

# Information for O'Neal Library Board Applicants

## Board Membership

- Candidates must live in the City of Mountain Brook.
- Candidates may not serve on two City of Mountain Brook Boards or Commissions concurrently.
- The O'Neal Library Board consists of five members appointed by the Mountain Brook City Council.
- The O'Neal Library Board meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 4:30 pm.
- Terms of service are four years.
- Each Member shall be appointed for not more than two consecutive terms.
- Members shall serve without compensation of any kind.

## Desirable Qualifications

- Interest in the library and its services; knowledge of the library and community; a general understanding of the social and economic conditions of the City
- Active with groups or organizations within the community
- Willingness to spend up to 5 hours per month in preparation for monthly board meetings, meeting attendance, representing the library at meetings and public functions, and advocacy at city events and meetings
- Willingness to complete Trustee Training as required by the Alabama Public Library Service
- Ability and willingness to effectively support the strategic plan of the library
- An open mind and respect for the opinions of others; ability to work well with others, including fellow board members, the library director and staff, other library volunteer groups, city government and the public
- Ability to think and plan creatively, to question objectively, and use sound judgement in establishing library policies and overseeing library finances
- Supervise the Library Director and support the director's administrative decisions