

The regular meeting of the Lafayette Public Library Board of Control was called to order by President, Bennett Bernard at 5 p.m. on July 17, 2006 in the Meeting Room of the Main Library. Board members present were Jean Kreamer, Kay Theunissen, Lee Verret, Mark Tullos and Mr. Pat Logan, LCG Liaison. Ms. Sona J. Dombourian, Library Director, Administrative Assistant Larry Gass, Teresa Elberson, Library Operations Manager, Jerome Cummings, Librarian, and Lisa Breaux, Director's Executive Secretary were also in attendance.

Board members absent were Susan Hamilton and Vanessa Hill.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made Lee Verret to accept the minutes of the June 19 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Jean Kreamer and all were in favor.

#### REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The director's report and financial reports are attached.

Ms. Dombourian discussed the financial report and highlighted expenditure line items that will be adjusted with a mid-year budget revision presented to the City-Parish Council.

Ms. Dombourian extended her thanks to the individuals who publicized the millage renewal election for their efforts.

Personnel changes include the retirement of Iris Castille, the transfer of Amy Quinn from Southside to the main library, and the promotion of Amy Wander to Youth Services librarian.

The library received great coverage in the newspapers regarding the summer activities and the library databases. Ms. Dombourian also extended her gratitude to the Friends of the Library for their support of the summer activities hosted by the library.

#### BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Furniture: Susan Hamilton, chair, had no report.

Technology: Gail Smith, chair, had no report.

Logo: Mark Tullos and Sona Dombourian, co-chairs, had no report.

Finance: Bennett Bernard, chair, had no report.

Landscaping: Jean Kreamer, chair, had no report.

Site Selection: Ms. Dombourian stated that during the Broussard and Youngsville council meetings, Mr. Verret did a great job of answering the questions that were posed by the council members and the public.

Mission Statement: Ms. Dombourian, chair, had no report.

Donor Opportunities: Lee Verret, chair, had no report, but stated that the committee would be resuming activity soon, and will be working to develop the cooperative endeavor agreement with the Library Foundation.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### LAFAYETTE PARISH ASSESSOR'S REQUEST

Ms. Dombourian provided an explanation on the request of the Lafayette Parish Assessor to purchase software and hardware which would allow his office staff to automate the entry of field information into their computer system. The cost of the purchase will be shared by the tax recipients, including the library. The necessary software to make the data collected available by Lafayette Parish agencies has been included in the purchase. The library's share is \$30,537 with \$23,230.02 to be paid in 2006, and \$3,409.34 to be paid in 2007 and 2008.

Following discussion, Dr. Kreamer moved that the proposal for the software and hardware purchase from the Lafayette Parish Assessor be accepted, with a three-year limit on the expenditure. The motion was seconded by Mr. Verret, and all were in favor.

## ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

There was no administrative business for discussion.

## NEW BUSINESS

### LIBRARY MILLAGE RENEWAL RESULTS DISCUSSION

Ms. Dombourian reported that the library millage renewal was passed by 80% during the election held on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. A letter of thanks for their support will be sent to the editors of the Daily Advertiser, the Times of Acadiana and the Independent, as well as the Lafayette Board of Realtors, the Acadiana Bar Association, the Chamber of Commerce, Acadian Home Builders, and the Mortgage Lenders Association.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

A brief discussion was held regarding the possible cancellation of the regular library board meeting scheduled for August 21, 2006. Ms. Dombourian stated that if proposals are received for the East Regional Library property, a special meeting may be called for the building committee and library to review those proposals.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sona J. Dombourian, Secretary