

Dewitt Community Library Annual Meeting Draft Minutes February 25, 2016

Present: Lydia Waslyenko, Doug Arena, Nina Brown, Mary Keib Smith, Steven Lux, Christene Gantos, Nana Ross, Carl Austin, Meisje Havens, Shelly Field

Excused: Irene Scruton, Jill Enright, Rosalie Young

Also Present: Wendy Scott, Director, George Kallandar, James Trevvett, Barbara McDonald

The meeting was called to order at 5:41 p.m. by Steve Lux

Old Business

Meisje makes a motion to approve the annual report to NYS. Lydia seconds. Board voted unanimously in favor.

Treasurer recommends 4% increase in the 2016 tax levy to continue to sustain the Board Designated fund and demonstrate consistency for the bank. Mary recommends we don't ask for beyond that as we might be fundraising. Carl makes a motion to increase the tax levy by 4% over 2015 for an increase of \$54,526. Nina seconds. Board voted unanimously in favor.

Wendy thanked Steve and Rosalie for their service and purchased books for the library in their honor. She also thanked recently resigned board member Julian Modesti for all of his dedication and work.

President's Report - Steve: Steve recognized the amount of work that all Board members have put in to the building project. He specifically mentioned the hours of dedicated work from Julian who has stepped off the Board, Carl's work on the loan, and Mary's work on the facilities committee. The Board is working cohesively toward the building project and should be a good vehicle to move it forward.

Bylaws Committee: Mary. No current proposed changes to Bylaws.

Nominating Committee – Lydia: Irene has officially decided to step off the board and participate on committees as a volunteer community member. Review of ballots for new board member candidates and bios again made available. Lydia collected ballots. All candidates elected. Newly appointed to the board are Robert Tartakoff, George Kallandar, James Trevvett, Barbara MacDonald, and David Lankes.

Annual meeting ended at 6:00 and Regular Feb meeting began.

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the March 2016 Board Meeting.