

**LPL Board of Library Trustees
Meeting Minutes
5 November 2015**

Board members present: Jennifer GendronCarleton, Darby Ray, Elizabeth Clifford, Anne Kemper, ZamZam Mohamud and Adam Sherman.

Others present: Rick Speer and Sonia Buck, President, A.P.L. Board of Trustees

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Jennifer GendronCarleton.

The 1 October 2015 meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

Prior to Rick's presentation of the Director's Report, he informed the Board that it had been a challenging month for Library staff in part because of the extended leave taken by a key administrative assistant.

The Board had a follow-up discussion regarding Nuruddin Farah's talk to the gathering of Somali community members. ZamZam discussed the community's reception to the talk.

Rick presented the Library Director's Report. He reminded the Board that the Friends of LPL is currently conducting their annual membership campaign and encouraged all Board members to join the Friends. The individual rate for a donation is \$20.00. The Friends' annual meeting will be held on November 8 at Callahan Hall.

Rick informed the Board that part-time Library Assistant Mary Randall has been promoted to the position of full-time Library Technician. Mary will be dividing her work between Children's Services and Adult & Teen Services. Mary is stepping into the position previously held by Danielle Fortin.

Rick informed the Board that the "How to Survive a Plague" film event will not be happening. And he reminded the Board about other upcoming events at the Library.

The Board then discussed the Major Budget Initiatives of fiscal year 2017. The Board expressed concerns over potential accessibility issues presented by the aging microprocessors used to run the Library's two public elevators. It would take approximately \$40,000.00 to restore the book budget to its former level. The costs for budget initiative number 2, the move of the Teen Room to a larger space, would primarily come from the installation of a glass wall system and from the purchase of new furniture.

The Board accepted Darby's offer to become the Board's next Secretary after learning that Adam will be leaving the Board in the new year.

Elizabeth gave the Auburn Library report, discussing, among other things, the NASA exhibit and the discussion of a possible purchase of a 3-D printer. Mamie and the IT department of the Auburn Library plan on travelling to Colorado to prepare for the NASA exhibit.

The next Board meeting will be held at the LPL third floor conference room at 5:30 p.m. on 3 December.