

**Pointe Coupee Parish Library
Board of Control
August 10, 2022**

Call to Order

Wylene Hurst, Library Board President, called the general business meeting of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control to order at 5:36pm.

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Philomena Fontenot, Mrs. Grace Hebert, Ms. Wylene Hurst, Mrs. MaryHelen McCoy and Mrs. Kate Roy.

Absent: none

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mrs. Roy and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to accept the minutes of the April 13, 2022 General Business meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No public comments.

Audit Report

Aloysia Ducote with Ducote Co CPA presented her findings of the 2021 General Operating Audit for the Pointe Coupee Parish Library. She stated there were no findings. The library was in very good order with no problems. The Library did have a loss of revenue from the recent barge companies leaving the parish but had managed to adjust/reduce the budget to accommodate the loss in revenue. Overall, it was a very clean audit and management was commended for a job well done.

Librarian's Report

Library Director Melissa Hymel presented a review of the 2022 financial statement.

Mrs. Hymel presented a summary of grants received in the recent year. They included \$158,683.20 from the Universal Service Fund to pay for the cost of Internet Services for all locations and \$47,064.84 from the IMLS ARPA Act for assistance with COVID-19 recovery purchases. The Pointe Coupee Parish Council will receive \$13,841,442.18 from the GUMBO Louisiana Connect funding program. All of these monies will assist in the improvement of Internet for the residents of Pointe Coupee Parish.

The 2022 Summer Reading Program finished with on a positive note. Both children and parents participated in story times and professional entertainment performances.

All employee positions are currently filled. Employees are currently taking their Ethics Training course and Sexual Harassment Training online.

Building issues continue. One AC unit in New Roads required major repair. The Morganza Branch had an AC backup which required clean out. Innis Branch had an ice maker that failed to operate but service was donated to repair the unit. And the Livonia Branch experienced an AC backup that left water on the floor of the Children's Room. All issues have since been handled.

Mrs. Hymel reported that the problems with the library van continue. Over the last two months, over \$1,300.00 has been spent to no avail in repairing the vehicle.

It was moved by Mrs. Hebert and seconded by Mrs. Fontenot to declare the Ford Explorer surplus and advertise it "FOR SALE AS IS." Motion carried.

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 6:39 pm. The next scheduled meeting of the Pointe Coupee Parish Library Board of Control will be Wednesday, October 12, 2022.

Melissa Hymel, Secretary
October 12, 2022