# Minutes of the Meeting of the Library Board of Control Wednesday, January 15, 2025 Called Meeting Roland Borne, Sr. Memorial Library 2979 LA 18, Edgard LA 70049 6:00 pm

Mrs. Wilder presided at the meeting and so called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mrs. Wilder called for the roll to be taken.

Present: Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Mr. Holden, Ms. Houston, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Millet, Mrs. Scioneaux and Mrs. Wilder were present, there was a quorum.

Absent: None

Others present: Keith Green, Assistant District Attorney, Andrea Tullos, Library Director and Secretary to the Board; and Amy Riche', Assistant Library Director

Mrs. Wilder then called for a moment of silence.

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 for public comment, Mrs. Wilder continued to the next item on the agenda.

# IV Election of Officers

Mrs. Wilder asked for nominations for President. Mr. Holden nominated Mrs. Scioneaux for President, seconded by Ms. Millet. Mrs. Arlie nominated Mrs. Wilder for President, seconded by Ms. Joseph. Mrs. Wilder called for a vote.

For Mrs. Scioneaux - Mr. Holden, Ms. Houston, Ms. Millet, and Mrs. Scioneaux.

For Mrs. Wilder - Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Ms. Joseph and Mrs. Wilder

The motion failed due to a tie vote. Election to be held again.

Mr. Holden nominated Mrs. Scioneaux for President, seconded by Ms. Millet. Mrs. Arlie nominated Mrs. Wilder for President, seconded by Ms. Joseph. Mrs. Wilder called for a vote.

For Mrs. Scioneaux - Mr. Holden, Ms. Houston, Ms. Millet, and Mrs. Scioneaux.

For Mrs. Wilder - Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Ms. Joseph and Mrs. Wilder

The motion failed due to a tie vote. Election to be held again.

Mr. Holden nominated Mrs. Scioneaux for President, seconded by Ms. Millet. Mrs. Arlie nominated Mrs. Wilder for President, seconded by Ms. Joseph. Mrs. Wilder called for a vote.

For Mrs. Scioneaux - Mr. Holden, Ms. Houston, Ms. Millet, and Mrs. Scioneaux.

For Mrs. Wilder - Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Ms. Joseph and Mrs. Wilder

The motion failed due to a tie vote. Election to be held again.

Mr. Holden nominated Mrs. Scioneaux for President, seconded by Ms. Millet. Mrs. Arlie nominated Mrs. Wilder for President, seconded by Ms. Joseph. Mrs. Wilder called for a vote.

For Mrs. Scioneaux - Mr. Holden, Ms. Houston, Ms. Millet, and Mrs. Scioneaux.

For Mrs. Wilder - Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Ms. Joseph and Mrs. Wilder

The motion failed due to a tie vote. After consultation with the District Attorney, Mr. Green directed the board that due to 4 rounds and tied, the current President remains seated.

Mrs. Wilder called for nominations for Vice-President. Mrs. Arlie nominated Ms. Joseph for Vice President, seconded by Ms. Millet. Mrs. Scioneaux nominated Mr. Holden for Vice-President, seconded by Ms. Houston.

For Ms. Joseph - Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Mr. Holden, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Millet, Mrs. Wilder

For Mr. Holden – Ms. Houston and Mrs. Scioneaux.

Election confirms Ms. Joseph as Vice-President.

Mr. Holden nominated Mrs. Scioneaux for Treasurer, seconded by Ms. Houston. Ms. Joseph nominated Mrs. Arlie, there was no second. Motion failed for a second.

For Mrs. Scioneaux – Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arlie, Mr. Holden, Ms. Houston, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Millet, Mrs. Scioneaux, Mrs. Wilder. Election confirms Mrs. Scioneaux.

# V. Approval of Minutes from December 10, 2024

Mrs. Wilder called for approval of the minutes of December 10, 2024. Motion by Ms. Joseph, seconded by Ms. Houston to approve the minutes of December 10, 2024. Corrections were noted by Mrs. Scioneaux and Ms. Millet. Discussion was held. Motion amended to approve minutes with corrections by Ms. Joseph and seconded by Ms. Houston. Mrs. Wilder called for roll call.

Vote: Mrs. Alexander Yes; Mrs. Arlie Yes; Mr. Holden: No; Ms. Houston: Yes

Ms. Joseph: Yes; Ms. Millet: Yes; Mrs. Scioneaux: No; Mrs. Wilder: Yes;

Results: Yes: 6 No: 2 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

Mr. Holden asked to be recognized by the President. Mr. Holden motioned to amend the agenda to discuss the Director's raise that was part of the recommended budget including COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) approved at the October 9, 2024 meeting and merit percentage presented and approved at the December 10, 2024 meeting, seconded by Mrs. Scioneaux. Mrs. Wilder called for roll call.

Vote: Mrs. Alexander Yes; Mrs. Arlie Yes; Mr. Holden: Yes; Ms. Houston: Yes

Ms. Joseph: Yes; Ms. Millet: Yes; Mrs. Scioneaux: Yes; Mrs. Wilder: No;

Results: Yes:7 No:1 Abstain: 0 Absent:0

Amended agenda item failed as not unanimous.

# VI. Director's Report

The Director provided the report as written.

#### VII. New Business

# A. Board to consider Accountant Engagement Proposal - Keith Rivere, CPA

Mrs. Wilder asked for a motion to approve the new engagement proposal for our monthly accountant Keith Rivere, CPA. Motion by Ms. Joseph and seconded by Mrs. Arlie to approve the proposal for 2 years. Discussion. Ms. Houston questioned why it was a letter of engagement vs a contract. Following discussion, Mrs. Scioneaux made a substitute motion to put in place a contract for Mr. Keith Rivere, seconded by Ms. Millet. Mrs. Wilder called for a vote.

Vote: Mrs. Alexander Yes; Mrs. Arlie Yes; Mr. Holden: Yes; Ms. Houston: Yes

Ms. Joseph: Yes; Ms. Millet: Yes; Mrs. Scioneaux: Yes; Mrs. Wilder: Yes

Results: Yes:8 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:0

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Houston and seconded by Ms. Joseph. Mrs. Wilder called to adjourn at 6:21pm.

Andrea F Tullos Library Director

Lisa Tregre-Wilder

President, Library Board of Control