## NORTHPORT-EAST NORTHPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 19, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northport-East Northport Public Library was held in the Northport Library Conference Room on Thursday November 19, 2015.
I. Chairperson Margaret Hartough called the meeting to order at 10:07am. Also present were Elizabeth Mc Grail, Georganne White, Andrea Gladding, Jacqueline Elsas, Assistant Director Nancy Morcerf and Director James Olney.
II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those attending.
III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Mc Grail moved to adopt the Agenda, seconded by Ms. White and unanimously carried.
IV. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms. White moved to approve the minutes of October 14, 2015, as amended, seconded by Mrs. Gladding and unanimously carried.
V. FINANCIAL SECRETARY \& TREASURER'S REPORT
A. Approval of Warrants

Mrs. Gladding moved to approve warrant for \$181,243.01, page 4009, seconded by Mrs. Elsas and unanimously carried.
Mrs. Elsas moved to approve warrant for $\$ 198,406.42$, page 4010 , seconded by Mrs. Mc Grail and unanimously carried.
Mrs. Mc Grail moved to approve warrant for $\$ 182,806.90$, page 4011, seconded by Ms. White and unanimously carried.
Ms. White moved to approve warrant for $\$ 822,831.49$, page 4012 , seconded by Mrs. Gladding and unanimously carried.
B. PAYROLL REGISTER

Mrs. Gladding moved to approve the payroll of $\$ 185,343.93$ for the period ending October 23, 2015, page 2143, seconded by Mrs. Elsas and unanimously carried.
Mrs. Elsas moved to approve the payroll of $\$ 188,551.05$ for the period ending November 6, 2015, page 2144, seconded by Mrs. Mc Grail and unanimously carried.
C. Review of monthly expenditures
D. Review of statistical summary

## VI. COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Hartough read a thank you letter from a Northport teacher.

## VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Administration

The Northport-East Northport Public library has been nationally recognized for the eighth year in a row as a four-star library. We are very proud of this distinction that highlights the strong patron support we have for library programs and services.

This year's Workplace Violence Prevention Workshop discussed mental wellness and offered ways to stay safe when assisting individuals with mental wellness challenges. Tips for staying safe included being able to listen, having compassion, and being alert. Staff were encouraged to be calm, clear and consistent.

Emergency call buttons have been installed at the Circulation Desks, Cafes, Adult and Teen Services Desks, and Children and Family Services Desks to alert Security and other staff at public service desks when and where emergency assistance is needed.

## Adult and Teen Services

The remaining cassette book titles have been removed from the media collection in both buildings. This outdated material type has been replaced by our CD book collection. A CD player with a cassette adapter is available for patrons who have not yet transitioned to the newer format.

An Afternoon with Laurel \& Hardy, presented by Larry Wolff of the International Laurel \& Hardy Appreciation Society, shared memorabilia, a PowerPoint with film clips, and even led the audience in a sing-a-long.

The Teen Advisory Board created Halloween cards that were mailed to children in hospitals around the country.

Our $24^{m}$ Speaking of Writing Distinguished Author Visit hosted graphic novelist George O'Connor for a group of more than 200 captivated students from the middle school. His very popular and acclaimed Olympian series features the Greek Gods as the first super-heroes. The new school superintendent, Robert Banzer, and the district chairman for art and music, Izzet Mergen, were in attendance. Robert Banzer even tweeted a photo of the event.

## Building and Grounds

Two aisles of book stacks have been removed from the East Northport mezzanine to provide space for three new study rooms. One aisle was reassembled in the media section to provide additional room for this popular collection.

Numerous bushes and perennials were planted around a central tree to create a memorial garden for Alice Mahoney in the Contemplation Garden on the Northport grounds. This area is awaiting electrical work to create dramatic lighting which may be viewed by the public from the main lobby, lower gallery, and teen room.

Concrete repairs to the sidewalks and exterior staircases have been completed at both buildings. The Northport building will feature additional outdoor seating, new garbage receptacles, and cigarette disposal containers.

The last phase of the Northport reading room chair repair project is coming to an end. Upon completion of the last batch, all the wooden chairs will have been rebuilt and refinished. It was not cost-effective to reupholster the East Northport reading room chairs so a similar wood chair has been selected and will be used to replace the worn-out fully-upholstered chairs.

Children and Family Services
Ocean Avenue School received the Summer Participation Recognition plaque recognizing them for having the highest percentage of students participate in the Summer Reading Club. The principal and the school librarian were thrilled to accept this plaque and posed for a congratulatory photo.

Thirty-one students enjoyed the Friday Night Science program that utilized science kits borrowed from the Suffolk Cooperative Library System.

## Circulation

Reminder notices will now be sent to patrons whose library card is about to expire. This will hopefully address patron disappointment when expired cards suddenly stop online activities.

## Community Services

The Volunteer Fair provided an opportunity for 189 patrons to learn about more than twenty organizations offering volunteer positions.

Operation Medicine Cabinet collected more than 29 pounds of unwanted medication from members of the community. This was a safe way to eliminate the possibility of these medications falling into the wrong hands while also protecting our water supply from contamination.

## Network and Systems

A custom security camera display unit was developed in-house by our library's Network Services Department Head for the Children and Family Services Staff to help monitor the children's area. This configuration proved cost effective and so unique that details were wanted by members of a Long Island technology group.

Both the Pharos computer management software and ZoomText software have been upgraded.
A new video magnifier, the Merlin Elite HD with OCR, has been installed in each building.
VII. PERSONNEL REPORT

Ms. White moved to approve "B. New Employees" in the Personnel Report, seconded by Mrs. Gladding and unanimously carried.
Mrs. Gladding moved to approve "C. Resignations" in the Personnel Report, seconded by Mrs. Elsas and unanimously carried.
Mrs. Elsas moved to approve "E. Other" in the Personnel Report, seconded by Mrs. Mc Grail and unanimously carried.
Mrs. Mc Grail moved to approve "B. New Employees" in the Personnel Report
Addendum, seconded by Ms. White and unanimously carried.
Ms. White moved to approve "C. Resignations" in the Personnel Report Addendum, seconded by Mrs. Elsas and unanimously carried.
IX. PERIOD FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION
X. SCLS Proposed 2016 Operating Budget

Mrs. Gladding moved to accept SCLS Proposed 2016 Operating Budget, seconded by Mrs. Elsas and unanimously carried.
XI. Election of SCLS Board of Trustees Representative for the Town of Huntington, individual ballots were distributed.
XII. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Olney shared with the Board a letter from the Worker's Compensation Board.
The Library is looking into outsourcing snow removal.
XIII. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, December 17, 2015, 10am-Regular Meeting.
Thursday, January 21, 2016, 10am-Budget Work Session.
Thursday, January 21, 2016, 11am-Regular Meeting.
XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Mc Grail moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 12:35pm, seconded by Ms. White and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,


# Northport-East Northport Public Library 

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Dear Board Member:
The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northport-East Northport Public Library will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2015, at 10:00 AM in the Board Conference Room.

## AGENDA

I. Call to Order
II. Pledge of Allegiance
III. Adoption of Agenda
IV. Minutes of previous meeting - (Motion required)
V. Financial Secretary \& Treasurer's Report
A. Approval of warrants (Motion required)
B. Acceptance of payroll registers (Motion required)
C. Review of monthly expenditures
D. Review of statistical summary

Vl. Communications
VII. Director's Report
VIII. Personnel Report - Exhibit I (Motion required)
IX. Period for Public Expression
X. SCLS Proposed 2016 Operating Budget (Motion required)
XI. Election of SCLS Board of Trustees Representative for the Town of Huntington
XII. Other Business
XIII. Date of next library board meetings:

Thursday, December 17, 2015, 10:00 AM - Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 21, 2016, 10:00 AM - Budget Work Session
Thursday, January 21, 2016, 11:00 AM - Regular Meeting
XIV. Adjournment

## PERSONNEL REPORT

Approval of the Following Personnel Matters
November 19, 2015

## A. Salary Increase

Name
Position \& Grade/Step Department
Effective Date
B. New Employees
Name

Andrew Cumming
Sandra Schumacher
Position \& Grade/Step
PT Librarian I/Step 1
PT Librarian I/Step 1

Department
Effective Date
Adult \& Teen Services
11/23/15
Adult \& Teen Services
$11 / 30 / 15$
C. Resignations

Name
Samantha Walsh
Anissa Elwarari

Position \& Grade/Step
PT Librarian I/Step 1 PT Librarian I/Step 1

Department
Adult \& Teen Services
Adult \& Teen Services

Effective Date
11/23/15
11/27/15
D. Retirement

Name
Position \& Grade/Step
Department
Effective Date
E. Other

Name
Promotion
Lori Marino
Position \& Grade/Step
Department

Permanent PT Librarian I/ Adult \& Teen Services
$11 / 23 / 15$ Step 13

Request for Leave Marilyn Barker
Dolores Faherty
Cafe Worker/\$11.00 h PT Library Clerk/Step 7

Community Services
08/05/15-02/05/16
Circulation Services
$11 / 02 / 15-11 / 13 / 15$
Joan Cesta
PT Library Clerk/Step 14 Adult \& Teen Services $12 / 10 / 15-12 / 18 / 15$

Report approved by Board of Trustees


# PERSONNEL REPORT <br> ADDENDUM 

Approval of the Following Personnel Matters
November 19, 2015
A. Salary Increase

Name
Position \& Grade/Step
Department
Effective Date
B. New Employees

| Name | Position \& Grade/Step <br> Michelle Schatz | Department <br> PT Library Clerk/Step 1 | Circulation Services |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |$\quad$| Effective Date |
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C. Resignations

Name
Jesse Reinard
Position \& Grade/Step
Department
Network \& Systems
Network \& Systems
Effective Date
01/01/16 Technician/Step 12
D. Retirement

Name
Position \& Grade/Step
Department
Effective Date
E. Other

Name
Position \& Grade/Step
Department
Effective Date

Report approved by Board of Trustees


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November 5, 2015
To: Member Library Directors; Boards of Trustees
From: Kevin Verbesey
Re: SCLS Proposed FY 2016 Budget
Enclosed with this memo is the Proposed SCLS FY 2016 Operating Budget for your review and consideration.

At its meeting on November 4, 2015 the SCLS Board of Trustees approved the enclosed SCLS FY 2016 Operating Budget and authorized its submission for member library approval. In order for this proposal to take effect more than $2 / 3$ of member libraries must vote to approve the proposed budget before December 31, 2015.

Attached to this memo are the final proposed SCLS FY 2016 Budget, a final proposed Member Support Chart, and your budget ballot. Please print the ballot out and use it to record your library vote.

To gain a full understanding of this proposed budget, and its impact on the member libraries, we ask that you review both this packet and the previously distributed "draft" budget packet that was dated October 7, 2015.

There have been only a small number of changes made from the "draft" budget that was distributed in October. Most of the changes are based upon additional estimates and information that we have received subsequent to the "draft" budget being developed. The reasons behind each change are listed below.

## Income

There were no changes to the income side of the budget from the first draft.

## Expenditures

1) Salaries have been reduced significantly from the initial draft budget. They have moved from a first draft net decrease of $\$ 130,660$ to a final draft net decrease of $\$ 201,831$. These savings are due to retirements/resignations, re-assignment of some staff responsibilities, and planned changes to the internal SCLS organizational structure.
2) Social Security decreased an additional $\$ 5,445$ from the first draft based on the salary reduction explained above.
3) Health Insurance and Health Insurance Retires expenses are expected to be lower than had been previously projected based on new estimates. This will result in new savings of approximately $\$ 11,000$.
4) Postage and Freight expenses will be increased from the first draft based on current experience in this area. Some of this is offset by pass through charges. The net increase from the first draft is $\$ 4,000$.
5) Computer Services increases by $\$ 39,000$ over the initial draft. This change is due primarily to the planned purchase of services from Zepheira that will make member library holding easily available on the open web through common search engines. A small amount of the increase is based on new service costs that will be well more than offset by staff savings.
6) MCTD Tax savings will increase a few dollars from the new estimate based on the lower projected salaries. This will be the last year that we will have any expense in this line due to new legislation that exempts SCLS from the tax.
7) Equipment-Vehicles will increase by about $\$ 46,000$ from the first estimate as we now see the need to replace one of our primary deliver vehicles that is going on ten years of age and is seeing a growing work load with the added deliveries from the new SCLS lending library as well as the regular daily deliveries.

The bottom line after these changes have been made is that the overall SCLS 2016 Budget is projected to increase by $3.96 \%$. The operations side will decrease by $1.23 \%(\$ 83,737)$ and the Direct Offset side will increase by $8.16 \%(\$ 319,694$.

## Member Support payments will decrease by $8.0 \%$ or $\$ 195,58$ in 2016.

Often we are asked why every library does not have the same percentage change in member support. Member library financial participation is determined by a formula that includes the library's service population (which has not changed this year) and the library's expenditures for the prior year (2014.) If your library's disbursements (less capital expenditures and debt service - as defined in your New York State Annual Report) increased more than the County average then your contribution change will be greater than the average. The final proposed member support chart HAS changed from the "draft" chart. The version that is enclosed with this memo is the final chart.

If possible, please address this issue at your next Board meeting and return the enclosed ballot to SCLS before December 31, 2015. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Thank you for your continued support of our collaborative efforts.

## 2016 BUDGET INCOME



## 2016 BUDGET EXPENDITURES

| ACCOUNT TITLE | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 to 2016 | 2015 to 2016 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Budgeted | Budgeted | Proposed | \$ Change | \% Change |
| SALARIES |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LIBRARIANS | 1,352,300 | 1,317,852 | 1,221,145 | $(96,707)$ | . $7.34 \%$ |
| CLERICAL | 1,213,439 | 1,236,036 | 1,163,726 | $(72,310)$ | -5.85\% |
| Shipping \& Maint. | 264,736 | 267,732 | 190,309 | $(77,423)$ | -28.92\% |
| SUBSTITUTES \& HOURLY | 195,576 | 206,149 | 250,758 | 44,609 | 21.64\% |
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| SUB-TOTAL | 3,026,051 | 3,027,769 | 2,825,938 | $(201,831)$ | -6.67\% |
| FIXED CHARGES \& FRINGE BENEFITS |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RETIREMENT | 575,770 | 525,000 | 440,370 | (84,630) | -16.12\% |
| SOCIAL SECURITY | 231,493 | 232,583 | 216,184 | $(16,399)$ | -7.05\% |
| WORKER'S COMP. | 40,000 | 40,000 | 40,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| UNEMPLOYMENT | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| DISABILITY | 8,000 | 7,500 | 7,000 | (500) | -6.67\% |
| HEALTH INSURANCE | 483,750 | 462,000 | 498,498 | 36,498 | 7.90\% |
| HEALTH INS. RETIREES | 483,750 | 462,000 | 498,498 | 36,498 | 7.90\% |
| DENTAL | 34,000 | 40,000 | 42,000 | 2,000 | 5.00\% |
| OPTICAL | 7,000 | 7,000 | 6,000 | $(1,000)$ | -14.29\% |
| FLEXIBLE SPENDING | 1,000 | 1,000 | 500 | (500) | -50.00\% |
| SICK \& VAC. PAYOUTS | 90,000 | 90,000 | 85,000 | $(5,000)$ | -5.56\% |
| LONG TERM CARE INS. | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,000 | $(1,000)$ | -46.67\% |
| INSURANCE INCENTIVE | 10,000 | 11,120 | 9,000 | $(2,120)$ | -19.06\% |
| Empl. Assist. Program | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
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| SUB-TOTAL | 1,977,763 | 1,891,203 | 1,855,050 | $(36,153)$ | -1.91\% |
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| PROFESSIONAL FEES | 58,383 | 54,383 | 51,883 | $(2,500)$ | -4.60\% |
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| SUB-TOTAL | 58,383 | 54,383 | 51,883 | $(2,500)$ | -4.60\% |
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| LIBRARY MATERIALS |  |  |  |  |  |
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| BOOKS | 6,000 | 4,250 | 4,250 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| SUFFOLK E-RESOURCES | 700,400 | 700,400 | 700,400 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| CBA MATERIALS | 14,376 | 15,034 | 15,485 | 451 | 3.00\% |
| CLA CBA CNTRL LIBRARY | 320,723 | 321,220 | 330,857 | 9,637 | 3.00\% |
| LLSA MEMBER LIBRARIES | 402,882 | 403,177 | 415,272 | 12,095 | 3.00\% |
| HOMEWORK HELP | 375,000 | 375,000 | 375,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| Downloadable Media | 1,206,539 | 1,484,847 | 1,865,816 | 380,969 | 25.66\% |
| COORDINATED ORDERS | 750,000 | 850,000 | 850,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| Misc. Grants | - |  | 0 | 0 | 0.00\% |
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| SUB-TOTAL | 3,775,920 | 4,153,928 | 4,557,080 | 403,152 | 9.71\% |
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## 2016 BUDGET EXPENDITURES

| ACCOUNT TITLE | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 to 2016 | 2015 to 2016 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Budgeted | Budgeted | Proposed | \$ Change | \% Change |
| OPERATIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| OFFICE \& LIB. SUPPLIES | 43,365 | 42,000 | 39,000 | $(3,000)$ | -7.14\% |
| TELEPHONE VOICE | 18,300 | 21,960 | 22,860 | 900 | 4.10\% |
| ISP SERVICE | 81,600 | 81,600 | 86,300 | 4,700 | 5.76\% |
| Line of Credit INTEREST | 2,500 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| POSTAGE \& FRGHT SCLS | 20,000 | 20,000 | 24,000 | 4,000 | 20.00\% |
| POSTAGE OVERDUES | 55,200 | 55,200 | 73,500 | 18,300 | 33.15\% |
| PUBLICITY \& PRINTING | 75,000 | 75,000 | 125,000 | 50,000 | 66.67\% |
| TRAVEL | 16,500 | 16,050 | 18,550 | 2,500 | 15.58\% |
| LOST IN TRANSIT | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| OVERDUE SUPPLIES | 8,400 | 8,400 | 10,500 | 2,100 | 25.00\% |
| MEMBERSHIP DUES | 9,600 | 10,000 | 16,600 | 6,600 | 66.00\% |
| MAINT. - OFFICE EQUIP. | 35,240 | 29,776 | 32,826 | 3,050 | 10.24\% |
| COMPUTER SERVICES | 224,486 | 248,045 | 326,195 | 78,150 | 31.51\% |
| VEHICLE OPERATION | 38,293 | 33,643 | 33,891 | 248 | 0.74\% |
| VEHICLE MAINTENANCE | 15,000 | 15,000 | 13,845 | (1,155) | -7.70\% |
| MCTD Tax | 10,289 | 10,337 | 4,804 | $(5,533)$ | -53.53\% |
| TRUSTEE EXPENSE | 3,500 | 3,500 | 4,500 | 1,000 | 28.57\% |
| PROGRAMS | 25,000 | 20,000 | 30,000 | 10,000 | 50.00\% |
| PROF. DEVELOPMENT | 30,475 | 45,000 | 49,000 | 4,000 | 8.89\% |
| Misc. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| SUB-TOTAL | 722,748 | 746,511 | 922,371 | 175,860 | 23.56\% |
| BUILDING OPERATIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| GAS | 24000 | 20000 | 16,000 | (4,000) | -20.00\% |
| ELECTRICITY | 110000 | 120800 | 105,750 | $(15,050)$ | -12.46\% |
| WATER | 1500 | 1000 | 1,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| SUPPLIES-JANITORIAL | 3500 | 3500 | 4,500 | 1,000 | 28.57\% |
| CONTRACT SERVICES | 295635 | 347335 | 348,065 | 730 | 0.21\% |
| REPAIR - BLDG. \& EQUIP. | 50000 | 45000 | 65,000 | 20,000 | 44.44\% |
| SUB-TOTAL | 484,635 | 537,635 | 540,315 | 2,680 | 0.50\% |
| INSURANCE | 45,383 | 46,900 | 47,550 | 650 | 1.39\% |
| EQUIPMENT | 55,000 | 55,000 | 55,000 | 0 | 0.00\% |
| EQUIPMENT - VEHICLES | - | - | 46,230 | 46,230 | 100.00\% |
| FACILITY RENOVATIONS | 40,000 | 40,000 | 70,000 | 30,000 | 75.00\% |
| SUB-TOTAL | 140,383 | 141,900 | 218,780 | 76,880 | 54.18\% |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 10,185,882 | 10,553,329 | 10,971,417 | 418,088 | 3.96\% |
| TOTAL INCOME | 10,185,883 | 10,735,460 | 10,971,417 | 235,957 |  |





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