Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority Huntington Hall Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2020

In compliance with Connecticut General Statute § 1-225, these minutes are being provided for informational purposes and are subject to approval of the Danbury Museum & Historical Society Authority Board of Trustees at its next regular meeting.

In attendance were, Geoff Herald, Paul Valeri, Marian Hesemeyer, Brigid Guertin (DMHS), Michele Amundson (DMHS), Bob Doyle, Patrick Wells (DMHS), Doug Polistena, Roberto Alves and Bob Young. Members not in attendance: Brandon Whitfield, John Clark and Elizabeth Hudson

President Report, Geoff Herald called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm and asked the board for any changes or corrections to the May meeting minutes.

A motion to accept the minutes from the May meeting was made by Bob Young and seconded by Bob Doyle, all in attendance voted to accept the meeting minutes in a unanimous vote.

Finance Report: Bob Doyle informed the members of the Board that there is enough money to pay bills for the next month or two. We are looking good when it comes to meeting the requirements for the use of PPP funds.

A motion to accept the financial report was made by Marian Hesemeyer and seconded by Doug Polistena, all in attendance voted to accept the financial report in a unanimous vote.

Executive Director's Report: Brigid Guertin informed the board that the museum personnel have been responding to e-mails, research requests and working on the Newsletter. The Newsletter will be changing from a weekly to a monthly delivery.

Summer camps will be virtual this year and will include kits for the applicants with the materials they need. There will be three camps held and the charge will be per household.

Virtual paid tours of the museum will become available. The Museum is working with the Music center to create video music programs from the Marian Anderson Studio, these will be available through the website. Other content will be produced for the website to keep engagement with the community ongoing.

There was a comprehensive discussion on the fluid situation regarding the museum reopening.

Old Business: Ives House rehabilitation and exhibit installation is moving forward as it can under the current circumstances.

New Business: Geoff Herald asked the Museum personnel to create a wish list to be available on the website so possible donors will have access to it.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm with a motion by Bob Young, seconded by Bob Doyle.

The next meeting of the Board will be July 9, 2020 at 5:30 pm via Zoom. Link to mtg. is available at <u>www.danburymuseum.org</u>, Bottom of Museum From Home page.

Respectfully submitted, 6 James arian Marian Hesemever