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St. Mary Parish Library
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October 3, 2018
5:00 P.M.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Bailey at 5:05 P.M.

Present were: Mary Bailey, Don T. Caffery, Cherie Laiche, Jane Luke, Karla Vappie, Jason Watson (Mr. Watson left at 6:20 P.M.), and Julie Champagne. Eric Duplantis, Parish Attorney was also in attendance. Absent: Ken Singleton, Lucy Watson.

Approval of minutes Mr. Watson moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Mrs. Laiche seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Parish President David Hanagriff spoke to the Board as a Centerville citizen and business owner. He encouraged the Board to provide an improved library facility without over building and overspending. Other ladies in the group asked questions.

Financial and Statistical Reports: The Financial and Statistical reports were presented by the Director.

Reading of communications: Parish Council Ordinance - All Members had received an electronic copy of the ordinance from the parish Council concerning the consolidation of Boards. Mr. Duplantis enlightened the Board concerning some of the Parish ideas for improving Parish Government Districts.

Old Business: Centerville Branch- The proposed change for the Centerville hours needs to be viewed much more closely and possibly changed for the first of the year.

New Business: Ordinance Action: The Director explained that she had spoken to Bo LaGrange and Eric Duplantis about the ordinance and by the nature of State Revised Statues does not apply to the Library Service District. Mr. Duplantis explained some of the By-laws and the impact of opening meetings and parliamentary procedure.

Discussion to designate funds for Berwick project tabled until Budget meeting. Mrs. Laiche moved; Mr. Caffery seconded. Motion carried. Discussion to designate funds for Centerville project tabled until Budget meeting. Mrs. Laiche moved; Mr. Caffery seconded. Motion carried. A called Meeting will be set for November 7th for 2018 budget amendments and the Public Hearing for the 2019 Budget. Mrs. Laiche moved; Mr. Caffery seconded. Motion carried.

Report of Board Members and/or Committees: Mrs. Laiche and Mrs. Bailey (Insurance Committee) met with the Director and Mrs. Hilda Frost, Business Manager, at 10:00 A.M. on September the 5th. They discussed the pros and cons of changing our Open Enrollment period for health, dental, vision and life insurance from an August 1st date to a January 1st date. Mrs. Laiche mentioned several areas to make sure the library would not lose if we changed our start date. Change within the business department and the high usage from the last two years' health insurance make considering changing for January 1st, 2019 not in the Library's best interest.

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Report of Director: Staff Day and Ethics test at 2:45 P.M. on October 19, 2018. New Business Manager, Ashton Gaither was hired October 1st. She will assume complete responsibility of the Accounts Payable by January 1st, 2019.

Adjournment: Mr. Caffery moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 P.M. Mrs. Luke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Called Budget Meeting Franklin Library, November 7th, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.

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