

**Lewiston Public Library
Board of Trustees
November 7, 2019 Meeting**

Members Present: Anne Kemper, Darby Ray, Elizabeth Clifford, Mariah Pfeiffer, Sarah Gillespie, and Safiya Khalid

Also Present: Marcela Peres, Kristen Cloutier (Mayor of Lewiston) and Alfreda Fournier (APL)

Meeting called to order at 5:30 P.M.

Minutes from October 3, 2019 unanimously approved

Library Director's Report:

Alex Richey completed ALDI program on 11/16

Harper Chance attended YALSA Symposium last weekend

New Children's Librarian, Sara Groves started 10/31

Search now underway for Children's/Adult & Teen Technician

We also need 2 or 3 additional part-timers

Sara Groves is doing a great job with new ideas such as a fairy tale club, Saturday Stories, Family Book Group and meeting with school librarians

Three heating and air units have failed. City Administration waved formal RFP process for emergency repairs

Window repairs completed

Callahan LED project moving forward, waiting for parts

Macmillan ebook embargo: Macmillan has instituted an eight-week wait time before Libraries can buy more than one copy. They will overcharge for each book (\$86.00) to rent for two years and lending the copy only 26 times. There is a question of Anti-trust laws. The ALA is circulating a petition denouncing what Macmillan is doing with 191,000 names to be delivered to the publisher. 5.5% of the ebooks the state buys comes from Macmillan.

Plaque for Rick Speer has been installed

We have received a book donation "Androscoggin" illustrated by artist Charlie Hewitt

Upcoming LPL programs: Nov, 9-NaNOWriMo Write-in; Nov 14- Friends of the Library Annual Meeting, Nov 21- Great Falls Forum with Sarah Perry "After the Eclipse: Grief, The law and the making of a Memoir", Nov23- Meet and Greet with Sara Groves, new Children's Librarian.

FY20 Objectives: Working on Objectives, final list will be available in December

Nominating Committee: We need to nominate a new secretary and chair.

Incoming/Outgoing Trustees: We will have three vacancies

APL Report: Alfreda Fournier

The Board is developing a handbook for trustees. Cafe is doing well. Working on Director's evaluation.

Old Business: No old business

Other Business: No other business

Meeting Adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Next Meeting: December 5, 2019