# JACKSON-GEORGE REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Minutes – August 25th, 2025

TIME AND PLACE: Monday, August 25th, 2025, 2:00 p.m., Singing River Genealogy &

Local History Library

**PRESIDING**: Belinda Dammen

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Betty Ryals, George Sholl, Lisa Hedegaard, Mark Talley, Scott Rogers

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ann Chapman

OTHERS PRESENT: Angela Stewart, Director; Jeanne Damiano, Assistant Director

CMS/IT; Letha Boulton, Assistant Director of Branch Services; Kim Harvey, Business Manager; Anna MacOwen, Administrative Assistant; Stephen Burrow, Esq., Temporary Board Attorney

## WELCOME AND SWEARING-IN OF SCOTT ROGERS

Oath of Office Taken

## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

## Minutes from the July 2025 Board Meeting

MOTION: Sholl SECOND: Ryals

"To adopt the minutes from the July 2025 Jackson-George Regional

Library Board Meeting."

**VOTING AYE:** Dammen, Talley, Hedegaard, Rogers

**VOTING NAY: None** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Etheridge Banning Letter

• City of Lucedale Board Appointment Letter and Council

Documentation

## **FINANCES:**

## **Docket of Claims and Addendum**

This report was previously distributed to members. Kim Harvey

discussed reports submitted.

MOTION: Talley SECOND: Sholl

"To approve the August 2025 Docket of Claims and Addendum in

the amount of \$108,739.72."

VOTING AYE: Dammen, Ryals, Hedegaard, Rogers

**VOTING NAY: None** 

## PERSONNEL REPORT:

# **August 2025 Personnel Report**

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MOTION: Ryals SECOND: Hedegaard

"To approve the August 2025 Personnel Report as provided by

Darlene Broadus, Human Resources Manager." **VOTING AYE:** Dammen, Talley, Sholl, Rogers

**VOTING NAY: None** 

## **MONTHLY REPORTS:**

All matters listed under Item 7, Monthly Reports (copies on file), are considered by the Board to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Monthly Reports and considered separately. They include the following:

- Assistant Director of Branch Services Report
- Assistant Director of CMS/IT Report
- Collection Management Services Report
- Facilities Management Report
- Financial Reports
- Fines Report
- ILL (Interlibrary Loan) Report
- Law Library Report
- Public Relations Report
- Purchasing Agent Report
- Statistical Report
- Technology Services Report
- Training and Staff Development Report
- Website Statistics Report
- Youth Services Report

MOTION: Talley SECOND: Ryals

"To approve the August 2025 Monthly Reports as previously sent to JGRLS Board members."

VOTING AYE: Dammen, Sholl, Hedegaard, Rogers

**VOTING NAY: None** 

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Angela Stewart, Director, discussed and answered Board questions on her report and items submitted under the Director's Report.

## Miscellaneous Reports and Items

- Pascagoula Soft Opening All has gone well, and circulations are brisk
- Insurance Adjuster Visit to Pascagoula
- The Library System in the News System to become a monthly regular on WXXV

The library system continues to rise in prominence in the community and with the reopening of Pascagoula all branches are open at the same time since the beginning of the pandemic.

**MOTION:** Hedegaard **SECOND:** Ryals

"To approve the August 2025 Director's Report as previously distributed to members."

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VOTING AYE: Dammen, Sholl, Talley, Rogers

**VOTING NAY: None** 

**OLD BUSINESS:** 

• Police Report for Pascagoula Stolen Items

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

• Cellular Use of iPads – Board Members requested to let JGRLS know if they no longer need a data plan for their iPads.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The next Regional Board meeting will be 2:00 p.m. Monday,

September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at the Pascagoula Public Library's Meeting

Room.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION: Sholl

"That the meeting be adjourned."

Meeting adjourned at 2:22 PM

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ARK \_\_\_\_\_ALEV \_\_\_\_ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_09-29-202

Minutes recorded by Anna MacOwen, Administrative Assistant