

STATE LIBRARY COUNCIL

MINUTES

September 24 and 28, 2021

**Present:** Council Members

Christine Boatright  
Amy Filiatreau  
Phyllis Gorshe  
Todd Humble  
Tim Rogers  
Brad Ward  
Linda Waters

Division Staff

Amy Johnson  
David Beach  
Stephanie Boggs  
Marian Deeney  
Dorothy Frank  
Claudia Holland  
Darrell Horton  
Vie Miller  
Jennifer Nicholson  
Kaycee Shiley  
Amy Tipler

**Absent:** Brian Erb  
Cathy Seeds

**Call to order and roll call**

The virtual meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. Eastern on September 24, 2021, by Chair Linda Waters. The roll was taken using the webinar attendees list.

**Adoption of agenda**

Tim Rogers made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded, and the agenda was unanimously adopted.

**Approval of minutes from the July 28, 2021 meeting**

Tim Rogers made a motion to approve the draft minutes. The motion was seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

**Meeting process guidance and discussion**

Division Director Amy Johnson provided information and a process overview. The Council developed funding recommendations for the 63 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) applications requesting \$8,189,641. There was \$6,738,948 to allocate in funding recommendations (\$6,735,385 in ARPA funds and \$3,563 in LSTA funds).

**ARPA project application review, scoring**

Council members provided scores and application comments for each application.

### **ARPA project application review, funding**

The Council discussed funding recommendations for projects that scored 60 points and above.

### **Adoption of the funding recommendations for ARPA project applications**

Christine Boatright made a motion to adopt the project funding recommendations as outlined below. The motion was seconded, and the recommendations were unanimously approved. This motion leaves a balance of \$66,067.

To allocate the remaining funds at a future meeting, the 11 applications that were not recommended for funding will be revised and strengthened.

### **Discussion of grant application review process**

The Council did not discuss the review process since another meeting is being scheduled to finalize the recommendation of ARPA funds.

### **Business items**

The Council did not discuss Business items since another meeting is being scheduled to finalize the recommendation of ARPA funds.

### **Public comment**

A call was made for public comment. One requestor provided public comment that was read into the record.

### **Adjourn**

Tim Rogers made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m. Eastern on September 28, 2021.

Organization	Project Title	Funding Recommendation
Boynton Beach City Library	Technology Training for Entrepreneurs and Career Advancement	\$93,084
Broward County Libraries Division	Career Online High School	\$40,411
Citrus County Library System	Modernized Wi-Fi Access for Next Generation Services	\$27,369
Delray Beach Public Library	Direct Tech for the Most Vulnerable	\$100,497
Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library	Patron Computer Update and Replacement	\$30,146
Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees	Safer, Unattended Laptop Lending at FGCU	\$79,347
Friends of the Bay County Public Libraries Inc.	Preserving the Past and Meeting Current and Future Needs for the Bay County Public Library	\$129,741
Friends of the Columbia County Public Library Inc.	Digital Resources to Meet Growing Demand	\$50,000
Gadsden County Public Library System	Gadsden County Public Library Pandemic Technology Enhancement Program	\$117,250
Heartland Library Cooperative	Bridging the Gap	\$78,885
Heartland Library Cooperative	Reading across DeSoto: Linking Schools & Libraries	\$59,700
Hialeah Public Libraries	Extending Lifelines in Hialeah	\$72,341
Hillsborough Community College	Increasing Access to Technology	\$37,991
Jacksonville Public Library	Reopen and Reconnect: Filling the Connectivity Gap	\$493,863
Lake County Library System	AWE Early Learning Terminals	\$20,359
Lake Worth Beach Public Library	Connecting Our Community	\$30,050
Manatee County Public Library System	Manatee County Community Literacy Support	\$50,000
Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach	Thrive with Mandel	\$301,314
Marion County Public Library System	Marion County Public Library System	\$150,278
Martin County Library System	Martin County Community Pick-ups	\$21,000
Miami-Dade Public Library System	Miami-Dade Public Library System Drive-Up Wi-Fi Enhancement Project	\$275,051
Monroe County Public Library System	Monroe County ARPA	\$975,469
Nassau County Public Library System	Funding Needs	\$100,027
North Miami Beach Public Library	NMB Library and Miami Dade College Educational Partnership	\$52,432
North Miami Beach Public Library	NMB Library Computer Aided Design Classes	\$63,136
North Palm Beach Public Library	Self Checkout Machines	\$17,766
Northeast Florida Library Information Network	2021-22 NEFLIN ARPA Grant	\$338,850
Northwest Regional Library System	Expanding Outreach and Digital Access	\$48,465
Okaloosa County Public Library Cooperative	Okaloosa E-Books and Audio Enrichment	\$50,000
Orange County Library Board of Trustees	Library Social Workers at Orange County Library System: Building a Healthy Community Together	\$125,541

Organization	Project Title	Funding Recommendation
Osceola County Library System	Slow the Slide: Learning Tools to Help Stop Pandemic Learning Losses	\$123,463
Osceola County Library System	Social Worker in the Library	\$64,170
Palm Beach County Library System	Flex Tech	\$276,694
Panhandle Library Access Network	Anticipate-Prepare-Respond: Continuity of Operations Planning for Libraries in the Florida Panhandle	\$20,979
Panhandle Library Access Network	Technology Planning and More for Libraries in Florida Panhandle RAO/REDI Counties	\$198,843
Panhandle Public Library Cooperative System	Holmes County Library programming project	\$66,531
Panhandle Public Library Cooperative System	PPLCS digital library expansion	\$20,000
Pasco County Public Library Cooperative	Community Resource Fairs - Pasco County	\$16,255
Pinellas Public Library Cooperative Inc. Board of Directors	PPLC-COHS-2021-22	\$221,400
Polk County Library Cooperative	Polk Rescue Plan	\$356,006
Saint Lucie County Library System	AWE Tablets	\$42,068
Saint Lucie County Library System	Laptops-Port St. Lucie Branch	\$6,650
Seminole County Public Library System	American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Program	\$100,000
Southeast Florida Library Information Network	Aspen Discovery	\$25,000
Southeast Florida Library Information Network	Career Readiness and Development	\$160,300
Southeast Florida Library Information Network	Libraries as Launchpads and Community Catalyst	\$53,500
Southeast Florida Library Information Network	Palace Project: e-book consortia expansion	\$222,000
University of Florida - George A. Smathers Libraries	Today's Technology for Accessing FL Newspapers	\$503,644
Volusia County Public Library	Recipe and Reads - Family Culinary Literacy Labs	\$75,953
Walton County Public Library System	Digital Resource Expansion	\$10,455
Walton County Public Library System	Library Technology Enhancements	\$44,915
Washington County Public Library	Preschool Literacy Matters: Mission Possible	\$33,692
		<b>\$6,672,881</b>
		<b>Total</b>