

Parnell Memorial Library
Board Meeting Minutes for 01/11/2022

Called to Order Cathy Bearden called the meeting to order

Roll and Minutes – In Attendance: Cathy Bearden, Diane Landers, Savannah Kitchens, Linda Farris, Leila Mitchell our City Council Liaison/Rep. and our newest board member, her first meeting, Ms. Joyce Lewis

Nov 8, 2021 minutes approved

Correspondence – None

Treasurer’s Report- Savannah did not receive a treasurer’s report, but Ms. Mitchell was able to get a copy from City Hall, and for next month we will try to find out how much is in the surplus fund. Each board members received a copy of the report and will have the month to look at it and try to see if there are any discrepancies, etc.

Library Director’s Report

Dial-A-Story was not renewed when contract expired.

Community meetings have been on the rise, 34 in the last month.

Beginning the process for Summer Reading, this year’s theme is Oceans & Water Conversation. Savannah is on the Al. Public Library Service Summer Reading board and helps with ideas for crafts and activities. Savannah is also on the Association for Rural and Small libraries and helps reviews other library grants, which helps here hone her grant writing skills.

Second TAB, teen advisory board meeting is set for Jan 18, good turn out (6) six for the first.

The take-home crafts and activities are always the most popular and always sell out.

Report from City Council

Ms. Mitchell went to the City’s end-of-year meeting on Dec. 15, 2021. Savannah did not receive a treasurer’s report, but Ms. Mitchell was able to get a copy from City Hall. Next month will try to find out how much is in the surplus fund.

Report from Library Foundation

The Foundation meets January 18, 2022

Old Business

An Alabama Author display was put up for January.

There has been some progress at The Dailey Park Free Little.

Each board member received copies of some the library’s policies for review and discussion next month.

Carmen Vacarella, who is working with the Central Alabama Literacy Council, said that the ESOL classes (English Speakers of Other Languages) will be back either Jan13th or 20th. Linda and Cathy reminded us that we’ve had Vietnamese and others besides Spanish speakers in our community and that they should be made aware of the classes too.

New Business

Welcomed out newest Parnell Memorial Library Board member today, Ms. Joyce Lewis!

Next meeting

Monday, February 14, 2022, at 4:00pm

Announcements and Adjournment