

Plainfield/Meriden Joint Trustee Meeting Memorandum of Agreement

During our meeting held on July 26, 2010 we discussed points of mutual agreement. The boards individually and collectively determined these points to be a solid framework for our work together going forward in implementing Article 8 which was passed at the Town Meeting in March 2010.

The points listed below represent my attempt to restate those items for our mutual reference and for use with the Town Board:

- The members agreed that it was important to state up-front that our collective judgment is to keep both libraries operating for a minimum of 3 years in way that will not affect each individual library's identity. By doing this, we can work carefully and deliberately to develop a vision of the future of the Plainfield Library facilities
- Each board will develop a budget for their library for the upcoming (2011) year. These budgets will be discussed and shared between the 2 boards in an effort to devise synergies and to begin the process of familiarizing each board with the "other's" budget. These budgets will be presented as 2 separate line items at the 2011 town meeting.
- The members have discussed and reviewed the areas where there is already sharing of information/programs and resources. These will continue and the intent is to expand them as opportunities arise.