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> St. Mary Parish Library Board Meeting Minutes September 13, 2022

BOARD OF CONTROL

Mrs. Jane Luke, Chair Mr. Don T. Caffery Mrs. Karla Vappie Mrs. Mary B. Bailey Mr. Jason Watson Mrs. Lucy R. Watson Mrs. Cherie H. Laiche

The St. Mary Parish Library Board of Control met on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at the Alex P. Allain Library in Franklin. Jane Luke, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.

**Attending:** Jane Luke, Chair

Lucy Watson Cherie Laiche Karla Vappie

Jason Watson, Treasurer Julie Champagne, Director

**Absent:** Don T. Caffery

Mary B. Bailey

**Guests:** Ashton Myers, Business Manager

Daniel Bruce, Cheramie + Bruce, Architects

## Motion to Approve the Agenda for the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting:

- Motion by Mrs. Karla Vappie
- Second by Mrs. Cherie Laiche
- All in favor Motion carried.

## Motion to Approve the Minutes for July 12, 2022:

- Motion by Mrs. Lucy Watson
- Second by Mrs. Karla Vappie
- All in favor Motion carried.

### **Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

# **Committee Reports:**

Jason Watson, treasurer, gave the building committee report. The Building Committee met to discuss paint in the Berwick building.

### **Berwick Branch Renovation Update:**

Daniel Bruce gave the Berwick Branch Renovation update. The contractors are waiting for the storefront windows to enclose the building. The new substantial completion date is projected to be October 22, 2022.

# Motion to Approve the Addition of 42 days to the contract date:

- Motion by Mrs. Karla Vappie
- Second by Mr. Jason Watson, Treasurer
- All in favor Motion carried

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## **Financial Reports:**

Ashton Myers presented the budget to actual as of August 30, 2022.

### **Old Business:**

A. Julie Champagne asked the Board to revisit the timeline for implementing the new fees for patrons that reside outside of the St. Mary Parish Library taxing district. The fees will begin to be implemented on January 1, 2023.

#### **New Business:**

- A. Julie Champagne reminded the Board of term expirations as of October 31, 2022 for Don T. Caffery, Jane Luke and Karla Vappie. Instructions for renewal were provided.
- B. Julie Champagne asked to table the discussion of the meeting room policy,
- C. Julie Champagne presented the Group Study Room Policy.

# Motion to Approve the Group Study Room Policy, as presented:

- Motion by Mr. Jason Watson, Treasurer
- Second by Mrs. Cherie Laiche
- All in favor Motion carried

### **Director Report:**

- A. Julie Champagne expressed the need for another board meeting right before the substantial completion of the Berwick Branch building. The next meeting date is scheduled for October 18, 2022.
- B. Julie Champagne announced to the Board of Control her intention to retire on May 19, 2023. A timeline of events related to hiring a new Director was discussed.

### **Motion to Adjourn:**

- Motion by Mrs. Karla Vappie
- Second by Mrs. Cherie Laiche
- All in favor Motion carried.

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie W. Champagne

Jane Luke, Chair

Submitted September 13, 2022

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