

The Regular Meeting of the Library Board of Control was called to order on Monday, November 19, 2012 at 5:00 P. M. 705 West Fifth Street, Thibodaux with the following:

PRESENT: Lynette Fossum
Harvey Clement
Shane Hebert
James Cantrelle
Bennie Smith
Selma Malcombe
Aaron Caillouet

ABSENT: Eva Shanklin

Also present were Ms. Regina Lauland, Interim Director.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said in unison by the board.

A motion to accept the agenda was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Clement and carried unanimously.

A motion to accept the minutes of the October 22, 2012 regular meeting was made by Mr. Hebert, second by Mr. Cantrelle and carried unanimously.

Public wishing to address the Board: None

Finance Report:

Ms. Lauland presented the Finance Report by stating, October Balance Sheet showing our total funds at \$8,906,154 and as of today, our Balance Sheet reflects a current fund balance of \$8,673,219. Our expense sheet report shows Edgewave payment for the I-Prism filtering software upgrade the Board approved at the June meeting has been paid. Update on items being monitored: It appears that the Parish has tentatively agreed to pay 36% of the South Lafourche electricity bills going forward, but we will have to monitor that and also make sure we are reimbursed for the earlier part of the year. We have received additional info from the Parish regarding building liability coverage, so we know they are not allocating the entire cost of the South Lafourche square footage to us. We are still waiting for the Parish to correct the balance in the Thibodaux Capital Account. We are still waiting for the Parish to confirm that our Gustav FEMA claim has been updated to an "improved project" as previously requested. Ms. Fossum questioned how the square footage was figured between South Lafourche and the Parish complex on the electricity bill? Questioned if the common area was figured into that amount? Ms. Lauland stated, she and Ms. Lefort would get together to work the details. Ms. Fossum commented how she met with Ms. Randolph and expressed our dire need to get this settled before January, so she mentioned us meeting in December.

With no other business a motion was made by Mr. Cantrelle, second by Ms. Smith to accept the Finance Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Interim Director's Report:

- Headquarters: attended Parish Council Meeting Oct 30, attended Veteran's day event at Thibodaux Branch on Nov 9, held Administrator's meeting on Nov 12, attended PrimeTime Bilingual in Golden Meadow on Nov 14, bike rack at Thibodaux Branch-has been installed
- Technology: Metro-E postponed due to Hurricane Isaac
- Staffing: no changes
- Press Releases: Enclosed are articles sent to the newspapers informing the public on what is new with, and programs being presented through the Library
- Programs/Displays: Lockport and Thibodaux Branch will participate in the Christmas Parades; December 1 @ 4:00 Thibodaux parade; December 2 @ 5:30 Lockport parade; Choctaw: Help keep your child safe. Members of the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office and the Explorers POST 323 will conduct their Child ID program at the Choctaw Branch on November 20. During the program, children will be fingerprinted and have their DNA swabbed and irises scanned. Children must be accompanied by their parents to participate in the program. This program is free and open to the public; Lockport: National Novel Writing Month. On November 10 @ 2:00pm a workshop.

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Clement to accept the Interim Director's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Item #1 Election of Officers for 2013:

Ms. Lauland conducted the election of Officers for the Library Board of Control for 2013. She opened the floor for nominations of President. Ms. Smith nominated Ms. Fossum for President, seconded by Mr. Hebert. With no further nominations for President, Mr. Cantrelle requested the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clement and carried. A vote on the nominations was taken with Ms. Fossum receiving the majority vote. Ms. Fossum then took over the remaining election of officers. Mr. Cantrelle nominated Mr. Clement for Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Hebert. With no further nominations for Vice-President, Mr. Cantrelle requested the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hebert and carried. A vote on the nominations was taken with Mr. Clement receiving the majority vote. Ms. Fossum stressed how she will need every board member this year to help out and would like everyone's input on what they would like to see for 2013.

Item #2 Discussion & adoption of Library absorbing 5.5% premium increase for employee only, low level dental

coverage: Ms. Fossum introduced that this has kind of been our usual where the library absorb the cost for our employees. A motion was made by Mr. Clement, second by Mr. Hebert to approve absorbing 5.5% premium increase for employee only, low level dental coverage. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Smith abstained.

Item #3 Discussion & approval of Library absorbing 11.7% premium increase for employee only health insurance

coverage: Ms. Fossum introduced that this again has also been our usual by helping our employees with the cost increase of health insurance. A motion was made by Mr. Hebert, second by Mr. Clement to approve absorbing 11.7% premium increase for employee only health insurance coverage. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Smith abstained.

Old Business:

Ms. Fossum informed the board how she has been in contact with Rebecca Hamilton, at the State Library to put together a workshop to help the Board place an ad for a new director. Also Ms. Fossum added, I've been working closely together with Ms. Lauland, she has continued to keep things status quo, kept me updated on things, and I thank her for working with this Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Hebert, seconded by Ms. Smith to have Regina Lauland as Interim Director until a new Library Director is hired for Lafourche Parish Public Library.

Mr. Clement asked if we have any updates on Lockport Branch sidewalk. Mr. Kerry Babin had been our contact person but we hadn't gotten an update. Mr. Caillouet asked to send us those request with an email, he'll see about getting the library an update on the sidewalks at Lockport Branch.

With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Cantrelle, second by Mr. Clement and carried unanimously. The Library Board of Control was adjourned at approximately 5:30 P.M.