MUSEUM ADVISORY BOARD POLICY

The Board of Trustees authorizes the existence of a Museum Advisory Board (MAB) which will be charged with the responsibility of advising the Library Board and the Library Director on matters relative to the operation of the Museum, its collection, hours and services. Said committee may offer recommendations and advice, but has no governance authority. The Library Board may refer specific Museum-related matters to the MAB for study and advice as the need arises.

The MAB will be composed of four members of the community and a member of the Library Board serving as a liaison. The community members will serve four-year terms and may be appointed to no more than two consecutive terms. Should a community member be appointed to an unexpired term of two year or less, that time will not be counted as part of consecutive terms. Appointments will be made by the Board of Trustees on the advice of the Library Director. The terms of community members of the MAB begin July 1 and end June 30 four years later, with the exception of the appointments effective July 1, 2010 wherein lots are drawn for one, two, three and four year terms, and appointments to fill unexpired terms. The Library Director and the Outreach Librarian are automatically non-voting members of the MAB, ex officio.

The Museum Advisory Board may meet as frequently as needed, but no less than quarterly on a schedule to be determined by the Advisory Board. Members of the MAB are expected to attend at least 50% of the meetings in the July-June term in order to retain their seats. Excessive absence shall be reported to the appointing authority (Library Board) for action.

The Chair and the Secretary shall be elected annually by the voting members of the MAB.

This motion supersedes the prior motion at the February 12, 1996 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ellenville Public Library and Museum, creating an Advisory Board.

Approved by the Board of Trustees
March 15, 2010
Amended by the Board of Trustees
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