



At the November meeting we tabled until January the discussion of how to set aside funding for our Future Automation needs. My report on the details of the breakdown and my budgetary needs is in the November 2012 Board Packet, if you would like to review it.

To recap: historically, there is currently no money being set aside into the Future Automation “account”, from which we pay for any future library automation systems and from which we buy the computer hardware we need each year to operate. There is currently a negative balance in this account. We need about \$20,000 each year to keep our hardware on a 5-year replacement schedule, plus a little extra to set aside for long-term needs, like a new automation system.

In November, I had requested putting things back to the way they were in 2008. The Board was not in favor of this. So we are revisiting this issue this month.

Respectfully Submitted,

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