

6.F.a. ADVISORY COMMITTEE SUPPORTING SCHEDULE ~ PART A

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LIBRARY SYSTEMS ACT ADVISORY BOARD

Statutory Authorization: Gov't Code §441.124
 Number of Members: 5
 Committee Status: Ongoing
 Date Created: 09/01/1969
 Date to Be Abolished: 08/31/2009
 Strategy (Strategies): 1-1-2 AID TO LOCAL LIBRARIES

Advisory Committee Costs	Expended 2007	Estimated 2008	Budgeted 2009	Requested 2010	Requested 2011
Other Expenditures in Support of Committee Activities					
Personnel (0.15 FTE)	\$4,190	\$4,063	\$3,870	\$3,870	\$3,870
Other Operating	88	60	40	40	40
Total, Committee Expenditures	\$4,278	\$4,123	\$3,910	\$3,910	\$3,910
Method of Financing					
General Revenue Fund	\$4,278	\$4,123	\$3,910	\$3,910	\$3,910
Total, Method of Financing	\$4,278	\$4,123	\$3,910	\$3,910	\$3,910
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	3	3	3	3	3

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Description and Justification for Continuation/Consequences of Abolishing

The Library Systems Act Advisory Board was established by state statute to advise the Texas State Library & Archives Commission, State Librarian, and staff on matters concerning the management and operation of the Texas Library System. The Board reviews and recommends proposals for changes to the administrative rules, hears appeals for libraries that fail to qualify for membership in the Texas Library System, reviews biennial budgets and annual plans of service for the Texas Library System. Members serve for three-year terms and are appointed by the Texas State Library & Archives Commission. To date, the work of the Advisory Board has been very useful in guiding the agency. The complexity and volume of work attended to at the meetings has increased in recent years. Without the review of the Advisory Board, the agency would need to establish other formal mechanisms to receive advice and input from professionals and lay persons interested in libraries. The agency would also need to establish another mechanism to deal with problems and issues related to qualifications for membership in the Texas Library System and for appealing denial of system membership.

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TEXSHARE ADVISORY BOARD

Statutory Authorization: Gov't Code §441.206
 Number of Members: 11
 Committee Status: Ongoing
 Date Created: 09/01/1998
 Date to Be Abolished: 08/31/2009
 Strategy (Strategies): 1-1-1 LIBRARY RESOURCE SHARING SERVICES

Advisory Committee Costs	Expended 2007	Estimated 2008	Budgeted 2009	Requested 2010	Requested 2011
Other Expenditures in Support of Committee Activities					
Personnel (0.10 FTE)	\$4,728	\$4,870	\$5,126	\$5,144	\$5,150
Other Operating	100	100	100	100	100
Total, Committee Expenditures	\$4,828	\$4,970	\$5,226	\$5,244	\$5,250
Method of Financing					
General Revenue Fund	\$4,828	\$4,970	\$5,226	\$5,244	\$5,250
Total, Method of Financing	\$4,828	\$4,970	\$5,226	\$5,244	\$5,250
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	4	4	4	4	4

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The TexShare Advisory Board exists to advise the Director and Librarian of the Texas State Library & Archives Commission on matters concerning the TexShare library consortium. This Board has been instrumental in planning & implementing the successful integration of school libraries into the database program, for example. The Board hears appeals from libraries regarding their database fee assessments and makes recommendations to the commission.

TexShare has a strong history of participatory governance. Without this Board, the commission would need to create some other formal mechanism to solicit advice from members of the TexShare consortium.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS COMMITTEE

Statutory Authorization: Gov't Code §441.161
 Number of Members: 12
 Committee Status: Ongoing
 Date Created: 09/01/1989
 Date to Be Abolished: 08/31/2009
 Strategy (Strategies): 3-1-1 MANAGE STATE/LOCAL RECORDS

Advisory Committee Costs	Expended 2007	Estimated 2008	Budgeted 2009	Requested 2010	Requested 2011
Other Expenditures in Support of Committee Activities					
Personnel (0.025 FTE)	\$0	\$0	\$450	\$0	\$500
Other Operating	0	0	175	0	200
Total, Committee Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$625	\$0	\$700
Method of Financing					
General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$625	\$0	\$700
Total, Method of Financing	\$0	\$0	\$625	\$0	\$700
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	0	0	1	0	1

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This committee exists to advise the director and librarian of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission on all matters concerning the management and preservation of local government records. Additionally, the committee must approve all proposed new or amended administrative rules affecting local government records under rulemaking authority granted to the commission before such rules can be adopted by the commission. The committee consists of the Attorney General and the State Comptroller of Public Accounts (or their designees) and ten local government officials. Without the prior consent of this committee, significant provisions of the Local Government Records Act (Chapters 201-205, Local Government Code) cannot be administered and an estimated 9,500 local government and elective county offices would be unable to fulfill their statutory obligations concerning the management & retention of their records.

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TEXAS HISTORICAL RECORDS ADV BOARD

Statutory Authorization: Gov't Code §441.243
 Number of Members: 9
 Committee Status: Ongoing
 Date Created: 12/22/1972
 Date to Be Abolished: 08/31/2009
 Strategy (Strategies): 2-1-1 PROVIDE ACCESS TO INFO & ARCHIVES

Advisory Committee Costs	Expended 2007	Estimated 2008	Budgeted 2009	Requested 2010	Requested 2011
Committee Members Direct Expenses					
Travel	\$1,805	\$4,266	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Other Operating	0	90	0	0	0
Other Expenditures in Support of Committee Activities					
Personnel (0.10 FTE)	1,636	1,112	1,145	1,145	1,145
Total, Committee Expenditures	\$3,441	\$5,468	\$7,145	\$7,145	\$7,145
Method of Financing					
General Revenue Fund	\$1,636	\$1,112	\$1,145	\$1,145	\$1,145
Federal Funds	0	2,919	6,000	6,000	6,000
Appropriated Receipts	1,805	1,437	0	0	0
Total, Method of Financing	\$3,441	\$5,468	\$7,145	\$7,145	\$7,145
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	2	4	4	4	4

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The Texas Historical Records Advisory Board (THRAB) promotes more efficient and comprehensive preservation of the state's documentary heritage, including state records, local government records, and historical manuscripts. Board members have experience or interest in the collection, administration, and use of historical records and are dedicated to the preservation and use of Texas' documentary heritage.

The governor appoints 2 public members and the State Archivist, who serves as THRAB Coordinator. Six remaining members, with demonstrated experience in the administration of records or archives are appointed by the agency director.

Key missions are to coordinate historical records planning within the state and to encourage and review the submission of grant requests to the federal National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) from Texas institutions and organizations who desire to use NHPRC grant monies to help in the battle to save papers and records from Texas' past. The board typically meets four times per year. Travel and operating costs are normally funded by an NHPRC grant to the agency. Commission staff provide a minimal amount of administrative support for the board.

To date grants totaling more than \$1,478,000 have been awarded to Texas institutions and organizations to assist them in managing, preserving, and improving access to the valuable record and manuscript materials in their custody. The dissolution of the board would make it impossible for Texas to participate in the NHPRC grant program.