by M. Coffey and seconded by A. Wade. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report - L. Wise

Board President's Report – L. Kost

The Director's performance evaluation was reviewed by the Board and completed.

The Board would like to see on each computer, "these computers are maintained by Broome County IT." A feedback form should be placed on the website for any problems or comments as well as paper forms at each public desk for public comments or complaints. Computer related complaints should be forwarded to Broome County IT.

Finance Report

No report.

New Business

There was a discussion of maintenance of effort and what it means to library funding. The Board asked L. Wise to send a letter to Legislative Clerk, Aaron Martin, copy to all legislators and copy the County Executive explaining maintenance of effort.

A motion was made by M. Coffey to appropriate \$20,000 for attorney fees for the library district from the 2014 library fund balance. The motion was seconded by C. Ebert. The motion passed unanimously. L. Wise explained that some of the other Broome libraries thought that consulting and attorney fees should be split not equally but by budget and population served.

A motion was made by A. Wade that a letter should be drafted not accepting the Four County Library System new administrative fees. The motion was seconded by C. Barnes. The motion passed unanimously. A letter from L. Wise will be sent to Four County Library System Director, Steven Bachman.

Old Business

As previously discussed, it was agreed that the Emergency Services lease would remain for a one year period with an increase to be discussed for the 2016 budget.

Executive Session

None

A motion to adjourn was made by C. Ebert and seconded by C. Barnes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Ebert