AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval of Bills
5. Unfinished Business
   A. Election of Officers
   B. Annual Review of By-Laws
6. New Business
   A. Library Parking
7. Staff Reports: Windisch, Peck
8. Board Orientation: Public Library Trustees Handbook
9. Announcements
10. Adjournment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Tuesday, February 10: AB LIB. BOARD, Ab Lib., 4 p.m.
2. Tuesdays, February 10-April 17: LET'S TALK ABOUT IT, Ab/Ho Lib., 7 p.m.
3. Friday, February 13: ALICE HARRIS RECEPTION, No. Mason Lib., 2-4 p.m.
4. Monday, February 16: PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY, Library Closed
5. Wednesday, February 18: BOB STALDER RECEPTION, Montesano Lib., 2:30-4 p.m.
6. Friday, February 20: TRL PLANNING TASK FORCE, TRL Service Center, 4 p.m.
7. Wednesday February 25: TRL BOARD MEETING, TRL Service Center, 7:30 p.m.
8. Friday, March 6: TRL PLANNING TASK FORCE, TRL Service Center, 4 p.m.
9. Tuesday, March 10: AB LIB BOARD, Ab Lib., 4 p.m.
The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Board Chair Tom Brennan. Other members of the Board present were James Brown, Richard Merrick, Weedy McCauley and Dorothy Vekich.

Christine Peck, Jay Windisch

James Brown moved that the minutes be approved as mailed. The motion was seconded by Dorothy Vekich, motion passed.

The bills were examined by the Board, signed and approved for payment as presented.

It was noted that it was not in the By-laws, but it had been tradition in the past for the Vice Chair to be the Board Chair Elect. Since this past tradition is not official in the by-laws, Board Chair Tom Brennan declared nominations for Board Chair open. James Brown moved that the Board follow the tradition of Vice Chair moving to Chair, motion seconded by Richard Merrick, motion passed. Nominations were then opened for Vice Chair. Weedy McCauley nominated James Brown, Richard Merrick seconded the nomination and James Brown was elected Vice Chair. At this point Dorothy Vekich assumed Chair of the Board.

After some general discussion and examination, Weedy McCauley moved that no revision of the By-laws was needed at this time. The motion was seconded by James Brown, motion carried.

The Board discussed the background of the library parking situation and discussed various alternatives to the existing problem. It was noted that starting around June the situation would become even more critical as the parking lot by the Aberdeen Police Station was vacated for remodeling of the Station. After discussing the parking situation at various "neighbors", it was decided that the best course of action would be to draw a four or five block plan to study. James Brown and Tom Brennan volunteered to keep an eye on the parking situation around the library via a motion by Weedy McCauley, seconded by James Brown. Motion passed. Christine noted that she would try to have a plan of the immediate area around the library in time for the next meeting of the Board.

Christine reported that the search for a Children's librarian at Aberdeen was "going nowhere". There were no applicants in response to national advertising for the position. Timberland will check with the Library Schools. Christine noted that the Children's Librarian field was changing. The Board entered into a discussion about how the field was changing.

The legislative situation is moving slowly. Tom Brennan and Christine are preparing a letter to be sent to the legislators. Dorothy Vekich suggested that the letter carry full Board signatures. Christine noted that it was not too specific in terms of content, but that it was a move to keep the attention on the library problem. There are about 11 bills addressing some various aspects of prorationing in the Local Governance Committee. The letter would be available for signatures on Friday, February 13, 1987. Christine noted that the library would be open until 6 p.m. and encouraged all Board members to come in and sign the letter before 6. Tom Brennan then mentioned the telephone tree, and it was reported that Weedy McCauley was on a telephone tree for the Friends of the Library. Dorothy Vekich and James Brown offered assistance in telephoning as the need arose.
Christine noted that the electrical and phone lines were in for the new Omnifax telefacsimile machine and for the computer, which were received with the Grant money. The fax machine should be installed this month, with the computer hopefully being installed by mid-March. TRL purchased a new telephone system, which has been installed.

BOARD ORIENTATION

Christine asked the Board for their reactions to the Trustee's Book. The Board liked the Book and thought it to be very helpful. Christine noted sections 1, 2, & 8, Public Library Trustees Handbook. There were general comments on the Optional Code Cities and Trustee liability in terms of City and TRL insurance. Page 70, Joy of Organization was noted also. The "job description" of a trustee and the City-Trustee relationship/powers were pointed out. It was suggested that the City Code Library Law be added. The Board felt that it was not necessary to add page numbers as the Table of Contents was quite sufficient.

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It was announced that this would be the last meeting for Richard Merrick. He will be moving out of the state shortly and has resigned as member of the Aberdeen Library Board of Trustees. Mr. Merrick expressed his enjoyment working with the Board, and the fact that each community seemed to have its own special thing, and he felt that the library system was Aberdeen's specialness. Mr. Merrick will be moving to Monmouth, Illinois, which is in the northwestern part of the state. Dorothy Vekich expressed the Board's appreciation of the contributions Richard has made to the Board and the Library. James Brown moved that there be a resolution of thanks by the Board to/for Richard Merrick. The motion was seconded by Weedy McCauley, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business of the Board, the meeting was adjourned by motion of Richard Merrick, second by Weedy McCauley, at 6:00 p.m.