

**Bentley Memorial Library Board
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 9, 2013
206 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, CT.**

Present at the regular meeting were Chair, Rebecca Holliman and board members, Kelly Goldsnider, Dot Neil, Dorothy Rose and Library Director, Liz Thornton.

Ms. Holliman called the meeting to order at 4:00PM.

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting March 12, 2013:

A motion was made by Ms. Neil, seconded by Ms. Goldsnider to approve the minutes as presented.

2. Correspondence:

Ms. Rose sent a thank you card to Bentley Memorial Library for the flowers.

3. Director's Report:

Ms. Thornton distributed copies of the March 2013 Statistical Report. Ms. Thornton reminded the board that Bolton's Regional Lyons Club has a collection box for those interested in donating eye glasses or eye glass cases. Ms. Thornton reported that the conference room at the library is busy and she is happy to have the appointment book for scheduling. Ms. Thornton distributed copies of an official statement from the Connecticut State Library Board regarding the access to eBooks for the Board's information.

4. Old Business:

A. Budget Update: Ms. Thornton reported that she was asked by Ms. Joyce Stille to create a budget by 4/9/13, copies of the 2013/2014 budget with zero increase, 5% decrease and 10% decrease were distributed to Board for their information. Ms. Thornton informed the Board that there was a Finance meeting Thursday at 7pm if anyone was available.

B. Books on Tape and Great Courses Update: Library staff decided upon a plastic case containing all components for the various Great Courses. These will have a three week loan period with one renewal, not available for interlibrary loans.

C. Vibrant Community Committee Update: Unfortunately, Bentley Memorial Library did not have representation at the Vibrant Community Committee meetings due to miscommunication. There are various ideas for the grant.

D. Library Board Members Update: Ms. Ames and Ms. Nowak are recovering after their surgery.

E. Fisher Cat Program Update: Ms. Thornton informed the Board that the Fisher Cat program was fantastic and very well attended. Ray Hardy is interested in doing another program in May.

F. Bedbug Myths: Ms. Thornton distributed copies of an email she received from Stephen Cauffman, reQuest Interlibrary Loan Coordinator from iconn.org regarding myths about libraries and bed bugs.

5. New Business:

A. Philanthropic Prizes: Ms. Thornton is considering the idea of a philanthropic prize, such as a buying a goat through Heifer International, if a summer reading goal is met.

B. World Book Night: Ms. Thornton distributed information regarding World Book Night. Bentley Memorial Library is participating in this program. Ms. Thornton will attend a kick off on Tuesday, April 16th at Columbia Public Library. Books will be distributed on April 23, 2013. The purpose of this program is to give the books to people who don't regularly read and/or people who don't normally have access to printed books. There were thirty titles to choose from. Ms. Thornton picked *The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those Who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl* by Timothy Egan, which won the 2006 National Book Award for Nonfiction.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Ms. Goldsnider, seconded by Ms. Rose to adjourn the meeting at 5:00PM.

The next meeting is May 14, 2013 at 4:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Goldsnider

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Bentley Memorial Library Board Secretary

Please refer to minutes of subsequent meeting for any addition or correction to these minutes.