LETA FULL BOARD MEETING

♦June 14, 2018♦ 12:00 PM ♦

LPB Board Room♦ 7733 Perkins Road ♦Baton Rouge, LA

**Members Present:** Chair Kathy Kliebert, Wayne Berry, Eartha Cross, Father James Carter, Conrad Comeaux, Julie Cherry, Lee “T.” Wheeler, Gigi Carter, Doreen Brasseaux, Nancy Harrelson, and Valencia Burton

**Members Absent:** Jada Lewis, Gwen Guillotte, Scott Richard, Bill Blackwood, Nikki Godfrey, Sydni Dunn, and Donna Ewing

**Employees Present:**  Beth Courtney, Joanne Gaudet, Christina Melton, Terri Crockett, C. C. Copeland, and Carol Manship

**Call to Order:** Kathy Kliebert, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

**Presentation:** Kathy Kliebert asked for the Board’s attention in order to make a presentation to outgoing member Father James C. Carter. She read a resolution (see attached) commending Father Carter’s long service to LETA and LPB. She then gave him a crystal paperweight as a gift.

**President’s Report:** Kathy Kliebert spoke to the board about their responsibilities as board members. She stressed the importance of coming to the meetings, the necessity for a quorum, and if there were board members who felt they couldn’t give the board their time, then they need to let the board know if they wanted to get off the board. Kathy then said she would be calling all the board members to discuss this with them.

**Approval of Minutes:** Kathy Kliebert asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the Apr.14, 2018 meeting. Julie Cherry moved and Gigi Carter seconded. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Joanne Gaudet gave the Financial Report. (See attached)

**Friends Report:** Terri Crockett gave the Friends Report pointing out that Louisiana Legends had done very well this year.

**President’s Report:** Beth Courtney passed out the 2017 Annual Report (see attached). She talked about the ongoing Kids Camp and how much parents and kids enjoyed it.

Beth Courtney told the board about our efforts to bring to the public’s attention the financial situation facing LPB. Friends sent an email to all of our members asking they contact their legislators and voice support for LPB. A discussion followed about the upcoming special session and what response LPB should take. Board members were asked to contact their legislators.

**Engineering Report:** C.C. Copeland presented a short video showing the WWL news team explaining how LPB will be the broadcast center for them in the event of a hurricane event in New Orleans. He then did a PowerPoint presentation about the antenna installation in Alexandria.

**Production Report:** Christina Melton told the board about the PBS Digital Studios YouTube series she is producing, “Nourish”, and her hopes for the series.

**Other Business:** Gigi Carter told the board members about attending the PBS Annual Meeting in New Orleans and what an incredible experience it was.

**Adjournment:**  Kathy Kliebert called for a motion to adjourn. Nancy Harrelson moved and Doreen Brasseaux seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.