

**DESOTO PARISH LIBRARY
BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING
Minutes
PELICAN LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
May 23, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

Margaret Dickerson called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Members: Margaret Dickerson, Evelyn Brown Quinn, Leon W. Hunt, Katherine Freeman, Ronald Jackson, Michele Abington-Cooper and Nancy Spillman.

Staff: Delbert Terry, Bill Smith and Pam Burr.

Absent: Ernel Jones

WELCOMING OF GUESTS

The Following Were Present: Doris Ross, Rosie Jackson, Jamie Rollins, Frances Tyler, Dwain Spillman, Barbara Jones, Sam Ellis and Willie Richardson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kathrine Freeman moved to approve minutes for February 22, 2024, seconded Ron Jackson. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF FINANCES

Leon W. Hunt moved to approve expenditures **from February 1, 2024 to April 30, 2024**, seconded by Ron Jackson. The motion carried unanimously. Board Members also received a copy of and reviewed the following reports: Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual, Profit & Loss by Class, Balance Sheet.

NEW BUSINESS

Jamie Rollins Edward Jones representative updated the library board on all accounts with Edward Jones.

Michele Abington-Cooper moved to approve the transfer of 5 million dollars into a Community Bank CD at a rate of 5.2 % for 1 year seconded by Katherine Freeman. Motion carried.

NOTE: Mr. Ron Jackson recused himself from all discussions and voting.

Director Terry presented a request from a Branch Manager to Library Board to reduce the Operational Hours of ALL locations from 6:00 PM to 5:00 PM. This would affect Mansfield, Logansport and Stonewall on Monday-Thursday and Pelican on Mondays. The library board instructed Director Terry to research the topic and present the findings at the August Library Board Meeting.

Director Terry presented some leave conversion options for Parochial Employee Retirement System members enrolled after January 1, 2007. After much discussion, the library board instructed Director Terry to research the topic and present the findings at the August Library Board Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular DeSoto Parish Library board of control meeting will be Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 2:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Meeting room of the Logansport Library.

ADJOURNMENT

Katherine Freeman moved to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Nancy Spillman. Meeting ended at 2:36 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Delbert Terry
Library Director, DeSoto Parish Library