

**SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY BOARD
REPORT OF BOARD MEETING
MAY 11, 2005**

Board Members present for the May 11, 2005 State Library Board Meeting included Chairman Stephens, Mrs. Bundy, Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Hyler, and Mrs. Macaulay. Mr. Johnson was also present.

Chairman Stephens called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

The Minutes of the March 2, 2005 meeting were accepted as mailed.

Mr. Johnson presented the Director's Report. In addition to the previously distributed written report, he reported that:

- He has arranged seven trips to 12 public libraries for himself and Patti Butcher.
- The State Library has nominated Sen. Gerald Malloy, Dwight MacInvaill, and Todd Stephens for ALA's Advocacy Award.
- The State Library is currently undergoing an insurance benefits audit.
- He would be meeting with APLA later this week and would discuss transitional issues with them.

Unfinished Business

The Board accepted the Financial Report as information.

The General Assembly has passed the General Appropriations Bill for FY06. This has been the State Library's best budget year in memory. State Aid has been increased from 82 cents per capita to \$2 per capita (from \$3,766,692 to \$8,079,638). DISCUS has been funded in the agency budget at \$2,015,460. Williamsburg County Library received \$450,000. Internet access funding was restored. PASCAL received \$2 million. USC's School of Library and Information Science received \$1.5 million to establish a chair in early literacy named for Augusta Baker.

Mr. Johnson discussed the status of the agency classification study.

New Business

Chairman Stephens signed the agency Affirmative Action Policy Statement.

Mrs. Macaulay moved and Mrs. Bundy seconded a motion to approve the agency insurance policies as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Johnson mentioned that the Management Team was meeting to finalize the Strategic Plan for FY05/08 and the Annual Business Plan for FY06. They will be ready for State Library Board approval at its June 15 meeting.

Jim Campbell moved and Debbie Hyler seconded a motion that the State Library Board hire Jim Johnson for a period of six weeks to provide the new director with a transition period. The salary would be at the level of the director. The motion passed unanimously.

Based upon the recommendation of Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Macaulay moved and Mrs. Horne seconded a motion that the State Library Awards Program be discontinued. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board set the following meeting dates for FY06:

- July 20, 2005
- August 17, 2005 (Board training)
- September 21, 2005
- October 19, 2005
- November 16, 2005
- January 18, 2006
- March 15, 2006
- May 17, 2006

There being no other business to come before the Board, Chairman Stephens declared the meeting adjourned.

James B. Johnson, Jr.
Secretary to the Board