

Minutes

South Mississippi Regional Board

September 18, 2024

The South Mississippi Regional Board met at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, in the auditorium at the Columbia Marion County Public Library. Present were Mrs. Joan Bass, Chair, Mrs. Jinger Cole, Mrs. Sharon Dungan, Mrs. Patricia Norris, Mrs. Ernestine Bridges, Ms. Na'Chel Shannon, Library Director, and Mona Swayze to take minutes of the meeting.

Mrs. Bass called the meeting to order with prayer. She then turned the meeting over to Library Director Ms. Shannon.

Ms. Shannon read the minutes of the previous meeting. Mrs. Norris moved to approve the minutes with these changes: change the time for the next meeting from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and to add that they went in to executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Mrs. Bridges seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business: Ms. Shannon informed the Board that the Marion County Board of Supervisors has approved our budget of \$181,500 for FY24/25. The meetings with Prentiss and Bassfield were very productive. However, Ms. Shannon has not received notice of our budget request being approved.

There are Meet and Greets scheduled in Prentiss and Bassfield to introduce Ms. Shannon to those communities. The meeting in Bassfield is scheduled for Tuesday October 15, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and the mayor is scheduled to be there. The meeting in Prentiss is scheduled for Thursday October 17, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Ms. Shannon gave the Board handouts with information for free training for Trustees. She presented the current financial report to the Board.

Mrs. Bass moved to go to closed session. Mrs. Dungan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed in the open session if they should move to executive session. Motion to move to executive session by Mrs. Dungan. Seconded by Mrs. Norris. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board moved out of executive session by a motion by Mrs. Norris. Seconded by Mrs. Dungan. Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Norris moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Bass seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved by the SMRL Board on October 23, 2024.