

**NORWALK PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES / REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2009**

ATTENDANCE: Stan Siegel, Mary Pugh, Jannie Williams, Mary Mann, Mohan Tracy,
Charles McMullen, Grace Vetter,
Mayor Moccia

STAFF: Frank Ferro, Library Director; Christine Bradley, Asst. Director

OTHER: Mayor Richard A. Moccia joined the meeting briefly.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Siegel called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 12, 2009 MEETING

Ms. Tracy requested corrections be made to the minutes:

- In Public Comments the name of the book “Liberty Tierney” is to be deleted to read “a book by Mark Levin”
- In Public Comments the phone number of Mr. McCloud is to be deleted
- In Search Committee Update “has” is to be changed to “had” in the first line.

**** Ms. Tracy motioned to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2009 meeting as amended.**

**** Mr. McMullen seconded.**

**** The motion passed unanimously.**

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Siegel welcomed and introduced Ms. Chris Bradley, newly-hired Assistant Library Director to the full Norwalk Public Library Board, and Mayor Moccia. He reiterated that she is known throughout the Connecticut library world as an exceptional librarian and administrator and that the Norwalk Public Library System is most fortunate to have her join our family.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Williams said she spoke to Ms. Torrano the prior evening. Ms. Torrano said that, despite leaving the Library Board, she will help resolve the outstanding issue with Wachovia Bank. The Board has requested that Wachovia sell all the stock in question and pay the difference of what we had before the loss. Apparently Wachovia took a \$250.00 commission for this transaction.

Mrs. Vetter inquired about the status of payment to attorney, Mr. Nolin. Mr. Siegel said Mr. Nolin has been paid his fee to date.

Mr. Siegel said that although the Mayor has requested a zero-growth budget, Frank Ferro, on behalf of the Library will be submitting a budget based upon minimal additional needs for the upcoming fiscal year.

Mr. Siegel reviewed Tom Shadlich's technology report which includes a proposal for a new phone system, fifty replacement computers, a new microfilm reader/printer, and a new library technology design.

- ** **Mr. McMullen made a motion to accept the Technology Report as presented.**
- ** **Ms. Tracy seconded.**
- ** **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Siegel reviewed the February 2008 motion by the Library Board to match the Friends' donation to the Children's Main Library. The Friends provided \$8,500 and the Board agreed to provide \$8,500 to match that obligation. The monies were targeted for furniture in the Children's Library.

Mr. Siegel said that the project may be \$2,000 short, but we will discuss this at a future date.

- ** **Mr. McMullen made a motion to adjourn.**
- ** **Ms. Pugh seconded.**
- ** **The motion passed unanimously.**

