

Danbury Museum & Historical Society Authority

ANNUAL MEETING

May 5, 2009

5PM

At

Danbury Museum

Huntington Hall

43 Main Street

Danbury, CT 06810

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In attendance: Natalie Weiss, Anne Harrigan, Barbara Rosseland, Robert Young, Kay Schreiber, Mike Kallas, Brigid Guertin and Levi Newsome

1. Welcome-President Robert Young

Robert Young began the meeting at 5:08PM and spoke at length about the progress of the Museum throughout the last year. Bob stated that it had been a fun and interesting year and that the transition to a city authority had been relatively smooth. Bob praised the Board and staff for a job well done and said that the Museum can look forward to an even better year next year. Bob stated that the goal of creating a Friends of the Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority is within reach and that organization will soon be up and running.

2. Finance Report- Brigid Guertin for Treasurer Michael McLachlan

Brigid reported on the status of various accounts and reiterated the need to create quality programming and events to raise working capital for the Museum.

3. Election of Officers

Robert Young spoke about the need for Trustees to volunteer for Board positions and the responsibilities of each position. Robert asked if anyone was interested in putting their names forward to run and all present considered his request. Robert Young volunteered to run for president, Mike Kallas volunteered to run for vice-president, Kay Schreiber volunteered to run for secretary and Anne Harrigan volunteered to run for treasurer. There were no other volunteers to run for office so each person ran unopposed.

Motion made by Anne Harrigan to accept Robert Young as President, seconded by Barbara Rosseland, no discussion, all were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Natalie Weiss to accept Mike Kallas as vice-president, seconded by Barbara Rosseland, no discussion, all were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Kallas to accept Kay Schreiber as secretary, seconded by Barbara Rosseland, no discussion, all were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Kallas to accept Anne Harrigan as treasurer, seconded by Barbara Rosseland, no discussion, all were in favor. Motion carried.

4. Executive Directors Report

Brigid spoke at length about the successes of this past year, new programs, new volunteers and a new approach to marketing - including the new website which will be active as of June 1, 2009. Brigid thanked the Board, Levi, Nancy and Diane for their support and the tremendous work that each person does on behalf of the Museum and the wonderful time and talents they donate to the organization. Brigid spoke about the 30 plus proposed events, programs and exhibits planned for next year and the exciting new directions the Museum is traveling in regards to school education programs and marketing.

5. New Business

The Board discussed the possibility of changing the by-laws to eliminate the annual meeting and incorporate the annual meeting format into one of the regular publicly held meetings. Robert Young suggested this be added to the agenda of the June meeting.

6. Adjournment

Robert Young called for the meeting to be adjourned at 5:30pm, so motioned by Anne Harrigan, seconded by Barbara Rosseland, no discussion, all were in favor, motion carried.