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### **Legislative Oversight Committee**

**Monday, June 6, 2022  
10:00 am Blatt Room 321**

#### **Archived Video Available**

- I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 6.7, South Carolina ETV was allowed access for streaming the meeting. You may access an archived video of this meeting by visiting the South Carolina General Assembly's website (<http://www.scstatehouse.gov>) and clicking on *Committee Postings and Reports*, then under *House Standing Committees* click on *Legislative Oversight*. Then, click on *Video Archives* for a listing of archived videos for the Committee.

#### **Attendance**

- I. The Education and Cultural Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair Jeffrey E. "Jeff" Johnson on Monday, June 6, 2022, in Room 321 of the Blatt Building. All members were present for all or a portion of the meeting: Representative Kambrell H. Garvin; Representative Max T. Hyde, Jr.; and Representative Michael F. Rivers, Sr.

#### **Minutes**

- I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not have to be verbatim accounts of meetings.

**Approval of Minutes**

- I. Representative Garvin makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from prior meeting. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

<b>Rep. Garvin motion to approve meeting minutes.</b>	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Garvin	✓		
Rep. Hyde	✓		
Rep. Rivers	✓		
Rep. J. Johnson	✓		

**Discussion of State Library**

- I. Chair Johnson reminds State Library Director Leesa Aiken that she remains under oath.

Also, Chair Johnson swears in Chris Yates, Deputy Director of Library Resources and Services, and Breanne Smith, Executive Assistant with the State Library.

- II. Director Leesa Aiken and Deputy Director Chris Yates continue to provide an overview of agency operations. Topics of discussion include:
  - a. Prior agency heads
  - b. Prior agency services
  - c. Current agency head, board, and administration
  - d. Statewide development division
  - e. Talking books services
  - f. Library resources and services division
  - g. Employee retention strategies
  - h. Records management
  - i. Audit and Risk Mitigation Practices
  - j. Agency Successes
    - i. Broadband
    - ii. Internet access
    - iii. National outreach
    - iv. State documents repository
    - v. Organizational compliance
  - k. Agency Challenges
    - i. Personnel
    - ii. Parking
  - l. Partnerships
    - i. Library Organizations
    - ii. Educational Partnerships
    - iii. Community Partnerships

- iv. Technology Partnerships
- v. Digitization Partnerships
- vi. Talking Books Services Partnerships
- vii. Employment Partnerships

III. Subcommittee members ask questions relating to the following:

- a. Travel, including international travel, by agency personnel
- b. Patrons
- c. Learning spaces
- d. Read squared usage (i.e., summer reading program) in counties
- e. Talking books services
- f. Communications
- g. Library development
- h. Telephone tales
- i. Volunteers
- j. Challenges to marketing library services
- k. Talking books contributions
- l. Size of book collection and disposal
- m. Size of IT department
- n. Local funding of library IT departments
- o. Covid impact on IT assistance
- p. Federal E-Rate program
- q. Public library bandwidth upgrades
- r. Discuss usage by patrons and methodology for agency's calculation for cost avoidance for school districts
- s. SC Lends participation
- t. Exit interviews
- u. Employee engagement surveys
- v. Filling vacancies
- w. Audits
- x. Relationship with broadband providers
- y. Literacy calendar
- z. Goals regarding page views on the agency website
- aa. Employee productivity
- bb. Employee diversity
- cc. Non-monetary incentives for employees
- dd. Community partnerships

Agency staff respond to the members' questions.

**Adjournment**

- I. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.