

Green Gold Minutes

May 21, 2021

The Green Gold Library System Directors met for a regular meeting at the Natchitoches Parish Library, at 10:00 AM on May 21, 2021.

Present: John Tuggle (Shreve), Mona Bamburg (Winn), Sondra Waits (Bienville), Savannah Jones (Webster), Deidra Fuqua (Grant), Mandi Johnson (Bossier), and Jessica McGrath (Natchitoches).

Absent: DeSoto, Lincoln, Red River, Sabine, and Claiborne.

Visitors: Jim Pelton (Shreve Memorial), Brett Ward (bibliotheca), Vivian McCain (Dr. Bookcare), Jennie Weeks (Shreve Memorial), Caleb Sheaffer (Shreve Memorial), Amy Grafton (Prison Enterprises), and Vickie Melius (Prison Enterprises)

President John Tuggle established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM.

Upon motion by Savannah Jones, seconded by Sondra Waits, the minutes of the March 19, 2021, meeting were approved as emailed. Motion passed.

Vivian McCain introduced the Dr. Bookcare showcase. No action necessary.

Amy Grafton and Vickie Melius presented furniture options from Prison Enterprises. No action necessary.

Brett Ward presented Cloudlink from Bibliotheca. No action necessary.

Jennie Weeks and Caleb Sheaffer from Shreve Memorial Library discussed an option for libraries to opt-in to the Public Libraries Connect feature with Overdrive which provides access to age-appropriate ebooks and audiobooks from the local public library in addition to their school's digital collection. No action necessary.

As part of the Director's report, Jim Pelton distributed a packet (included) explaining Overdrive, Green Gold's fund balance, fees required for delivery service, and a review of the financial statements for the year ending 9/30/2021.

Upon motion by Sondra Waits, seconded by Savannah Jones, the budget introduction was amended to include a 1% increase for the Overdrive online materials purchase fee, bringing the rate to 11.5% of each library's total library materials budget. Motion passed.

Upon motion by Savannah Jones, seconded by Mona Bamburg, the amended budget was introduced and will be discussed and voted on at the July 16, 2021, meeting. Motion passed.

Members reported on their respective libraries.

MEETING CHANGE

July 16, 2021 – Meeting will be held at the Webster Parish Library

September 17, 2021 – Meeting will be held at the DeSoto Parish Library.

There being no further business, President John Tuggle declared the meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica McGrath