

Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority  
Meeting Minutes- January 8, 2012

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In attendance: Erika Askin, Joretta Kilcourse, Geoffrey Herald, Robert Young, Brigid Guertin, Natalie Weise and Michael McLachlan.

The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm by President Bob Young. December minutes were reviewed and a motion from Geoff Herald to accept them was seconded by Erika Askin. all were in favor.

Bob Young reminded us that State Archaeologist Nick Bellantouri will be our guest speaker on February 16 to talk about the events of the life and death of Indian, Afraid of Hawk.

Finance report- The museum is running at a loss of about \$1000 for the second half of the year. We did very well however with the Holiday Tea with a profit of \$3000 and the Holiday Bazaar bringing in \$6000 for the participating vendors. The First Night program did not attract many people so our thought for now is to perhaps be a co sponsor next year. A motion to accept the financial report was made by Geoff Herald and seconded by Erika Askin. All were in favor.

Motion by Geoff Herald, seconded by Erika Askin for permission for Brigid Guertin to apply for the following grants for the following programs:

To the Women's Club of Danbury-New Fairfield for \$500 for archival boxes.

Chevy Chase Community Giving Challenge- Ives House

Cultural Commission- for money to off set the school program we have.

Meserve,-tech focus, all were in favor.

We thank the Savings Bank of Danbury for their generous donation of \$2000 toward our School Programing.

There will be an art exhibit in Huntington Hall for six weeks. The displays will be from Western Ct. Alliance of Artists. In April we will change over to "Police, Fire and Public Works." To go along with this exhibition, we will create three children's picture books from each category, having 40 pictures in each book. An anonymous donor has offered to pay for the printing of these books, which will be sold in our museum gift shop.

Upcoming events at the museum will be, in February, a cake contest called "Bake What You Love." and in March, a Ladies Luncheon with gardener, columnist, Colleen Plimpton as guest speaker.

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Joretta Kilcourse, new "Friends of DMHS" president, commented on how they will concentrate on building membership and to also work closely with museum projects. Their next meeting will be January 17 at 5:30pm.

At our next meeting we will discuss moving our meeting time to morning.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm, from a motion by Geoff Herald and seconded by Natalie Weise, all in favor.

The next meeting will be February 5, 2013, at 5:00pm in Huntington Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Weise  
Secretary