

Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority
Huntington Hall
Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2020

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 & Historical Society Authority Board of Trustees at its next regular meeting.

In attendance were, Geoff Herald, Paul Valeri, Marian Hesemeyer, Brigid Guertin (DMHS), Michele Amundson (DMHS), Mike Flanagan (FDMHS), Bob Doyle, Ed Siergiej (FDMHSA), Patrick Wells (DMHS), Delany Daly (DMHS), Doug Polistena, Elizabeth Hudson and Bob Young
Members not in attendance: Brandon Whitfield, and Roberto Alves.

President Report, Geoff Herald called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm and asked the board for any changes or corrections to last month's meeting minutes.

A motion to accept the minutes from December 12, 2019 meeting was made by Bob Young and seconded by Paul Valeri, all in attendance voted to accept the December meeting minutes in a unanimous vote.

Geoff Herald asked for a motion to accept the 2020 meeting schedule for the DMHS Authority Board of Trustees. The motion was made by Elizabeth Hudson and seconded by Bob Doyle, all in attendance voted to accept the 2020 meeting schedule in a unanimous vote.

Finance Report: Bob Doyle discussed the Museum finances with a quick overview of where the Museum stands financially at the 6 month mark of our fiscal year compared with last year. With fundraising, gift shop sales and memberships up a bit and expenses a bit lower, we are on track financially at this point.

Executive Director's Report: The Hat City Ball is later this month so Brigid Guertin went over where we are at with sponsorships, table sales and advertising commitments. Brigid then went over who needs to be followed up with and who would do each of these.

We have many auction and raffle items that have been donated so we are set with these. We thank everyone who donated items for their generosity.

Brigid went over Trustee assignments for during the Hat City Ball and noted who volunteered for them.

Elizabeth Hudson sourced and created the centerpieces for the Hat City Ball, we all thank her for this effort and they are beautiful.

Fundraising Events & Programs: We have scheduled the annual luncheon for Friday May 29, 2020. The date for the 2021 Hat City Ball is January 22, 2021.

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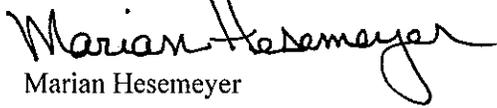
Old Business: The DMHS has received the funds from Non-Profit Development for the new sign in front of the Danbury Museum. We will start working towards having this sign created and placed after the Hat City Ball. As part of this funding the Museum is required to restrict any money left over to the Ives House.

New Business: Doug Polistena suggested we do a teaser for the 2021 Hat City Ball during this year's event. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea and discussed that the 2021 theme be the Danbury Fair.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm with a motion by Bob Young, seconded by Marian Hesemeyer.

The next meeting of the Board will be February 13, 2020 at 5:00pm, in the Huntington Hall at the Danbury Museum.

Respectfully submitted,


Marian Hesemeyer