Derby Public Library Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, February 16, 2011

- 1. Board President, Ms. Gleason, called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll call: Ms. Donofrio, Ms. Rogers; Ms. Barry; Mr. Stankye, Library Director Ms. Williams, Ms. Gleason Absent with notice: Ms. Comboni. Ms. Cecarelli Absent without notice: Ms. Fallon; Ms, Ducharme
- 3. Motion to accept agenda as presented by Mr. Stankye; seconded by Ms. Barry. All in favor
- 4. No one from public was present-public portion closed.
- 5. Motion to accept January's minutes by Ms.Rogers; seconded by Ms.Donofrio. All in favor.
- 6. Dan Rivera from <u>Above the Realm</u> presented a very interesting report from his investigation concerning paranormal at the Derby Public Library. He was able to show the board pictures and along with Rich Dicarlo told us of their reactions to the findings. Mr. Rivera would like to conduct a second investigation at the library and will contact Ms. Williams to set up a date.
- 7. Old Business
 - a. Mr. Stankye suggested contacting Emmett O'Brien concerning the shelving that is needed in the Young Adult section.
 - b. Mr. Stankye is pursuing the water problem with capitol planning.
- 8. New Business
 - a. The Board accepted with regret the resignation of Ms. Donofrio. Ms. Gleason stated that her dedication to the library and her contributions at board meetings will be difficult to replace. All wished her well.
 - b. Ms. Williams brought up the idea of staff shirts etc. She stated that more and more libraries are doing this which enables patrons to identify the employees. Ms. Rogers, an employee at the Trumbull Library, will bring in samples of their items.
 - c. The Board asked Ms. Williams to get prices and to also search for someone to design a logo.
 - d. Board members interested in being an officer are to submit letters of intention to Ms. Williams at the March meeting. Voting will take place at the annual meeting in June.

- 9. Library Director's Report
 - a. Program highlights and meetings attended by the library director were presented to the Board.
 - b. Upcoming programs were also mentioned and are available at the main desk.
 - c. Library statistics were circulated.
 - d. Budget balances were given to the board members.
 - e. Ms. Williams read a statement from Sue Sherman, Children's Librarian, about the statistics concerning her area. The Board is fully aware that snow, cold, icy conditions and school delays and closings played an integral part in the statistics. The Board members also stated that they are aware of all that is being done to get young children to come to the library. Ms. Sherman has many programs dedicated to the youth of Derby.

10. Adjournment

There being no further issues to discuss, motion to adjourn by Mr. Stankye; seconded by Ms. Barry. All in favor. 8:20pm

Minutes are unofficial until approved at next meeting. Submitted by Dorothy Gleason, President, interim secretary.