

**LPL Board of Library Trustees  
Meeting Minutes  
December 3, 2015**

Board members present: Jennifer GendronCarleton, Darby Ray, and Elizabeth Clifford.

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. Since no quorum existed any actions taken at this meeting will have to be ratified at the January meeting.

The November 5, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

Darby suggested that Rick work with the Friends to do an email encouraging patrons and Friends to renew their Friends membership online.

Rick presented the proposed holiday closings for 2016, reminding the Board that many of the holidays are set in the union contracts and that the Board's prerogative mainly rested with the Saturday closings. The 2016 Saturday closings were limited to the weekends of Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Christmas. The holiday closings were approved as proposed.

Rick presented the Director's report. The Friends of LPL received a Maine Arts Commission "Creative Aging" grant which will allow the library to partner with USM-LAC's Senior College to offer a New England folk dance course. The Friends are using a gift from the Ann Geiger Estate to replace the casual furnishings in the Library's Teen Room. LPL was awarded two grants in the past month. One from the Carignan Fund at Bates College for \$1,300 to help continue the Art Van programming at the Library. The other was from the American Library Association to join their MakerLab Club to expand STEM programming; this grant includes 3 new 3-D printers for the Library. Rick also informed the Board that the Library is planning to work with the Harvard Center for Community Partnerships at Bates College to again apply for United Way funding to keep the afterschool Academic Success homework help program funded.

A resolve was passed to accept the Carignan Fund and ALA grants and to recommend to the City Administration and City Council that they also accept them.

A resolve was passed supporting the Library/Harvard Center grant request to the United Way.

The slate of officers for 2016 were presented and unanimously accepted by the Board members present. Jennifer GendronCarleton will continue to serve as Chair and Darby Ray will serve as Secretary.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

--Minutes submitted by Rick Speer, Secretary pro-tem