AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval of Bills
5. Unfinished Business
   A. 1987 Goals and Objectives
6. New Business
   A. Election of Officers
   B. Annual Review of By-laws
7. Staff Reports: Windisch, Peck
8. Board Orientation: $9.15 Subcommittee/Local Governance Committee Recommendations and Legislative update.
9. Announcements
10. Adjournment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Tuesday, January 13: AB. LIBRARY BOARD, Ab. Library, 4 p.m.
3. Tuesdays, January 27-April 7: LET'S TALK ABOUT IT, Ab./Ho. Lib., 7 p.m.
4. Wednesday, January 28: TRL BOARD MTG, TRL SC, 7:30 p.m.
5. Thursday, January 29: LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAY, State Capital, Olympia.
6. Monday, February 2: AB FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING, Ab. Library, 7 p.m.
7. Tuesday, February 10: AB. LIBRARY BOARD, Ab. Library, 4 p.m.
CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Board Chair Tom Brennan. Other members of the Board present were Richard Merrick, James Brown and Weedy McCauley. Dorothy Vekich was excused.

STAFF PRESENT
Christine Peck, Jay Windisch

GUESTS
Lon Dickerson, TRL Director; MaryAnn Shaffer, TRL Assistant Director, Public Service; Karen Herrell, TRL Board Member; Marjorie Waller, Hoquiam Library Board; Christine Livingston, Hoquiam Community Library Coordinator; Carl Snyder, Montesano Board Member; Judy Bowe, Westport; Catherine Schmid, Westport; Jean Gerry, Westport Board Member; Helen Hepp, Montsano Board Member; Marjorie Kaufman, Montesano Board Member; Bob Stalder, Community Librarian, Montesano; Lloyd Lougheed, Montesano Board Member; Beverly Westfall, Westport Library.

PRORATIONING
The Board decided to have the presentation concerning TRL and the subject of prorationing and legislation by TRL Director Lon Dickerson before the usual business meeting of the Board. In his prorationing update, Mr. Dickerson noted that a massive tax reform was needed in the State of Washington to correct the prorationing situation. A two-page summary of prorationing will be forthcoming. Mr. Dickerson commented that the legislature is not ready to move on this situation, and that many legislators probably do not fully understand the problem and its causes. Mr. Dickerson referred to a hand-out on Senior/Junior Taxing Districts, and one re: $9.15 Recommendations from the Office of Program Research, House of Representatives, State of Washington. The various Senior and Junior Taxing Districts were discussed, as well as different thinking on the status of some of the districts. Mr. Dickerson explained to the group the various aspects of excise taxes and what it would mean to try to take the library "outside" the Junior Taxing District status. Mr. Dickerson pointed out the confusing situations, such as the EMS (Emergency Medical Services) being "outside" the $9.15 lid limit, but "inside" the spare 85¢ of the $10.00 maximum. WLA is also investigating "de-annexation". This is not just a library issue, but a much wider issue of taxing district problems. Many of the problems arise simply from the physical geography and the boundaries of the taxing districts overlapping. Mr. Dickerson noted that the Boundary Review Board would be meeting March 1. Different possible bill/legislation introductions were mentioned, but Mr. Dickerson emphasized that there were lots of question marks and probabilities. There would most likely be separate pieces of legislation introduced for each aspect of the topic, and a vast array of bills were likely. The group was reminded that January 29 was Legislative Day, and that lots of support was needed. Mr. Dickerson noted that there were 28 prorationing contracts for 1987, 6 of those being crucial, the remainder being politically necessary for TRL. These contracts total a little over $200,000.00. Without the cooperation received, these contracts could easily have totaled $400,000.00 to $600,000.00. The library is not going to go anywhere alone, as we need to be in a coalition to be effective. This is a "minor" (to the legislature) issue in a busy session. Mr. Dickerson answered questions and said that TRI will issue a Legislative Alert periodically and also listen to the Hotline to tell Boards what to do. The problem is not just various bills, but tax reform.

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TAX REFORM

JR./SR. TAXING DIST. & §9.15

EMS

BOUNDARY PROBLEM

LEGALIZATION/BILLS

LEGALISATIVE DAY

PROR. CONTRACTS

COALITION

LEGALISATIVE ALERT

AGENDA

The Board resumed the business meeting of the Aberdeen Library Board at 5:25

ABERDEEN GOALS & OBJECTIVES 1987

Christine reviewed the final draft of the Aberdeen Goals and Objectives for 1987, noting the additions made in response to Board suggestions under Unfinished Business.
NEW BUSINESS

ELECTIONS/ BY-LAWS
Weedy McCauley had to leave because of the late time, and Dorothy Vekich had been excused, so the Board deferred the Elections and By-laws to the February meeting of the Board.

LEGISLATIVE DAY
Weedy McCauley and Tom Brennan may be able to attend Legislative Day on Jan. 29, 1987, in Olympia.

STAFF REPORTS

CHILDREN'S LIB SEARCH
Christine reported to the Board concerning the status of the Children's Librarian position at the Aberdeen Library, which is still open. The Board was told that TRL was starting over with advertising indicating that the position would be open to people without experience, but having an MLS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Board was made aware of the announcements at the end of the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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