

NATCHITOCHES PARISH LIBRARY
BOARD OF CONTROL
MEETING MINUTES
February 20, 2025

Board Members Present: Thomas Roque, Tracy Brown, Dr. Frank Fuller, Rene Lewis, Juliette Moffett and Library Director Mona Bamburg

Board Members Absent: Karen Terrell, and Barbara Smith

Guests: Alan Niette, and Rosalind Parker,

Mr. Roque called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm.

Invocation was given by Dr. Fuller.

Public Comments:
None

Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes as presented of the December 9, 2024, regular meeting was made by Dr. Frank Fuller, Mrs. Rene Lewis seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. Bamburg gave an update on the proposed branches at Natchez and Robeline. She reported that Doug Ashe, with Ashe/Broussard/Weinzettle, looked at the tax records for the proposed property in Robeline and determined that the site would be large enough for a branch. A suggestion was made for Mrs. Bamburg to set up a meeting with John Salter, Parish President, to discuss how to proceed with purchasing the proposed properties in Natchez and Robeline.

NEW BUSINESS

Board discussed the ramifications of the closure of the International Paper Mill in Campti, LA. A suggestion by Tracy Brown to contact Vallery Washington to get a historical perspective on the impact of the reduced ad valorem tax on the library's budget.

Mrs. Bamburg gave an update on the services and resources available to everyone including the displaced International Paper employees.

Reports:
None

The next Library Board of Control meeting will be held on Monday, March 17, 2025, at 12:00PM, at the Main Branch of the Natchitoches Parish Library.

With there being no other business, the Library Board of Control meeting was adjourned at 1:08 PM.