

Executive Director Membership Report VLA Council Meeting January 26, 2024

Membership

2024 Membership so far:

- 164 Individual members renewed (110 not yet paid)
- 44 Life Members
- 84 Affiliate Members (4257 employees) (11 not yet paid, 625 more employees)
- 75 Joint Student Members
- Institutional Invoices: 94 invoices sent, \$29,999 received from 47 libraries

2023 Membership year closed with:

- 267 Individual members
- 45 Life Members
- 96 Affiliate Members (4843 employees)
- 60 Joint Student Members
- 80 Institutional Members/14 unpaid

Joblines:

23 positions posted since 1/1/24

Action Alert: SB235 and HB571 attempt to move the enactment clause into the text of the VA Code for SB 656. Sent to VLA list, posted to social media and favorable groups in 3 localities

§ 22.1-16.8. Instructional material; sexually explicit content; parental notification. Link to original text of the bill from 2022: CHAPTER 100

<u>Text of SB235</u> (Senator Hashmi) <u>Text of HB571</u> (Delegate Delaney)

A bill to watch:

<u>HB 1206</u> Obscene materials; restrictions on purchase, distribution, exhibition, or loan; exceptions.

• Referred to the House Committee on Education

Liability Insurance: on hold for now. No bandwith to implement.

Amazon Business Account: Exploring options

Recent Presentations & News

Testified at Senate Education Subcommittee for SB235, 1/18/24

<u>County school board temporarily banned 7 books it doesn't stock on library shelves</u>, Harrisonburg

Citizen, January 20

Upcoming:

VCU Education Class on Censorship, February 2024 VICULA Intellectual Freedom Session, March 2024 PLA Conference, Intellectual Freedom Session, April 2024 Richmond Public Library, National Library Week, April 2024 Tidewater Community College Library Conference, May 2024 Staff Day, Alexandria Library, May 2024