

**STATE LIBRARY OF LOUISIANA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
September 21, 2017
Baton Rouge, La
10:00 am**

CALL TO ORDER

The State Library Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chair, Georgia Brown. Additional members in attendance included Evelyn Valore, Louis Covington, Argiro Morgan and David Johnson. Absent from the meeting were James Lee and Patricia Preis. Rebecca Hamilton was present as Executive Secretary.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Georgia Brown called for a motion to approve and adopt the agenda as presented. Motion was offered by David Johnson and seconded by Evelyn Valore and unanimously carried.

MINUTES

On a motion offered by David Johnson and seconded by Evelyn Valore, the minutes were approved.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Hamilton directed members to the departmental quarterly reports which highlighted key events and initiatives of each department. Hamilton reported that usage of the State Library is increasing including use by the public libraries, while staffing is still far short of what the State Library needs to spread the workload appropriately among staff.

While State Library staff are keeping up with the overall workload as best as they can so that we won't get behind, new ideas and initiatives cannot be considered at all. Also potential partnerships with other agencies and organizations cannot move forward until the State Library gets more staff. Hamilton herself is behind on her own work because of the resignation of her Executive Assistant to take a higher paying job out of state.

Hamilton reported that she would be attending the Trailblazer luncheon on 9/22 to give her State of the State Library presentation. She also reported that the Libraries Southwest group will be awarding her the Linda Carlberg award in October.

NO OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Hamilton shared more information about the upcoming Louisiana Book Festival to be held on Saturday, October 28, 2017. She shared the list of authors who have confirmed and talked a little bit about the artwork for 2017 which highlights the neighborhood grocery store, Spanish Town Grocery.

Next meeting date
October 27 at 6 p.m.
Second Floor Board Room, State Library of Louisiana

ADJOURNMENT

Georgia Brown made motion to adjourn and Evelyn Valore approved. There was no further business to discuss and the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Hamilton, Secretary
State Library Board of Commissioners

Georgia Brown, Chair
State Library Board of Commissioners