

North Branford Library Board  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Held June 2, 2009 at Smith Library

Present: Carol Davidson, Vice-Chairperson  
Carolyn Candelora, Secretary  
Suzanne Kolakowski, Treasurer  
Bob Hull, Library Director  
Betty Thomas, Recording Secretary

Absent: Marion Bradley

Carol Davidson called the meeting called to order at 1:40 p.m.

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Suzanne Kolakowski motioned to accept the minutes of May 5, 2009 as presented. Carolyn Candelora seconded. The vote was unanimous.

2. Library Board Report – Carol Davidson reported that the plantings in the circle at Smith have been completed, also that the meeting with Bob, Fran Merola and Nancy DuBrule yielded many good suggestions, however people power is badly needed. Carol said she would contact Nancy regarding her seminar and Bob said he would post “volunteer opportunities” to recruit those willing to help. Suzanne spoke with Debbie Falvey who said the Friends of North Branford Libraries would definitely be interested in helping out with a future landscaping project at Atwater.

3. Library Director’s Report - Circulation statistics are very impressive in all categories with over 500 new patrons having been entered into the system in 2009. Bob said that the Schafer Meeting Room and the smaller seminar room have proven to be very valuable. He said that he would like to purchase six pro panels for the meeting room for display. Bob reported that to date \$130.00 of the \$250.00 needed has been received toward the purchase of the painting of the Shantz Barn by local artist Patty Meglio.

4. Library expansion/renovation.

Status of project – Smith

Bob said that the end panels and the counter tops have now been installed. He said he will be in touch with the sign company regarding more permanent signs for collections in various areas.

Status of project – Atwater

Atwater’s collections have been moved. Shelves, tables and chairs, etc. have been donated. Projects should soon go out to bid and construction is expected to start in late July.

5. Cap on fax charge for unemployed patrons - Bob said that many patrons are using the fax machine for unemployment purposes and suggested capping the fee at \$3.00 for those who are unemployed.

ACTION: Suzanne Kolakowski motioned to approve Bob’s suggestion to cap the fax charge at \$3.00 for all unemployed patrons. Carolyn Candelora seconded. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.