St. Tammany Parish Library
Board of Control Meeting
September 22, 2025
St. Tammany Parish Council Chambers
21490 Koop Dr.,
Mandeville, LA 70471
6:30 P.M.

<u>Public Comment:</u> A three (3) minute time limit is established for each member of the public wishing to speak (for or against) an item on the agenda. In the case of a Statement of Concern decision, the person who filed the Statement of Concern is given 5 minutes to speak. Please note, all comments must pertain to the agenda item announced. There is no general public comment at the beginning or end of the meeting. Any person wishing to comment on a topic not listed on the agenda may do so by e-mailing lboc@stpl.us by 4:00 PM on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

### **AGENDA**

Call to order by President and Roll Call by Director

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

- 1. Presentation Thank you for service to the Library
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Library Board of Control that was held on August 25, 2025.
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Health Insurance and Reinsurance Policy selection for 2025 Leon Golemi BCA Benefit Consultants and Administrators, Inc.
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote
- B. Financial Report August 2025
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote
- C. Director's Report
- D. 2025 Fall Budget Amendment Resolution # 25-020 (Branton)
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote

- E. Resolution # 25-021 Personnel Committee Establishment and appointment of members (Branton)
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote
- F. Resolution # 25-022 Resolution to Appoint an Interim Director of the St. Tammany Parish Library (Cooper)
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote
- G. Resolution # 25-023 Resolution to Authorize Library Board of Control President to Engage Consultant to Assist in Search for New Library Director. (Cooper)
  - Public Comment
  - Discussion
  - Vote
- 4. Adjournment

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### **MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Charles (Chuck) Branton, Board President. Kelly LaRocca, Director, called the roll and declared that a quorum was present.

Present (6): Glenn Baham, Chuck Branton, Parish President Mike Cooper, Tamarah Myers, Dinah

Thanars, Travis Thompson

Absent (0): None

Emily Couvillon with the Civil Division of the District Attorney's Office was also present as legal counsel for the library.

T. Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Branton explained the meeting rules and the rules for public comment. He noted that a comment card was submitted for Agenda Item 1, a presentation honoring former Board members, and asked E. Couvillon to address the matter. E. Couvillon explained that public comment is only required when a Board vote is involved, per Louisiana's Open Meetings law. There is no public comment period for presentations.

### 1. Presentation – Thank you for service to the LBOC

C. Branton and K. LaRocca expressed gratitude and appreciation for the privilege of working with Ann Shaw and Jill Kesler during their time on the Board. A. Shaw and J. Kesler were not in attendance; library staff will ensure they receive their plaques in gratitude for their service. K. LaRocca also took a moment to acknowledge former Library Director Donald Westmoreland, who was laid to rest earlier that day.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Library Board of Control that was held on July 28, 2025.

**MOTION:** T. Myers moved to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2025, LBOC meeting. It was seconded by G. Baham.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lisa Rustemeyer – She stated that she did not raise the topic of book challenges at the previous meeting, but instead mentioned books that are currently censored in schools that are attended by military families. She asked the Board why the proclamation from the previous meeting was not on the agenda.

Sonnet Ireland – Regarding a question about her place of work, she stated that she would like it added to the record that her public comment at the previous meeting was given as a resident, taxpayer, and voter, as she attends the LBOC meetings on her personal time, and does not represent anyone but herself.

**DISCUSSION:** T. Myers asked how many Young Adult (YA) books are left to be reviewed. T. DiMaggio answered that there are 2,793 titles remaining, which is 30% of the YA collection.

M. Cooper congratulated board members who were voted in as officers at the previous board meeting.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to approve the July 28, 2025, meeting minutes carried. (Unanimous – 6)

### 3. **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Presentation of the 2024 Audit – John Murray, LaPorte

J. Murray presented the 2024 audit, a full copy of which was provided to each board member and was included in the board packet available to the public on the library's website. The auditors gave a clean, unmodified opinion that the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Library as of December 31, 2024, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. J. Murray reviewed the details of the financial statements throughout the report. He reported that no deficiencies in internal controls were identified. He stated that there were no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. He thanked K. LaRocca, D. Cuevas, and B. Geiger for their assistance with the audit.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**DISCUSSION:** M. Cooper asked for clarification on if there were any findings in the audit, and J. Murray confirmed there were not.

**MOTION:** D. Thanars moved to approve the 2024 audit report. It was seconded by T. Thompson. **VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to approve the 2024 audit report carried. (Unanimous – 6)

### B. Financial Report – July 2025

K. LaRocca reviewed the financial report for July 2025. The library has received 100% of what was expected in Ad Valorem Revenue and State Revenue Sharing. The budget percentage should be 58.3% in July. Revenues are at 58.54% and Expenditures are at 56.49%. K. LaRocca gave explanations for lines that were over or under 58%. Most variances are due to expenses being paid early or late in the year and will be in balance by the end of the year.

The cost of the millage election was only \$18,000 and that line will be adjusted at the budget amendment next month. The Computer/Printer Supplies is over budget due to the increasing cost of toner. K. LaRocca clarified that Juvenile Programming refers to Children's Programming. She explained

that the names of the budget lines have been this way for many years and can be updated if the Board wishes. The \$196,000 in operational funds for the Mandeville Branch capital project (approved by the Board in the May 2025 budget amendment) has been sent to the Parish. It will be introduced with the Parish's budget amendment in September, voted on in October, and then put out for public bid.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lisa Rustemeyer – She complimented the financial report and thanked the library staff for providing excellent information for the public. She provided statistics from the State Library, spoke of the Mobile Library Lobby Stops, and complimented the library's promotional social media videos.

Sonnet Ireland – She complimented the financial report. She agreed with updating the names of budget lines for clarity and transparency.

**DISCUSSION:** There was no Board discussion.

**MOTION:** G. Baham moved to approve the July 2025 financial report. It was seconded by D. Thanars.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u>

**RESULT:** Motion to approve the July 2025 financial report carried. (Unanimous – 6)

### C. Director's Report

K. LaRocca reported recent updates to facilities, I.T., marketing and outreach efforts, professional development opportunities, programming highlights, new staff, contracts, strategic plan implementation updates, Statements of Concern, Capital Project updates, and the transition of materials from the YA collection to the Adult Collection. She reviewed the results of the community input sessions for the Lacombe Branch replacement and Slidell Branch expansion projects. The ribbon cutting for the Mobile Library service is tentatively scheduled for November 18. She reviewed the service statistics for July 2025 and the year-to-date statistics.

G. Baham expressed appreciation that the Media Production Specialist position has been filled. He also stated that he attended the Genealogy program about Pope Leo XIV and learned that the Pope is related to the Bahams from Madisonville.

### D. Summer Reading Wrap-up Presentation

The Public Relations Department presented the Summer Reading Challenge Wrap-Up video that showed highlights from many of the programs that took place throughout the Parish this summer. The Children's Programming Coordinator and Adult Programming Coordinator provided a recap of this year's successful Summer Reading Challenge, highlighting an increase in registrations compared to last year. They also noted an impressive number of teen volunteers, totaling 72 this summer.

### E. 2026 Budget (Resolution # 25-019)

**MOTION #1:** C. Branton moved to open the 2026 Budget Hearing. It was seconded by G. Baham. **VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to open the 2026 Budget Hearing carried. (Unanimous – 6)

K. LaRocca reviewed the proposed 2026 Budget. The St. Tammany Parish Library will operate on a revenue of \$13,318,920. The primary source (97%) of the library's 2026 income will be a 4.35 mil property tax millage. The remaining (3%) of the library's income comes from State Revenue Sharing, fines and fees, interest, and donations. K. LaRocca explained that the economy continues to affect the cost of supplies. Implementation of the library's Strategic Plan will continue and the Mandeville Branch renovation should happen in 2026. Many of the increases and decreases you will see in the individual budget lines will be due to the implications of these conditions. K. LaRocca provided explanations for each section of the budget. She reviewed the fund balance in detail, noting that the balance does not equate to cash and includes receivables for next year's budget and payables. She reviewed the dedicated savings and declared a balanced budget for 2026.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

### **DISCUSSION:**

M. Cooper thanked K. LaRocca for holding budget meetings with board members the previous week to review the budget and answer questions, clarifying that no quorum was present.

**MOTION #2:** D. Thanars moved to close the 2026 Budget Hearing. It was seconded by G. Baham.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u>

**RESULT:** Motion to close the 2026 Budget Hearing carried. (Unanimous – 6)

MOTION #3: C. Branton moved to adopt the 2026 Budget (Res. 25-019). It was seconded by G. Baham.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to adopt the 2026 Budget resolution (25-019) carried. (Unanimous – 6)

### F. Statement of concern decision - House of Earth and Blood

K. LaRocca presented the Statement of Concern (SOC) for the book *House of Earth and Blood* by Sarah Maas. The statement was submitted by Frances Smith. K. LaRocca read the statement aloud.

The recommended action by F. Smith is: "Restrict from minors from reading this book/take it off the shelves."

Reason given: "It is obscene. Children should not be allowed to read it. Goes against the Law."

K. LaRocca reviewed the book résumé which includes the publisher's summary, number of print copies STPL owns (4), total circulation on all print copies (76), total circulation on E-book (286), comparable library system statistics, reviews by *Publishers Weekly, Booklist*, and *Shelf Awareness*. Also noted are awards and lists featuring this title. A total of 1,965 public libraries across the nation own copies of the book. The title is shelved in the Adult Fiction section at STPL. K. LaRocca reviewed the committee's evaluation of the title which includes demographics of the committee members, the committee's report, and the committee's recommendation. Since the complainant cites the Louisiana Criminal Law Revised Statute 14:91.11, the book was evaluated based on the criteria set forth in the statute. The committee did not find a violation of the statute. The committee recommended that the book remain shelved in the Adult Fiction collection.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Frances Smith, the individual who submitted the Statement of Concern for *House of Earth and Blood*, was offered five minutes for public comment. She was not in attendance but submitted a written statement by email which was provided to each board member and was included in the board packet available to the public on the website.

Terri J. – Covington, LA. She stated that the book in question is in the library, but was told by staff that it cannot be checked out. B. Geiger and T. DiMaggio clarified that the library has four circulating copies of the book that are checked out by other patrons at this time. There are non-circulating reference copies of challenged books available at the Covington and Slidell Branches for in-house use. Terri J. was in favor of the book remaining in Adult Fiction.

Pauline Appleby – Mandeville, LA. She read the library's mission statement aloud and urged the Board to follow their rules and regulations. She expressed concern about there being 113 pending SOCs. She spoke in support of professional librarians and freedom of access to literature.

J. Caron Minge – Covington, LA. She spoke in favor of the book remaining in the Adult collection. She expressed concern about the SOC and the letter from F. Smith, stating that F. Smith has mischaracterized the law regarding child grooming and has made very serious, offensive, and defamatory accusations. J. Caron Minge brought a copy of the law and read it aloud for clarification.

Rebecca Bohm – Mandeville, LA. She agreed with the previous speaker and spoke in favor of the book remaining in the Adult collection.

Lisa Rustemeyer – Mandeville, LA. She agreed with the previous speakers and spoke in favor of the book remaining in the Adult collection. She questioned whether F. Smith had read the book and suggested that the information may have come from the website Book Looks.

Sonnet Ireland – Slidell, LA. She stated that the book is an Adult book in the Adult section, is very popular, and was on several best sellers lists. She stated the book is not accessible to children without a parent's permission. She noted that there was board member conversation during public comment.

Roxanne Newman – Mandeville, LA. She stated that the book is an Adult book in the Adult section and there is no reason to restrict any further. She spoke of the tiered library card system which enables a parent to decide what their children read.

Jean Wiggin – Abita Springs, LA. She questioned why the Board is discussing concerns about Adult fiction books. She suggested sending a letter to individuals who submitted SOCs for adult books, stating that the material is shelved in the Adult section and no further action will be taken. She stated that she trusts the librarians.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

G. Baham explained that it is required by current state law for the Board to review the challenged books. He added that disparaging individuals who raise objections is unnecessary and stressed that the Board must not violate anyone's rights.

**MOTION:** C. Branton moved to affirm the committee's recommendation for *House of Earth and Blood* to remain in the Adult Fiction collection and to deny the request for removal. It was seconded by T. Myers.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Abstained</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to affirm the committee's recommendation and deny the request for removal carried.  $(Yes - 5 \mid Abstained - 1)$ 

### G. Lease Renewal for the Administrative Office

K. LaRocca stated that the lease for the Administrative Office expires in December. She noted that some board members have asked whether the library should continue leasing or explore purchasing a property. She confirmed that leftover operational funds can be used for capital purposes, but purchasing a building at this time is not feasible due to existing funds being set aside for other purposes. The current building owners indicated they would consider selling if the library is interested when the lease is up for renewal. K. LaRocca recommends renewing the lease to the Administrative Office for five years. The lease amount will be \$6,300 per month.

T. Myers asked if we pay the property tax and insurance and K. LaRocca confirmed that both are included in the triple net lease agreement. When asked about a lease-purchase option, K. LaRocca explained that is not possible for a governmental agency, but the owners may consider selling the building in five years.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Sonnet Ireland – She agrees with renewing the lease and agrees with looking into purchasing a space.

### **DISCUSSION:**

M. Cooper recommends renewing the lease and agrees with looking into purchasing a building in five years or including the Administrative Office in an expansion of one of the library branches. C. Branton agreed with M. Cooper.

**MOTION:** C. Branton moved to approve the lease renewal of the Administrative Office. It was seconded by D. Thanars.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> RESULT: Motion to approve the lease renewal of the Administrative Office carried. (Unanimous – 6)

## H. Resolution # 25-016 Resolution amending Rules and Regulations Update Section 106 – E or F Code of Conduct (Baham)

G. Baham presented a revised draft of a proposed Code of Conduct (COC). He explained that the draft serves as a standard starting point and can be reviewed and amended as needed moving forward.

**MOTION #1:** G. Baham moved to adopt the Code of Conduct. It was seconded by T. Thompson.

Following E. Couvillon's recommendation and board discussion, it was decided to place the COC in Section 106, Paragraph F. A new item, Number 11, will be added to read: "Abide by the Code of Conduct." The full text of the COC will be included in Appendix C, which will be added to the existing appendices.

**MOTION #2:** G. Baham amended his motion to adopt the Code of Conduct to specify its placement in Section 106, Paragraph F, Number 11, with the full text to be included in Appendix C. It was seconded by T. Thompson.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>Yes</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to amend and specify the logistical placement of the Code of Conduct carried. (Unanimous – 6)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Roxanne Newman – She stated that the (COC) references LA R.S. 25:215 and states that the Board employs the Director and other staff. She interprets the statute to mean the Board employs the Director, who then recommends and oversees the hiring of other staff. She added that Boards are typically not very involved in staff hiring or firing. She stated that allowing all board members to request documents and information from any employee is inefficient.

Jean Wiggin – She began to clarify her earlier comments regarding a previous agenda item and was reminded that the current public comment period must relate to the current topic.

Rebecca Taylor – Slidell, LA. She emphasized the Board's role in hiring, supervising, and evaluating the Library Director, who supervises the daily operations of the library. She stated that this structure maintains a separation between the Board's policymaking and the Director's operational management of the library. She noted several important omissions in the current COC draft compared to the original. She suggested revising the COC, as she feels it needs additional changes.

Lisa Rustemeyer – She agreed with the previous speaker that the COC needs more work. She suggested considering other Codes of Conduct for other libraries and consulting with the State Library. She did not agree with omitting several of the original statements from the current draft. She is in favor of Rules and Regulations committee meetings to work on this policy.

Sonnet Ireland – She agreed with the previous speakers. She asked if the Board has talked to anyone from the State Library about this policy. G. Baham stated he has spoken to the State Library staff and staff in other states. She stated that the current draft of the COC is problematic, particularly regarding asking staff for information rather than going through the Director. She stated that there is no mention of the Louisiana Open Meetings Law included in the policy.

Kristen Luchsinger – She thanked the Board for continuing work on the COC and urged against rushing the process, stressing the need for transparency and fairness. She suggested adding an anti-harassment clause and encouraged board members to engage with all groups to avoid the appearance of partisanship.

Joan Simon – She stated that this is too important to rush. She stated she believes the Board has good intentions, but the document needs more work. She is concerned with the issue of requesting information from staff rather than the Library Director.

### **DISCUSSION:**

G. Baham reiterated that the policy can be amended over time, noting that the Constitution was not written in one fell swoop and has several amendments. He noted that all board members are already required to follow Open Meetings Laws, so it does not need to be restated in the COC. He noted that the

sanctions are pretty clear – board members are appointed by the Parish Council and can be removed by the Parish Council. He stated that if a board member acts in a way a member of the public considers unlawful or derogatory, they should contact their Parish Councilperson.

**MOTION #3:** D. Thanars moved to postpone indefinitely to continue working on the policy and bring it back up at a later date. It was seconded by T. Myers.

M. Cooper stated he is not yet prepared to approve the policy and there were valid points raised by the audience. He asked for background on the origin of this policy, which C. Branton provided. M. Cooper suggested forming a committee to work on this with G. Baham. C. Branton stated that would be the Rules and Regulations Committee. He also noted that there is no Parish-wide COC that governs all of the agencies that the Parish Council oversees.

T. Thompson stated that he does not see a reason to postpone and feels that it is a good document. He reiterated that the Parish Council governs the LBOC and can appoint or remove board members, so he does not see a need to postpone.

**VOTE:** Baham: <u>Yes</u> Cooper: <u>Yes</u> Myers: <u>Yes</u> Thanars: <u>Yes</u> Thompson: <u>No</u> Branton: <u>Yes</u> **RESULT:** Motion to postpone indefinitely carried. (Yes  $-5 \mid No - 1$ )

### OFF-THE-FLOOR MOTION - Requires a unanimous vote

C. Branton stated that K. LaRocca has accepted a position at the State Library.

**MOTION:** C. Branton moved to add an off-the-floor item to the agenda to establish a personnel committee (pursuant to Section 115 of the Rules and Regulations of the LBOC) to help administer the process of vetting and hiring a new Library Director. It was seconded by G. Baham.

C. Branton explained that the committee would consist of no more than three board members designated by the LBOC President. He emphasized that the hiring decision will be made by the full Board at a public meeting. He explained that this is the very beginning of the process and it will not be done overnight, as this will be a lengthy process. The Board will need to discuss job descriptions, research what resources are available from the State Library, and consider the possibility of hiring a consultant.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Becky Bohm – She asked about appointing an Interim Director. C. Branton stated that is one of the matters they have to discuss.

Sonnet Ireland – She questioned why this was not proposed for the next board meeting in September, allowing time to understand what this means and for an Interim Director to be appointed. She also expressed concern that the matter was raised late in the meeting, after much of the audience had already left.

M. Cooper asked what will this committee do between now and the September board meeting. C. Branton stated that the committee would reach out to the State Library, other libraries across the state, gather job descriptions, and reach out to consultants. He noted that there is currently a vacancy on the Board and he would like a full Board to be involved in the process. He added that initiating the process

now would help ensure continued progress and allow the new Board member to be brought up to speed efficiently.

Roxanne Newman – She asked who would be responsible for selecting the committee. C. Branton responded that he would, as Board President, and referenced Section 115 of the LBOC Rules and Regulations Manual, which states: "The Board President shall appoint the members of any committee and designate its chairperson." R. Newman stated that there should be a fair distribution of points of view on the Personnel Committee. She expressed concern about the qualifications that will be required of the new Director and emphasized that the qualifications should not be lowered, as has occurred in other Parishes.

### **DISCUSSION:**

M. Cooper noted that the rules also state: "The Board President shall be an ex officio member of any committee." C. Branton noted that the committee may include only himself and two other Board members, as a group of four or more would constitute a quorum. M. Cooper confirmed that K. LaRocca's last day will be September 22<sup>nd</sup>, which is the date of the next board meeting. He asked whether the Board President, Vice President, or any Board member could begin gathering the previously mentioned information in preparation for establishing the Personnel Committee at the next Board meeting, and whether the absence of a formal committee would preclude the Board from collecting the information C. Branton suggested. C. Branton stated that it would not preclude the gathering of information, but there would be no formal mechanism for the Board members to discuss it among themselves. C. Branton explained that there are only three more scheduled board meetings this year and he does not want to delay this process.

**VOTE:** Baham:  $\underline{Yes}$  Cooper:  $\underline{No}$  Myers:  $\underline{Yes}$  Thanars:  $\underline{No}$  Thompson:  $\underline{Yes}$  Branton:  $\underline{Yes}$  RESULT: Motion to add the off-the-floor item to the agenda failed due to a lack of unanimous consent.  $(Yes - 4 \mid No - 2)$ 

### 4. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by G. Baham and was seconded by D. Thanars. All were in favor, none were opposed, and no one was absent. Motion carried.

APPROVAL:		
	Tamarah Myers, Board Secretary/Treasurer	

## **Stop-loss Reinsurance**

## St. Tammany Parish Library

			Renewal		Option A		Option B		Option C
Group Health Plan	2025		2026		2026		2026		2026
Reinsurance Carrier	Zurich		Zurich		Gerber Life		Companion Life	U	.S. Fire / XBLLC
TPA	UMR		UMR		UMR		UMR		UMR
Network	United Healthcare	Uı	nited Healthcare		United Healthcare	Uı	nited Healthcare	U	nited Healthcare
Specific Contract Basis	12/15 Medical & Rx	12/	15 Medical & Rx		12/15 Medical & Rx	12/	15 Medical & Rx	12/	15 Medical & Rx
Aggregate Contract Basis	12/12 Medical & Rx	12/	12 Medical & Rx		12/12 Medical & Rx	12/	12 Medical & Rx	12/	12 Medical & Rx
Specific Stop Loss Deductible	\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000
Unlimited Benefit									
Employee Number*									
Single	87		87		87		87		87
Family	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>			<u>20</u>		<u>20</u>		<u>20</u>
TOTAL EE's	107		107		107		107		107
Specific Premium									
Single	\$ 188.59	\$	213.91		\$ 213.23	\$	259.86	\$	271.52
Family	\$ 523.58	\$	585.43		\$ 587.26	\$	691.68	\$	707.93
Aggregate Premium PEPM	\$ 15.80	\$	11.02		\$ 9.53	\$	15.67	\$	19.97
Aggregate Premium includes Terminal Liability									
Administration Fee PEPM - UMR	\$ 58.41	\$	58.41		\$ 58.41	\$	58.41	\$	58.41
Annual Fixed Costs	\$ 417,833.00	\$	450,546.00		\$ 450,789.00	\$	529,989.00	\$	554,020.00
Aggregate Factors (Claims Exposure)									
Single	\$ 739.38	\$	722.62		\$ 617.44	\$	852.70	\$	935.08
Family	\$ 1,883.73	\$	1,819.89		\$ 1,667.25	\$	2,147.47	\$	2,386.50
Annual Aggregate Exposure	\$ 1,224,008.00	\$	1,191,189.00		\$ 1,044,507.00	\$	1,405,612.00	\$	1,486,683.00
Minimum Attachment Point									

### Renewal

Group Health Plan		2021		2022		2023		2024		2025		2026
Reinsurance Carrier	An	nerican National	Aı	nerican National		Companion Life		Zurich		Zurich		Gerber Life
TPA		UMR		UMR		UMR		UMR		UMR		UMR
Network	Un	ited Healthcare	Un	ited Healthcare	Uı	nited Healthcare		United Healthcare	Uı	nited Healthcare	Ţ	Jnited Healthcare
Specific Contract Basis	12/1	5 Medical & Rx	12/1	5 Medical & Rx	12/	15 Medical & Rx		12/15 Medical & Rx	12/	15 Medical & Rx	12	2/15 Medical & Rx
Aggregate Contract Basis	12/1	2 Medical & Rx	12/1	2 Medical & Rx	12/	12 Medical & Rx		12/12 Medical & Rx	12/	12 Medical & Rx	12	2/12 Medical & Rx
Specific Stop Loss Deductible		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000
Unlimited Benefit												
Employee Number*												
Single		85		85		85		84		87		87
Family		<u>21</u>		<u>21</u>		<u>21</u>		<u>20</u>		<u>20</u>		<u>20</u>
TOTAL EE's		106		106		106		104		107		107
Specific Premium												
Single	\$	268.45	\$	263.45	\$	217.53	l	\$ 196.39	\$	188.59	\$	213.23
Family	\$	745.48	\$	740.48	\$	637.50		\$ 578.60	\$	523.58	\$	587.26
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Aggregate Premium PEPM	\$	11.68	\$	11.68	\$	7.06		\$ 9.26	\$	15.80	\$	9.53
Administration Fee PEPM - UMR	\$	54.76	\$	55.06	\$	57.69		\$ 56.50	\$	58.41	\$	58.41
Annual Fixed Costs	\$	546,192.00	\$	540,213.00	\$	464,892.00		\$ 418,894.00	\$	417,833.00	\$	450,789.00
Aggregate Factors (Claims Exposure)												
Single	\$	614.61	\$	629.89	\$	674.32		\$ 695.33	\$	739.38	\$	617.44
Family	\$	1,586.17	\$	1,645.65	\$	1,771.12		\$ 1,840.50	\$	1,883.73	\$	1,667.25
Annual Aggregate Exposure	\$	1,026,617.00	\$	1,057,192.00	\$	1,134,129.00		\$ 1,142,613.00	\$	1,224,008.00	\$	1,044,507.00
Minimum Attachment Point												
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Lasers:		nber "A" + \$50k	_	mber "A" + \$25k		mber "A" + \$20k	Ц	None	_	ember "B" + \$25k		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Aggregate Premium includes Terminal Liability	Mer	nber "B" + \$40k	Me	mber "B" + \$15k	Mo	ember "B" + \$15k			Me	ember "C" + \$45k	M	ember "B": Contingent

<sup>\*</sup> Assumes 8/21/22 enrollment; '24-25 actual



# St Tammany Parish Library GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE QUOTES

## **EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026**

Benefit (In-Networl	<u>()</u>	STPL	Blue Cross	United		
20110111 (111 110111011	٠,	Health Plan	Preferred Care	Healthcare		
Calendar Year Deductib	le	\$500	\$500	\$500		
Out of Pocket Maximum		\$3,000	\$2,750	\$4,000		
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		85%/15% after	<b>\$40</b> c/p PCP <b>\$55</b>	<b>\$25</b> c/p PCP <b>\$45</b>		
Physician Office Visit		deductible	c/p Specialist	c/p Specialist		
Co-insurance		85%/15%	80% / 20%			
		85%/15% after	80%/20% after	80%/20% after		
Hospital Services		deductible	deductible	deductible		
		85%/15% after	80%/20% after	80%/20% after		
Most Other Services		deductible	deductible	deductible		
RX Drug Deductible		-0-	-0-	-0-		
Rx Drug Benefits		\$15/\$35/\$70	\$15/\$40/\$70	\$10/\$35/\$70		
<b>3</b>						
_		<b>\$150</b> c/p	80%/20% after	80%/20% after		
Emergency Room		85%/15%	deductible	deductible		
Out of Network Benefits		Yes	Yes	Yes		
Coverage Tier	1	Marrian Frances	Dunaniana Cant	Durantium Cook		
Employee Only	87	Maximum Exposure	Premium Cost \$1,124.95	Premium Cost \$1,206.52		
Employee & Spouse	9	-	\$2,249.90	-		
Employee & Spouse  Employee & Child(ren)	4	$\vdash$	\$2,249.90	\$2,987.50 \$2,987.50		
Employee & Family	7		\$3,206.11	\$2,987.50		
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Total Monthly		\$125,592.56	\$146,637.26	\$162,304.00		
Total Annual		\$1,507,110.72	\$1,759,647.00	\$1,947,650.00		
		Expected Costs				

\$110,209.25 \$1,322,511.01



ST. TAMMANY PARISH LIBRARY	1	AD VALOREM AND REVENUE SHARING RECEVED IN 2025
AD VALOREM		
2/19/2025	12,130,560.20	
4/2/2025	442,372.28	
5/7/2025	156,335.87	
8/6/2025	125,602.02	
9/10/2025	95,301.15	
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	12,950,171.52	
TATE REVENUE SHARING		
2/19/2025	89,698.26	
5/7/2025	89,937.52	
8/6/2025	89,937.51	
	269,573.29	

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### St. Tammany Parish Library - General Fund Balance Sheet August 31, 2025

### ASSETS

Current Assets Cash Cash - Health Claims Due from Paylocity Due from Bank Returned Checks Ad Valorem Receivable - 2024 Ad Valorem Receivable - 2025 Ad Valorem Receivable - 2023 Due from State of Louisiana Prepaid Expenses	\$	10,995,467.97 (69,737.26) 0.00 3,738.40 0.00 224,349.61 8,486,179.36 0.00 178,777.97 102,775.40		
Total Current Assets				19,921,551.45
Other Assets Deposits		1,981.00		
Total Other Assets			_	1,981.00
Total Assets			\$ =	19,923,532.45
LIABILITIES AN	D FUND	BALANCE		
Current Liabilities	_			
Accrued Salaries	\$	43,092.09		
Deferred Inflows - Ad Valorem Elective Benefits Payable		109,467.00 (10,799.21)		
Retirement Payable		184,700.54		
Health Claims Payable		249,918.55		
Total Current Liabilities				576,378.97
Fund Balance				
Fund Balance		19,347,153.48		
Total Fund Balance			_	19,347,153.48
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance			\$ _	19,923,532.45
			_	

### St. Tammany Parish Library-General Fund Statement of Revenues and Expenditures For the Eight Months Ending August 31, 2025

		Current Period Actual	Year to Date Actual	<u>Yearly</u> <u>Total</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>	YTD Act to YTD Budget
Revenues		1 060 770 40	0.407.170.27	10 700 060 00	4,243,089.64	66.67
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	1,060,772.42	\$ 8,486,179.36	12,729,269.00 268,884.00	89,628.00	66.67
State Revenue Sharing		22,407.00	179,256.00	99,500.00	30,558.98	69.29
Fines/Fees		7,034.21	68,941.02	184,370.00	53,510.91	70.98
Interest Income		15,433.87	130,859.09 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance Proceeds		0.00		32,016.00	(5,817.78)	118.17
Donations Received		5,178.23	37,833.78 1,271.21	54.00	(1,217.21)	2,354.09
Miscellaneous Income		0.00		2,120.00	827.76	60.95
Summer Reading Shirt Sales		0.00	1,292.24	2,120.00	627.70	00.33
Total Revenues		1,110,825.73	8,905,632.70	13,316,213.00	4,410,580.30	66.88
Expenditures						
Library Administration		444,869.49	3,767,366.98	6,090,000.00	2,322,633.02	61.86
Employee Benefits		379,497.53	1,431,011.35	2,325,480.00	894,468.65	61.54
Advertising, Dues & Subscriptio		5,474.96	40,006.02	70,500.00	30,493.98	56.75
Signage		0.00	229.42	2,000.00	1,770.58	11.47
Printing, Duplicating & Bindin		1,447.00	17,620.69	25,500.00	7,879.31	69.10
Promotional Production		0.00	14,609.24	20,000.00	5,390.76	73.05
Utilities		32,758.83	237,847.49	341,470.00	103,622.51	69.65
Communications		7,559.42	63,611.51	100,380.00	36,768.49	63.37
Leases		29,263.16	223,456.58	341,750.00	118,293.42	65.39
Maintenance of Property & Equi		44,260.58	428,506.40	593,750.00	165,243.60	72.17
Maintenance Services (Building		9,724.75	189,328.86	280,050.00	90,721.14	67.61
Professional Services		7,792.05	235,072.01	342,925.00	107,852.99	68.55
Insurance and Claims		0.00	298,753.44	306,872.00	8,118.56	97.35
Operating Supplies		19,039.69	149,130.37	222,420.00	73,289.63	67.05
Travel & Continuing Education		4,505.35	34,850.90	69,000.00	34,149.10	50.51
Public Relations/Programming		15,283.21	97,595.97	136,500.00	38,904.03	71.50
Capital Outlay-Non-Book Acq.		2,562.13	191,664.97	339,033.00	147,368.03	56.53
Capital Outlay-library Res. Ac		91,346.74	936,004.15	1,447,500.00	511,495.85	64.66
Mandeville Capital - Parish		0.00	196,000.00	196,000.00	0.00	100.00
Outreach		0.00	64,966.50	65,000.00	33.50	99.95
Total Expenditures		1,095,384.89	8,617,632.85	13,316,130.00	4,698,497.15	64.72
Excess of Revenues/(Expenditur	s	15,440.84	\$ 287,999.85	83.00	(287,916.85)	346,987.77

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### St. Tammany Parish Library Statement of Changes in Fund Balance For the Eight Months Ending August 31, 2025

Ending Fund Balance	\$ _	19,347,153.48
Net Income		287,999.85
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	19,059,153.63

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

		Current Period Actual		<u>Year to</u> <u>Date Actual</u>		Yearly Total Budget	<u>Variance</u>	YTD Actual to YTD Budget
Library Administration								
Library Salaries	\$	444,869.49	\$	3,767,366.98	\$	6,090,000.00	2,322,633.02	61.86
Total	\$ =	444,869.49	\$	3,767,366.98	\$	6,090,000.00	2,322,633.02	61.86
Employee Benefits FICA/ Supplemental Retirement Retirement Contributions Health Insurance Expense Health Trust Worker's Compensation Expense Employee Miscellaneous Total	\$ \$	10,385.52 39,223.43 26,645.88 301,125.33 2,117.37 0.00 379,497.53	<b>s</b>	86,454.94 357,205.42 198,339.91 773,233.55 15,777.53 0.00 1,431,011.35	\$ \$	134,000.00 577,480.00 390,000.00 1,197,000.00 26,000.00 1,000.00	47,545.06 220,274.58 191,660.09 423,766.45 10,222.47 1,000.00	64.52 61.86 50.86 64.60 60.68 0.00
Advertising, Dues & Subscriptions Publication of Legal Notices Membership Dues Advertising Total	:	1,516.93 0.00 3,958.03 5,474.96	\$ \$	5,829.19 0.00 34,176.83 40,006.02	\$ \$	13,500.00 6,000.00 51,000.00 <b>70,500.0</b> 0	7,670.81 6,000.00 16,823.17 30,493.98	43.18 0.00 67.01 56.75
Signage Signage Total	\$ \$	0.00	\$ \$	229.42 229.42	\$ \$	2,000.00	1,770.58 1,770.58	11.47 <b>11.47</b>
Printing, Duplicating & Binding Printing Book Binding Patron Cards  Total	\$ \$	1,447.00 0.00 0.00 1,447.00	\$ \$	12,815.91 0.00 4,804.78 17,620.69	\$ \$	15,500.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 25,500.00	2,684.09 5,000.00 195.22 7,879.31	82.68 0.00 96.10 69.10
Promotional Production Promotional Production  Total	s s	0.00	\$ \$	14,609.24	\$ \$	20,000.00	5,390.76 5,390.76	73.05 73.05

		Current Period Actual		Year to Date Actual		<u>Yearly</u> <u>Total</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>	YTD Actual to YTD Budget
Utilities Electricity Gas Water	\$	29,474.08 95.85 3,188.90	\$	208,359.49 1,872.22 27,615.78	\$	293,220.00 3,250.00 45,000.00	84,860.51 1,377.78 17,384.22	71.06 57.61 61.37
Total	<b>s</b> =	32,758.83	<b>S</b> =	237,847.49	\$ :	341,470.00	103,622.51	69.65
Communications Postage Voice Line Data Lines (Internet) Courier/Shipping Total	\$ _ \$	904.56 4,005.05 2,580.38 69.43 7,559.42	\$ - \$	6,290.77 36,540.67 20,592.78 187.29 63,611.51	\$ \$	21,000.00 47,080.00 31,300.00 1,000.00	14,709.23 10,539.33 10,707.22 812.71 36,768.49	29.96 77.61 65.79 18.73
Leases Building Lease Expense Equipment Lease Expense Vehicle Lease Expense Total	\$ - \$_	28,994.03 269.13 0.00 29,263.16	\$	220,924.04 2,532.54 0.00 223,456.58	\$ \$	333,000.00 6,000.00 2,750.00 341,750.00	112,075.96 3,467.46 2,750.00 118,293.42	66.34 42.21 0.00 65.39
Maintenance of Property & Equipse Custodial and Janitorial Grounds/Lawn Maintenance Maintenance Supplies Fuel & Lube Vehicle Repairs Small Tools Office Machine & Equip Repair Network Utility Software Solinet (OCLC) Cost Polaris Maintenance PC Network Maintenance & Repai Hurricane Disaster Costs	ment \$ 	20,505.49 7,113.00 1,012.84 5,075.94 4,096.92 8.99 0.00 5,832.10 0.00 0.00 615.30 0.00	\$	152,132.27 51,328.50 8,386.40 16,667.51 10,047.91 198.62 0.00 94,449.41 30,942.21 54,999.06 9,354.51 0.00 428,506.40	\$	215,000.00 85,000.00 10,000.00 33,000.00 10,000.00 1,000.00 128,250.00 32,000.00 55,000.00 11,500.00 10,000.00	62,867.73 33,671.50 1,613.60 16,332.49 (47.91) 2,801.38 1,000.00 33,800.59 1,057.79 0.94 2,145.49 10,000.00	70.76 60.39 83.86 50.51 100.48 6.62 0.00 73.64 96.69 100.00 81.34 0.00
Maintenance of Services (Building Physical Plant Plumbing, Heating and AC Electrical Sanitation	(s) \$	4,390.24 2,016.41 0.00 228.10	\$	125,580.16 46,887.90 4,437.80 4,239.00	\$	160,000.00 66,500.00 13,000.00 12,000.00	34,419.84 19,612.10 8,562.20 7,761.00	78.49 70.51 34.14 35.33

		Current Period Actual		Year to Date Actual		<u>Yearly</u> Total Budget	<u>Variance</u>	YTD Actual to YTD Budget
Pest Control		756.00		4,979.00		7,550.00	2,571.00	65.95
Termite Contract Carpet Cleaning		2,334.00 0.00	_	3,205.00 0.00	_	3,000.00 18,000.00	(205.00) 18,000.00	106.83 0.00
Total	\$	9,724.75	<b>\$</b> =	189,328.86	\$ =	280,050.00	90,721.14	67.61
Professional Services Payroll Service Fees Financial Consultants Security Web Design Consultant	\$	2,505.09 0.00 326.96 4,960.00 0.00	\$	24,814.73 40,517.67 37,530.41 29,714.04 84,474.82	\$	38,600.00 51,000.00 40,000.00 29,000.00 94,325.00	13,785.27 10,482.33 2,469.59 (714.04) 9,850.18	64.29 79.45 93.83 102.46 89.56
Proposals (Ballot)  Total		7,792.05	- \$	18,020,34 235,072.01	<b>\$</b>	90,000.00 342,925.00	71,979.66 107,852.99	20.02 68.55
Insurance and Claims Library Property Insurance Flood Insurance Vehicle Insurance LBOC Liability General Liability Total	\$ 	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	\$ - \$	188,228.44 33,497.00 45,716.00 4,574.00 26,738.00 298,753.44	\$ - \$	200,000.00 29,600.00 45,716.00 4,676.00 26,880.00 306,872.00	11,771.56 (3,897.00) 0.00 102.00 142.00 <b>8,118.5</b> 6	94.11 113.17 100.00 97.82 99.47 97.35
Operating Supplies Office Supplies Bank Service Charges Book Preparation Supplies Computer/Printer Supplies Programming Supplies Total	\$  \$	3,077.50 1,416.12 3,257.34 10,380.41 908.32 19,039.69	\$	21,237.95 11,295.47 27,407.00 81,716.11 7,473.84 149,130.37	\$ \$	33,000.00 17,200.00 49,000.00 112,000.00 11,220.00 222,420.00	11,762.05 5,904.53 21,593.00 30,283.89 3,746.16 73,289.63	64.36 65.67 55.93 72.96 66.61 67.05
Travel and Continuing Education Staff Travel - Local Library In-service Training Conventions & Seminars Total	\$ 	681.36 29.45 3,794.54 4,505.35	\$	13,331.03 1,067.73 20,452.14 34,850.90	\$	22,000.00 12,000.00 35,000.00	8,668.97 10,932.27 14,547.86 34,149.10	60.60 8.90 58.43 50.51

		<u>Current</u> <u>Period</u> <u>Actual</u>		<u>Year to</u> <u>Date Actual</u>		<u>Yearly</u> <u>Total</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>	YTD Actual to YTD Budget
Public Relations/Programming Summer Reading Program Summer Reading T-shirts Adult Programming Young Adult Programming Juvenile Programming	\$	2,280.96 0.00 5,923.12 110.27 6,968.86	\$	34,663.97 6,938.92 27,604.17 14,297.45 14,091.46	\$ -	50,000.00 8,000.00 39,000.00 17,000.00 22,500.00	15,336.03 1,061.08 11,395.83 2,702.55 8,408.54	69.33 86.74 70.78 84.10 62.63
Total	<b>\$</b> =	15,283.21	<b>\$</b> =	97,595.97	\$ :	136,500.00	38,904.03	71.50
Capital Outlay-Non-Book Acq Landscape Additions Imp Phys Plant Office Equip, Furn & Shelving PC Network Integrated Lib Automation Sys Cameras Audio/Visual Equipment	\$ \$	2,010.00 0.00 404.68 147.45 0.00 0.00 0.00	\$ \$	30,323.95 13,710.00 10,719.81 133,033.26 3,025.06 773.91 78.98	\$ \$	46,000.00 90,000.00 30,000.00 133,000.00 9,000.00 3,000.00 28,033.00	15,676.05 76,290.00 19,280.19 (33.26) 5,974.94 2,226.09 27,954.02	65.92 15.23 35.73 100.03 33.61 25.80 0.28 56.53
Capital Outlay-Library Res. Acq. Adult Books Lease/Purchase Books Juvenile Books Young Adults Music Recordings Adult Reference Juvenile Reference Periodicals Audio Recordings Video Recordings Video Recordings Genealogy Microfilm Downloadable Media CD/Software Internet Database Subscription	\$	17,487.81 0,00 8,605.57 536.45 714.15 10,215.45 0.00 6,889.62 192.97 8,246.97 1,031.69 0.00 27,928.33 507.15 8,990.58	\$	132,289.96 10,966.20 51,720.37 4,754.70 1,636.60 67,335.44 34,140.16 47,643.02 5,755.42 32,630.05 3,081.23 2,493.00 268,617.16 43,579.85 229,360.99	\$ \$	205,000.00 11,400.00 105,000.00 2,500.00 111,000.00 45,000.00 50,000.00 16,100.00 54,000.00 7,000.00 2,500.00 425,000.00 65,000.00 333,000.00	72,710.04 433.80 53,279.63 10,245.30 863.40 43,664.56 10,859.84 2,356.98 10,344.58 21,369.95 3,918.77 7.00 156,382.84 21,420.15 103,639.01 511,495.85	64.53 96.19 49.26 31.70 65.46 60.66 75.87 95.29 35.75 60.43 44.02 99.72 63.20 67.05 68.88 64.66
Capital Expenditures Mandeville Capital - Parish Outreach Vehicle	\$	0.00 0.00	\$	196,000.00 64,966.50	\$	196,000.00 65,000.00	0.00 33.50	100.00 99.95

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## St. Tammany Parish Library-General Fund Schedule of Expenditures For the Eight Months Ending August 31, 2025

<u>Current</u> <u>Period</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>Year to</u> <u>Date Actual</u>	<u>Yearly</u> <u>Total</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>	YTD Actual to YTD Budget
\$ 0.00	\$ 260,966.50	\$ 261,000.00	33.50	99.99

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Total

### **Director's Report**

September 22, 2025

### **MAINTENANCE**

A drop-down screen and ceiling projector were installed at the Covington Branch in the meeting room.

Quotes were solicited and received to repair the Lacombe Branch roof. Meyer Engineering determined that a waterproof coating was the best option since the roofing panels are no longer manufactured. Waterproof Solutions gave us the lowest quote at \$11,766.60. Work will begin soon.

The work to install the elevator at the Technical Services building is progressing. The elevator has been received and will be installed when the shaft is completed. IT is scheduled to move from the Admin building to the Technical Services building in early December.

### MARKETING AND OUTREACH

Jackie Riecke, Public Relations and Community Coordinator, Jenny Mayer, Children's Services Coordinator, and Jillian Boudreaux, Adult Programming Coordinator promoted Library Card Sign Up Month, Food for Fines, a children's author visit, and the Friends of the Slidell Library Fall Concert Series on radio stations the Lake 94.7 and the Highway 104.7, on September 5th.

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, Jennifer Rifino, Teen Services Coordinator, Byron Holdiman, Reference Coordinator, Jenny Mayer, Jillian Boudreaux, and Jackie Riecke presented library services and events at the 23rd Annual St. Tammany Parish Public Schools Librarians Conference.

Alexis Davis, Slidell Children's Librarian, provided storytime at Apple Tree Preschool on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Jess Troske, Covington Children's Librarian, held storytime at the Parenting Center on September 15<sup>th</sup> and at the Kids Learning Center on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Erika Dawson, South Slidell Children's Librarian, performed storytime on September 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Margaret Mary. She also provided storytime on September 8th at Charlotte's Web and on September 19<sup>th</sup> at Honeycomb Preschool.

Rhonda Spiess, Lacombe Branch Manager, provided outreach at open houses for Bayou Lacombe Middle School on August 21<sup>st</sup> and Mayfield Elementary School on September 10th.

She also presented storytimes at A-Z Preschool on August 27<sup>th</sup> and at Lacombe-Mandeville Headstart on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

Amy Strain, Folsom Branch Manager, attended the Library Foundation meeting in Madisonville on September 9<sup>th</sup> and participated in the Moise Park Fall Fest with the Folsom Town Hall on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

From August 26<sup>th</sup> to August 28<sup>th</sup>, Nichola Kleyle, Mobile Library Branch Manager, and the Mobile Library visited the Mandeville COAST Senior Center, Rouquette Lodge, the Covington COAST Senior Center, and Sage Lake. In September, the library visited Brookdale, Avanti Senior Living, Oak Park Senior Living, Summerfield Assisted Living, Christwood, Forest Manor, The Trace, Trinity Trace, Lacombe Nursing Center, and Heritage Manor in Slidell. Stops were also made at the COAST Senior Centers in Slidell, Pearl River, Bush, Lacombe, and Madisonville.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Children's Department enrolled in a 4-week Foundations of Early Literacy course that will be completed by the end of this month.

Barbara Vidacovich, Mandeville Children's Librarian, attended the "NASA's Librarian Citizen Science Starter Kit" webinar on August 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS**

Award-winning children's illustrator and author, LeUyen Pham, visited Woodlake and Mandeville Elementary on September 12<sup>th</sup>, and that evening visited the Causeway branch for a presentation followed by a meet and greet signing opportunity for patrons. 262 patrons attended the event at the Causeway branch.

The Teen Services Department and Reference Department collaborated to offer a Teen Homeschool Hangout event on September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Covington Branch.

### **CONTRACTS**

EBSCO	Database Package	Replace some of the databases that used to be covered by the State Library	\$14,646.00	New	Quote
Gale	Database Package	Replace some of the databases that used to be covered by the State Library	\$4,960.00	New	Quote

Gale	Passenger and Immigration List Index	Index of US Passenger and Immigration Lists used for genealogical research	\$3,503.34	Renewal	
EBSCO	NoveList	Reading recommendation database to help patrons find books of their interest.	\$12,006.14	Renewal	
Mango	ASL Package	Add-on to the language learning database for learning American Sign Language	\$2,615.62	New	Quote
Library of Congress	Classification Web Subscription	Used by cataloguers to access and search the LOC's classification schedules, subject headings, and authority records	\$600.00	Renewal	

### STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 4. The St. Tammany Parish Library will serve as a platform for creativity, innovation and community interaction.

Final plans are being made for the Maker Space at Madisonville. Staff have created a list of equipment to be purchased, based on information that was gathered through the community survey, visiting other Maker Spaces, and research on specific equipment. The committee will begin working on policies and administration will develop a job description. The committee's goals are to order equipment in early October, hire a manager at the end of October, and open the Maker Space at the new year.

Goal 5. The St. Tammany Parish Library will be more creative with resourcing and funding by maximizing mutually beneficial partnership opportunities with the public and private sectors.

Keep Slidell Beautiful is donating \$5,410.00 to purchase and install nine magnolia trees in the Slidell Reading Garden. Administration is seeking funding sources for the equipment.

### **PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS**

Since the August meeting, we have received 1 public records request. Emails and documents that answered this request were collected and are undergoing review and redaction.

#### STATEMENTS OF CONCERN

We have 112 active statements of concern on 109 titles as of the writing of this report. We have not received any new statements of concern since the last meeting.

#### CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

Mandeville Renovation - KVS Architecture, K. Vaughan Sollberger, Jr., Architect. The LBOC designated additional funding at the May 2025 meeting for a total of \$458,725. This new budget amount was introduced at the September Parish Council meeting and will potentially be approved at the October Parish Council meeting. The additional funding is due to the amount of concrete work necessary to fix the water intrusion issues at the front of the building and new flooring throughout the library. The architect will attend the October Parish Council meeting along with Library Administration in case there are questions. Parish Procurement will then have to bid the project out. We expect to be under construction next year, with minimal interruptions to service. The 2026 budget assumes we will be purchasing furniture for Mandeville in 2026. We will be getting help from 720 Design to put together furniture packages so that we can go out to bid on the furniture to get the best price.

**Lacombe Replacement** - RCL Architecture, Paul Dimitrios, Architect. The architects are under contract with the Parish. The Architects met with Parish staff to have preliminary discussions of where the water and sewage treatment would need to be placed on the land, and where the best place for parking would be. The Architects will make a presentation to the board once they have preliminary plans to share. Once preliminary plans are drawn up, the architects will be able to give us an estimate on the cost of the project. The Board will then have to officially designate the capital funding and the project will then go before the Parish Council for Introduction and Approval.

**Slidell Renovation** - Meyer Engineering, Alton Davis, Architect. The architects are under contract with the Parish. They are currently working on plans. The Architects will make a presentation to the board once they have plans to share. Once preliminary plans are drawn up, the architects will be able to give us an estimate on the cost of the project. The Board will then have to officially designate the capital funding, and the project will then go before the Parish Council for introduction and approval.

### TRANSITION OF MATERIALS

229 YA titles were reviewed since August 25, 2025. Twenty-one were moved to Adult Fiction. 208 were moved to Teen Fiction.

Books Moved from YA to Adult Fiction Because of Sexual Conduct

Red hoodArnold, Elana K.The blood yearsArnold, Elana K.Black heartBlack, HollyTithe: a modern faerie taleBlack, Holly

Pretty dead Block, Francesca Lia

The life and crimes of Hoodie Rosen Blum, Isaac Are you there God? It's me, Margaret Blume, Judy Things I'm seeing without you Bognanni, Peter The half-life of love Bourne, Brianna Forever in blue: the fourth summer of the Sisterhood Brashares, Ann Beauty queens Bray, Libba The sweet far thing Bray, Libba A great and terrible beauty Bray, Libba

The key to you and meBrown, Jaye RobinIt's about loveCamden, StevenWinterwoodErnshaw, SheaA tempest of teaFaizal, HafsahWe hunt the flameFaizal, HafsahThe summer of bitter and sweetFerguson, JennyI have lost my wayForman, Gayle

### Books in YA Reviewed and Determined to Not Have Sexual Conduct (become Teen Fiction)

Forman, Gayle

Love, hate & other filtersAhmed, SamiraInternmentAhmed, SamiraOur crooked heartsAlbert, Melissa

Love from A to Z Ali, S K.

Misfit in love Ali, S. K.

We are inevitable

Each night was illuminated Anderson, Jodi Lynn

Speak Anderson, Laurie Halse
The only thing worse than me is you Anderson, Lily

Landscape with invisible handAnderson, M. TFeedAnderson, M. T.Crazy messy beautifulArcos, CarrieNightbirdsArmstrong, Kate J.

The words in my hands

Asphyxia (Novelist)

NightbaneAster, AlexSplitAvasthi, SwatiFate breakerAveyard, VictoriaBlade breakerAveyard, VictoriaBroken throne: a red queen collectionAveyard, VictoriaCruel crownAveyard, VictoriaFate breakerAveyard, Victoria

Glass sword Aveyard, Victoria Kina's cage Aveyard, Victoria Realm breaker Aveyard, Victoria War storm Aveyard, Victoria Glass sword Aveyard, Victoria King's cage Aveyard, Victoria

Bad blood Barnes, Jennifer (Jennifer Lynn)

Black, Holly

Black, Holly

Black, Holly

Black, Holly

Braswell, Liz

Heart of the moors Red glove The coldest girl in Coldtown The poison eaters and other stories

Urban outlaws Black, Peter Jay Dance of shadows Black, Yelena The Shakespeare stealer Blackwood, Gary L.

Within these wicked walls: a novel Blackwood, Lauren

Five dark fates Blake, Kendare Mortal gods Blake, Kendare Three dark crowns Blake, Kendare Two dark reigns Blake, Kendare

Blake, Kendare Ungodly Anna dressed in blood Blake, Kendare Prisoner of night and fog Blankman, Anne Just as long as we're together Blume, Judy What I saw and how I lied Blundell, Judy Inventing Victoria Bolden, Tonya

The devil makes three Bovalino, Tori Plain Kate Bow, Erin

Bowen, Natasha Skin of the sea Soul of the deep Bowen, Natasha Harley in the sky Bowman, Akemi Dawn

The boy at the top of the mountain Boyne, John

Lore Bracken, Alexandra Silver in the bone Bracken, Alexandra The darkest legacy Bracken, Alexandra The darkest minds Bracken, Alexandra

The incredible true story of the making of the Eve of Brashear, Amy

destruction

Once upon a dream: a twisted tale Braswell, Liz Straight on till morning: a twisted tale Braswell, Liz

Unbirthday: a twisted tale

What once was mine: a twisted tale Braswell, Liz Before the devil breaks you Bray, Libba

Going bovine Bray, Libba The diviners Bray, Libba Faerie wars Brennan, Herbie The secret prophecy Brennan, Herbie Daughter of chaos Brennan, Sarah Rees Path of night Brennan, Sarah Rees Season of the witch Brennan, Sarah Rees Unmade Brennan, Sarah Rees Guy in real life Brezenoff, Steven The usual suspects Broaddus, Maurice

How to succeed in witchcraft

All that's left in the world

Hate list

Brophy, Aislinn

Brown, Erik J .

Brown, Jennifer

Hate listBrown, JenniferHeart of the stormBuckley, MichaelUndertowBuckley, MichaelRaging seaBuckley, MichaelThe time travelersBuckley-Archer, Lin

The time travelers

We are all we have

A curse dark as gold

Tell me three things

Reality check: a novel

Turn it up!

Buckley-Archer, Linda

Budhos, Marina Tamar

Bunce, Elizabeth C

Buxbaum, Julie

Calonita, Jen

Calonita, Jen

Rule of threes
Campbell, Marcy
The heartbreak bakery
Capetta, A. R.
My fine fellow
Cohen, Jennieke.
Snow & poison
De la Cruz, Melissa
The Queen's assassin
De la Cruz, Melissa
The dark army
Delaney, Joseph

The dark army
Delaney, Joseph
Clash of the demons
Delaney, Joseph
Curse of the bane
Delaney, Joseph
Grimalkin, the witch assassin
Delaney, Joseph
Delaney, Joseph

I am AliceDelaney, JosephNight of the soul-stealerDelaney, JosephSlitherDelaney, JosephBleed like meDesir, ChristaThat's debatableDoll, Jen

PoisonedDonnelly, JenniferStepsisterDonnelly, Jennifer

The adventures of Sherlock Holmes; and, The memoirs Doyle, Arthur Conan

of Sherlock Holmes

Blessed monsters

Ruthless gods

Duncan, Emily A.

The number devil: a mathematical adventure

We free the stars

How to pack for the end of the world

The secret life of Kitty Granger

The popularity code

Dead flip

The truth about everything
The secret diary of Lydia Bennet

Fear: 13 stories of suspense and horror

Mortal sight Realms of light The Halloween moon

Starfish

Erak's ransom Halt's peril

The burning bridge
The emperor of Nihon-Ja

The hunters

The icebound land
The kings of Clonmel
The last starios

The lost stories

The Royal ranger: a new beginning

The ruins of Gorlan The siege of Macindaw The sorcerer of the north

Duel at Araluen
Scorpion Mountain
Scorpion Mountain
Slaves of Socorro
The battle for Skandia

The caldera
The ghostfaces
The Red Fox Clan
The stern chase
Love, Jacaranda

My mechanical romance

All of us villains
The rebel mages
The gilded ones
The merciless ones
The slave dancer
Sugaring off

I killed Zoe Spanos

Ruptured

Enzensberger, Hans Magnus

Faizal, Hafsah Falkoff, Michelle.

Falksen, G. D. (Geoffrey D.)

Faris, Stephanie Farizan, Sara Farr, Bridget Farrant, Natasha

Fernandez Rhoads, Sandra Fernandez Rhoads, Sandra

Fink, Joseph Fipps, Lisa

Fipps, Lisa
Flanagan, John (John Anthony)

Flanagan, John (John Anthony).

Flanagan, John (John Anthony)

Flanagan, John (John Anthony).

Flinn, Alex

Follmuth, Alexene Farol

Foody, Amanda Forest, Laurie Forna, Namina Forna, Namina Fox, Paula French, Gillian

Frick, Kit

Fritz, Joanne Rossmassler

Vampires, hearts, & other dead things

Dream a little dream
Dream on

Just dreaming
Ruby Red
Emerald green
Ruby red
Sapphire blue

Not so pure and simple

The counselors Where echoes die : a novel

The Brooklyn nine: a novel in nine innings

Prisoner B-3087

Allies

Code of honor Grenade Ground Zero Projekt 1065 Two degrees

If it makes you happy
The music of what happens

You have a match
Ashfall legacy
Ashfall prophecy
The fall of five
The fate of ten
The fate of ten
Fugitive six
Generation one

I am number four : the lost files : hidden enemy
I am number four : the lost files : rebel allies
I am number four : the lost files : secret histories
I am number four : the lost files : zero hour
The legacy chronicles : out of the shadows

The legacy chronicles: trial by fire

Return to zero
The revenge of seven
I am number four
The power of Six
The rise of nine
United as one

Anne of Green Gables Anne of Green Gables Anne of Ingleside Fuston, Margie

Gier, Kerstin Gier, Kerstin

Gier, Kerstin Gier, Kerstin

Gier, Kerstin

Gier, Kerstin Gier, Kerstin

Giles, Lamar

Goodman, Jessica

Gould, Courtney

Gratz, Alan Gratz, Alan

Gratz, Alan Gratz, Alan Gratz, Alan

Gratz, Alan Gratz, Alan Gratz, Alan Gratz, Alan

Kann, Claire, Konigsberg, Bill Lord, Emma

Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus

Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus

Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus

Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus

Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus

Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus Lore, Pittacus

Montgomery, L. M. (Lucy Maud) Montgomery, L. M. (Lucy Maud) Montgomery, L. M. (Lucy Maud) Anne of the Island Anne of the island Anne of Windy Poplars Anne's house of dreams Anne's house of dreams Emily of new moon

Further chronicles of Avonlea

Rainbow Valley Rilla of Ingleside The Chandler legacies Where there's a whisk With or without you

The summer of Jordi Perez (and the best burger in Los

Angeles) Gem & Dixie Montgomery, L. M. (Lucy Maud) Montgomery, L. M. (Lucy Maud)

Nazemian, Abdi Schmitt, Sarah J. Smith, Eric (Eric A.) Spalding, Amy

Zarr, Sara

### August 2025 Service Statistics

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Branch	Books		DVD	Exp Pass	ILL	Juv Bks	Mag	Pbks	Playaway	YA/Teen	Virtual	Circulation	Usage	Count	Inside	Outside
Admin/Annex	293	40	55	0	12	140	0	0	0	507		1,047				
Abita	626	45	202	0	16	493	24	0	0	17		1,423	210	1,283	85	173
Bush	175	8	152	0	3	134	9	0	0	7		488	75	467	40	80
Causeway	2382	156	669	0	39	2569	72	0	1	157		6,045	509	5,267	840	738
Covington	3620	240	1723	0	27	4023	59	80	0	258		10,030	1,039	8,433	2,257	844
Folsom	365	44	471	0	15	459	33	0	0	22		1,409	162	1,155	118	149
Lacombe	255	29	130	0	3	499	2	11	0	20		949	217	1,196	117	140
Lee Road	280	6	119	0	4	365	0	0	1	10		785	27	668	43	155
Madisonville	1415	104	398	0	32	2459	41	0	0	189		4,638	383	4,323	806	355
Mandeville	2709	215	838	0	36	4407	74	2	4	165		8,450	1,102	6,434	721	441
Mobile	313	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0		319				
Pearl River	440	13	160	0	15	276	0	81	0	9		994	262	1,204	112	195
Slidell	3530	226	1107	0	35	3944	95	174	0	360		9,471	1,783	14,406	1,426	2,539
South Slidell	765	48	629	0	20	964	49	12	0	113		2,600	1,470	5,211	971	1,064
Virtual 1											37,726	37,726				
Total	17,168	1,174	6,657	0	257	20,732	460	360		1,834	37,726	86,374	7,239	50,047	7,536	6,873

1 - Virtual stats include Overdrive, Tumblebooks, 3M Cloud Library, Rbdigital, Hoopla

 ${\tt CD=CompactDisc;\ DVD=DigitalVersatileDisc;\ ILL=InterLibraryLoan;\ Mag=Magazines}$ 

Ppks=Paperbacks; YA=Young Adult

Patrons Registered: 828

### Jan. - Aug. YTD 2025 Service Statistics

	Adult											Total	Computer	Door	Wireless	Wireless
Branch	Books	CD	DVD	Exp Pass	ILL	Juv Bks	Mag	Pbks	Playaway	YA/Teen	Virtual	Circulation	Usage	Count	Inside	Outside
Admin/Annex	3,260	383	461		179	1,006	4	0	0	2868		8,161				
Abita	5038	330	1396	0	148	4258	60	0	0	244		11,474	1,227	12,547	787	1,512
Bush	1545	136	2022	0	44	1674	54	0	0	68		5,543	587	5,206	338	675
Causeway	17108	1270	6044	0	239	19953	474	0	1	1315		46,404	4,044	43,101	6,485	5,973
Covington	27635	1768	13327	1	232	32033	542	508	0	1798		77,844	7,802	62,533	16,538	6,612
Folsom	3159	263	2955	0	85	3321	507	0	0	242		10,532	1,310	10,643	795	1,030
Lacombe	2088	248	1385	5	67	3127	41	67	0	203		7,231	1,690	11,445	1,057	1,100
Lee Road	2448	199	857	0	24	3076	41	5	1	147		6,798	334	6,302	401	1,131
Madisonville	10304	696	3471	0	280	18071	205	0	0	1059		34,086	2,981	38,400	6,690	2,966
Mandeville	20893	1744	7435	9	323	33529	532	23	4	1563		66,055	7,505	51,267	6,090	3,755
Mobile	1143	2	19	0	2	3	8	0	0	1		1,178				
Pearl River	3034	116	1366	0	161	2327	35	308	0	92		7,439	1,798	11,955	972	1,728
Slidell	28814	1822	9283	2	316	31995	1234	1349	0	2961		77,776	15,042	124,364	11,188	18,775
South Slidell	5257	299	3860	0	126	7937	102	48	0	538		18,167	10,585	42,239	7,419	8,897
Virtual 1											292,903	292,903				
Total	131,726	9,276	53,881	17	2,226	162,310	3,839	2,308	6	13,099	292,903	671,591	54,905	420,002	58,760	54,154

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Patrons Registered: 6337

### St. Tammany Parish Library 2025 Fall Budget Amendment

#### Introduction

This is a brief explanation of the differences in revenue and expenditure forecasts between the 2025 Spring Budget and the 2025 Fall Budget Amendment. It is best read alongside the budget spreadsheet and changes on that spreadsheet are highlighted in yellow.

#### 2025 Revenue

In 2025, the St. Tammany Parish Library will operate on revenue of \$13,575,112. We have received an additional \$220,903 in Ad Valorem taxes and \$689 in State Revenue Sharing over what we budgeted in the Spring. The fines and fees line have been adjusted upwards to match the trend over the last year. The Interest Income line has been adjusted upwards based on the trend from the first half of the year. The Donations line has been adjusted upwards as we expect funding from the Library foundation for our maker's space equipment. Miscellaneous income was added to show the result of the surplus auction. Summer reading t-shirt sales have been matched to actual receipts for the year. Overall, there is an increase of \$258,900 in revenue.

#### 2025 Expenditures

We produced the 2025 Budget in July of 2024. This budget amendment adjusts based on how the library ended the 2024 fiscal year, on increased supply costs, on the performance of the budget through the first 8 months of the 2025 year, and on planned. Most of the increases and decreases you will see in the individual budget lines will be due to these activities. Each section in the budget is detailed below with an explanation.

- **Library Salaries** This line is being reduced as we did not give a cost of living raise this year and we have had several open positions throughout the year.
- Employee Benefits The FICA line is increased as we have filled more of our part time positions. The retirement contributions line is decreased as we did not give a cost of living raise this year and the open positions we have had throughout the year. The health insurance cost line is reduced to less full-time positions being filled throughout the year.
- **Operating Services** The Promotional Production line is increased to replenish library logo materials in preparation for our busy outreach season that happens in the fall.
- **Printing, Duplicating, and Binding** There are no changes to these lines.
- **Utilities** We have increased the Electricity line as it has been a hot summer and we were not able to accurately predict the amount of electricity needed for our new mobile library facility.

- Communications The Voice line was reduced too much in the original 2025 budget –
  this was adjusted somewhat at the Spring amendment but we now feel this number is
  correct.
- Lease Expense The building lease expense is adjusted for the administrative office as the lease goes up a bit each year based on the consumer price index and also the triple net costs for both our leases went up because of taxes and insurance.
- Maintenance of Property and Equipment Custodial and Janitorial line is going up due
  to the rise in cleaning supply costs. The maintenance supply line is increased as we now
  have the 5th maintenance employee and we are able to accomplish more projects. The
  vehicle repair line is increased as we had to make major repairs to our box truck delivery
  vehicle. Network utility software line is further reduced as additional software charges
  are now spread across the year correctly by the auditor.
- Maintenance Services —Physical plant maintenance is increased to include tree
  trimming, fire extinguisher replacement parking lot restriping, and window repair at
  Madisonville. Plumbing, heating, and air conditioning is increased to purchase an
  insulated cover for the backflow preventor at Covington. Termite contract is increased
  as I we reduced this line too much at the last amendment.
- Professional Services —Consultants is increased to cover the potential hiring of a
  consultant to help in the director search and also help with furniture selection for
  Mandeville and library functional evaluations for Lacombe and Slidell. Security is
  increased as we have had off duty police at South Slidell in the afternoons, we plan to
  continue this through the end of the year. The Mover's line is increased to match the
  quotes we received to move IT to the technical services building. The Proposals Ballot
  line is reduced based on the actual bill.
- Insurance and Claims Flood Insurance is increased due to higher rates across the area the line has been matched to the invoice we received from Parish Government.
- **Operating Supplies** –Computer Printer Supplies have increased as we heard from the state contract vendor that toner cartridges were going up based on tariffs.
- Travel and Continuing education There are no changes made to these lines.
- Public Relations/Programming –Summer reading T-shirts are increased so we can
  purchase samples for next year. Adult Programming is increased to reflect the cost of
  the fall concerts that the Friends of the Slidell Library will Sponsor and pay for. Juvenile
  Programming line is increased so that the play date materials can be replaced and
  refreshed.
- Non-Book Acquisitions Landscaping additions is increased to reflect the money
  granted to us by Keep Slidell Beautiful for magnolia trees. Improvements to Physical
  plant is increased to cover the cost of a generator and installation for our technical
  services building. Office equipment Furniture and Shelving is increased to cover

computer chair replacement, re4holpostering chairs at South Slidell and purchasing and installing a cargo lift for Madisonville so that items can more safely be transported to the attic. PC network is increased to replace printers where the ink has gotten too expensive, and the wireless access point at Mandeville. We will also need to purchase two new switches for the servers for when IT moves to technical services. The Audio-Visual line is increased so that we can purchase some replacement parts for items that are used during LBOC meetings.

- Library Resource Acquisitions Adult books line is increasing as the mobile library is now an extra branch for adult books to cover and tariffs have affected the costs of books. Juvenile books and Adult reference are increasing as books are now costing more due to tariffs. Video recordings is increasing as we are now buying classic films abd tv for the mobile library. Electronic/Downloadable media is increased due to higher demand for downloadable materials. Internet databases is decreased as we discontinued three databases that the cost per search ratio no longer made sense.
- Long Term Capital Expenditures Capital Send to Parish line is increased so that we can take advantage of all of the additional ad valorem that we have received since the last amendment and send it to the Parish as we will not receive capital money after this year and we want to ensure there is enough funding for all of our capital projects.

#### Savings

Any unused money at the end of the year becomes Prior Years' Operating Revenue. The cash on hand or savings as of December 31, 2024, as was audited was \$6,317,694. The cash number is adjusted downward in this amendment to match this number. This figure is less than half of one year's worth of operating revenue. These savings are dedicated to very specific purposes.

- Operational reserves are needed to run the library until we receive our first significant portion of our millage from the Parish.
- Disaster and emergency funds cover our insurance deductibles and any repairs and clean-up that may be needed in the event of a disaster.
- Dedications for Lacombe, Mandeville, and Slidell furniture projects. These funds are not currently budgeted for the 2025 year.
- Removal of the dedications for Outreach Vehicle and Millage election as these costs are currently part of the operational budget without having to use savings.
- Reserved amounts for health claims and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter retirement that come due within the first two weeks of each year. This is not budgeted to be spent in 2025.
- A proposed dedication for Capital Contingency as we do not have estimates on the Lacombe or Slidell projects. This would not be budgeted to be spent, but dedicated in case we need it. We are adjusting this number downwards so that all of our savings can be assigned.

#### **Budget Analysis**

We are forecasting an increase in revenue of \$258,900 due primarily to more ad valorem funds and an increase in Interest Income and donations. The 2025 Fall Budget Amendment shows an increase in expenditures of \$258,900 due to us sending all of the additional ad valorem revenue to the Parish to be used for Capital Projects. The budget is balanced with \$82 left unbudgeted.

#### Conclusion

Each library department was allocated the funds to enable their plans for the remainder of the 2025 fiscal year. I am confident that we have adequate funds to meet our goals.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Laborca

Kelly LaRocca

Director

	9/11/2025		2021 Budget Actual	2022 Budget Actual	2023 Budget Actual	2024 Budget Actual	2	025 Budget Original		025 Budget oring Amend	Ar	nendment		Budget Amend
REVENU														
	405	Ad Valorem Taxes (received)	\$11,300,475.73	11,494,947.88	11,823,150.21	12,474,891.98	\$	12,500,000	\$	12,729,269	\$	220,903	\$ 12	2,950,171
	410	State Revenue Sharing	\$251,600.00	251,600.00	258,515.31	264,302.04	\$	264,302	\$	268,884	\$	689	\$	269,573
	415	Fines/Fees	\$49,665.48	70,486.86	75,471.23	96,264.58	\$	99,500	\$	99,500	\$	2,985	\$	102,485
	416	LA Library Grant - ARPA	\$47,065.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
		' Grants	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		-	\$	-	\$		\$	-
		LEH Grant	\$2,700.00	2,400.00	0.00		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
		Interest Income	\$1,141.66	38,715.49	185,805.65	198,220.95	\$	179,000		184,370		7,375	\$	191,745
		Donations	\$9,055.59	33,302.89	61,165.51	23,775.53	\$	30,000	_	32,016		25,818	\$	57,834
		Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	14,840.11	0.21	4,898.55	\$	-	\$	54	\$	1,250	\$	1,304
	450	Summer Reading T-shirt Sales	\$1,267.40	1,316.77	2,118.98	1,409.68	\$	2,120	\$	2,120	\$	(120)	\$	2,000
		TOTAL REVENUE	\$11,662,970.86	11,907,610.00	12,406,227.10	13,063,763.31	\$	13,074,922	\$	13,316,212	\$	258,900	\$ 13	3,575,112
EXPENDI	TUPES	1	+				_				<del>                                     </del>			
		NISTRATION	+								<del>                                     </del>			
LIDIXANI	ADIVIII	PERSONNEL SALARIES												
	503	Library Salaries	\$4.846.642.94	5.005.221.13	5,263,285,57	5.500.854.22	\$	6.090.000	\$	6.090.000	\$	(270,720)	\$ 5	5,819,280
	000	TOTAL	\$4,846,642.94	5,005,221.13	5,263,285.57	-,,	•	6,090,000	\$	6,090,000		(270,720)	_	5,819,280
		TOTAL	<b>\$4,040,042.04</b>	0,000,221110	0,200,200.07	0,000,004122	۳	0,000,000	۳	0,000,000	۳	(210,120)		,010,200
EMPLOY	EE BEI	NEFITS												
		FICA/Medicare Tax	\$104,917.88	111,512.98	119,802.99	121,201.92	\$	134,000	\$	134,000	\$	1,340	\$	135,340
		Retirement Contributions	\$511,260.09	489,982.62	512,866.56	541,992.08	\$	577,480		577,480	\$	(23,000)	\$	554,480
		Health Insurance/Insurance	\$412,118.33	440,256.79	380,065.68	314,454.71	\$	390,000	\$	390,000	\$	(9,000)	\$	381,000
	514	Health Trust	\$1,181,116.17	804,090.69	1,395,030.65	1,089,089.98	\$	1,197,000	\$	1,197,000	\$	-	\$ 1	1,197,000
	515	Workers' Compensation/Unemployment Claims	\$6,318.11	31,416.00	14,901.40	21,625.36	\$	32,000	\$	26,000	\$	-	\$	26,000
	516	Employee Miscellaneous	\$2,136.60	854.42	600.60	877.18	\$	1,000	\$	1,000	\$		\$	1,000
		TOTAL	\$2,217,867.18	1,878,113.50	2,423,267.88	2,089,241.23	\$	2,331,480	\$	2,325,480	\$	(30,660)	\$ 2	2,294,820
OPERATI											<u> </u>			
		Publication of Legal Notices	\$3,473.25	4,166.54	15,505.20	5,846.27		13,500	\$	13,500		•	\$	13,500
		Membership Dues	\$5,901.48	7,045.00	7,499.65	5,987.57		7,500	\$	6,000		-	\$	6,000
		Advertising	\$18,765.19	24,385.41	31,480.57 642.10	23,267.44		36,000 4,000		51,000 2,000			\$	51,000
		Signage Promotional Production	\$3,406.00 \$6,664.15	3,498.62 19,902.10	14,898.97	1,066.38 14,941.12	\$	20,000	\$	20,000	\$	2,000	\$ \$	2,000
	000	TOTAL	\$38,210.07	58,997.67	70,026.49	51,108.78		81,000	\$	92,500		2,000	\$	94,500
		IOTAL	\$30,210.07	30,337.07	70,020.43	31,100.70	Ψ	01,000	Ψ	32,300	Ψ	2,000	Ψ	34,300
		PRINTING, DUPLICATING & BINDING												
	611	Printing	\$8,918.93	11,998.47	12,786.17	12,886.49	\$	19,500	\$	15,500	\$		\$	15,500
		Book Binding	\$0.00	3,840.20	2,544.95	4,437.40		5,000	\$	5,000			\$	5,000
		Patron Cards	\$3,380.90	0.00	4,959.70	4,693.52		5,000	\$	5,000		-	\$	5,000
		TOTAL	\$12,299.83	15,838.67	20,290.82	22,017.41		29,500	\$	25,500	\$	-	\$	25,500
		UTILITIES												
		Electricity	\$237,246.80	316,933.90	284,245.50	260,506.47		287,220		293,220	\$	11,730	\$	304,950
		Gas	\$2,376.75	2,474.76	2,299.09	2,258.38	_	3,250		3,250		-	\$	3,250
	623	Water	\$31,790.45	35,776.99	46,073.45	42,332.04	\$	45,000	\$	45,000		-	\$	45,000
		TOTAL	\$271,414.00	355,185.65	332,618.04	305,096.89	\$	335,470	\$	341,470	\$	11,730	\$	353,200
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		COMMUNICATIONS	1				_				L			
	625	Postage	\$5,720.78	10,899.72	14,459.39	14,289.76	\$	21,000	\$	21,000	\$	-	\$	21,000

	9/11/2025	2021 Budget Actual	2022 Budget Actual	2023 Budget Actual	2024 Budget Actual	2025 Budget Original		025 Budget oring Amend	Am	endment	2025 Budge Fall Amend
62	26 Voice Line (Regular Phone Service)	\$85,081.73	83,668.72	77,627.21	61,430.89	\$ 44,000	\$	47,080	\$	5,180	\$ 52,2
62	27 Data Line (Internet-Network)	\$45,300.00	45,295.00	41,470.26	30,323.34	\$ 31,300	\$	31,300	\$	-	\$ 31,3
63	30 Courier/Shipping	\$190.93	238.20	515.35	234.15	\$ 1,000	\$	1,000	\$	-	\$ 1,0
	TOTAL	\$136,293.44	140,101.64	134,072.21	106,278.14	\$ 97,300	\$	100,380	\$	5,180	\$ 105,5
	LEASE EXPENSE										
	34 Building	\$300,508.74	310,941.75	318,045.64	319,043.98		_	333,000	\$	9,100	
	36 Equipment	\$7,750.69	5,096.96	4,970.03	2,742.31			6,000	\$		\$ 6,0
63	38 Vehicle	\$0.00	0.00	2,647.96	0.00			2,750	\$		\$ 2,7
	TOTAL	\$308,259.43	316,038.71	325,663.63	321,786.29	\$ 341,750	\$	341,750	\$	9,100	\$ 350,8
	MAINTENANCE OF PROPERTY & EQUIP.										<del>                                     </del>
6/	41 Custodial & Janitorial	\$207,731.07	208,585.74	212,056.10	213,598.44	\$ 215,000	\$	215,000	\$	8,600	\$ 223,6
	43 Grounds/Lawn Maintenance	\$82,000.00	80,224.00	84,861.00	79,983.07			85,000	\$	- 0,000	\$ 85,0
64		\$6,978.24	8,973.74	9,972.57	8,638.32	. ,		10,000	\$	2,500	
	52 Fuel and lube	\$23,295.56	39,891.89	32,787.02	25,759.97			33,000	\$		\$ 33.0
65		\$6,138.54	3,821.26	14,567.55	9,719.70			10,000	\$	2,000	
	58 Small Tools & Supplies	\$2,895.48	2,958.04	2,988.96	2,793.53			3,000	\$	-	\$ 3,0
	60 Office machine and equip. repair	\$1,557.88	974.68	504.92	718.52			1,000	\$		\$ 1,0
66		\$68,859.01	172,971.54	155,507.60	156,299.73		\$	128,250	\$	(20,000)	\$ 108,2
	62 OCLC Cost	\$28,249.86	28,026.94	30,649.09	31,820.27			32,000	\$	-	\$ 32,0
66	63 Polaris Maintenance	\$51,939.66	51,978.19	53,635.61	54,914.33	\$ 55,000	\$	55,000	\$	_	\$ 55,0
66	64 P C Network maintenance and repair	\$7,865.00	6,778.22	5,875.00	9,533.80	\$ 11,500	\$	11,500	\$	_	\$ 11,5
	69 Disaster Recovery Costs	\$30,726.50	0.00	0.00	35,708.64			10,000	\$	6,000	\$ 16,0
	TOTAL	\$518,236.80	605,184.24	603,405.42	629,488.32	\$ 695,750	\$	593,750	\$	(900)	\$ 592,8
	MAINTENANCE SERVICES (Buildings)										
	71 Physical Plant	\$114,819.68	147,981.76	176,994.78	139,939.63			160,000	\$	45,000	
67	3, 22, 3, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2,	\$57,605.29	66,491.54	66,494.36	65,834.29			66,500	\$	7,500	
	73 Electrical	\$5,973.18	7,798.31	16,998.60	12,789.32			13,000	\$		\$ 13,0
	74 Sanitation	\$8,370.63	8,957.58	10,415.68	11,999.75			12,000	\$		\$ 12,0
	75 Pest Control	\$6,698.00	6,140.00	7,190.00	7,500.00			7,550	\$	-	\$ 7,5
67		\$3,228.00	8,009.00	2,915.00	2,945.00			3,000	\$	300	
67	78 Carpet Cleaning	\$4,870.00	14,998.98	17,590.00	17,565.00			18,000	\$		\$ 18,0
	TOTAL	\$201,564.78	260,377.17	298,598.42	258,572.99	\$ 281,605	\$	280,050	\$	52,800	\$ 332,8
	Professional Services										<del> </del>
69	80 Payroll Service Fees	\$26,366.03	33,901.31	37,555.26	39,688.95	\$ 38,600	\$	38,600	\$		\$ 38.6
	82 Legal	\$0.00	0.00	11,869.20	0.00		\$	30,000	\$		\$ 30,0
	83 Financial	\$36,384.06	39,023.87	50,811.44	48,317.90		_	51,000	\$	<del></del>	\$ 51,0
	84 Architectural	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		\$		\$	<del></del>	\$ 31,0
68		\$38,090.24	83,160.48	89,998.23	66,595.62			40,000	\$	60.000	
68		\$6.843.77	7.570.82	13.766.82	7.108.68		_	29.000	\$	20.000	*/-
	87 Web Design Consultant	\$66,511.44	79,693.35	89,789.97	87,893.52	+ ,	_	94,325	\$		\$ 94,3
68	<u> </u>	\$ -	0.00	15,437.66	16,000.00		\$	,	\$	15,000	
68	89 Proposals (Ballot)	\$ -	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 250,000	\$	90,000	\$	(71,000)	\$ 19,0
	TOTAL	\$174,195.54	243,349.83	309,228.58	265,604.67	\$ 487,925	\$	342,925	\$	24,000	\$ 366,9
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	INSURANCE & CLAIMS						L				
0.0	92 Library Property	\$135,438.08	132,637.21	145,499.86	199,811.83	\$ 200,000	\$	200,000	\$		\$ 200,0
68											
69		\$22,163.00 \$36,450.00	23,424.00 42,860.00	25,916.00 31,275.36	29,563.00 38,460.00	\$ 29,600 \$ 42,107	_	29,600 45,716	\$	4,000	\$ 33,6 \$ 45,7

699 G Tu MATERIALS AND S 0 701 O		\$4,076.00 \$20,641.00 \$218,768.08	4,076.00					1			III Amend
699 G Tu MATERIALS AND S 0 701 O	Sen Liability  TOTAL  SUPPLIES	\$20,641.00	,	1,940.00	4,607.33	\$ 4,676	\$ 4,676	\$		\$	4,676
MATERIALS AND S O 701 O	OTAL SUPPLIES		15,054.00	25,100.64	25,678.00			\$		\$	26,880
701 O			218,051.21	229,731.86	298,120.16				4,000	\$	310,872
701 O			•	,	,	•	•				
701 O											
	PERATING SUPPLIES										
702 B	Office Supplies	\$18,984.26	31,300.98	32,995.28	32,460.34			\$		\$	33,000
	Bank Service Charges	\$15,113.22	15,699.20	15,568.17	17,114.58		\$ 17,200	\$	-	\$	17,200
	Book Preparation Supplies	\$36,803.34	41,739.05	46,688.48	46,999.33				-	\$	49,000
	Computer/Printer Supplies	\$61,301.07	61,918.90	78,742.54	85,274.36	· · · · · ·		\$	8,000		120,000
	Programming Supplies	\$6,672.31	7,887.23	8,387.55	9,455.39			\$	-	\$	11,220
<u>  T</u>	OTAL	\$138,874.20	158,545.36	182,382.02	191,304.00	\$ 209,500	\$ 222,420	\$	8,000	\$	230,420
<del>-    </del>	RAVEL & CONTINUING EDUCATION										
	// // // // // // // // // // // // //	\$12,592.98	21,899.16	19,509.56	21,862.81	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000	\$		\$	22,000
	ibrary In-service Training	\$985.00	11,459.26	8,981.49	4,982.30					\$	12,000
	Conventions/Seminars	\$29,892.00	64,771.20	33,944.72	19,706.04					\$	35,000
	OTAL	\$43,469.98	98,129.62	62,435.77	46,551.15					\$	69,000
	01/12	<b>\$40,400.00</b>	00,120.02	02,400.11	40,001110	Ψ 00,000	Ψ 00,000	-		_	
P	PUBLIC RELATIONS/PROGRAMMING										
	Summer Reading Program	\$26,687.81	45,000.00	44,955.26	44,402.02	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$	-	\$	50,000
	Summer Reading T-shirts	\$5,191.17	5,519.64	6,575.59	6,290.63	\$ 8,000		\$	350	\$	8,350
726 A	Adult Programming	\$24,673.99	35,924.44	38,832.18	35,812.40	\$ 39,000		\$	3,000	\$	42,000
	oung Adult Programming	\$11,434.10	21,189.10	14,994.21	14,888.50	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000	\$	-	\$	17,000
728 Ju	uvenile Programming	\$11,689.70	34,240.17	19,998.10	12,473.61	\$ 22,500	\$ 22,500	\$	3,000	\$	25,500
729 LI	EH Grant	\$2,719.65	601.80	1,800.00	0.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Te	OTAL	\$82,396.42	142,475.15	127,155.34	113,867.16	\$ 136,500	\$ 136,500	\$	6,350	\$	142,850
CAPITAL OUTLAY											
	ION-BOOK ACQUISITIONS	040.070.00	00.054.70	00 570 00	00 450 00	<b>A</b> 40.000	Φ 40.000	Φ.	0.000	Φ.	50.000
	andscaping Additions	\$19,972.80	32,054.76	33,572.29	63,452.06	· · · · · ·		\$	6,000	_	52,000
	mprovements to Physical Plant /ehicles	\$56,136.00 \$0.00	141,084.05 27,841.26	65,986.50 61,475.54	106,889.73 42,632.37	· · · · · ·	\$ 90,000 \$ -	\$	65,000	<b>\$</b>	155,000
	Office Equipment/Furniture & Shelving	\$104,778.31	124,035.77	89,836.78	55,673.10			\$	43,117	\$	73,117
	elephones and Telephone System	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	11,896.97	· · · · · ·	\$ 30,000	\$	43,117	\$	73,117
	easehold Improvements	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	11,030.37	\$ -	\$ -	\$		\$	
	ARPA Expense	\$47,064.48	0.00	0.00	0.00		\$ -	\$		\$	
	PC Network	\$130.157.31	155,919.15	164,278.65	162,102.66	\$ 133,000	*	\$	18,500	\$	151.500
	ntegrated Library Automation Sys.	\$988.00	0.00	11,229.91	6,726.02	+,	*,		-	\$	9,000
	Audio/Visual Equipment	\$5,019.59	5,398.49	2,140.00	102,849.90			\$	3,000	\$	31,033
	Cameras	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	5,958.00			\$	(1,500)		1,500
T	OTAL	\$364,116.49	486,333.48	428,519.67	558,180.81			\$	134,117	\$	473,150
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	IBRARY RESOURCE ACQUISITIONS										
	Adult Books	\$192,514.49	214,115.48	220,913.46	204,785.67				30,000		235,000
	ease/Purchase Books	\$18,363.24	18,363.24	18,203.89	10,966.20	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$	-	\$	11,400
	uvenile Books	\$102,219.33	103,646.73	98,074.59	104,999.40			\$	5,000	\$	110,000
	oung Adult	\$13,311.08	14,017.10	13,206.60	14,504.18			\$	-	\$	15,000
	Music Recordings	\$3,483.84	4,051.12	2,356.69	2,411.19			\$	-	\$	2,500
	Adult Reference	\$96,698.32	101,940.22	110,390.92	110,632.40			\$	5,000	\$	116,000
	uvenile Reference Periodicals	\$37,993.45 \$43,597.63	42,066.11 45,613.03	44,314.69 48,892.36	44,720.57 49,425.37			\$	-	\$	45,000 50,000

	9/11/2025	2021 Budget Actual	2022 Budget Actual	2023 Budget Actual	2024 Budget Actual	2025 Budget Original	2025 Budget Spring Amend	Amendment	2025 Budget Fall Amend
883	Audio Recordings (Books)	\$18,729.03	12,542.97	12,098.64	9,871.58	\$ 10,100	\$ 16,100	\$ -	\$ 16,100
885	Video Recordings	\$51,627.62	69,242.99	62,285.35	56,244.78	\$ 60,000	\$ 54,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 57,000
886	Genealogy	\$4,325.61	6,484.60	4,999.65	6,944.89	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ 7,000
887	7 Digital Microfilm	\$675,766.00	15,000.00	5,867.00	2,500.00	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 2,500
891	Electronic /Downloadable Media	\$338,223.68	470,508.25	440,068.42	419,688.21	\$ 415,000	\$ 425,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 475,000
892	CDROM/Software	\$100,851.45	83,859.06	64,893.40	61,841.42	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ -	\$ 65,000
893	Internet Database Subscriptions	\$254,173.01	262,310.63	324,585.51	310,127.42	\$ 333,000	\$ 333,000	\$ (10,000)	\$ 323,000
	TOTAL	\$1,951,877.78	1,463,761.53	1,471,151.17	1,409,663.28	\$ 1,437,500	\$ 1,447,500	\$ 83,000	\$ 1,530,500
	LONG-TERM CAPITAL EXPENDITURES								
894	Capital - Send to Parish	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ -	\$ 196,000	\$ 220,903	\$ 416,903
895	Outreach FF & E	\$ -	0.00	0.00	15,966.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
896	Outreach Vehicle	\$ -	0.00	0.00	120,393.00	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ -	\$ 65,000
897	Outreach Opening Day Collection	\$ -	0.00	0.00	59,977.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
898	Causeway FF & E				130,000.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
899	Covington FF&E and Acoustic work				48,263.70		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total	\$ -	0.00	0.00	374,600.71	\$ 65,000	\$ 261,000	\$ 220,903	\$ 481,903
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$11,524,486.96	11,445,704.56	12,281,832.89	12,542,336.21	\$ 13,322,343	\$ 13,316,130	\$ 258,900	\$ 13,575,030
	SAVINGS / (EXCESS EXPENDITURES)	\$138,483.90	461,905.44	124,394.21	521,427.10	\$ (247,421)	\$ 82	\$ (0)	\$ 82
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	Savings	Year End 2024	Diff	ference	Savings p	projected Year end 2025
Prior Years' Operating Revenue (Savings) audited	\$	6,317,694	\$	22	\$	6,317,716
Dedications						
Dedicated for Operational Reserves	\$	2,500,000	\$	-	\$	2,500,000
Dedicated for Disaster / Emergency Funds	\$	1,475,000	\$	-	\$	1,475,000
Dedicated for Mandeville Furniture	\$	270,000	\$	-	\$	270,000
Dedicated for Slidell Furniture	\$	700,000	\$	-	\$	700,000
Dedication for Lacombe FF&E	\$	250,000	\$	-	\$	250,000
Reserved to pay 4th Quarter retirement	\$	249,786	\$	-	\$	249,786
Reserved to pay Health Claims from runout	\$	249,919	\$	-	\$	249,919
Dedication to Capital Contingency	\$	675,000	\$	(51,988)	\$	623,012
Total Dedicated or Reserved	\$	6,369,704			\$	6,317,716
Unassigned Savings	\$	(52,010)			\$	(0)





# St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control Resolution No. 25-020 FISCAL YEAR 2025 OPERATIONAL BUDGET – FALL BUDGET AMENDMENT - ADOPTION RESOLUTION September 22, 2025

SPONSOR: CHARLES BRANTON

A resolution amending the St. Tammany Parish Library Operational Budget for the fiscal year 2025 ending December 31, 2025.

**WHEREAS**, The St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control has been presented with the Fall Budget Amendment for the Operational Budget for the 2025 fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of that Fall Budget Amendment for the Operational Budget was announced by publication of the September 22, 2025 Meeting Agenda; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Control has considered the proposed Fall Budget Amendment, and has heard and considered public comment on the proposed budget amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Control has determined that the proposed Fall Budget Amendment accurately represents the amount of money necessary for improving, maintaining, and operating the St. Tammany Parish Library for the 2025 fiscal year.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Control of the St. Tammany Parish Library hereby approves and adopts the Fall Budget Amendment, as proposed, and attached hereto, and hereby declares the total amount of the budget as reported, to be necessary for the operation, support, improvement, and maintenance of the Library for fiscal year 2025.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Moved for adoption by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

AND THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED DULY ADOPTED ON THIS DAY THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025 AT A MEETING OF THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERSHIP BEING PRESENT.

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Charles Branton, Board President





#### St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control

#### Resolution No. 25-021

#### Resolution to Establish and Appoint Members to the Personnel Committee

September 22, 2025

SPONSOR: CHARLES BRANTON

WHEREAS, the Library Board of Control has received the resignation of its Library Director, Kelly LaRocca; and

WHEREAS, the Library Board of Control understands that it must search, locate and hire a new Library Director;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to create a Personnel Committee in accordance with Section 115 and other applicable provisions of the Rules and Regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control hereby establishes a Personnel Committee pursuant to Section 115 and any other provisions of the Rules and Regulations. This committee shall be made up of 3 members designated by the Board President. This committee shall have the authority to conduct the search process, including but not limited to establishing, posting and advertising the job description and setting a salary range and qualifications for the position of Library Director, gathering, reviewing and vetting curriculum vitae, setting up interviews and conducting such other activities as needed to search for a new Library Director.

NONETHLESS, the decision to hire a new Library Director shall be made by the full Library Board of Control at a public hearing.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE ON THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Moved for adoption by	and seconded by

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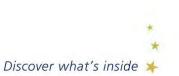
YEAS: NAYS: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:
AND THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED DULY ADOPTED ON THE 22 <sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025, AT A MEETING OF THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERSHIP BEING PRESENT.
Charles Branton, Board President

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#### St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control

#### Resolution No. 25-022

## Resolution to Appoint an Interim Director of the St. Tammany Parish Library

September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

SPONSOR: PRESIDENT COOPER

**WHEREAS**, the current director of the St. Tammany Parish Library, Kelly LaRrocca, has tendered her resignation effective September 22, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the Library Board of Control to appoint a library director pursuant to La. R.S. 25:215, and the effort to find a director is expected to begin in September 2025 but is expected to require months to vet qualified candidates; and,

**WHEREAS**, in order to allow the day-to-day operations of the library system to continue uninterrupted and exercise the functions of the library director enumerated in St. Tammany Parish Library Rules and Regulation Sec. 113(D)(4), it is imperative to name an interim director to administer the functions of the St. Tammany Parish Library.

THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL RESOLVES to appoint an interim director of the St. Tammany Parish Library.

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AND TH	IS RESOLUT	ION WAS	DECLARED	DULY ADO	OPTED ON	THIS DAY,	THE $22^{nd}$
DAY OF	SEPTEMBER	R 2025, AT	A MEETING	OF THE ST	TAMMAN	Y PARISH I	LIBRARY
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Charles Branton, Board President

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#### St. Tammany Parish Library Board of Control

Resolution No. 25-023

Resolution to Authorize Library Board of Control President to Engage Consultant to Assist in Search for New Library Director

September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

SPONSOR: PRESIDENT COOPER

WHEREAS, in order to assist the Library Board of Control in searching for and vetting candidates for the position of director of the St. Tammany Parish Library, engaging the professional services of a consultant in the field of talent procurement is prudent; and,

**WHEREAS**, a consultant in this field can assist in gathering compensation and qualification data from similar library systems, develop and implement search criteria, target recruitment to attract the most qualified candidates, assist with screening applicants, and provide reference and background checks among other services; and,

**WHEREAS**, procurement of these professional services shall be in compliance with Louisiana law and the requirements of the St. Tammany Parish Library Rule and Regulations, and shall not exceed \$20,000.00 unless a higher amount is authorized by this Board.

THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL RESOLVES to to engage a talent procurement consultant to assist the Library Board of Control, and any committees thereof, in the search for a new library director.

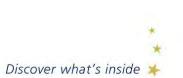
THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL FURTHER RESOLVES to authorize the President of the Library Board of Control to sign a contract for such services to effectuate this resolution which shall not exceed \$20,000.00 and which shall comply with Louisiana law and the St. Tammany Parish Library Rules and Regulations.

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