Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Control

Wednesday, December 7, 2021

Special Meeting

Roland Borne Memorial Library

Edgard, Louisiana

6:00 pm

Mrs. Wilder presided at the meeting and so called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

Mrs. Wilder called for a moment of silence. She then called for the roll to be taken.

Present: Mrs. Arlie, Mr. Becnel, Mrs. Johnson, Ms. Joseph, Mr. Tatje and Mrs. Wilder were present, there was a quorum.

Absent: Ms. Burrell was absent

Others present: Andrea Tullos, Library Director and Secretary to the Board, Assistant Library Director, Amy Riche', Business Officer, Christine Brown

III. <u>Public Comment:</u> Mrs.Wilder then called for public comment. *If there were people present for public comment, they would be allowed to speak to items on the printed agenda with a time limit of 2 minutes.*

There being no one present to speak during public comments, Mrs. Wilder moved on to the next agenda item.

IV. Mrs. Wilder called for approval of the minutes of the November 2, 2021, meeting. Mrs. Johnson motioned to approve, seconded by Mrs. Arlie

Vote: Mrs. Arlie <u>Yes, Mr. Becnel Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: Yes, Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Abstain, Mrs. Wilder: Yes</u>

Results: Yes:5 No: 0 Abstain: 1 Absent: 1

V. Director's Report – Mrs. Tullos reviewed the updates regarding post-Ida work on facilities. Mrs. Tullos has worked closely with FEMA to ensure reimbursement dollars for Re-mediation and repair. During the last week in November, Ewing Cole representatives (engineering, design, architect and mechanical) reviewed in-person the facility in LaPlace which upon initial investigation will need extensive repair work. Considering these details Mrs. Tullos recommended leasing a temporary home for the public services in LaPlace. The Parish did have an insurance rider for loss of location use, and Mrs. Tullos will work with them on financial assistance.

Old Business:

a. <u>2021/2022 Budgets</u> – Mrs. Tullos reviewed the budgets presented at the November 2nd meeting, including updates to the end of year expenses for 2021. There was no vote necessary for this item.

VII. New Business:

<u>a.</u> Approval of Revision of 2021 General Fund Resolution

Based on presentations of budgets, motion by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Joseph to approve the 2021 General Fund Resolution.

Vote: Mrs. Arlie <u>Yes, Mr.</u> Becnel <u>Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: <u>Yes, Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Yes, Mrs. Wilder: Yes</u></u>

Results: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

<u>b.</u> Approval of 2022 Budget Resolution

Based on presentation of budgets, motion by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Becnel to approve the 2022 Budget Resolution

Vote: Mrs. Arlie <u>Yes, Mr.</u> Becnel <u>Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: <u>Yes, Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Yes, Mrs. Wilder: Yes</u></u>

Results: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

c. <u>Temporary rental space for LaPlace – Central Branch using loss of location insurance rider</u>

Mrs. Tullos recommended a temporary location for the purpose of a public library to be at a location within the LaPlace city limits. Motion by Mr. Tatje for library director to secure a site. Seconded by Mrs. Arlie. After discussion Mrs. Arlie withdrew her second. Mr. Tatje amended his motion. Motion by Tatje to authorize the Director to negotiate a contract for temporary location up to 10,000 square feet for no more than \$10,000 /month for a period of 2 years with options to renew. Final agreement to be approved by the Board. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Arlie.

Vote: Mrs. Arlie <u>Yes, Mr. Becnel Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: Yes, Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Yes, Mrs. Wilder: Yes</u>

Results: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

VIII. <u>Executive Session - Director Evaluation</u>

Motion by Mrs. Johnson to enter Executive Session for Director Evaluation, seconded by Ms. Joseph.

Vote: Mrs. Arlie <u>Yes, Mr. Becnel Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: Yes, Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Yes, Mrs. Wilder: Yes</u>

Results: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion by Mrs. Arlie to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Joseph.

Vote: Mrs. Arlie Yes, Mr. Becnel Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: Yes,

Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Yes, Mrs. Wilder: Yes

Results: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

Motion by Mrs. Joseph to go back into session, Seconded by Ms. Johnson

Vote: Mrs. Arlie Yes, Mr. Becnel Yes, Ms. Burrell Absent, Mrs. Johnson: Yes,

Ms. Joseph: Yes, Mr. Tatje: Yes, Mrs. Wilder: Yes

Results: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1

The Board presented the review to the Director, with comments from the Board. Excellent work on Hiring and re-organization, strong dedication and for being creative in work assignments and keeping the work flowing during the pandemic and then Hurricane Ida. Mrs. Tullos recognized that staff deserve an immense amount of credit for continuing to serve and to move forward.

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Arlie and seconded by Mr. Becnel Adjourned at 7:00pm.

Andrea F Tullos

Library Director

Lisa Tregre-Wilder

President,

Library Board of Control