Allen Parish Libraries

2022 February 17 Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Linda Thompson called the regular meeting of the Allen Parish Libraries Board of Control to order at 10:05am on Thursday, February 17, 2022. Mrs. Thompson welcomed everyone. Board members present, in addition to Linda Thompson, were Fran Pestello-Jordan, Sherry Germany, Martha Rider and Agnes Guillory, Director. Absent were Tony Hebert, ex-officio member. The board did have a quorum.

There were no changes to the present agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Board election 2022 as follows: Linda Thompson, President, Sherry Germany, Vice President, Fran Pestello-Jordan, Treasurer, and Martha Rider, Assistant Treasurer.

The board re-elected each member to their same position as held in the year of 2021, with the exception of electing Martha Rider as Assistant Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Martha Rider made the motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2021 board meeting as presented. Sherry Germany seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Ashley Weaver, Admin Staff reissued the measurable goals with percentages and presented them again for 2022.

Banking Information

Allen Parish Libraries financial accounts are in good shape.

The Board receives a copy of the trial balance and the profit & loss to review the actual to budget comparison.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Agnes Guillory, Director gave updates on:

- Tina Anderson moved from Oakdale Circulation Staff to our Oberlin Branch as Interim Branch Manager with the intent to become the full time manager in Oberlin.
- Maintenance is working on electrical issues (lights) at the Oakdale and Oberlin.
 - (Notes: Pat Electric installed lights about 7 years ago, the installers cannot find replacement drivers, but Mike spoke with Bess electrical from the Lake Charles area to inquire about finding the drivers and they did).
- Computer contract is up for renewal...a decision have not been made, whether we should stay with AOP or go with a new company.

(Notes: Sherry Germany made the motion to recommend that the Director and Maintenance/Security Supervisor make the decision; Fran Pestello-Jordan seconded the motion. Motion passed).

• The Director discussed the increase in Cleco invoices due to the units are not catching up in the winter months; Fran Pestello-Jordan suggested seeking bids to add gas and new HVAC back into the Oakdale and Oberlin buildings.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Fran Pestello-Jordan: Suggested to make the bookmobile more assessable to the school in Reeves.

Sherry Germany: Suggested getting the Kinder Branch assessed.

Martha Rider: Had concerns about the structure issues of Kinder Branch.

PRESIDENT REPORT

Linda Thompson reported:

- The next board meeting will be April 21, 2022 in the Oakdale Branch meeting room at 10:00am.
- Sending Kent Reed another letter about helping with resources for after school tutorial.
- Suggested contacting Principals and Librarians to meet with APL Board to discuss the resources.
- Update on the broadband and the funding.

Fran Pestello-Jordan made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Sherry Germany seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 AM

Respectfully submitted by:		
	Agnes Guillory	
Approved by:		
	Linda Thompson President	