

**Pointe Coupee Parish Library  
Board of Control  
October 11, 2017**

**Call To Order**

Miss Wylene Hurst, Library Board President, called the general business meeting of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control to order at 5:40pm.

**Roll Call**

Present: Mrs. Lucy Boley, Mrs. Philomena Fontenot, Mrs. Grace Hebert, Miss Wylene Hurst and Mrs. Mary Helen McCoy.

Absent: Mrs. Gayle Dixon, Mr. Donald Ewing and Mr. Anthony Hurst (tardy-arrived at 5:45pm).

**Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Mrs. McCoy and seconded by Mrs. Boley to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**Public Comments**

None.

**Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Mrs. Fontenot and seconded by Ms. Boley to accept the minutes of the August 9, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Fontenot and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to accept the minutes of the September 13, 2017 Special Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**Librarian's Report**

Library Director Melissa Hymel presented a review of the 2017 financial statement. A review of the current 2017 budget was also presented with recommendations for cost savings measures.

It was moved by Mrs. Fontenot and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to accept the new Capital Project Fund format of Revenues and Expenditures. Motion carried

RESOLUTION: to appoint as signatures on the Capital Project Fund account: Library Director Melissa Hymel, Board President Wylene Hurst, Board Member at Large Lucy Boley and Board Member at Large MaryHelen McCoy.

Roll Call vote:

Yeas: Boley, Fontenot, Hebert, A. Hurst, W. Hurst, McCoy.

Nays: None.

Absent: Dixon and Ewing

Resolution accepted.

It was moved by Mrs. Fontenot and seconded by Mr. Hurst to add to the 2018 Salary Schedule a position for a Human Resources person. Motion carried.

Mr. Hurst reported on the final vote by the Police Jury to continue with the planned Library Renewal millage on the November ballot. He also discussed the current financial needs of the Police Jury and its critical financial situation at this moment.

Mrs. Hymel reported the New Roads 15 ton air unit has been installed. The New Roads roof is pending all final paperwork before the project can commence.

### **President's Report**

President Hurst announced that the Pointe Coupee Parish Library is officially fiscally emancipated from the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury. Special thanks are offered to Representative Major Thibaut and Senator Rick Ward for their assistance in the successful passage of this legislation. Fiscal Emancipation became effective August 1, 2017. The Governor signed Act 192 into law on June 14, 2017.

The American Library Association Annual Conference will be held in New Orleans in 2018. Since this will not require air travel, Miss Hurst is encouraging all members of the Library Board to plan on attending this critical resource sharing opportunity.

All members of the Library Board of Control were reminded to complete their Ethics Training and have a copy of their completed certificate available for Library Board files at the next scheduled meeting in November.

### **New Business**

Mrs. Hymel presented all members of the Library Board with information on a new program the library is conducting. "Purchased Lives" is a Historic New Orleans Collection exhibition paid for with funding by Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, Entergy, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. The program begins October 21 and runs through November 18, 2017.

The main library will host Lawyers in Libraries on October 28, 2017. The Pro Bono attorneys this year are from the firm of Cazayoux and Ewing, Mr. Don Cazayoux and Mr. Lane Ewing. This is a free program of the Louisiana Bar Association, Louisiana Library Association and our local public library.

### **Adjourn**

Being no further business to come before the Library Board, it was moved by Mrs. McCoy and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to adjourn. Motion carried. The President adjourned the meeting at 7:08 pm. The next General meeting of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control will be Wednesday, November 8, 2017.

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Melissa Hymel, Secretary  
November 8, 2017