

The regular meeting of the Library Board of Control was called to order on Monday, July 27, 2015 at 5:30pm with the following:

PRESENT: Bennie Smith  
Harvey Clement  
Lonnie Granier  
Selma Malcombe  
Suzanne Troxclair

ABSENT: Judy Bazare  
Angelique Torres  
John Arnold, Liaison

Also present were Mrs. Laura Sanders, Director, Mrs. Sherry Lucas, Finance Manager and Mrs. Dana Clement, Administrative Assistant.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Troxclair.

A motion to accept the minutes of the combined Public Hearing & Regular Meeting on Monday, May 18, 2015 was made by Mr. Granier, seconded by Mrs. Troxclair and carried unanimously.

Public wishing to address the Board:

James Cantrelle, 118 Cantrelle Drive, Raceland, LA, thanked the Library Board for doing such a great job and spoke about his ideas to further educate young people in our parish.

Finance Report:

Mrs. Lucas reported we ended June with approximately \$11.4 million and our balance today is approximately \$11.1 million. Our expenses to date for the Thibodaux HVAC project total \$35,813 for engineering design fees. The Board approved purchasing another vehicle this year; we have done so with a trade in of the 2007 Dodge Caravan and replaced it with a 2015 Ford Expedition that was on state contract. The final purchase price is \$27,290. Our Director will update you on the status of this purchase.

A motion was made by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Granier, to accept the Finance Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Report:

Mrs. Sanders reported managing the daily operations of the library system; the library is working with the jail committee to partner with the jail as a satellite facility. The library's goal is to help meet the jail's educational needs by coordinating such things as online training, online databases and computer classes. We are in the beginning stages of this collaboration. We ordered a 2015 Ford Expedition on state contract and the Parish Administration has decided not to issue a check for the purchase. Although, our purchase was under \$30,000 the Parish Administration wants the purchase to go through the council for approval. The Parish Purchase policy states that vehicles are supplies and only go to council if over \$30,000. This will be on the Parish Council agenda for Tuesday, July 28, 2015, and I'll update the Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Granier, seconded by Mrs. Troxclair to accept the Director's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1. Discussion and approval of generator for Thibodaux Branch:

After some discussion the Board deferred the generator for Thibodaux Branch and requested more details on the scope of the work.

2. Discussion of Parish's travel policy as it relates to Board:

Mrs. Sanders explained to the Board the email she received from the Parish concerning their realization that the current travel ordinance does not allow for reimbursement of travel expenses for any Board members. The Board will be updated if this changes in the future.

With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Granier, seconded by Mrs. Troxclair and carried unanimously. The Library Board of Control was adjourned at approximately 6:30 pm.