



North Carolina Public Library Directors Association Summer Meeting

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2013; 10:00 a.m.

Powers Room, 1927 Lake Lure Inn, Lake Lure, NC

Minutes

Present: Ruth Ann Copley, Jody Risacher, Louise Humphrey, Harry Tuchmayer, Dana Eure, Dan Barron, Jennifer Pratt, Margaret Marshall, Carol Wilson, Mary Sizemore, Cal Shepard, Karen Wallace, Ross Holt.

A quorum was established.

1. Call to Order – Ruth Ann Copley called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

2. Approval of Board Minutes of April 18, 2013

Dan Barron made a motion to approve the minutes. Mary Sizemore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report – Margaret Marshall presented the Treasurer's Report.

The beginning balance as of 4/1/2013 was \$42,739.89.

The ending balance as of 7/31/13 was \$46,470.87.

During this period we have taken in \$8,850 in Friends of the Library donations (total year to date is \$13,600). Margaret reminded everyone that it was not too late for Friends donations.

4. Library Representative Reports:

- Regional Libraries – Karen Wallace reported. Karen had nothing to report.
- Municipal Libraries – Louise Humphrey reported. Municipal library directors are planning to meet more often. She said she had nothing else significant to report.
- County Libraries – Hold Kornegay is the representative; he was not present to report.

5. State Library Commission Report – Dan Barron reported that the State Library Commission report had been recently to the NCPLDA listserv. He asked if there were any questions; none were asked.

6. State Library – Cal Shepard reported.

Harriet Smith, chair of State Library Commission, has requested to attend NCPLDA meetings.

Ruth Ann will invite Harriet as she invites Tim Rogers (NC LIVE) and Wanda Brown (NCLA).

Harriet was recently reappointed to the State Library Commission for 3 years.

Cal will present her regular report to the membership tomorrow. This report will include:

- State Aid formula review. The committee has met two times. They have reviewed the background of State Aid in NC and what other states do. They have not made any other progress.
- The introduction of new LSTA categories for next year.

Jennifer Pratt reported they needed workforce development stories from libraries. They are looking for opportunities for the Secretary of Cultural Resources and the Governor to visit libraries across the state. State Library staff are making an effort to keep up with activities and events in public libraries by creating Google alerts for all libraries and liking all Facebook pages.

7. New Business

Report from the Nominating committee on this year's nominees for officers

Carol Wilson is the chair of the Nominating committee. They will be introducing the following slate – Vice President/President Elect – Ross Holt; Secretary – Sharon Woodrow; Treasurer – Margaret Marshall will continue for 2nd year; Municipal Representative – David Miller; County Representative – Sarah Greene; Regional Representative – Susan Benning. No one is needed for the State Library Commission.

Ruth Ann reported that she is currently serving on two NC LIVE committees – RAC, DSAC (chair). Greg Needham will not serve another term on Librarians Council when his term expires in June. Greg has encouraged Ruth Ann to be the representative on the Librarians Council. Ruth Ann stated that she advocates for a Library Director to serve on both of her current committees if she is appointed to the Librarians Council.

Information on Preview of Legislative Committee's new website

Jody reported that the site would be premiered at the General Meeting. The site is a Google site; David Miller was instrumental in setting it up and many others contributed to it. The site is now linked on the NCPLDA webpage.

Possible reorganization idea from Jody Risacher

Jody presented a draft proposal for changing NCPLDA meetings that integrates more legislative committee activities in the meetings, moves away from programmatic topics and includes "talk tables."

There was a lot of discussion that generally supported the idea of more emphasis on helping directors articulate the value of the library, its services and programs to advocates and funders. In turn the advocates would be able to talk to funders on a local, state and national level about the importance of funding library services.

There was concern about keeping meeting sponsors since their sponsorship helps fund legislative activities.

The discussion also included recommendations for "talk tables," if implemented, which included working to find moderators with expertise who are able to plan in advance of the meetings.

Jody stated that she would consider the feedback and post her proposal for the general membership to review. Dan suggested that UNCG LIS department could survey NCPLDA members to determine their feelings about advocacy, library legislative day, NCPLDA, etc. Ross stated that he would contact Anthony Chow.

8. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 11:29 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Dana Eure, Secretary