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Prosser Public Library
Library Board of Directors Meeting
September 8, 2009

Chairperson Nancy Kamins called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. Present were Nancy Kamins, Roberta LaMonaca, Beatrice Llewellyn, Beverlee Merritt, Joan Politis and Paula Walek. Board Member Robert Johnson was absent. Also absent was Linda Dranoff, representative of the Friends of the Bloomfield Libraries.

Motion was made by P. Walek, seconded by B. Merritt to accept the minutes of the June 9, 2009 meeting with the addition of a comma after Paula Walek's name in the attendance section.
Approved.

There were no public statements.

N. Kamins, Chairperson, reported that she has heard so many good things about the library this summer.

R. LaMonaca introduced the new children's librarian, Kathleen Feeney to the Board members. She is filling Roberta's vacant position. Also the town has a new Facilities Manager. He is working with Roberta to fix some of the problems at the library. He has also hired a new air company. They started last week and already the air in the building seems better. The parking lot is still a work in progress. She has also asked Louie Chapman if she can hire some substitute librarians from the pool of candidates we have from the childrens librarian's position. If these people will reapply for the job, they will be considered to work as a substitute. The Literacy Program at the Wintonbury Library has started. The bench from the Friends of the Bloomfield Libraries has been ordered and should be here shortly. She will then arrange to have it installed. Also she thanked the Friends for funding Jessie Thomas as an intern at the branch this summer. He was most helpful working on computers for the Literacy Series. The Smart Board that was ordered from last year's budget has arrived and will be installed. Staff will then be trained on how to use it.

Under Old Business, B. Merritt reported that she had spoken to her husband, Council Joseph Merritt, about the Town Council receiving Library fliers. Since everyone in town receives Footnotes he did not feel that the Council Members needed extra fliers. The Board agreed with his decision.

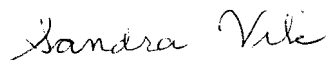
Under NewBusiness, P. Walek stated that a Town Organization wants to put a bench in front of the Library. She was told that there is already a bench out in front at the bus stop. She also said that there is a movement to rename the Wintonbury Library after Faith McMahon. No details are available at this point. She also questioned having a Library Board Meeting at the Wintonbury Branch Library. Most members thought that this would interrupt the branch activities as there is no private place for the Board to meet. R. LaMonaca will check with Claudia Wright, Branch Librarian, to see what she thinks. B. Merritt heard from a person that we do not have a good

fantasy section at Prosser Library. The fantasy does not have a separate space in the collection. It is either shelved in the Science Fiction section or with the regular fiction.

R. LaMonaca, in the absence of the Friends Representative, said the that they are sponsoring the Discovering Other Cultures in Literature Series.

Motion made by P. Walek, seconded by B. Llewellyn to adjourn at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Vik".

Sandra Vik, Secretary to the Board