Jackson Parish Library Board Jonesboro, Louisiana Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 23, 2024

The Jackson Parish Library Board of Control met on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. at the Jonesboro Branch of the Jackson Parish Library for the regular monthly board meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Massey, Board President.

Members present: Mrs. Essmeier, Mrs. Nunn, Mrs. Standley, Ms. Jenkins, Mrs. Tew, and Mrs. Massey.

Also present was Floyd Knox, Judy Robertson, Angela Walsworth, and John Kavanaugh.

Members absent: Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Magee.

Mrs. Standley led the invocation.

There being no public comments, the Board proceeded with the proposed agenda.

Mrs. Nunn made the motion to approve the minutes for the November 14, 2023 Board meeting. Mrs. Standley seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Jenkins made the motion to accept the 4th Quarter financial reports. Mrs. Nunn seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Essmeier made the motion to accept the November, December, and 2023 statistical reports. Ms. Jenkins seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Massey opened the floor for nominations of officers of the 2024 Jackson Parish Library Board of Control.

Mrs. Nunn made the motion to nominate Mrs. Massey as President. No other nominations were made. Mrs. Essmeier seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Essmeier made the motion to nominate Mrs. Standley to be Vice President. No other nominations were made. Ms. Jenkins seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Standley made the motion to nominate Mrs. Essmeier as Treasurer. No other nominations were made. Ms. Jenkins seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nunn made the motion to adopt a resolution for the elected officer's signatures to be added to the signature cards for the special fund account at Sabine State Bank. Ms. Jenkins seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Standley made the motion to set the 2024 Library Board meeting dates, time, and location as follows: quarterly meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month or the day after if a holiday (April 15, July 15, October 21 for 2024 and January 21, 2025) at 4:30 p.m. at the main branch in Jonesboro. Mrs. Essmeier seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Massey made the motion to adopt the 2024 holiday schedule as presented. Ms. Jenkins seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

The Director updated the Board on current projects.

John Kavanaugh and Angela Walsworth were present to discuss and answer any questions about adding fruit plantings on the library grounds. This is made possible by the LSU AgCenter's Community Library Homesteading Project Grant and our Ag Extension Agent, Shannon Chevallier.

Mrs. Tew made the motion to approve the request from staff to add fruit plantings near the Jonesboro Library Park as presented by Mr. Kavanaugh. Mrs. Standley seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Jenkins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Standley seconded. All yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Carol Massey, Board President

Mr. Floyd Knox, Secretary