Lewiston Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes: January 2, 2020

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

Also Present: Mayor Kristen Cloutier, Marcela Peres, Sara Groves

Meeting called to order at 5:35 P.M. Minutes of December 5, 2019 unanimously approved

Report of Children's Dept: Sara Groves

New programs include: Family Book Club, Read to a Cat, Trading Card Club and Computer Coding. Planning a graphic novel group at the Middle School, a filmmaking workshop for kids and a continuation of day care visits with totes of books.

Rethinking Summer Reading Program: Instead of using rewards, make reading itself as an incentive. There was a discussion on outreach for programming including email blasts, website, Newspaper, notices to school librarians, flyers sent home and a newsletter.

Director's Report:

Staff: New Library Technician hired, 4 new part-time library assistants selected.

Possibility of lighting the exterior of library similar to City Hall being explored.

Public Library Annual Report due to Maine State Library in April. Will have to measure ourselves to Maine State Library Standards. Will have report at April or May meeting.

Upcoming Programs: Jan, 3- Kneat Knits, Jan 4- Wishing Stars, Jan7 - Preschool Storytime, Caregiver workshop"Raising Children", LEGO Club
Jan 7- Screening of documentary, "Sex Trafficing in America." Jan, 8- Baby Time, Homeschool Hangout, Jan 9- Teen Magic the Gathering Club, Nature science with Miss Penny Jan 10- Teen Video Game Fridays Jan 13- ArtVan Jan 15- Teen Takeover: IDEA Lab

Jan 16- Great Falls Forum "The Future of Arts and Culture in LA" and Kids Create

Jan 18- Super STEAM Icicle Engineering Jan 23 - Read To a Cat Jan 25- Family Book Club

Incoming/Outgoing Trustees: John Painter is leaving (Termed out), Safiya Khalid is leaving to take her place on the City Council. New and returning trustees will be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council at its Jan 7th meeting.

New Officers: Sarah Gillespie is the new Chairperson.

APL Report: No Report

Old Business: The Secretary will be elected at the next meeting.

Other Business: APL Meeting assignments

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Next Meeting: February 6, 2020