



**New Orleans Public Library**  
Executive Committee Meeting  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room MAIN Library  
Tuesday, September 6, 2022  
4:30 PM

**NOTE REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The legal purpose of open meetings is to allow individuals to observe and participate in the deliberations of public bodies. Meetings of public bodies must be open to the public unless closed pursuant to a statutory exception, such as set forth in R.S. 42:16 – 42:18, which authorizes closed executive sessions. Public bodies must provide an opportunity for public comment prior to action on the agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken. The governing body may adopt reasonable rules and restrictions regarding the comment period. R.S. 42:14, requires each public body, except school boards, conducting a meeting that is subject to the notice requirement of R.S. 42:19(A), to allow a public comment period prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order — (Chair, Vonda Flentroy-Rice, 1 minute)**  
Committee Chair, Vonda Flentroy-Rice called the September 6, 2022 Executive Committee meeting to order at 4:39 p.m.
- II. Roll Call (4:39 p.m.)**  
**Committee Members Present:** Chair, Vonda Flentroy-Rice; Treasurer, Kathleen Coverick  
**NOPL Staff Present:** Executive Director, Emily Painton; Executive Secretary, Tammy Hanson
- III. Public Comment (4:40 p.m.)**
  - A. There were no public comments
- IV. State of the Library – (4:41 p.m.)**
  - A. The Strategic Planning Committee has made great progress on the operational plan and it will be shared at next week’s regular board meeting.
  - B. The Nix ribbon cutting next week. Currently, all library branches are open.
  - C. The Clubhouse Network (the group that writes the grant to support our Best Buy Teen Tech Center) is having a conference starting September 11<sup>th</sup>. This is the group Ms. Painton is doing a welcome speech. Clubhouse members from across the country will be in New Orleans to tour our BBTC.
  - D. We had three Zoom interviews for the Assistant Director position. We’ve had great candidates so far.

E. The REACH lease has been signed and a tour of the facility has been scheduled so we can assess equipment needs

**V. Review of Regular Board Meeting Agenda (4:47 p.m.)**

A. Ms. Kimbrough-Mire will be facilitating the new officer elections at the regular board meeting.

**VI. Adjournment**

A. Committee Chair, Vonda Flentroy-Rice adjourned the September 6, 2022 Executive Committee meeting at 4:49 p.m.

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