Minutes of Meeting: Fairhope Public Library Board of Trustees Monday, May 23, 2019

The meeting was held in the Fairhope Public Library Board Room. Martin Lanaux called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Also in attendance were Dan Stankoski, Tamara Dean, Jimmy Conyers and Alison Knight.

Tamara Dean is working on filling the vacancies created by Cheryl Bradley (IT/Reference), Pam McCrae (Reference Technician) and Alan Samry (Reference Technician). In the case of the IT/Reference position, Tamara hopes to divide the job into two separate positions according to the budget appropriations in the future.

Tamara Dean mentioned Frazine Taylor who gave two seminars at the library on African American genealogy research (as part of the 2019 LSAT grant) has been elected as the first African American President of the Alabama Historical Society.

Tamara Dean distributed copies of the Bylaws of The Board of Trustees of the Fairhope Public Library.

Tamara Dean reported that the library will be collaborating with the Alabama 2020 Census (Alabama Counts).

Tamara Dean expressed her gratitude to the Friends of the Fairhope Public Library for the new self-checkout and printer station which she says has been extremely popular with patrons.

Jimmy Conyers asked how the building had done during recent rain storms. Tamara said that there had been no leaks.

Tamara Dean reported on a discussion she had with Cassie Boatwright, Dean of Operations and Maintenance for Coastal Alabama Community College who said that their goal was to lessen their footprint and therefore may be vacating the space they currently use on the 2nd floor of the library. Tamara said that the library needs the additional space and hopes that we can use the space for expansion.

Jiffy Conyers offered to speak to Lisa Hanks about the status of the 2nd floor space.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM. The next Library Board meeting will be held on Monday, June 17, 2019 at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Alison Knight