

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING POLICY  
SOUTHERN TIER LIBRARY SYSTEM  
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APPLIES TO: STLS Board of Trustees

REFERENCES: STLS By-laws  
STLS Authority of the Board Policy

It is the policy of the Southern Tier Library System to hold an annual organizational meeting, the purpose of which is to elect officers of the Board and take the necessary actions to ensure the proper management of STLS for the coming fiscal year. The Board will hold its annual organizational meeting on the third Tuesday of January each year. The meeting will be conducted as described below.

The current President will call the meeting to order as Chairperson and will swear in new trustees and administer their Oaths of Office and conduct the election of new officers before turning the meeting over to the newly elected President.

The Board of Trustees will then:

- Appoint the STLS Financial Clerk, Internal Auditor and Alternate Auditor of the Board, External Auditor and Attorney;
- Authorize the Executive Director to certify payroll and make grant applications
- Authorize the Executive Director to certify payments of a fixed nature without prior audit upon submission to the Treasurer of a voucher. This should include credit card, and utility bills, insurance premiums, mortgage payments, payroll deductions, taxes and fringe benefit expenses.
- Establish the business mileage reimbursement rate for the current year based on the published IRS rate for business mileage;
- Designate the official Bank Depositories and Newspaper;
- Designate Authorized Signatories for Checks;
- Establish Treasurer and Internal Auditor surety coverage for the year;
- Establish the calendar and locations for Board Meeting for the next twelve months.
- Complete and submit signed Disclosure of Interests forms.
- Take any other such organizational actions as may be necessary

The Board may also conduct general business at the end of the meeting before adjourning.

*Adopted by the Board of Trustees on June 21, 2011*

