

LINCOLN PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL

Minutes of Meeting

September 15, 2021

The Lincoln Parish Library Board of Control Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Dr. Clark, Library Board President. Board members present included Jan Canterbury, Dr. Augusta Clark, Mary Jo Cooper, Richard Durrett, Sandra Dupree, Amy Miller, and Charles Penuell.

The agenda was approved with a motion from Mrs. Dupree and a second from Mrs. Canterbury. All yes. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Mrs. Miller made the motion to accept the Board Minutes as presented with the changes stated for August 18. Mrs. Canterbury seconded the motion. All yes. Motion carried.

Dr. Clark announced the passing of Mrs. Ida Honeycutt who had served the library for over 30 years and had been well known around the community as the Bookmobile Librarian for Lincoln Parish. The Board took a moment of silence in Mrs. Honeycutt's memory.

Dr. Clark announced the postponement of the election date from October 9 to November 13 per the action of the State of Louisiana. Parish Administrator, Doug Postel informed the Board that the Jury would meet on Monday, November 15 to canvass the election and to move the processes on to the parish assessor. The Board clarified that it would approve the proposed budget amendments as well as the 2022 budget in their November 17 meeting as it would be after the election canvass.

The Library Director presented the Board with a preliminary budget for their review and informed them that it was in no way final and that she would be continuing to work through it line by line until the final budget was presented in the November meeting. She asked the Board to come to her with any questions or concerns prior to that meeting date so that the budget could be as thoroughly reviewed as possible at that time.

The Library Director presented the August 2021 statistics to the Board. She noted that the most obvious factor was that overall Library visits had increased rather than decreased and were over 13,000 for the month of August. She mentioned that despite the increase in visits the circulation was only slightly down which was expected as parents and children were returning items and checking out far less in preparation for the beginning of the school year.

With no further discussions, Mr. Penuell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Dupree seconded the motion. All yes. Motion carried.