

ABERDEEN TIMBERLAND LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING  
8 MARCH 1988  
AGENDA

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval of Bills
5. Unfinished Business
6. New Business
7. Staff Reports: Riley, Windisch, Peck
8. Board Orientation: Ab. Magazine Collection--Chris Peck, Jay Windisch
9. Announcements
10. Adjournment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Tuesday, March 8: AB. LIBRARY BOARD MTG., Aber. Library, 4 p.m.
2. Wednesday, March 16: ALL STAFF DAY, Library closed
3. Saturday, March 19: FRIEND'S FORUM, Elma High School, 9:30-2:30 p.m.
4. Wednesday, March 30: TRL BOARD MTG., TRL Service Center, 7:30 p.m.
5. Monday, April 11: AB. FRIENDS BOARD MTG., Aber. Library, 7 p.m.
6. Tuesday, April 12: ABER. LIBRARY BOARD MTG., Aber. Library 4 p.m.
7. Wednesday-Saturday, April 13-16: WA LIB. ASSOC. CONFERENCE, Wenatchee
8. Sunday-Saturday, April 17-23: NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK, "The Card With a Charge"

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- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Board President Jim Brown at 4:08 p.m. Board members present included Lee Rhoden, Tom Brennan, Dorothy Vekich and Pat Warren. President Brown extended a warm welcome to Ms. Warren, new Board Member.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Christine Peck, Jay Windisch, Joanne Riley.
- MINUTES:** Tom Brennan moved approval of the Minutes. Lee Rhoden seconded and the motion carried.
- BILLS:** Bill were circulated and approved.
- UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Christine Peck informed the Board that the parking ordinance did pass the City Council. The parking will be available as soon as the city crews do the work. This will be after the Transit Mall opens March 22. Mrs. Peck and the Board agreed that it would be appropriate to send a thank you letter to the mayor and City Council. After some discussion, it was decided that Jim Brown would write the letter. Mr. Brown also reiterated the fact that the parking victory was the result of ideas and effort put forth by Dorothy Vekich.
- NEW BUSINESS:** Mrs. Peck reported that there was no actual new business. It is time to start contacting people about repair work on the walls. We must start from scratch with City Hall since Rudy is no longer with us. Mortar between the brick is deteriorating. We need to be sure our needs are covered by the yearly budget.
- New signage was put up in the library recently. Timberland is producing similar signs in plexiglass. We are trying out the poster board signage before we put the plexiglass permanently in position. Also, the library needs to have its hours re-painted on the glass doors. The hours there have been incorrect for a couple of years.
- STAFF REPORTS:** Staff members present reported briefly on activities. Joanne Riley detailed programming going on in the Children's Department. Each Tuesday evening in March is "Family Night." Extensive programs are being planned for National Library Week in April.
- Jay Windisch discussed Info Trac and CD Rom developments. Board members expressed much appreciation for the Info Trac demonstration given at the previous month's meeting. Jay also reported that Timberland is actively seeking a new computer system.
- Next there followed a lengthy discussion of the magazine situation in Aberdeen. Timberland has informed this library that back issues of certain periodicals must be removed. Christine Peck passed out a list of magazine holdings. Jay and Chris explained that they had reviewed over 400 magazines in an effort to determine what to retain. Chris explained that one of the criterion was whether or not the magazine was indexed and therefore accessible. Also, we must decide what purpose the magazines are serving. Are they a browsing or reference collection? Jay brought up the issue of community standards. What is necessary for this community.
- All Board members felt some reservations about discarding magazines. Since space in the library is not the issue, they felt that a clearer rationale

for deletion should be spelled out by System Director Lon Dickerson. Board members brought up individual instances of when certain magazines might be useful. Very strong feelings were expressed.

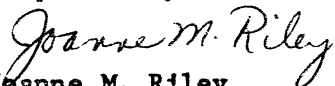
Chris and Jay both said that there had been some negotiation already and many of the magazines originally scheduled to go had been salvaged. Lists of magazine titles slated for removal will be circulated to other libraries in the state to see if they might be useful elsewhere.

The Board requested that Chris Peck seek a written explanation from Dr. Dickerson as to why magazines were being cut and why now.

Christine Peck brought up the Friend's Forum scheduled for Sat. March 19 at Elma High School. Pat Warren and James Brown will attend. Chris also reminded board members about the annual Washington Library Association Conference coming up April 13-16 in Wenatchee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Joanne M. Riley  
Children's Librarian