

Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority  
Meeting Minutes- December 4, 2012

*In compliance with Connecticut General Statute #1-225, these minutes are being provided for informational purposes and are subject to approval of the Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority Board of Directors at its next regular meeting.*

In attendance: Geoff Hareld, Mike Kallas, Mike McLachlan, Levi Newsome, Bob Young, Barbara Rosseland, Erika Askin and Natalie Weise.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 by President Bob Young, November minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Mike Kallas to accept them. Seconded by Barbara Rosseland. All were in favor and minutes were accepted.

Finance Report-The profit and loss report shows a deficit of \$1800. However, the income from the Holiday Tea, which is approximately \$2500, is ready to be moved over and there is about \$10,000 in funds from the Friends of Danbury Museum and Historical Society, which will be added to the account. With only two more fundraisers for the fiscal year we will still have to be vigilant with out budget.

\*The Holiday Bazaar has done very well with having 19 venders having tables in Huntington Hall.

\*Sylvestri Fencing has donated the labor and cost (\$500) of repairing the fence that was damaged during Hurricane Sandy. We are most appreciative.

\*A thank you to Price Rite grocery and to Mayor Boughton for the generous donation of \$7500 and a new lease that will net the museum \$1000 for the first year and gradually increase \$1000 a year for the next 20.

\*With Diane Hassen's help with the museum's advertising, we continue to take out ads and keep museum news in the Danbury News Times.

\*The interns are still working on cataloging in the archives and also in the Rider House.

\*We are working on the schedule for lectures from January through June. Some things that will be coming up are First Night, Cake Decorating, History Ladies Luncheon, School Day visits and a Summer Garden Party.

\*Field trips for 5th grade students in our district will begin in January.

\*For First Night we will have, from 4pm to 6pm, a mural creation in Huntington Hall and the Danbury Brass Band will perform in the Marion Anderson Studio.

\*The Friends of the Danbury Museum and Historical Society had the first organizational meeting on November 13. Joretta Kilcourse was elected president. They will begin their meetings in January to form the "Friends"

\*Mike Kallas and Geoff Hareld picked up the donated bricks and brought them to the museum. Another trip is planned to get the rest.

\*Levi Newsome reported on the Ives House and the schoolhouse on the grounds there. Rizzo General Contractors have offered to help with the planning. For this winter the shed part of the house will have a tarp put over the roof to help with leakage there. The school house will be moved down to the Main Street campus in the spring, and

there was discussion of perhaps removing the roof and taking apart the four walls to place everything flat on a flatbed truck. This will be investigated as an option.

\*The spotlights for our parking lot have not been working properly. Abbott Tech will be doing the labor to fix them very soon. We will use F&M Electric for supplies. If for any reason the lights are not working properly by First Night, Geoff Herald offered to supply temporary lighting for that time.

Mike Kallas made a motion to adjourn at 5:50pm, Mike McLachlan seconded. All were in favor.

The next meeting will be on January 8, 2013 in Huntington Hall.

Respectively submitted,

Natalie Weise  
Secretary

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