Lewiston Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes: December 7, 2017

Members present: Darby Ray, Ted Walworth, Jennifer Gendron Carleton, Anne Kemper, John Painter, and Elizabeth Clifford **Others Present:** Marcela Peres and Doris Bonneau

Meeting was call to order by Darby Ray at 5:30 PM,

Minutes from November 2, 2017 were unanimously approved.

Nominating Committee Report:

Darby Ray will continue as President and Sarah Yasin will serve as Secretary.

Election of Officers: It was Unanimously approved to elect Darby Ray as President and Sarah Yasin as Secretary of the Board Of Trustees.

Library Director's Report:

Shady Brook is back and has been installed by Kimball Street Studios.

- Lending Services Supervisor Katherine Webber is graduating from the Androscoggin Leadership Development Institute on Dec. 14th.
- Interviews for part-time Interlibrary Loan Assistant position will take place next week. We have six candidates.
- Will be swapping the Collection Services and Adult Services Board Reports this year to accommodate staff leave but may want to consider making this a permanent Switch. The Board will have to make changes in the Bylaws to make this change.
- Friends of the Library met Nov. 9th. The February meeting will include a Library Tour which will be open to the Trustees.

Successful mayoral run-off debate. 165 people attended and 3,000 attended virtually We won second place in the Union of Maine Visual Artist Holiday Window Contest.

Upcoming LPL Programs:

Dec, 8, 5:30PM: Cinema with Santa at the Armory with the Rec Division

Dec, 12, 4:30 PM.: Graham Houses (Teen)

Dec 13, 4:00 PM: Nature Detectives (Kids)

Dec, 14, 5PM: Vinegars: A History and Tasting

Dec, 16, 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: Gingerbread Day: Winter at Hogwarts

Jan 3, 10:00 AM: USCIS Open House

Having trouble getting a vendor to come in and repair one of the elevator. The funds for the repair have be approved.

FY2018 Objectives:

- 1. Develop a comprehensive Library Plan
- 2. Add full time Library Technician to work between Collections and adult/teen
- 3. Weed out unnecessary or little used materials
- 4. Expand Friends of the Library

- 5. Restore funding cuts of two years ago
- 6. Improvement of staffing schedules, furniture, placement of materials, customer service and staff morale
- 7. Bring back Grade six Library Tours
- 8. Rearrange first floor fiction collection
- 9. Website redesign
- 10. Develop Community Hub (information on area Nonprofits
- 11. Improve connections with Lewiston Community
- 12. Upgrade elevators
- 13. Improve availability of STEAM 3d printer
- 14. Digital Monitor For Lisbon St window to advertise upcoming LPL programming

Approval of Holiday Closings for 2018: Approved unanimously

APL Board Meeting Report:

The Annual Meeting this year was not well attended. There was a discussion as to the possibility of talking to the LPL Friends of joining with them. They are having parking Problems with a developer who Bought the building behind them and threatening to close parking for the Library.

Old Business: Progress on Trustee Search

Young parent/patron is interested in joining the Board

Other Business:

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M Next meeting January 4, 2018