

South Carolina State Library Board
Meeting Notes
May 25, 2011
10:30-12:00

Present: Dan Mackey, Maria Macaulay, Earl Mitchell and BG Stephens. The Association of Public Library Administrators (APLA) was not in attendance. The USC Library and Information Science Student Association (LISSA) was represented by Amanda Mays. This meeting was conducted via conference call.

Chair, Dan Mackey called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the November 17, 2010 and the January 26, 2011 meeting were accepted as written.

Reports:

A. Directors Report/Actions

1. Budget:

- a. The General Assembly has not passed the fiscal 2012 budget as of this date. A 6% cut is expected and will result in furlough days (perhaps 10) and a RIF. The Senate passed their version of the budget on 5/24 23-16. The budget next goes to a conference committee for resolution of the differences.
- b. It is expected that the General Assembly will adopt the 2010 census. The state experienced an increase of 613,352. The additional population will drive the per capita rate from 96 cents to 73 cents.
- c. The Other Funds Oversight Committee approved our moving \$30,000 from the donations account to the budget. This was a significant achievement and was accompanied by some very encouraging remarks from Senator Mike Fair and Senator Setzler.
- d. Lottery Funds – Unless changed during the final budget deliberations the public libraries are very likely to receive lottery funds in 2012.
- e. Consolidation – The State Library has not been the subject of discussion thus far in any consideration of State Agency consolidation. The Arts Commission and the Museum have been pulled out of PRT at this point.

2. Staff:

- a. Rogan Hamby joined the State Library as manager of Information Technology and Innovation. Rogan comes from the Florence Public Library. Rogan has been the creative force behind SCLENDS and we are very lucky to have him. SCLENDS continues to do very well.
- b. Tamara McIntyre, who works in our Talking Book Services area, will be leaving at the end of the month. Brenda Boyd from Information Services will be taking her place. We will not fill Brenda's position in Information Services due to budget cuts.

3. Events/Programs:

- a. Olsgaard Award – Mr. Goble was honored to receive the award. (See attached)
- b. SC Needs Strong Libraries – Mr. Goble was pleased that the State newspaper saw fit to publish this op. ed. Piece. (See attached)
- c. ALA Legislative Day/COSLA meeting – Although well received by our legislative delegation, the view in Washington is pretty grim in respects to the budget.

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- d. Union County Carnegie Library – Todd Stephens provided an interim director (Tom Lowrimore) who has done a sterling job. We have been working closely with the board to help find a new director. We have also worked very closely with the board to resolve trustee issues associated with the Best Small Library Award and library accounting.
- 4. **Board Appointments:** There has been no word from the Governor's office regarding new board appointments. Governor Haley's preference appears to be to appoint all new boards for state agencies.
- B. **APLA (Association of Public Library Administrators) Report** – Mr. Goble reported for Mrs. McMaster:
 - 1. APLA had its annual retreat on May 11th. The meeting focused on developing the 2012 advocacy message.
 - 2. APLA did not hold a legislative day this year. The approach used was to have a couple of libraries visit their delegation each Wednesday during the session. The State Library received excellent support from APLA this year.
- C. **LISSA Report:** Mr. Goble introduced Ms. Mays to the board as the newly elected President of LISSA (Library and Information Science Student Association).
 - 1. LISSA has elected all new officers and is in the process of electing committee chairs.
 - 2. The summer months are spent planning the fall calendar. Plans are being made for the fall colloquium, fund raisers (including a 10K race), and volunteer opportunities.

Unfinished Business:

Prisoner's Letters – The Attorney General's letter states: "It is the opinion of this office that, consistent with the intent of the Legislature, the State Library is required to provide State government library services and respond to requests by SCDC inmates for public information as it would to any other person in South Carolina. We advise, however, that the State Library should take reasonable measures to assure that no person obtains or distributes the unlisted or unpublished address of any employee of the SCDC." The library has proposed to use one online resource for address information and has provided the Department of Corrections with time to remove sensitive information.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 27, 2010 at 10:30.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

David S. Goble
Director