

RESOLUTION # 483

The attached Equipment Reserve Fund Fiscal Year 1999/2000 resolution was adopted at the November 4, 1999 Board meeting. The foregoing resolution was introduced by Director Bonnie Thoreen and seconded by Director Angie Brunton, and adopted by a unanimous vote of the following directors:

Peggy Rhoads, Bonnie Thoreen, Carol Starr, Vaughn Stratford, Susan Hagius, Catherine Blumberg, Sara Loyster, Diana Paque, Monique King, Clayla Davis, Ann Cousineau, Debbie Mazzolini, Tom Trice, Angela Brunton, Connie Pearson, Joel Lutes, Mary Richardson, Kathy Jansen, Roberto Esteves, Roger Pearson.

WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared the foregoing resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

Date: May 4, 2000

Attested:

Signature



Signature

Vaughn STRATFORD
Vaughn Stratford, Chair
NBCLS Board of Directors

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR The 1998/99 Audit was included in the Consent Calendar as was the financial statement through August 31 in a new format. Peachtree, a new software program, is being used. A resolution to purchase a new laptop for the Administrator was included. Bonnie Thoreen said she would like to pull that resolution off the Consent Calendar. A Motion to approve the amended Consent Calendar passed unanimously.

ITEM C. Bonnie Thoreen asked about how much money was left in the Equipment Reserve Fund. Ms. Milliron answered that there was \$23,526 as of June 1, 1999. The purchase of a new laptop would take it down about \$5,000. A docking station is needed as Ms. Milliron is developing tendonitis in her thumbs. They cost \$500 - \$800. Extra money was added to amount to upgrade memory. Bonnie Thoreen moved to approve a purchase of a new laptop computer for \$4,687. Angie Brunton seconded the Motion. The Motion carried unanimously. Ms. Milliron noted that any extra money would be added back into the Equipment Reserve Fund, and that she would work to get a lower cost on her laptop.

CORRESPONDENCE: Ms. Milliron circulated materials of interest to Board members. She mentioned a draft of the legal organization model for the Library of California Regional Networks. Also there is an interim report on how to reimburse for ILL and direct loan under the Library of California.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Ann Cousineau reported that the Governor signed SB3. It has now become Proposition 14. There is good placement on the ballot, as all the Bond Measures are on the top of the state initiatives. A campaign is being mounted to pass the Bond. It will only require a 50% majority to pass. The campaign is called "Californians for Literacy and Community Libraries". The Governor made it really clear that education was his top priority. Language in the bill behooves us to come up with examples of joint cooperative agreements between libraries and schools. The library community needs to recommend to the Board some suggestions of what joint cooperative agreements might be. We have an opportunity here to be pro-active. This will happen after the Bond passes.

Ann is the Co-Chair of the statewide campaign. Jim Dawes is the Chair. A consultant has been hired, as has a fundraiser and a firm to take care of receiving and disbursement of monies. The ballot argument is in the process of being drafted. Rainey, Alpert and the League of Women Voters will probably sign the ballot argument. She hasn't decided who will be on the rebuttal argument. The campaign needs money. She distributed a preliminary fact sheet. A packet will be prepared for CLA. A program will be presented at CLA on Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

The bond task force is responsible for galvanizing the effort up and down the state so that the legislature and the governor will pay attention. Their role will become that of grassroots support and regional coordinators. Everyone should be running some sort of local campaign to get approval in his/her own jurisdiction. All libraries needing remodeling or new building should have an interest. There is a 65/35% local match. Donated land counts towards the local match. The \$350 million will probably be close to \$500 million when you add in the 35% local match. It is a good beginning, depending on the costs of the projects it could fund anywhere from 100 - 200 projects. Remodeling rather than new projects will stretch the money further.

Have other criteria been established for the project? Emphasis on improving facilities so that they can accommodate technology. The first priority is for the joint use cooperative agreements and the second priority is for all other projects. There are five bonds to be voted upon. Internet and filtering will be points of anticipated opposition. The State Library building needs survey is a good starting point for libraries when garnering support for Proposition 14.

SUPER-SEARCH Annette Milliron reported that a new release was loaded and it went very smoothly. It addressed a lot of issues of staff concern. It was a relatively problem-free upgrade. An update from Sue at