

## APPLS DUES HISTORY

APPLS was formed as an outcome of discussions in 1991-92.

At its 03/26/92 meeting, system representatives discussed “assessing dues, perhaps on a sliding scale according to population or budget, to finance some of the costs of printing, mailing, etc.”

A flat \$35 Membership fee was implemented sometime prior to September 1997. There was no annual dues assessment.

At its 10/2/99 meeting, APPLS approved a \$40 dues assessment.

In 2003, a sliding dues scale was adopted based on 2002 operating expenditures. The levels were set at \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250, and \$400. These amounts remained in effect through 2010.

On 04/26/11, APPLS adopted increased dues by varying percentages, resulting in a scale that continues to the present, with levels set at \$125 (+25%), \$200 (+33%), \$300 (50%), \$445 (+78%), and \$800 (+100%). The increased amount was committed to PaLA as a system contribution to PA Forward. This increase was to be a 5-year commitment from APPLS to PaLA. Systems were also encouraged (but not required) to contribute an additional amount (at three separate giving levels) ranging from \$300 to \$4,800. All increases were based on system operating expenditures. Once the 5-year period expired, dues were maintained at the scale adopted on 4/26/11.