

SUMMARY OF MAJOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

ACLA Special General Membership Meeting

December 13, 2006

- The member voted to re-employ the 2006 formula for 2007 as suggested by the RAD Board. In employing the 2006 formula, libraries' 2005 state report data (based on final certified numbers) will be inserted into the existing formula mechanism. The overall allocation will be adjusted to accommodate the total amount approved by the RAD. Further, the members also voted to adjust all libraries' total RAD distributions downward by an even % sufficient to ensure that no library would receive less combined state and RAD funding in 2007 than it received in 2006. This final provision will require the review and approval of the RAD Board.
- In-coming President Smith updated members on the RAD's requirement that an outside consultant be hired to review the formula the members' approved last May and the process whereby the formula was adopted. She noted:
 - The scope for the consultant(s)' work will be jointly decided by RAD and ACLA.
 - The choice of a consultant(s) will be subject to RAD's approval.
 - The RAD will pay the costs of the consultant(s)' work.
 - Recommendations will be reported to the ACLA Board, the RAD, and the General Membership.

This collaborative approach will benefit not only the ACLA membership but the RAD Board as well as we move forward with a formula proposal for 2008 and beyond.
- Smith also noted two initiatives she will ask the Board to implement in 2007:
 1. *The establishment of an ombudsman for the organization.* This is not intended to replace the right of members to approach the Board or staff directly on matters of concern, but rather will provide an additional opportunity for resolution of concerns.
 2. *Regional conversations with the President.* These informal meetings will allow regions to discuss any areas of interest to them with the President and the regional representative to the ACLA Board.