

<b>Year</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>Counties, Municipalities and Regionals represented</b>
<b>Officers &amp; Executive Board</b>		
President	<b>Melanie Collins</b>	Harnett County
Vice President / President Elect	<b>David Paynter</b>	New Hanover County
Secretary	<b>Michael Matochik</b>	Lee County
Treasurer	<b>Michael Taylor</b>	Pender County
County Representative	<b>Jeff Cannell</b>	Wayne County
Municipal Representative	<b>Dianne Catlett</b>	George H. & Laura E. Brown - Independent Municipal - Washington Co.
Regional Representative	<b>Beth Mueller</b>	Appalachian Regional
Past President	<b>Phil Barton</b>	Rowan County
State Librarian	<b>Sandra Cooper</b>	
<b>Committees</b>		
Ad Hoc	<b>Jerry Thrasher, Chrm.</b>	
Archives	<b>Phil Barton, Chrm.</b> , Ruth Hoyle and Amanda Bible	
Awards	<b>Jeff Cannell, Chrm.</b> , Robert Busko, Maureen Fiorello, Martie Smith, Doris Stephens, Dan Swartout, and Carol Walters	
Hospitality	<b>Trish Gwyn, Chrm.</b>	
Legislative	<b>Richard Wells, Chrm.</b>	
Nominating	<b>Phil Barton, Chrm.</b>	
Program	<b>David Paynter, Chrm.</b>	
<b>Location of meetings</b>	<b>Shell Island Resort Hotel Wilmington</b>	February 22-23
	<b>Lake Lure Inn, Lake Lure</b>	August 15-16
	<b>Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill</b>	December 5-6

1996

**Awards presented**

<b>Distinguished Service</b>	Senator Marc Basnight
<b>Friend of the Year</b>	Helen & Bob Gustafson, Scotland County
<b>Trustee of the Year</b>	Grady Barbee, High Point Public
<b>Library Champions</b>	Senator Aaron Plyler & Representative William Ives
<b>Library Director of the Year</b>	Shelly Fearn, Warren County
<b>Lifetime Achievement</b>	Trish Gwynn, Rockingham County; and Martha Palmer, Nantahala Regional
<b>Outstanding Adult Program</b>	
<b>Large</b>	New Hanover County - " <b>Archaeology in the Lower Cape Fear Area</b> "
<b>Outstanding Children's Program</b>	
<b>Large</b>	Durham County - " <b>Reading Readiness Volunteer Program</b> "
<b>Outstanding Young Adult Program</b>	
<b>Large</b>	Cumberland County - " <b>Teen Read</b> "
<b>Small</b>	Transylvania County - " <b>Young Adult Book Club</b> "
<b>Outstanding Staff Development</b>	
<b>Large</b>	Sandhill Regional " <b>New people, Old Challenges, New Approaches</b> "
<b>Outstanding Public Relations</b>	
<b>Large</b>	Greensboro Public - " <b>Program of the Year</b> "
<b>Small</b>	Southern Pines Public - " <b>Link to the Library</b> "
<b>Outstanding Service Innovation</b>	
<b>Large</b>	Rowan County - " <b>The Information Station</b> "
<b>New Facility</b>	
<b>Under 10,000 sq. ft.</b>	BHM Regional - " <b>Martin Memorial Library</b> "

1996

**10-25,000 sq. ft.**

Southern Pines Public

**Remodeled Facility****Under 10,000 sq. ft.**Wayne County - "**Steele Memorial Library**"**10-25,000 sq. ft.**Sandhill Regional - "**Hampton B. Allen Library**"**Topics of concern**

Renewed commitment of \$350 per year to the Quiz Bowl

Bob Larson from David M. Griffith & Associates spoke on: "**Determining job classifications**"

The end of LSCA grants, directors are not to include these monies in 1997-98 budgets

The end of automation and bookmobile grants

POP accounts to be given from State Library

A suggestion was made to revive the training of new directors

Thank you notes from the families of Arial Stephen and Martha Holloman for memorials sent by NCPLDA

Job descriptions for Electronic Information Resource Specialist and Children's Electronic Resource Specialist has been sent via e-mail to all directors

A resolution of thanks sent to the leaders of the General Assembly for their roles in providing a one-time increase to public libraries

One of our own, Trish Gwyn, is running for county commissioner in Rockingham County

We will try to get the 18.5 million state aid bill reintroduced in the short term

Legislative Day- June 12th- juice, coffee and bagels or Danish pastry to be served; the print of Mildred the bear, provided by Mumford Books will be available for distribution

Everyone encouraged to contact state legislators and tell them how important public libraries are

Frannie Ashburn, of the State Library presented: "**Choices for the 21st Century**"**Smart Start discussion** with Janice Del Negro, Carol Wilson, Nancy Bates, Jerry Thrasher, Dale Gaddis, Beth Mueller and Linda HaddenMr. John Bennett & Ms. Kathryn Bilbro of Capital Consortium program: "**North Carolina foundations and corporation philanthropic giving trends and capabilities as found in their company's new edition of North Carolina Giving "**

State-aid to public libraries increased by \$2,000,000 in recurring funds and \$284,000 in a non-recurring amount

Combined total increase in State Aid for FY95-96 and 96-97 is \$6,034,000

LSTA program is still uncertain

Reader's Advisory program developed to promote 15 libraries and strengthen their services

to readers of adult fiction

A proposal that the summer meetings be longer and different in nature and offer a training session on administration or technology management was approved

Barbara Moran, Dean of the School of Information and Library Science at UNC Chapel Hill presented: "**Training Librarians for the 21st Century**"

Ron Jones, Library Consultant for the State Library presented: "**Children's services at the State Library**"

"**Trustee Pocket Handbook**" available for directors to distribute to their boards

Patrick Valentine presented: "**North Carolina Public Library history**"

**Treasurer's report**

**Balance as of 12/5/1996                      \$15,895.98**

**New Directors this year**

Cindy Moose, Gaston-Lincoln; Sandy Neerman, acting director for Greensboro Public Library;

<b>Year</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>Counties, Municipalities and Regionals represented</b>
<b>Officers &amp; Executive Board</b>		
President	<b>David Paynter</b>	New Hanover County
Vice President / President Elect	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
Secretary	<b>Anna Yount</b>	Transylvania County
Treasurer	<b>Kem Ellis</b>	High Point Public
County Representative	<b>Robert Fisher</b>	Robeson County
Municipal Representative	<b>Kathleen Thompson</b>	Chapel Hill Public
Regional Representative	<b>Agnes Ho</b>	Neuse Regional
Past President	<b>Melanie Collins</b>	Harnett County
N.C. State Library Commission Rep.	<b>Jerry Thrasher</b>	Cumberland County
	<b>Nancy Bates</b>	Davidson County
	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
State Librarian	<b>Sandy Cooper</b>	
<b>Committees</b>		
Archives	<b>Ruth Hoyle, Chrm.</b> , Phil Barton	
Awards	<b>Robert Busko, Chrm.</b> , Jeff Cannell, Gail Findlay, Maureen Fiorello, Valerie Hiatt, Gary Hoyle, Doris Stephens, Dan Swartout, Kathy Thompson, Richard Wells and Anna Yount	
Constitution & By-Laws	<b>Ed Sheary, Chrm.</b> , Gail Findlay, Bill Roberts, Phil Cherry and Anna Yount	
Database Steering	Melanie Collins, Mike Taylor, David Paynter, Martie Smith, Kem Ellis, Anna Yount, Robert Fisher, Kathleen Thompson, Dale Gaddis, Jerry Thrasher and Nancy Bates	
Hospitality	<b>Gary Hoyle, Chrm.</b> , Penny Welling, Jackie Beach	
Legislative	<b>Phil Barton, Chrm.</b> , Jackie Beach, Carol Walters, John Pritchard, Debbie Marrs, Gail Findlay, Margaret Blanchard, Patrick Valentine, Richard Wells, Ed Sheary, Robert Busko and Mark Pumphrey	
Nominating	<b>Melanie Collins, Chrm.</b> , Willie Nelms, Lynn Thompson and Anne Sanders	

Program	<b>Martie Smith, Chrm.</b> , Sandy Cooper and Shelly Fearn		
Retirement	<b>Bill Roberts, Chrm.</b> , Dale Gaddis, Carol Walters, Margaret Blanchard and Bob Cannon		
Standards	<b>Jerry Thrasher, Chrm.</b> , Linda Hadden, Beth Mueller, Bill Snyder, Sandy Neerman, Jeanne Fox, Kem Ellis, Dale Gaddis, David Paynter, Pat Ryckman, Evelyn Daniels, Margaret Blanchard and Cal Shepard - Ex-officio		
Technology conference	<b>Mike Taylor, Chrm.</b> ,		
Location of meetings	<b>Royal Pavilion, Atlantic Beach</b>	March 6-7	
	<b>Broyhill Inn, Boone</b>	August 6-8	
	<b>Chapel Hill</b>	December 4-5	
Awards presented	<b>Distinguished Service</b>	Senator Aaron Plyler and Representative Bill Ives	
	<b>Friend of the Year</b>	Louise W. McCutcheon, Durham County	
	<b>Trustee of the Year</b>	Robert W. Moore, Fontana Regional	
	<b>Library Director of the Year</b>	Sandy Cooper, State Library	
	<b>Lifetime Achievement</b>	Anne Sanders, East Albemarle Regional	
	<b>Outstanding Adult Program</b>		
	<b>Large</b>	Sandhill Regional	
	<b>Medium</b>	Hyconeechee Regional	
	<b>Outstanding Children's Program</b>		
	<b>Large</b>	Rowan County	
	<b>Outstanding Young Adult Program</b>		
	<b>Large</b>	Gaston County	
<b>Medium</b>	Stanly County		
<b>Outstanding Staff Development</b>			
<b>Large</b>	Forsyth County		

**Outstanding Public Relations Program****Large**

Durham County

**Topics of concern**North Carolina Libraries and Virtual Education (**NCLIVE**) project is conceivedUpdate "**Standards for North Carolina Libraries**"

Projects where public libraries are working with local governments to support efforts to integrate information technology into the work and structure of local governments as well as ways that local public libraries may be assisting local governments in the effective and innovative use of information technology

Program by Dr. Lee M. Mandell, Director of Research and Technology, NC League of Municipalities, Pat Langolier of the NC Institute of Government and Roy Aycock of the NC Association of County Commissioners: "**Computer trends, digitalization of the world, networks, NCINFO, on-going information gathering to determine local government needs, and the general state of NC counties**"

Appropriate NCPLDA funds in the amount of \$500 to the State Quiz Bowl

Public Library Day, April 2nd

Visit our legislators and tie ourselves to the education idea, request additional monies for State aid and encourage the funding of NCLIVE

Send follow up letters to legislators after Public Library Day

Programs: Dale Gaddis, Durham County - presentation on Story Sharing Kits; Jerry Thrasher, Cumberland County - presentation on the "**Teen Read**" program; David Paynter, New Hanover County - presentation of "**Underwater Archeology**" project

NCPLDA workshop - "**Managing Connectivity**" - Speakers: James Broadwell, Director of State Telecommunications Services and Ilse Fogl from the Department of Commerce Information Resource Management Office - programs: "**Basic Connectivity and the Internet and The Informed Consumer: Stages of Technology and Infrastructure**"

NC State Library Consultant Bill Wilson, program: "**The Adventures of a Yankee in King Arthur's Library: Escape from the Techno-ghetto**"

Florida State Library Consultant Mark Flynn, program: "**Universal Service/E-Rate**", NC State Library Consultant Timothy Owens, program: "**Technology planning, Florida State Library**"  
 Consultant Charlie Parker, program: "**Internet Use Policies and filtering software**"  
 and Library Consultant Lea Wells, program: "**Positive Change: Managing Staffing Issues and Approaches**"

NCPLDA will begin paying the cost of the president's room as well as the Hospitality Suite  
NCPLDA will refund all those who have to cancel a meeting when the request is made within  
30 days of the meeting

Retiring/departing directors to be recognized at the NCPLDA awards banquet with NCPLDA  
paying for the meal of said director and their spouse and the director will be presented a  
certificate

Secretary McCain and Betsy Buford are working to get a new State Library back into the  
capital plan

Trustee pocket guides are available

Willie Nelms, Sheppard Memorial Library program: "**Cora Wilson Stewart: Crusader Against  
Illiteracy**"; Willie's biography of Mrs. Stewart to be published in September by McFarland  
Bob Cannon, Charlotte/Mecklenburg County, Sandy Neerman, Greensboro Public, Jerry  
Thrasher, Cumberland County, Tom Moore, Wake County, Bill Roberts, Forsythe County along  
with various architects presented a program: "**Building the Library of Tomorrow: Five Case  
Studies**"

Copies of the reference manual, "**Smart Start in Our Libraries**" are available

**Treasurer's report**

**Balance as of 12/2/1997                      \$14,735.16**

**New Directors this year**

Julies Hicks, Brown Library - Washington; Jean Krause, Madison County



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President	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
Vice President / President Elect	<b>Richard Wells</b>	Randolph County
Secretary	<b>Shelly Fearn</b>	Warren County
Treasurer	<b>Kem Ellis</b>	High Point Public
County Representative	<b>Mike Taylor</b>	Pender County
Municipal Representative	<b>Karen Khan</b>	Mooresville Public
Regional Representative	<b>Carol Walters</b>	Sandhill Regional
Past President	<b>David Paynter</b>	New Hanover County
State Library Commission	<b>Jerry Thrasher</b>	Cumberland County
	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
	<b>Anna Yount</b>	Transylvania County
State Librarian	<b>Sandy Cooper</b>	
<b>Committees</b>		
Archives	<b>Ruth Hoyle, Chrm.</b> , Phil Barton and Martha Turney	
Awards	<b>Carol Walters, Chrm.</b> , Robert Busko, Gail Findley, Maureen Fiorello, Robert Fisher, Valerie Hiatt, Gary Hoyle, Beth Mueller, Denise Peterson, Doris Stephens, Kathy Thompson, Richard Wells, Sue Williams and Anna Yount	
Constitution and Bylaws	<b>Ed Sheary, Chrm.</b> , Philip Cherry, Gail Findlay, Bill Roberts and Anna Yount	
Foreign Language service	<b>Dale Gaddis, Chrm.</b> , Jerry Thrasher, Patrick Valentine, Robert Busko, Lynn Thompson, Kem Ellis, and David Paynter	
Hospitality	<b>Kathy Thompson, Co, Chrm.</b> , <b>Bill Roberts, Co. Chrm.</b> , Melissa Mills and Mike Sawyer	
Legislative	<b>Jackie Beach, Chrm.</b> , <b>Phil Barton, Vice Chrm.</b> , Margaret Blanchard, Robert Busko, Gail Findlay, Liz Hamilton, David Paynter, Mark Pumphrey, Michael Sawyer, Ed Sheary, Mike Taylor, Patrick Valentine and Carol Walters	

Nominating	<b>David Paynter, Chrm.</b> , Margaret Blanchard, Jeanne Fox, and Kathy Thompson	
Representatives to Interlibrary Cooperation	<b>Kem Ellis, Chrm.</b> , David Paynter, Jerry Thrasher, ex officio from NCLIVE Steering Committee	
Retirement	<b>Bill Roberts, Chrm.</b> , Nancy Bates, Margaret Blanchard, Bob Cannon, Dale Gaddis, Jerry Thrasher, and Carol Walters	
Standards	<b>David Paynter, Chrm.</b>	
Location of meetings	<b>Sheraton Grand, New Bern</b>	March 26-27
	<b>Broyhill Inn, Boone</b>	August 5-7
	<b>Embassy Suites, Greensboro</b>	November 12-13
Awards presented	<b>Library Champion of the Year</b>	Senator Ed Warren, Pitt County
	<b>Friend of the Year</b>	Mike Parker, Neuse Regional
	<b>Trustee of the Year</b>	Theron Bell, Sandhills Regional
	<b>Library Director of the Year</b>	Phil Barton, Rowan County
	<b>Lifetime Achievement</b>	Katherine Armitage, Haywood County
	<b>Outstanding Adult program</b>	Rowan County - " <b>Remembering World War II</b> "
	<b>Outstanding Children's program</b>	High Point Public - " <b>Rotary Club Read-A-Thon</b> "
	<b>Outstanding Young Adult program</b>	New Hanover County - " <b>Mother/Daughter Book Club</b> "
	<b>Outstanding Public Relations program</b>	Thomas Hackney Braswell Memorial - " <b>Building Our New Public Library; a \$1 Million Capital Campaign</b> "
	<b>Outstanding Service Innovation</b>	
Large	Durham County - " <b>Hispanic Services</b> "	
Small	Polk County - " <b>The Senior Collection</b> "	
<b>Outstanding Staff Development program</b>	Durham County- " <b>Internet Initiative and Incentive Program</b> "	
<b>New Facility</b>		
<b>10,000 - 25,999</b>	Cumberland County - <b>North Regional Branch</b>	

**Watauga County Library**

**Renovated**

**10,000 - 25,999**

**Macon County Library**

**Topics of concern**

NCPLDA's participation in the NC Local Government Information Technology Conference  
 Request an additional \$3.1 million from legislature bringing the total to \$18 million with the focus being on youth services, the Center for the Book and the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped - Senator Plyler will introduce this bill  
 Legislative Day scheduled for May 27th  
 Friends of the Libraries should be encourage to contribute more money for Legislative Day  
 Mouse pads with NCLIVE logo to be distributed to legislators  
 LSTA offerings will be Retrospective Conversion, Automation Planning and Basic Equipment grants  
 A new director's orientation is being offered  
 ALA and *Information Today* will present Rowan County with "Library of the Future" award  
 Bob Joyce gave a spirited presentation on "**Employment Issues**"  
 Public Library Day in Raleigh - a time to visit legislators  
 Revising the "**North Carolina Public Libraries Guidelines for Service**"  
 Coats & Knudson led a seminar on "**Power Presentations**"  
 Bill Wilson presented the PLA planning process "**Planning for Results**"  
 The Bailey case resulted in all state and local government employees vested as of 1989 will not have to pay state taxes on retirement income  
 A motion for NCPLDA to donate \$500 to the Leadership Institute was passed unanimously  
 Internet filter statement from NCPLDA was favored by a majority


**Treasurer's report**

**Balance as of 11/11/1998                      \$10,047.22**

**New Directors this year**

Kim Webb, Edgecombe County; Michael Sawyer, Northwestern Regional; Jennifer Pratt, Haywood County;

<b>Year</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>Counties, Municipalities and Regionals represented</b>
<b>Officers &amp; Executive Board</b>		
President	<b>Richard Wells</b>	Randolph County
Vice President / President Elect	<b>Kem Ellis</b>	High Point Public
Secretary	<b>Beth Mueller</b>	Appalachian Regional
Treasurer	<b>Ruth Hoyle</b>	Davie County
County Representative	<b>Sue Williams</b>	Rockingham County
Municipal Representative	<b>Phillip Cherry</b>	Hickory Public
Regional Representative	<b>Elizabeth Hamilton</b>	East Albemarle Regional
Past President	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
State Library Commission	<b>Jerry Thrasher</b>	Cumberland County
	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
	<b>Anna Yount</b>	Transylvania County
State Librarian	<b>Sandra Cooper</b>	
<b>Committees</b>		
Archives	<b>Ruth Hoyle, Chrm.</b> , Phil Barton and Martha Turney	
Awards	<b>Carol Walters, Chrm.</b> , Robert Busko, Gail Findlay, Maureen Fiorello, Bob Fisher, Valerie Hiatt, Gary Hoyle, Beth Mueller, Doris Stephens, Sue Williams and Denise Peterson	
Constitution and By-Laws	<b>Ed Sheary, Chrm.</b> , Philip Cherry, Gail Findlay, Bill Roberts and Anna Yount	
Hospitality	<b>Kathy Thompson Co. Chrm, Bill Roberts C. Chrm.</b> , Melissa Mills, and Mike Sawyer	
Legislative	<b>Jackie Beach, Chrm.</b> , Phil Barton, Margaret Blanchard, Robert Busko, Gail Findlay, Liz Hamilton, David Paynter, Mark Pumphrey, Michael Sawyer, Ed Sheary, Mike Taylor, Patrick Valentine and Carol Walters	
Foreign Language service	<b>Jerry Thrasher, Chrm.</b> ,	
Nominating	<b>Martie Smith, Chrm.</b> ,	

Retirement	<b>Bill Roberts, Chrm.</b> , Nancy Bates, Margaret Blanchard, Bob Cannon, Dale Gaddis, Jerry Thrasher and Carol Walters						
Standards	<b>Dale Gaddis, Chrm.</b> , Linda Hadden, Beth Mueller, Sandy Neerman, David Paynter, Bill Snyder and Cal Shepard (State Library liaison)						
Location of meetings	<table> <tr> <td><b>Sheraton Hotel, New Bern</b></td> <td>March 25-26</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Broyhill Conf. Center, Boone</b></td> <td>August 4-5</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Midpines Inn, Southern Pines</b></td> <td>December 2-3</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Sheraton Hotel, New Bern</b>	March 25-26	<b>Broyhill Conf. Center, Boone</b>	August 4-5	<b>Midpines Inn, Southern Pines</b>	December 2-3
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<b>Broyhill Conf. Center, Boone</b>	August 4-5						
<b>Midpines Inn, Southern Pines</b>	December 2-3						
Awards presented							
Topics of concern	<p>Baker and Taylor test run of a discount program</p> <p>Entry forms from the Awards Committee to be made available online</p> <p>A motion was carried that an awards category for library newsletters be added</p> <p>NC-LIVE will offer remote access via one's library card</p> <p>NC-LIVE to offer state government documents and poetry databases</p> <p>There is a shortfall of cash this budget year and NCPLDA will try and hold on to the 14.9 million budgeted for the previous year</p> <p>Cal Shepard, State Library, presented a program explaining the history and formula of state aid to public libraries in NC. Ed Reagan, Deputy Director, NC Association of County Commissioners discussed state aid formulas in general explaining pitfalls here and in other states</p> <p>William Summers presented his survey of public libraries in NC regarding the use of state aid</p> <p>Legislative Day, May 20th</p> <p>Gates Library Initiative in NC</p> <p>A motion was carried to support the Quiz Bowl with \$500</p> <p>Set aside \$2,000 for flood relief</p> <p><b>"Very Best Place to Start"</b> campaign begins</p> <p>Judy Pope, Office of Environmental Education, reported on the grants her office has awarded to public schools and libraries</p>						

Phillip Cherry, Director of Hickory Public, gave a report on how to establish a Foundation  
Jan. 10th - 17th 2000, there will be six public relations workshops across the state, sponsored  
by the State Library. It is hoped that 200 attendees will be present for each one

**Treasurer's report**



**New Directors this year**

Jane Ruskin, Wayne County; Melissa Mills, Farmville Municipal; Bruce Marthaler, Columbus  
County

<b>Year</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Counties, Municipalities and Regionals represented</b>
<b>Officers &amp; Executive Board</b>		
President	<b>Kem Ellis</b>	High Point Public
Vice President / President Elect	<b>Brenda Stephens</b>	Hyconeechee Regional
Secretary	<b>Penny Welling</b>	Stanly County
Treasurer	<b>Ruth Hoyle</b>	Davie County
County Representative	<b>Bill Snyder</b>	Henderson County
Municipal Representative	<b>Julie Hicks</b>	George H. & Laura E. Brown Public, Washington
Regional Representative	<b>Gail Findlay</b>	Fontana Regional
Past President	<b>Richard Wells</b>	Randolph County
State Library Commission	<b>Jerry Thrasher</b>	Cumberland County
	<b>Martie Smith</b>	Pettigrew Regional
	<b>Anna Yount</b>	Transylvania County
State Librarian	<b>Sandy Cooper</b>	
<b>Committees</b>		
Archives	<b>Phil Barton, Chrm.</b> , Ruth Hoyle, Melanie Collins, Anna Yount and Linda Hadden	
Awards	<b>Doris Stephens, Chrm.</b> , Gail Findlay, Jennifer Pratt, Maureen Fiorello, Kim Webb, Dale Gaddis, Jeanne Fox, Sue Williams, Nancy Bates, Martha Turney, Mike Sawyer and Bob Fisher	
Constitution and By-Laws	<b>Kathleen Thompson, Chrm.</b> , Joyce Mitchell and Martie Smith	
Hospitality	<b>Ed Sheary, Chrm.</b> , Jennifer Pratt, Carol Wilson, Melanie Collins and Phillip Cherry	
Legislative	<b>Sandy Neerman, Chrm.</b> , Jackie Beach, Michael Sawyer, Gail Findlay, David Paynter, Ruth Hoyle, Bob Fisher, Willie Nelms, Margaret Blanchard, Mark Pumphrey, Linda Hadden, Cindy Moose, Patrick Valentine, Liz Hamilton, Sherwin Rice and Jane Rustin	
LSTA Advisory	<b>Beth Mueller, Chrm.</b> , Sandy Neerman and Willie Nelms	
Nominating	<b>Richard Wells, Chrm.</b>	

Program	<b>Kem Ellis, Chrm.</b> , Richard Wells, Jerry Thrasher, Brenda Stephens and Bill Snyder		
Public Library Certification	<b>Sherwin Rice, Chrm.</b> ,		
Public Library Development	<b>Phil Barton, Chrm.</b> , Melanie Collins, Kem Ellis, Beth Mueller, Sandy Neerman, Willie Nelms, David Paynter, Martie Smith, Jerry Thrasher, Richard Wells and Anna Yount		
Retirement	<b>Jim McKee, Chrm.</b> ,		
<b>Location of meetings</b>	<b>Holiday Inn, Wrightsville Beach</b>	March 16-17	
	<b>Chetola Resort, Blowing Rock</b>	August 23-25	
	<b>Durham Marriott, Civic Center</b>	December 7-8	
<b>Awards presented</b>	<b>Distinguished Service</b>	Maggie Jeffus	
	<b>Library Champion</b>	Dan Barefoot and Marian McLawhorn	
	<b>Special Intellectual Freedom</b>	Jerry Thrasher, Cumberland County	
	<b>Friend of the Year</b>	Phillip Kastner, Wayne County	
	<b>Trustee of the Year</b>	Kim Martin Shaffer, Cumberland County and Shannon Chrisawn, AMY Regional	
	<b>Library Director of the Year</b>	Gail Findlay, Fontana Regional	
	<b>Lifetime Achievement</b>	Valerie Hiatt, Albemarle Regional	
	<b>Staff Development</b>	no award given	
	<b>Public Relations</b>		
	<b>Medium</b>	H. Leslie Perry Library, Henderson-Vance County for their <b>"75th Birthday Celebration"</b>	
<b>Large</b>	High Point Public for <b>"Library Newspaper Insert"</b>		
<b>Service Innovation</b>			
<b>Medium</b>	Johnston County for <b>"Postcard Pen Pal Club"</b>		
<b>Large</b>	Durham County for <b>"English Conversation Group"</b> High Point Public for <b>"Library Service at Oak Hollow Mall"</b>		



**Children's program****Medium**Stanly County for "**Kenai the Wolf**"**Large**Cumberland County, for "**Sister Library Project**"Sandhills Regional for "**SRLS Stars**"**Adult program****Large**Cumberland County for "**Asian Cultures Alive and Well**"**Young Adult program****Large**Onslow County for "**Are You Going to Hogwarts?**"**Newsletter****Medium**Harnett County for "**The Bookbag**"**Large**New Hanover County for "**Scuttlebutt**"**Topics of concern**

\$2,357 in Hurricane Floyd Relief Fund

Library Legislative Day set for May 23rd or June 20th

Increase the recurring funds

**"Customizing access to NC-LIVE"** presented by Julie Nye, Tim Bucknall and Ralph Kaplan of the State Library

Lobbying for better salaries for librarians

Goal to increase state funding to \$25 million over the next 3 years

Bennett Haizlett and Lorelei Beer from Capitol Strategies presented a program on second year plans for "**The Very Best Place to Start**"

Net Library and e-books to be offered through NC-LIVE

Regulations governing regional library systems

The goal for the legislative committee is to increase State Aid to \$25,000,000 within 3 years

Directors encouraged to talk to legislators re: how we plan to use the extra funds with an emphasis on libraries as after school classrooms and the role we play in the education of children

**"Regulations affecting regional libraries"** facilitated by Maureen Sullivan**"Change and how individuals manage change"** program by Bill Morley**"Nonprofits and the Law"** program by Gita Gulati-Partee, NC Center for Nonprofits and Kimberly Reed, UNC Chapel Hill School of Law

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Charter Schools and their impact on public libraries

**Treasurer's report**

**Balance as of 12/07/2000                      \$5,202.45**

**New Directors this year**

Connie Curtis, McDowell County; Karen Foss, Catawba County; Sylvia Sprinkle-Hamlin, Forsyth County; Mary Sizemore, Appalachian Regional; Jamie Hansen, Columbus County; Corky Miller, Hickory Public; Robin Hollingsworth, Sampson County; and Greg Needham, Farmville Public

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