LPL Board Minutes 12/05/19

Recorded by John Painter

5:35pm call to order

Present: Sarah Gillespie (acting chair in Darby's absence), John Painter, Lisa Chesway (APL), Ted Walworth, Anne Kemper, Safiya Khalid, Marcela Peres, Mayor Kristen Cloutier

Minutes from 11/07/19 reviewed

Plaque for former LPL Director Rick Speer at head of stairway. APL attendee last name on second page is spelled "Fournier". Minutes from 11/07/19 approved.

Director's report

Good turnout for applications for posting.

Heating unit is repaired

Approve 4th Saturday of month for Lewiston delegation

Marcela noted 2020 calendar for city has old (historic) library photo and has asked for old photos to be moved to LPL archives.

Marcela discussed ongoing boycott with MacMillan and that "they are doubling down" that libraries undercut their business.

Upcoming LPL programs reviewed. Ted asked Marcela if children's librarian (Sarah) could give her report at January 2nd meeting. Marcela will invite Sarah.

Marcela reviews 2020 objectives

- 1. Marcela discussed staffing levels noting "we are slightly under staffed for larger libraries" she will send standards out to Board.
- 2. Weeding through old materials
- 3. Would like to bump up enrollment
- 4. Up date children's materials and better organize
- 5. Full update requested
- 6. Cost for buying A/V up to standards is \$65k
- 7. Educational games, maybe tablets, all being explored
- Looking at feasibility of bibliography for e-books / Ted asks if there is "weeding for e-books",
 Marcela clarifies it is self-weeding contractually.
- 9. Would like to get 6th graders before middle school.
- 10. Ongoing work with City Buildings Division for windows, elevator, carpeting, HVAC.
- 11. Piggy back children's & adult's options.
- 12. Ongoing development for IDEA Lab
- 13. Ongoing membership expansion for Friends of the Library.

Marcela reminds Board they will need to vote on objectives, also that most do not require funding but there are some which do and she has to submit separately to city.

Anne motions to accept objectives as presented. Ted seconds. Approved unanimously.

New Officer elections

Anne & John report on new officer slate. Marcela review our election and Bylaws for officers. LPL Bylaws require election in December. City Clerk spoke with Marcela about elections being different from other city boards which have elections later. Mayor Cloutier proposed we look at officer term limits and February elections.

Marcela proposes we move to vote on Board Chair/President position so we have the position filled in January. Ted suggests there be an explanation of Board members seeking officer position. Anne proposes Sarah Gillespie as Chair of LPL Board. Ted seconds. Vote is unanimous.

Holiday closings

Marcela reviews closings (see posted holiday closing sheet), Mayor Cloutier also discusses notification of public about closings. Mayor Cloutier motions to approve closings. Safiya seconds. Approved unanimously.

APL report

New officers appointed.
Fundraising appeals starting
Ted asks about parking at APL, discussed that this is still problematic.
Next meeting is third Tuesday in February.
There will be a press release for city boards needing positions filled.

Old Business: No old business
Other Business: No other business
Meeting Adjourned: 6:30pm

Next Meeting: January 2, 2020 @ 5:30pm LPL third floor Conference Room