

Minutes of Meeting: Fairhope Public Library Board of Trustees
Monday, November 21, 2016

The meeting was held in the Fairhope Public Library's board room. Martin Lanaux called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Also in attendance were- Dan Stankoski, Frieda Ward, Alison Knight, Tamara Dean- Library Director and Jimmy Conyers-new City Council Liaison.

Board Chairman, Martin Lanaux welcomed Jimmy Conyers who is the new City Council Liaison and said that we all looked forward to working with him.

Minutes: The minutes from the September 19 and the October 19 meetings were reviewed and approved with the following correction: the Makerspace will be housed in the vacant office not the existing computer lab.

Reports: The Monthly Statistical Report, Employee Report and Financial Statement were reviewed and approved with all voting in favor.

Jimmy Conyers said that the \$352,000.00 for the necessary repairs to the library building was in the budget Mayor Kant submitted. Mayor Wilson is reviewing the entire budget.

Frieda Ward asked Tamara Dean to send a copy of the proposal for the equipment for the Makerspace to Board members which Tamara agreed to do. Tamara will also send each Board member a copy of "What is a Library Worth?"

Tamara Dean reported that the library is celebrating its 10th anniversary on January 20, 2017, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Tamara said that the library staff is planning a party to celebrate. Those attending will be issued a "passport" at the door and there will be six stations to visit. Alan Samry will be presenting a talk on "Where We've Been and Where We're Going." There will be several story times for children. The Friends of the Library will be providing food for the occasion.

Tamara reported that "Chocolate & Champagne" which is the Friends of the Fairhope Libraries biggest annual fundraiser will be held on February 11, 2017.

Tamara reported that library employee, Cheryl Bradley, wrote and submitted a grant to the LSTA for \$38,000.00 which was accepted. The library will be purchasing 4 Macs, 12 PC's and 6 cataloging computers to replace the existing ten year old computers.

Frieda Ward presented a job description for the position of Library Director which she and Molly Peterson have been working on. She asked that all Board members review the description for discussion at the next Board meeting and said she would welcome suggestions on shortening the description.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 PM. The next Library Board meeting will be held on Monday, January 17 at 5:00PM.

Respectfully submitted by Alison Knight