

Allen Parish Libraries

2022 December 15 Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Allen Parish Libraries Board of Control was called to order at 10:10AM on Thursday, December 16, 2022, by Linda Thompson. Mrs. Thompson welcomed everyone. Board members present, in addition to Linda Thompson, were Fran Jordan, Sherry Germany, Martha Rider, and Agnes Guillory, Director.

Absent: Tony Hebert, ex-officio member.

The board did have a quorum.

Members present from the public:

Mayor Gene Paul, and spouse Mrs. Paul

Mayor Waylan LaFargue, and spouse Mrs. LaFargue

New Elected Mayor Larry Alexander and spouse Mrs. Alexander

There were no changes to the present agenda.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Fran Pestello-Jordan made the motion to approve the minutes for October 19, 2022 board meeting; Sherry Germany seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Fran Pestello-Jordan made the motion to approve the minutes for November 15, 2022 Special Call board meeting; Martha Rider seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Waylan LaFargue of Kinder, and Mayor Gene Paul of Oakdale, and Mayor Larry Alexander, newly appointed Mayor of Oberlin met with the board to discuss and inquire about the library service needed in each of their communities.

Mayor LaFargue, requested the library consider purchasing the Kinder building and the land attached next to it.

Fran Pestello-Jordan motioned to pursue the value of the land next to the Kinder Branch; Sherry Germany seconded the motion to move forward. Motion carried unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Agnes Guillory, Allen Parish Libraries Director reported:

- A. Banking: Danielle, APL Bookkeeper, reported Allen Parish Libraries are in great shape.
- B. Gave updates about the 1st annual Christmas around the park.
- C. Gave updates on how thankful the staff was about the one-time cost of living award that was given to everyone after the year 2022 goals were met.

D. Reminded board members about the holiday open house dates.

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

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- visiting the schools more.
- setting a date for Kinder Cooperative agreement.
- getting the communities involved.

PRESIDENT REPORT

Linda Thompson reported:

- Reminded everyone the first meeting for the year 2023, is February 16, 2023, at the Oakdale Branch meeting room @ 10:00am.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Agnes Guillory

Approved by: _____

Linda Thompson, President