Library Board Meeting March 20, 2017

Raymond Library-Meeting Room 2

840 Main Street

East Hartford, Connecticut

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Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Members present:
Chairman Todney Harris, Rose Tavitigian, Mary Mourey, Debra Arrieta, Florence Schroeter, Gloria V. Lupi, JoAnne Covey, JoAnne Sullivan and Library Director Sarah Morgan

Reading of Agenda:
Todney Harris

Approval of Minutes
Todney Harris

Library Directors Report:
An old member’s library card found 1951 Charlotte N.C. John McLaughlin 32 porter street is where he used to live in East Hartford

Annual report bulletin distributed 2016
Second custodian approved for the budget---small increase made to the media budget
Vendor increases - -utilities cost increases - -public computers best used asset - -ahead of peer institutions - -funding to replace aged machines on a schedule - -adopted by town council - -do not have adequate staff - -reduction in part time hours and retirements
Hired and promoted two library staff –two staff members for vacancies which will create two more vacancies to fill coverage holes
Book mobile - -indoor parking - -garage - -interior needs work for collection not full service
Borrow it (cut) library card usage at the state level at any library—reciprocal borrowing - -might lose privilege because of state budget cuts
Deliver it is not slated to be cut- -staffing is bare boned
Lego mine storms robotics –grant - -two staff members are using the materials with the kids- Clarcor is the agency that is responsible for the Lego donations
Public fax machine is on the way
Community bulletin board for the lobby space is on the way

**Chairs Report**
Internet Policy has been adopted and approved.
The Children’s Department has issued 562 new library cards
The library has held over 300 programs with an attendance of over 6,400 children and parents
The library has nearly 11,300 uses of AWE Early literacy stations and computers

Old Business:
Gloria Lupi and Todney Harris will attend the Connecticut Library Conference on the dates of May 4th and May 5th.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:05**