

Meeting Notes
South Carolina State Library Board
March 21, 2007
10:00 am – 11:30 pm

All members were present with the exception of Marie Horne and Betsey Crawford. Additionally, Travis Ferrell represented the USC/SLIS LISSA (Library and Information Science Student Association), and Colleen Carney, Director of the York County Public Library, represented APLA (Association of Public Library Administrators).

Chair, BG Stephens welcomed the new State Library Director, David Goble.

The minutes of the January 17th 2007 meeting were accepted.

Curtis Rogers, former Interim Director presented highlights from his report: Rogers attended the annual SCLA conference and made two presentations: one was an update on SCSL statewide activities, and another on OPAL, Online Programming for All Libraries. Ms. Guynell Williams, was presented with the Outstanding Librarian Award from SCLA. Rogers presented the agency budget requests to the House Ways & Means Higher Education, Tech, and Cultural subcommittee and the Senate Public Education committee. Also, Rogers worked with Leadership Team and SCSL Board on hiring process for new director; helped facilitate three candidate presentations and interviews. Rogers also discussed a call he received from Steven Kerchoff, librarian at the US Embassy in Mexico City, asking if the SCSL would like to partner with a government library in Mexico. He informed him of the transition to a new director and would discuss further at a later date. Rogers, and other SCSL volunteers worked at the book festival: He presented Dr. Walter Edgar with the 2007 Palmetto Book award and moderated a panel of four authors: *Intimate Portraits of South Carolina Cities*. Additionally, Rogers compiled information from the Annual COSLA salary survey for the SCSL board and SC OHR for the Agency Head Salary Commission. The new director, David Goble, thanked the board for his appointment. He also thanked Curtis Rogers, Debbie Anderson and Marietta Boykin for helping to make the first few days as comfortable as possible. Goble stated that he had begun the process of reviewing the library's financials.

Following a question by Dan Mackey, there was a brief discussion of the need for an orientation program for new board members. Goble will be looking into how that might be accomplished.

The board formally thanked Dr. Rogers for his work during the interim as Interim Director for the seamless transition to hiring Mr. Goble.

Report from APLA representative: Colleen Carney reported on the House Ways & Means support to raise the per capita state aid funds to public libraries from \$2.00 to \$2.25. Also she discussed the lottery surplus funds recommendations for \$1,000,000, which would give each county \$21,700.

Report from LISSA – SLIS student association: Travis Ferrell reported on international relations work the association does to assist libraries in Africa. They are currently working on a card catalog system for one library.

Upcoming Events were discussed:

1. Library Legislative Day
2. Read-In at Statehouse Grounds
3. COSLA meeting/National Library Legislative Day
4. Confederate Memorial Day
5. SOLINET Annual Membership Meeting
6. LIBRIS Conference – SC State University
7. Public Library Leadership Institute – Columbia

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2007 (last meeting of the fiscal year – officers for next fiscal year need to be elected for a period of one year).

Submitted by,

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