

Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority
Huntington Hall
Meeting Minutes – September 10, 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), Bob Doyle, Patrick Wells (DMHS), Elizabeth Hudson, Roberto Alves, Kathy Ehli (FDMHSA) and Doug Polistena.

Members not in attendance: Brandon Whitfield, John Clark, and Bob Young.

President Report, President Geoff Herald called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and asked the board for any changes or corrections to the August meeting minutes.

A motion to accept the minutes from the August meeting was made by Paul Valeri and seconded by Elizabeth Hudson, all in attendance voted to accept the meeting minutes in a unanimous vote.

Finance Report: Bob Doyle discussed the Museum's actual cash flow going into the end of the year. It is believed the Museum will be fine.

A motion to accept the Financial Reports was made by Marian Hesemeyer and seconded by Paul Valeri, all in attendance voted to accept the Financial reports.

Executive Director's Report: Brigid Guertin announced that the first Hat City Ball planning meeting will be held at 2pm on September 16, 2020 at the Amber Room. (Thank you Doug)

Reopening: The Museum is watching the Library to make decisions about when and how we will reopen to the public.

The Museum has installed interesting outside exhibits. These exhibits will remain up for the time being.

Painting of the Main Street campus buildings is moving along.

Ives Project Update: This project is moving forward with the goal to meet our deadline for completion.

Online Program with the Library was well received, and we will be doing 2 more programs with them this year.

The Museum will not be hosting live school programs this year (as per Schools guidelines). Birgid will be doing some Zoom presentations with the Schools.

Old Business:

New Business: Brigid informed the Board that Huntington Hall locks have been changed. The locks on the other buildings will be changed over the coming months.

Paul Valeri let the Board know that the Dickens House (Oldest building in Danbury) is under contract to be sold.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:17 pm with a motion by Bob Doyle, seconded by Elizabeth Hudson.

The next meeting of the Board will be October 8, 2020 at 5:30 pm via Zoom. Link to mtg. is available at www.danburymuseum.org, Bottom of Museum from Home page.

Respectfully submitted,



Marian Hesemeyer

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