

**Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority**  
**Huntington Hall**  
**Meeting Minutes – October 11, 2018**

*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, Paul Valeri, Bob Doyle, Bob Young, Eric Gottschalk, Brigid Guertin (DMHSA & FDMHSA), Marian Hesemeyer, Michele Amundson (DMHSA & FDMHSA), Joretta Kilcourse (FDMHSA), Patrick Wells (DMHSA), Mike Flanagan (FDMHSA), Members not in attendance: Michael McLachlan, Elizabeth Hudson, John Clark, Geoff Herald, and Erika Askin.

**Board Vice President**, Paul Valeri called the meeting to order at 5:50 pm.

A motion to accept the meeting minutes from September 13th made by Eric Gottschalk and seconded by Bob Young, all in attendance accepted the September meeting minutes with a unanimous vote.

**Finance Report:** Brigid Guertin reported that we are running even with last year and she is cautiously optimistic with our fiscal picture.

**Executive Director's Report:** Brigid Guertin along with some staff and board members attended the The New American Dream Awards dinner. Brigid was a part of the video presentation and the Museum supported the event with images and information. The The New American Dream Award and the Museum will be holding a video screening, tour and dinner fundraiser, jointly, at the Museum on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**FDMHSA:** Hat City Ball – Hand-outs were given out to aid the Board Members in achieving the goals of sponsorship and advertising for the Hat City Ball.

Patrick Wells reported on our social media and our following across three social media platforms has grown tremendously- reaching over 40,000 persons a month!

**Fundraisers:** A discussion was had about targeting sponsors for our new 3D tour fo the Marian Anderson Studio, now under construction.

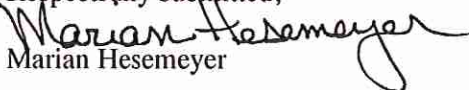
**Old Business:** No old business.

**New Business:** Eric Gottschalk made a motion for the board to set up standing committees, one per month. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Doyle, all in attendance voted to pass the proposal with a unanimous vote. We will start by creating a Strategic Planning Committee at the November meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20pm

The next meeting of the Board will be November 8th at 5:00pm, in Huntington Hall at the Danbury Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Marian Hesemeyer

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