



General Membership Meeting
Grandover Resort
Greensboro, North Carolina
December 4, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Greg Needham at 1:10 p.m.

Local welcome was given by Kem Ellis.

Minutes were approved from the August 28th meeting.

Treasure's Report was presented by Tom Dillard. As of 7/31/08, our total available balance was \$45,922.10. Our total receipts were \$8,525. Our expenditures were \$15,767.03, leaving a total of \$38,750.07. For more detail, see the Treasures report.

Recognition and pinning of new directors: Daphne Childress, Nantahala Regional Library System; Gary Hoyle, Albemarle Regional Library System; Cathey Clifton, Harnett County Library; Harry Tuchmayer, New Hanover County Public Library; and Leon Gyles, Scotland County Memorial Library.

Awards Committee – Martie Smith – all awards will be presented tonight (Grandview room on the 2nd floor at 6 p.m.) and there will also be music.

Nominating Committee – Cindy Moose presented the slate of officers for 2009:

Mike Taylor – Vice President/President Elect
Robert Busko – Treasurer
Becky Callison – Secretary
Kay Davis – Regional Representative
Martha Schatz – County Representative
Kem Ellis – Municipal Representative

The slate was voted on and approved unanimously.

The balance of the agenda for the meeting: overview of State Aid by Ann Marie Elkins with Q &A, worksheet packets to capture thoughts and impressions on various important issues and topics (legislative efforts and State Aid); we work on this in groups; Greg does not expect to come out of this meeting with any recommendations concerning State Aid; a lot has changed since the August meeting; TK's recommendation is to not to do anything different about State Aid at this time, but to continue to work with your legislators; she

also talked with Mickey Michaux from Durham and the Legislature is \$1.6 billion behind where it should be and that we will be fortunate retain current funding levels. TK will be with us tomorrow.

State Aid in North Carolina – Ann Marie Elkins – presented a PowerPoint presentation that updated work done by Cal Shepard in 1999 when she was working at the State Library. (This is on the State Library website at <http://statelibrary.dcr.state.nc.us/ld/staid/present/sld029.htm>. (Ann Marie referenced the Thornton Mitchell book as another source for information presented.)

Topics covered:

- Background information
- State Aid history
- Block grants, their formula and examples
 - One grant to each county in the state
 - One additional grant to each regional system
 - No block grants for municipal libraries
 - Formula: $\frac{50\% \text{ of state aid amount}}{115} (100 \text{ counties} + 15 \text{ regions})$
- State Aid formula
 - 50% as block grants
 - 50% as per capita income equalization grants
- Per capita income equalization (PCIE) grant and examples
- Formula for calculating PCIE
$$\frac{\text{State per capita income}}{\text{local per capita income}} \times \text{state rate} \times \text{local population} = \text{PCIE}$$
- State rate and formula for calculating state rate
 - State rate = 1 baseline share (current baseline is \$15,776)
 - Formula: $\frac{50\% \text{ of state aid}}{(\text{state pci} / \text{local pci})} \times \text{state population}$
- Examples were given

Reviewed and discussed the Bill Summers report on State Aid presented in 1999 (see the report at http://statelibrary.dcr.state.nc.us/ld/state_aid_study.pdf).

Greg Needham discussed the procedure for completing the packets.

Bill Snyder, John Pritchard, and Jim McKee talked about changes in State Aid since the beginning of NCPLDA.

Stopped at 3:06 p.m. for break and to work in groups.

Adjourned for the day at 5:00 p.m.