

V1. GENERAL FUND AND MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE FUND

A.2 Finances – Miscellaneous Revenue Fund Non-Cognizable Request

Non-state funds are defined as non-cognizable when there was incomplete knowledge of the level of revenues available and expenditures required at the time of the state appropriation process. Our annual budget request, submitted in September, includes our best estimate of the total miscellaneous revenue funds we will expend in the fiscal year beginning 10 months in the future, and passage of our annual budget caps our spending authority for miscellaneous revenue funds at that level regardless of the actual amount of funds we receive.

Staff's success in soliciting grants and donations means that we've received more in the miscellaneous revenue fund this year than we have in spending authority, including a recent \$10,000 grant from the Fred Meyer Foundation for the purchase of summer reading books. We do not have sufficient spending authority to expend this \$10,000, and will approach our current limit with other planned expenditures for the Talking Book Service and Let's Talk About It program.

The State's non-cognizable request process allows an agency to address the need for additional spending authority when the level of revenues available and expenditures were not known at the time the Legislature passed the budget. If approved by the Board of Library Commissioners, this request will be submitted to the Division of Financial Management for consideration.

Suggested motion: I move that the State Librarian process a FY2012 non-cognizable request in the amount of \$23,000 to increase spending authority in the miscellaneous revenue fund to cover operating expenses through the end of FY2012.

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