

**ARL Director of Libraries Report for July and August 2023
September 2023 Board Meetings**

Administration & Personnel

- Open position - part time Circulation Assistant (19 hrs) in Watauga. (Offer made)
- Open position – Full time Youth Services manager in Wilkes. Elizabeth resigning as of Oct.7th.
- Open position – part time Circulation Assistant (19 hrs) in Ashe as of Sept.30th

Budgets & Finance

- End of August 2023 budget %'s across the region:

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Ashe	22.31%	14.38%
Watauga	19.41%	14.80%
Wilkes	19.55%	14.47%
Regional	15.34%	14.04%
LSTA	0%	56.67%
ARPA	0%	24.22%
TOTAL	18.75%	16.03%

- LSTA funds will be requested for reimbursement starting in September 2023.
- All ARPA funds were received in FY 2022-2023. Carry over balance of \$18,781.96 to be spent.
- Auditors came in July to start our 2022-2023 audit. Audit results will be presented to the Board at the November meeting.

Grant Activities

- **The NC State Budget is still not approved at this time.**
- Jennifer Earp-Johnson was awarded an LSTA Scholarship to attend the ARSL Conference Sept.20-23rd.

Technology

- ARL Website refresh has been completed. All positive feedback from staff and patrons!
- We anticipate being able to roll out our myLibro app by the middle to end of September.
- We purchased 10 new staff PCs for Ashe and they will be rolled out in September.