Parnell Memorial Library Board Meeting Minutes for January 8, 2018

Call to Order

Cathy Bearden called the meeting to order.

Roll Check and Mi nutes

Cathy Bearden, Lauren Bartell, Diane Landers, and Kathlyn Lathion were in attendance.

Correspondence

None

Treasurer's Report

Lauren was able to track and clarify all the irregularities from our last meeting. Lauren will make sure Christi gets this report to double check, but all looks good for this month.

Library Director 's Report

ESOL classes resume, with registration on Jan. 11th. Montevallo Poetry Slam, a 19 year tradition hasn't been able to meet since the Eclipse closed over the summer. The library will host an event for them on Jan. 19th at 8pm in the theater. Parnell's own, Rita Lee is having a writer's talk and book signing on Jan. 27th.

Report from City Council

None

Report from Library Foundation

Next meeting is Tuesday January 16, 2018

Old Busines s

None

New Business

Jennifer Key has been hired for the full time staff position.

The committee to review and revise the rental policies has to set up a time to meet, hopefully in the next month. The committee will need to review, as an example, the fees/pricing structure for the use the equipment in the theater, and what it would cost if an organization or group to use the theater for a weekend. Lauren will meet with the incoming president, Jake Beatty about this.

An organizer of a Forum, that will take place on Thursday, January 11th in the theater, did not go through the usual channels to rent the theater. In an effort to maintain the library's policies and to not favor one group over another, we'll be reaching out to the city to make sure we are in agreement about what should happen in case something like this comes up again.

Lauren to ask the foundation for funds to purchase a new Xerox machine.

Summer Library program is six weeks long and starts June 11th. The kick-off party will be June 16th, and The Alabama Blues Project will be performing. They are a non-profit group that teaches kids about the blues in Alabama. Will have closing concert by a drum circle group and will fill in with music/musicians from UM's Community School of Music, and the Cahaba River Alliance will lead an educational program called "River Rocks". The theme of this year's program is "Library Rocks".

Lauren is planning a talent show for the summer and is looking at other activities for teens.

The Children's Theater Workshop will take place again this summer.

Announcements and Adjournments

Next meeting - Monday, February 12, 2018 at 4:00pm