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**Southeast Regional Directors Institute (SERDI)
2026 Annual Membership Meeting
April 29, 2026
Isle of Palms, South Carolina**

I. Welcome **President Sasha Grist**

SERDI President Sasha Grist called the 2026 Annual Meeting to order.

II. SERDI Financial Report

SERDI Treasurer Heather Feldman referred the members to the SERDI Budget and Actual Worksheet to the Council for their review. As of April 1st, there was \$94,007.57 cash on hand. The fund balance as of April 15th was \$163,918.57. She also noted that the SERDI Council of Peers had approved to have annual membership dues remain at \$800.

III. Approval of SERDI Bylaws Updates **President Grist**

President referred to the members to the Bylaws. They had been previously sent out to all members with a highlighting summary of the work of the Council of Peers to update to align them with current day operations. A motion was made by Anthony Starr (N.C.) and seconded by Aaron Sizemore (Va.) to adopt the updated SERDI Bylaws. Motion carried.

IV. SERDI Financial Policies and Procedures **Treasurer Feldman**

In alignment with the updating of the SERDI Bylaws, the SERDI Financial Policies and Procedures were updated as well to reflect changes. The SERDI Financial Policies and Procedures were approved at the Council of Peers Annual Meeting on April 26, 2026.

V. Change of Dates for the 2nd Leadership Development Training **President Grist**

President Grist announced that after reviewing the annual meeting and training schedule for SERDI that she recommended, and the Council of Peers had agreed to move the annual staff training sessions that have been held in February to September. This will greatly help in the logistics development and provision of the trainings. With this in mind, the 2nd Leadership Development Training will be September 22-24, 2027, in Greenville, SC.

The Leadership Development Training is geared first and foremost for deputy directors, department heads, division leaders. Executive Directors can attend.

VI. SERDI Council of Peers Fall Planning Meeting President Grist

President Grist announced that the Fall Planning Meeting of the SERDI Council of Peers will be held Tuesday October 20th from Noon to 1:30 PM Pacific Time at the Peppermill Resort Spa Casino in Reno, Nevada. The meeting is being held in Reno in conjunction with the National Association of Development Organizations Annual Training Conference.

VII. Adjournment

There being no other orders of business, the 2026 Annual Membership Meeting of the Southeast Regional Directors Institute was adjourned.