

Minutes of Meeting: Fairhope Public Library Board of Trustees
Monday, April 17, 2017

The meeting was held in the Fairhope Public Library's board room. Dan Stankoski called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM. Also in attendance were- Martin Lanaux, Frieda Ward, Alison Knight, Tamara Dean- Library Director, Jimmy Conyers-City Council Liaison and several members of the Friends of the Fairhope Public Library.

Minutes: The minutes from the March 20, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Frieda Ward asked that the letter written by the Friends of the Fairhope Library which was read at the March 20, 2017 meeting be added to the meeting minutes. With this addition, the minutes were approved with all voting in favor.

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

New Business:

Dan Stankoski moved and Frieda Ward seconded that the Board Member Rotation be tabled for the time being.

Tamara Dean reported that the Fairhope Public Library had been awarded a Gold Medal from the Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation & Municipal Workers Compensation Fund.

Tamara Dean reported that the Fairhope Public Library is in the process of conducting safety training for the staff.

Tamara Dean reported that two grants had been submitted by library staff. Rob Gourlay has submitted a grant for a stand-alone check out station. Susan Diemert has submitted a grant involving natural sciences and sustainability.

Tamara Dean reported on an "Outside the Lines" project for September 2018. The purpose of the project is to connect the Fairhope Public Library with the community. The project will be an historical scavenger hunt and will involve the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation and the Fairhope History Museum.

Jimmy Conyers said that he was not aware if an estimate for the library repairs had been submitted by Goodwyn Mills. He said that he would ask City Councilman Robert Brown about the status of the estimate. Tamara Dean said that she was not aware of anyone coming by to look at the areas in need of repair.

Dan Stankoski said that he plans to attend a city council meeting in the near future to explain why the Fairhope Public Library would like to expand into the library space currently occupied by Coastal Alabama Community College. Alison Knight mentioned a video posted by librarian, Alan Samry, about libraries hosting maker spaces and 3D printers and e-NABLE, a global nonprofit organization that provides open source software which allows users custom design functional prosthetic hands. Tamara Dean said she would forward the post to other board members.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM. The next Library Board meeting will be held on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 5:00PM.

Respectfully submitted by Alison Knight