

**Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority
Huntington Hall
Meeting Minutes – December 13, 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, Marian Hesemeyer, Bob Young, Bob Doyle, Elizabeth Hudson, Eric Gottschalk, Michele Amundson (DMHS), Patrick Wells (DMHS), Geoff Herald and Mike Flanagan (FDMHS). Members not in attendance: John Clark and Bridgid Guertin.

Board Vice President, Paul Valeri called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

A motion to accept the minutes from November 9th meeting was made by Elizabeth Hudson and seconded by Eric Gottschalk, all in attendance accepted the November meeting minutes with a unanimous vote.

Finance Report: Liz Hudson reviewed the monthly P&L and commented that the Museum is a little behind last year as we are receiving less money from the City and our tenants at the Ives house have moved out. We will see about getting new tenants once the HVAC project is completed at the Ives house. A motion to accept the finance report was made by Eric Gottschalk and seconded by Marian Hesemeyer, all in attendance voted to accept the financial report with a unanimous vote.

Executive Director's Report: Michele Amundson reported that the museum has been busy with work leading up to the Ball, the Holiday Shoppe and the Holiday Tea which had 25-30 attendees. The museum hosted the Citizen's Government Academy which was a great success. There has been a squirrel problem at the Dodd Shop, the squirrels have been captured and released to other parts of the City and no damage was done to any of the artifacts. The replacement of widows in the Ryder House are well on the way and 25 file cabinets have been purchased for great price from a museum friend who is closing her office. The museum has also received a donation of images and drawings from the Westman home.

Board Member Resignations have been received from Michael McLachlan and Erika Askin. A motion to accept these resignations with regret was made by Bob Young and seconded by Elizabeth Hudson, all in attendance accepted the resignations with a unanimous vote.

FDMHSA: Hat City Ball – we are moving along with working to get corporate sponsorship, advertising and donations for raffles etc.

Patrick Wells reported on our Social Media and talked about how the different types of posts perform.

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Fundraisers: Geoff Herald took over the board meeting and scheduled an ad hoc meeting on the Hat City Ball to be held on December 27th at 10am, at the Danbury Museum

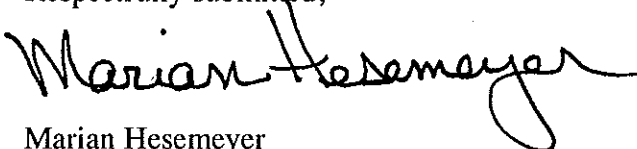
Old Business: Elizabeth Hudson reminded the board that the Westside Middle School Academy still needs Judges for their History projects.

New Business: Bob Young talked to the board about the amount of work being done on transcriptions by volunteers at the museum and showed the Board a couple of samples of work he has done. This work makes researching easier going forward.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:13 pm with a motion by Eric Gottschalk, seconded by Bob Young

The next meeting of the Board will be January 10, 2019 at 5:00pm, in the Huntington Hall at the Danbury Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marian Hesemeyer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "M".

Marian Hesemeyer