

**LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
Tuesday January 9, 2018 6:00 PM  
Community Room of the Lester Public Library**

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**Call to Order** –President Collette Tegen called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Roll Call** – Members Present: Collette Tegen, Stanley Palmer, David Pennefeather, Patrick Gagnon, Ned Guyette, Sharon Sleger, Larry Thomas, Tom Van Horn, Rick Hendrickson, and Kirsten Sleger. Also present Chris Hamburg, Adult Services Coordinator and Jeff Dawson, Director

**Public Comment** – None

**Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve minutes of November 14, 2017 meeting made by Thomas, second made by Guyette. Voice vote carried unanimously. (There was not a meeting in December 2017)

**Expenditures & Financial Reports** – Motion to accept and file the November and December 2017 financial reports made by Palmer, second made by Guyette. Voice vote carried unanimously.

**Board Member Comment** – Hendrickson praised the quality of photographs being posted on the library’s Instagram account.

**Director’s Report** – Discussion included the market research survey conducted by Leede Research, Inc.; net neutrality; damage to the fence due to a car accident; and library statistics.

**Report from City Council Representative** – City budget was formal adopted November 2017, including the 2% lift for the library. City will be finalizing the long-term economic development plan in the coming weeks. The old Blue Goose tavern property is now owned by the City. Paragon Partners are in default of their loans with City and County. There are 3 open seats in the upcoming City Council election, with 3 candidates vying for the seats.

**Report from School District Representative** – December was an active month of holiday concerts. January 2<sup>nd</sup> was a professional development day, with another coming up January 19<sup>th</sup>. Today was Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

**Report from County Representative** – District 24 is looking for someone to run as a registered write-in candidate. Spear heading an effort to change Memorial Drive back to its original name – American Legion Memorial Drive, gave a history of the drive and the purchase of over 1,000 elm trees to border the drive – today 3 elm trees survive of the 1,000 planted in the 1920’s.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Motion to approve the 2018 Library budget made by Thomas, second made by Pennefeather. Voice vote carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

- Motion to wave reading and approve the Resolution in Remembrance of Joyce Beth made by Hendrickson, second made by Kirsten Sleger. Voice vote carried unanimously.
- Motion to approve the 2018 – 2022 Strategic Plan as presented made by Gagnon, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously.

**Closed Executive Session** – None.

**Board Education** – None.

**Motion to adjourn** made by Kirsten Sleger, second made by Hendrickson. Voice vote carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Dawson, Director