



JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH
LIBRARY

Jefferson Davis Parish Library
Board of Control Regular Meeting Minutes

118 W. Plaquemine St

October 21, 2026

9AM

Jefferson Davis Parish Library Board of Control met for a regular meeting which opened at 9:00AM.

Call to Order – Dianne Hebert (President) presided and had a roll call and noted the following:

Present: Dianne Hebert, Naomi Benoit, Gwen Landry, Geraldine Segura, Kori Myers, and Daniel Sparks.

Absent: Ramona Hardee and Francis Stroud

Also present were Michael Staton, JDPL Director, Tiffany Theunissen, Comptroller, Myra Spears, Media Coordinator and Eric Gillespie, CPA/Accounts.

Invocation: Kori Myers led invocation and pledge.

Motion to Approve Agenda: Motion was made by Gwen Landry and seconded by Geraldine Segura to approve agenda. Motion carried unanimously

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Daniel Sparks to approve the minutes of August 19, 2026, Board of Control as presented. Gwen Landry seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports: Presentation of Audit Report was made by Mr. Gillespie Board Members were given packets of information including the Directors report and financial report. Michael Staton gave the Director's report. Tiffany Theunissen gave financial reports.

Committee Report: None

Old Business: Updates were given by Mr. Staton on Jennings roof. Mr. Staton gave update on future Jennings' parking lot project.

New Business: Diane Hebert presented Resolution to adopt levy 5.66 millage rate.

Members voted as follows:

Yea: Dianne Hebert

Yea: Naomi Benoit

Yea: Gwen Landry

Yea: Geraldine Segura

Yea: Kori Myers

Yea: Daniel Sparks

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Daniel Sparks to approve the three-year contract with Calcasieu Mechanical and seconded by Kori Myers. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Staton discussed The Good Kids Program.

Mrs. Theunissen held discussion on preliminary 2027 budget.

Motion was made by Gwen Landry to proceed with the window replacement at the Jennings branch. Naomi Benoit seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Daniel Sparks to approve 2027 Library Holiday Closure Schedule. Naomi Benoit seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Staton gave Bookmobile wrap update.

Motion was made by Gwen Landry to approve Revision to the Patron Conduct Policy. Geraldine Segura seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Staton discussed wood floor replacement at Lake Arthur and Elton branches.

Mr. Staton reminded Board member to complete 2026 Ethics and sexual harassment trainings.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Daniel Sparks and seconded by Geraldine Segura to adjourn meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:29AM.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2026, at 9:00 AM. Jeff Davis Parish Library, 118 W. Plaquemine, Jennings

Secretary
Mike Staton

President
Dianne Hebert