

ORANGE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2003

Attendance:

Florence Brady, Carmela Chase, Rosemary Cooper, Suzanne Skeels, Stephanie Thiel

Stephanie Thiel, President at 9:30 A.M. in Monroe, called the meeting to order.

Liability Insurance

A quote of \$185 per year has been received from Seeley & Durland. Coverage would be on a per occurrence. The insurance would fulfill future Orange County contract requirements. The Finance Committee approved this policy on an occurrence basis.

OLA Membership

A membership drive letter and application form (copies attached) will be emailed to all of OLA email group, Trustees and Friends. Note correction of Theresa Dolch's name on letter.

Update on County Funding

Stephanie reports that the first disbursement from the County is in the mail. Carmela handed out 2 tables: Distribution of Orange County Grant to Orange County Library Association, Inc. and Total ANSER Charges and Total County Money Due (copies attached). Total County money for 2003 is \$150,000. Each library will contribute \$100 to OLA for operations. First disbursement total is \$75,000: \$5,000 to libraries who operate on a calendar year budget and \$3,700 to libraries operating on another financial year budget. A motion will be presented at the Directors' Meeting: **The OLA Finance Committee recommends the OLA Director's Council adopt the proposal of the Finance Committee to accept the OLA County Legislative Grant disbursement for 2003.**

The funding for 2004 from Orange County is expected to be \$100,000 (same level of funding as 2002). The 2002 formula will be used to determine disbursement. Finance committee recommends that libraries contribution to OLA be increased from \$100 per library to 3% of each library's disbursement for 2004. A motion will be presented at the Directors' Meeting: **The OLA Finance Committee is recommending that OLA**

member libraries contribute 3% of their share of the county money to go toward OLA expenses for 2004

OLA Finance Committee notes are attached.

Publicity Committee

The Committee will create a press release to explain the history of Orange County funding. This will help for future dealings with Ed Diana, the Legislature and Committees. A list of contact names from the committee responsible for our funding will be obtained from David Church in order to send letters of thanks for acting on OLA's behalf, explain the history of Orange County funding and the countywide benefits for their continuing support of Orange County libraries. Press release will also be sent to Orange County newspapers and media.

Additional PR work is needed for 2005 funding. Need an OLA committee to lobby for continued funding starting March/April, 2004.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Brady
Secretary