

January 17, 2017 Library Board Meeting

THE FAYETTE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD met on January 17, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Fayette County Public Library, 1821 Heritage Park Way, Fayetteville, Georgia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Clarence Leathers, Chairman
Tony Parrott, Vice Chairman
Kim Bradley
Page McDonald
Lisa Richardson
Marie Washburn
Regina Daigre

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Christeen Snell, Director
Sharon Campbell, Secretary and Library Assistant

GUESTS: Natalie Marshall, Executive Director for Flint River Regional Library System
Sherry Turner

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Clarence Leathers called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. and confirmed that a quorum was present. Chairman Clarence Leathers asked if there were any changes or additions to the January 17, 2017 agenda or the minutes of the October 18, 2016 meeting. The minutes were approved 5-0.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

See attached agenda.

With money from the MRRL grant we have purchased and received 2 copiers, 2 coin-op machines, 8 computers, 7 monitors, 1 laptop and 1 large screen television.

The children's dept. has resumed their book club after the holiday break. They have also resumed their Crazy 8's math club, moving it to Mondays from Thursdays. Joy had 25 new children show up for her toddler storytime program.

Our Babytime programs continue to draw in 70 to 100 participants each week.

This past Thursday we were the host site for the annual Performers Showcase where libraries from across the state view talent to book for their summer reading programs. As always it was a huge success with lots of positive compliments for all involved.

This past holiday weekend Pines did their annual software update. One new feature is a Spanish language opac.

Upcoming library programs, library sponsored programs and programs offered through partnerships:

19th annual Blended Heritage Celebration "Rise Up Singing" – February 24th at 7 p.m.

Author signing – Richard Johnston – "Choctaw Woman: Mela Comes Home" - February 4th at 1 p.m.

Movie series - 'A Salute to Sidney Poitier" – Fridays at 12:30, January – March

Financial workshop "Understanding the Jargon" - February 1st, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

U.S. Small Business Administration "Simple Steps for Starting your Business" - January 23rd, 6:30 to 8:15 p.m.

Introduction to computer science "Hour of Code", ages 5-12, one Saturday a month from 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

During 'Money Smart Week" April 22- April 29 some workshops that will be offered are:

NAACP Youth – Financial Empowerment

Real estate and reverse mortgages class for senior citizens

Budgeting 101-how to establish a budget in the new year.

Sarah is finalizing details for another 5 week Literature workshop class beginning around February 21st.

Gina Martin is heavily involved with various outreach programs which include:

Fayette County Board of Education and Fayette County schools and Media Center staff

She will work with Fayette County Human Resources Dept. – offering new employees a library card as part of the new hire benefits package and existing employees the opportunity to get a library card during county sponsored programs like Open Enrollment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Changes to the bylaws were sent to the board members prior to this meeting to review. Vice Chairman Tony Parrott opened the floor for discussion. There was no discussion and Clarence Leathers made the motion to approve the changes and Page McDonald seconded the motion. It **PASSED** 6-0.

FLINT RIVER REGIONAL BOARD REPORT:

February 8th is the Georgia Library Legislative Day. This is where staff, library board members, friends of library groups meets with the legislators to talk about what libraries do for the public, advocacy, support for the libraries and funding.

The governor has put in his budget one million dollars for both the general MRR grant and the technology MRR grant. The state libraries are requesting three million dollars for the general MRR and two million dollars for the technology MRR. There is nothing in the governor's budget for materials funding and the libraries are requesting 1 million dollars.

Barnesville-Lamar County Library will be breaking ground soon for revamping the interior and adding onto their library.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Clarence Leathers asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Tony Parrott made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Page McDonald. The motion **PASSED** 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is April 18, 2017.

ATTEST:

Sharon Campbell
Secretary