Present: Scott Elia, President; David Graham, Vice President; Danette Davis, Secretary; Gina LaRosa Benedict; Mike Cirincione; Paula Conan; Geralyn Huba; David Lee; Bob Lotkowictz; Sharon O’Connell; Peg Whitehouse; Nickie Marquis, Library Director.

Public Comment Period: No members of the public were present.

Non-Profit Seminar Update: Vice President Graham reported on a seminar he attended on January 12 which provided information for non-profit organizations including information on the 990 Form.

Session to set 2016 goals: It was decided that goals for 2016 would be discussed at the Annual Meeting.

Operational Funding Campaign: President Elia and Library Director Marquis presented information on the budget and the proposed tax levy, including comparisons with similar size libraries in Onondaga County. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Lotkowictz that the Board of the Skaneateles Library Association submit for tax levy the amount of $350,000 to the Skaneateles School District. The motion was seconded by Vice President Graham. Trustee O’Connell was not present for the vote. Trustee Huba recused herself from the vote. The motion passed.

Legal Counsel: Trustee Conan made the motion that we engage the firm of Whiteman Osterman and Hanna for legal counsel for the 259 ballot process as they specialize in library law. The motion was seconded by Trustee Huba. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

The next meeting will be January 28, 2016 at 6:30 PM which will include the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Danette Davis, Secretary