

The regular meeting of the Library Board of Control was called to order on Monday, August 25, 2014 at 5:00pm with the following:

PRESENT: Bennie Smith  
Harvey Clement  
Eva Shanklin  
Selma Malcombe

ABSENT: Judy Bazare  
Angelique Torres  
Shane Terrebonne  
John Arnold, Liaison

Also present were Mrs. Laura Sanders, Director, and Mrs. Sherry Lucas, Finance Manager

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Shanklin.

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Shanklin and seconded by Mr. Clement, the minutes of the July 28, 2014 Library Board of Control regular meeting were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Wishing to Address the Board-N/A

Finance Report:

Mrs. Lucas reported the library ended July with approximately \$10.3 million. Our balance today is \$9.9 million. Update on our Roof Project Expenditures: payment to Duplantis Design \$725.00 for project management, but no payment to CAMCO, we're waiting final invoices to pay after the change order was approved to pay CAMCO for \$5,783.00. FEMA Katrina update: the Parish Finance Dept. confirmed the transfer of \$35K into our operations account on August 7. Mr. Clement asked Ms. Lucas to contact the Finance Department for interest due to library funds for the last 8 years from sitting in the Parish's account collecting interest!

With no other business a motion was made by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mrs. Shanklin, to accept the Finance Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Report:

Mrs. Sanders reported the Aug 8<sup>th</sup> Movie Night on the Bayou was a great success and we're looking forward to our next movie in October. The Parish Administrator informed us that the Parish President said no to a Library credit card, with no reason given. The Thibodaux Roof change order and mansard repair were approved at Aug 12<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting. I want to congratulate staff on another successful summer reading program. We saw increases overall in all categories: 7.7% increase in registered participants, 62.8% increase in number of programs, 52.4% increase in total program attendance, 17.5% increase in checked out materials, 26.1% increase in number of patrons reaching reading goals. Outstanding work by our youth services department and ALL staff.

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Malcombe, seconded by Mr. Clement, the Director's report was accepted and the motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

1. Discussion and approval of the 2015 LPPL Employee calendar: Mrs. Sanders presented the 2015 LPPL employee calendar. Upon a motion made by Mrs. Shanklin, seconded by Mr. Clement, the 2015 LPPL Employee calendar was approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion and approval of the 2015 LBC calendar: Mrs. Sanders reported we followed the usual LBC meeting calendar, with no board meetings in March due to LLA or in December due to the holidays. Upon a motion made by Mrs. Malcombe, seconded by Mr. Clement, the 2015 LBC calendar was approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and approval of playground equipment for Choctaw Branch: After some discussion, the Board tabled this item and requested that the Director obtain advice from the District Attorney as to whether the Library can legally transfer the liabilities associated with a playground to the Recreation Department.

4. Discussion of Library finances being independent from the Parish: Mrs. Sanders informed the Board that after we contacted the Parish for a Library credit card and were denied, we are now hearing talk that some Councilmen are supportive of giving the Library back our funds. The Library Board discussed being willing to accept our funds back, with the stipulation that the Library would continue to fall under the Parish umbrella for the services of Human Resources/Payroll and Risk Management. The Board is not supportive of full Fiscal Emancipation.

Old Business:

With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Shanklin, seconded by Mrs. Malcombe, and carried unanimously. The Library Board of Control was adjourned at approximately 6:30 P. M.