

Green Gold Minutes

July 10, 2015

The Green Gold Library System Directors met for a regular meeting at the Ringgold Branch Library 10:00 a.m. on July 10, 2015. Present: Linn Landis, Deonci Sutton, Peggy Walls, Beverly Hammett, Pam Suggs, Deidre Fuqua, Teresa Rice representing Bossier Parish, and Jessica McGrath, the new director of Natchitoches Parish Library. Others present were CFO Jim Pelton, Jennie Weeks, and Connie Ammons. Absent: Lincoln, Red River, Sabine, and Winn.

Co-President Deonci Sutton established a quorum and called the meeting to order. She recognized Jessica McGrath as the new director of Natchitoches Parish Library and welcomed her to the group.

There were no additions to the agenda or audience comments.

Upon motion by Pam Suggs, seconded by Linn Landis, the minutes of the May 8, 2015 meeting were approved as e-mailed.

Jim Pelton handed out Overdrive circulation statistics, and Jennie Weeks presented a comparison of Overdrive circulation numbers for the years 2012 – 2015 showing a substantial increase. She reported she is having difficulty meeting the purchase needs with the current revenue of 6% of each library's materials budget. Some titles are limited by the number of circs or by length of time since purchase, and access is expiring before holds can be filled. Replacement purchases are given a lower priority than new purchases which can lead to some holds not being filled and some popular series not being complete.

Mr. Pelton recommended the Overdrive revenue (for materials purchases) be raised to 7% of each library's materials budget and stated that the proposed Green Gold budget for 2015-2016 reflected an estimate of what would be collected with the new percentage.

Mr. Pelton went over the Summary of Revenues and Expenditures and the proposed budget. Upon motion by Linn Landis, seconded by Teresa Rice, it was moved to adopt the 2015-2016 proposed budget. After some discussion, upon motion by Peggy Walls, seconded by Deidra Fuqua, it was moved to amend the budget to delete Speaker's Fees and Other Workshop Expenses in the amount of \$2,250. Motion carried.

Co-President Sutton called for a vote on the main motion to adopt the 2015-2016 proposed budget as amended. Motion carried.

Upon motion by Teresa Rice, seconded by Peggy Walls, it was moved to approve the 3% raise to the driver as proposed in the budget. Motion carried.

Members reported on their respective libraries.

There being no further business, Deonci Sutton declared the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Hammett