

Tolland Public Library

Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2010

7:30 p.m.

Tolland Library Program Room

Called to Order: 7:30 p.m.

Present: Chairwoman Susan Simons, Secretary Kate Farrish, Members Jane Sutcliffe and Paul Baran and Library Director Barbara Butler

The minutes for the Jan. 25, 2010 meeting were unanimously approved.

Report of the Library Director:

Ms. Butler has started working on a technology plan.

On June 19 at 11 a.m., the Tolland Public Library Foundation board of directors will hold a celebration of the recent gift from the King-Eaton family. The event will include a ceremony, luncheon and tour of the museums on the green.

The first \$7,000 of the donation will be used to purchase four databases for the library. They are Credo Reference Unlimited, Ancestry.com's library edition, a Consumer Reports database and Novelist Plus.

The Friends of the Library will hold a book sale on June 10 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and June 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Ms. Butler reported that she is pursuing a grant opportunity from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving that may bring as much as \$30,000 to the library. She has proposed buying more computers for the library, including laptops that patrons could sign out and use in the library for job searches.

Ms. Butler reported that \$5,000 was recently cut from the library's materials budget for the coming fiscal year.

Heather Ricker-Gilbert will repeat a popular session on beginning the college planning process at the library in June. Her session in January was attended by 80 people.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held Sept. 27.

Submitted by Kate Farrish



