

**Abbott Library Trustees, Foundation, and Friends Minutes**  
**Safety Services Building – June 27, 2013**  
**Approved**

Trustees: Terri Jillson White, Chair; Peter Urbach, Assistant Chair; James Gottling, Secretary; Jean Molloy; Peter Spanos

Alternates: Tom Mickle

Director: Mary Danko

Foundation: Mindy Flater, Chair

Friends: Dick Katz, President; Karen Atwood, Treasurer; Sharon Palmer

Others: Anne Nilsen

**Chairs' Opening Remarks – Terri White**

Terri opened the trustees meeting at 6:30 pm and indicated that this meeting would be a joint one including the Abbott Library Trustees, the Abbott Library Foundation, and the Friends of the Abbott Library. The meeting began with updates provided by Mindy and Terri.

**Update**

Mindy reported that the balance remaining to be raised is \$293,000, excluding a Lions Club donation of \$10,000 with a stipulation of an added community room, reported by Tom Mickle. Mindy said that the foundation now is in the third stage of its work, where the focus is on raising money from the general public.

Terri spoke about:

- Hired architect (Tennant Wallace) and construction management (Trumbull Nelson) team
- Bond article passed in March
- Bid solicitation underway
- Hired new director (Mary Danko)

**General Comments**

Mindy Flater: The penny container at the library was 1/3 full, weighed 30 to 40 pounds, and raised \$848.05.

Jean Molloy: Suggested having people write eMail chains.

Mindy Flater: Met Paul Howe, who suggested that he and other local artists sell items at the library – 50% to artist, 50% to foundation.

Mary Danko: Set up miniature golf at library. Dick Katz said he would be excited to work on that.

Mindy Flater: Suggested holding a “Big Truck” night.

Peter Urbach: Thought these ideas were good, but would not raise enough. Need to ask for large donations.

Mindy Flater: Mentioned Washington foundation that Dr. Wright, former Dartmouth president, is involved with that may send major contribution.

Tom Mickle: Suggested urging people to donate appreciated securities.

Mary Danko: Asked what will happen at the new library? Jean Molloy suggested having high-tech talks and bringing the “feel” of the old library to the new one. Jim Gottling suggested holding series of local author talks.

Peter Urbach: Send update letter to local people to provide information about progress of funding and construction.

**Public Comment – None**

**Adjournment**

Jean Molloy, with second by Pete Spanos, moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by the trustees, and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James G. Gottling". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

James G Gottling, Secretary