South Carolina State Library Board Meeting Notes September 26, 2013

Present:

Board Members: Debbie Hyler, Suzie Rast, Marty McKenzie, Loretta Green, Michael Simmons, Martha Murtiashaw **Staff**: Hulen Bivins, Leesa Benggio, Kathy Sheppard (during her presentation) **Guests**: Sarah McMaster (Fairfield)

Kathy Sheppard, Library Development Consultant presented information on Turning the Page, 2.0. Turning the Page, 2.0 is an advocacy training program that the State Library is currently participating in.

Hulen Bivins, Agency Director, deferred discussion of the budget to Leesa Benggio. Ms. Benggio discussed the Agency's funding streams to include:

- State Appropriation
- Federal FFY'12 Award
- Federal FFY'13 Award
- TBS Donations
- Callaham Account
- Book Consignment/Recycle
- IT Recycling
- Room Rental/Registration

The Federal FFY'12 Award will close on September 30, 2013 with a \$0 balance. All accounts have a positive balance; department budgets have been turned in and approved and all money is properly accounted for.

Mr. Bivins discussed open positions in the Agency:

- TBS Reader Advisor 234 applicants / 121 possible candidates, reviewing currently
- Metadata Librarian 45 applicants / 11 possible candidates
- Software Systems Administrator 15 applicants/ 2 possible candidates, will most likely need to repost
- Continuing Education Consultant 72 applicants/ 3 interviewed via phone, 2 in person interviews scheduled
- Electronic Resources Director sourcing now

Mr. Bivins plans to send out a questionnaire to staff asking what they like about their job and if they would like to do something different in the Agency. He believes in cross training staff and wants to provide as many opportunities for this as possible.

Mr. Bivins attended the TransformSC meeting on September 25, 2013 with Ms. Benggio and Ms. Hyler. He was able to meet a few Senators, the Superintendent of Education, Pam Lackey with AT&T, and several other state employees. He noticed that there is not a tie in for special education, and wants to work with the group to include TBS patrons, etc..

Over the course of the next several months, Mr. Bivins intends on meeting with Rick Moul of PASCAL, USC Library School, Arts & Humanities, Library Directors, staff, and members of the Legislature. He will be sending members of the Legislature a letter of introduction. He has also asked staff to submit a grant to PRAXAIR requesting funding for a brochure on the Affordable Care Act, which will be distributed to public libraries for use.

Mr. Bivins will be attending the COSLA meeting in Savannah, Georgia the end of October. The Board approved him requesting that South Carolina host the COSLA meeting in 2015.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21, 2013 at 10:30am.

Submitted by: Hulen Bivins, Agency Director