**PAWLING FREE LIBRARY**

**Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of Meeting**

**October 8, 2015**

**Attendees:** Verna Carey, Karen Franco, Stephanie McLaughlin, Dennis Munnelly, Nick Robertshaw, Brian Smith and Casey Conlin (Director)

**Excused:** Janet Prince and Frank Sinisi

**Absent:** Cliff Johnson

**Guests:** Ed Hauser, Helen Grasso, and Stephen (?)

**Trustees Emeritus:** George M. Coulter, D.D.S. and Betsy Brockway

Meeting opened at 6:54 p.m.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**: Approved by Brian Smith & 2nd by Dennis Munnelly. All in favor.

At this juncture in the meeting the floor was given to Ed Hauser, our advisor in regard to our future renovations. Ed showed some changes he suggested for the 2nd floor, these in conjunction with Casey. The consensus of the Board was that these were good points to be discussed with the Architect. Hopefully we will be able to wrap up plans by the next meeting with the Architect. Ed also suggested Grayson Bryant from Trinity Pawling to come and talk to us regarding fund raising for this project. Brian will be in touch with Mr. Bryant to set up a meeting for him to talk to the Board, in the near future.

**Director’s Report:** This report has been provided to all trustees and was approved by Brian Smith and 2nd by Verna Carey. All in favor.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Trustees were provided a copy of Treasurer’s Report and there was some question re: book purchasing. This will be reviewed by Casey. Motion made by Brian Smith to accept report and 2nd by Verna Carey. All in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Mini Book Sale:** Went well and we made approx. $600. Not bad for a few hours and plans are underway for the Mini Christmas Book Sale to be held on 12/4/15, in conjunction with Tree Lighting. Mr. & Mrs. Santa will be visiting and naturally all volunteers we can muster.

**Public Relations:** Annual Appeal letter should be out by end of October.

**New Business:**

**Fund Raising:** Several ideas were bantered around, however, it was decided to put this aside until we meet with Mr. Bryant.

Public Comment: Mrs. Grasso asked several questions regarding our decision to renovate and she was told that we held several forums with the community and what we are doing is in conjunction with the requests made by the public.

Respectfully Submitted by: Verna Carey, Secretary

**Next Meeting will be Thurs. Nov. 12, 2015 @ 6:45 p.m.**