

MINUTES
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
December 16, 1982

Members present: Lee Shelton, Trudy van Luyn, Ruth Waddell, Billy King, Ann Wilkinson, Gorda Singletary, Louise Gorham, Mimi Cunningham, Jim Hundley, David Paynter(ex officio)

Members absent: George Alper, Jackolyn Glisson, Nola Nadeau(ex officio)

Visitors: Willie McGough, John Welch, Leroy Maughan, Andy Atkinson

Staff: Harry Tuchmayer

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Hundley at 4:00 p.m. in the staff room at the library. He extended greetings to everyone and acknowledged the visitors present.

Minutes of the October meeting were approved.

Director David Paynter introduced Leroy Maughan who presented a demonstration of the automated library system. Mr. Maughan indicated that the CTI System is practical and flexible. It uses simple language and does not require computer background for operation. It will expedite time and enhance proficiency of library services. Comments and questions made an interesting discussion throughout the demonstration.

After the demonstration, the Board discussed the demonstration and acknowledged the need for an automated system. The Board approved Chairman Jim Hundley's writing a letter to the County Commissioners and County Manager Felix Cooper, endorsing the need for an automated system for the library.

The College Square Branch Library should be ready to open by late February or early March.

A State Aid Campaign proposing three million dollars for public libraries will be presented during the 1983 General Assembly. New Hanover County's share would be \$96,957. Jim Hundley asked each Board member to write letters to our local legislators, urging them to support the bill for aid to public libraries.

Trudy van Luyn commented about the Christmas music schedule for the library. She indicated that the response has been excellent, and participants will be thanked for their performances.

The bicycle rack has been delivered to the library. A drafting class at CFTI drew up blueprints for the rack. George Alper of Queensboro Steel Corporation donated the materials. Mitchell King of Babcock and Wilcox donated time to build the rack.

Director Paynter expressed his concern for recognizing volunteer service. He presented a resolution of thanks, recognizing persons who have donated 930 hours of time to the library. Ann Wilkinson moved and Mimi Cunningham seconded that we accept the resolution of thanks and send copies to the County Commissioners, the County Manager, and the Wilmington Morning Star.

Chairman Hundley indicated that committee assignments for 1983 will be basically the same: Branch Committee, Automation Committee, and Policy Committee.

Ann Wilkinson called attention to the composite information leaflet for 1982 prepared by David Paynter. Board members were impressed and expressed appreciation for the compilation. Copies will be sent to Friends' members, the Junior League, and County officials.

Director Paynter's information items included:

1. Fiscal 1982 saw a 24% increase in circulation.
2. The conversion of the Library's holdings to a machine readable format should be completed by July 1983.
3. A data processor supervisor for the County to coordinate automation activities will begin work January 4, 1983.
4. The new staff work schedule is being developed.
5. Wachovia Bank donated ten art panels.
6. Librarian Harry Tuchmayer has done a survey on non-fictional materials that reveals beneficial facts.
7. The discount schedule for books is 39%.

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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