

**JEFFERSON PARISH LIBRARY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**East Bank Regional Library
Administration Conference Room
4747 West Napoleon Avenue, Metairie, Louisiana 70001**

**January 17, 2017
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Becky at 4:02 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa Conescu, Patricia Cox, Becky Knight, Judy Mills, and Rita Tonglet

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Rev. Akkheem Dunham and Margaret Thompson

LIBRARY STAFF PRESENT: Marylyn Haddican, Irene Lunkin, Verdie Richburg, and Antoinette Scott

OTHER PARISH STAFF: Emily French, Assistant Parish Attorney

Conescu/Mills made a motion to dispense with the reading of the December minutes and accept them as written. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

- The ribbon cutting event for the completion of the Gretna Library Centennial Park was held on January 5. Patricia and Rita of the Library Board and Anna Campos, Friends President, attended the event. The Library will be responsible for the lights and water fountain in the park. Staff from the Gretna library will open the park during library hours. The City of Gretna will be responsible for cutting the grass.
- During a visit to Rosedale library, Marylyn spoke to Mr. Sherlock about the status of the renovations. They are ready to start the interior painting and expect to have all of the renovations completed mid-February.
- The expected completion date of the River Ridge Library is October 2017. The branch will operate with double shift hours. The books have been ordered and will arrive in October.
- Fees for the JPL Guest Card and Computer Guest Card have been implemented. A few complaints have come in about the charge and most of them are from New Orleans residents. Staff have been informed to inform New Orleans patrons of the Reciprocal Borrowing Agreement we have with NOPL. Signage about the new fees is posted in the libraries and on our website. A note about the fees will also be indicated on the patron renewal letters.
- The Library's Millage renewal will be placed on the April 29 ballot. Our Marketing team will prepare book marks to distribute in the branches and at the Friends' March book sale and prepare press releases to the public about the Library's projects and progress.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.