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Editor's Note

Promises, promises! In the last issue of Apropos, we had anticipated a couple of items which did not materialize, including something called "More". I must have been gearing up for election time.

What you have here is basically a bare bones issue. The Sudbury Regional executive have provided you with the news for this issue. Next issue (I won't promise) will be different.

SHOW MUCH IS OALT/ABO WORTH\$

Director's Report

The last Board of Directors and Provincial Executive meeting was held on September 10, 1988 at the Richview Public Library in Rexdale.

Strategic Planning Committee

This committee was established by the Ministry of Culture and the Ontario Public Libraries to revamp the Public Library System in Ontario. OALT/ABO was approached and Pat Graham sat in as an observer at the first meeting held in January 1988. Pat has been designated as an advisory committee member and has informed us that the committee is anxious to have

LT input, especially from Northern Ontario where many libraries are small and LT's are often capable of running them. It was suggested that the committee request employers to release volunteers interested in attending a future meeting held in their own area.

If you are interested, enthusiastic, energetic, creative, and would like to participate in addressing key issues for the stratetic plan for Ontario's public libraries, please contact your regional director for further info.

Membership

Carolyn Boardman, the membership chairperson has had problems with the renewal procedures. Each director was asked to contact their membership person to clarify the situation and then Carolyn can establish standardized procedures. Motion was passed to have the membership chairperson send reminder lists for renewals every month to the regional membership persons.

Newsletter/Nouvelles

Editor Pat Kiteley will prepare a proposal for the next Board of Directors and Provincial Executive to change the cover. She has also requested a software package for producing future newsletters. Upon further investigation, Pat will report the the next meeting in November.

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Deadline for submitting articles for the next newsletter is November 1, 1988.

Archivist

Janet Scheibler will be attending the November meeting at which time she will be in a position to answer questions such as what to keep and for how long. She has made some changes in subject headings to consolidate certain files. Janet has also drawn up a list of non-consumable purchases from 1977 to 1987. The whereabouts of these items are unknown. Janet will report at the next meeting.

Draft Budget 1988/89

Maggie Hotchkiss presented the Board of Directors with a draft budget of \$19,450.00 for 1988/89. After discussion, a motion was made to accept it.

Conference Proceedings

Final clarification re: Conference profit commitments resulted in the conference committee paying for the first newsletter, ie. the conference issue, instead of the conference proceedings. The Provincial Treasury pays for the mailing of this issue as part of the newsletter costs.

Membership Directory

Motion passed that Bette Gore produce a

membership directory according to the guidelines established by the Board of Directors:

1) cover to be beige cover stock with green logo; size 8.5 X 11 paper folded in half to produce booklet 8.5 X 5.5.

2) entry format will have an identifier number to the left of the surname which will allow indexing by employer.

Progress Reports

Bette Gore, provincial secretary has done an excellent job in updating and revising the Board Policies, Duties of DALI/ABO Administrators and the Conference Procedures Manual. Due to a lengthy?? agenda, discussion for these was tabled till the November meeting.

Answering Service Project

Project cancelled because entire process is too costly.

OLA Conference Update

To be held November 3-5, 1988 in Toronto. Pat Graham, Loretta Taylor and Eleanor Irwin will be workshop participants.

Job Evaluation Information Project

Suggestion that DALI/ABO produce a brochure (question/answer format) on Affirmative Action/Pay Equity and how it will affect us.

Further information will follow Sudbury's workshop on Pay Equity held October 22/88 at Cambrian College.

FALL WORKSHOP...FALL WORKSHOP

PAY EQUITY

You've heard it mentioned but don't really know what it's all about; besides, you'll find out all about it when your employer sets down his pay equity program. So why bother? **BECAUSE** it will be **TOO LATE** by that point for you to voice any complaints or have changes made. In order to protect your best interests and have input, you need to understand the implications of the legislation beforehand.

That's why our branch has chosen Pay Equity as our fall workshop. In case you haven't received any information, it's going to be held at Cambrian College on Oct. 22nd, 1988 from 9 am.-12 noon and it's free to our members. Of course, this will be of benefit to any public sector employee, not only library technicians so friends and co-workers are welcome at a cost of only \$5.00.

Need more information or want to register? Please feel free to call Millie at 675-9192, ext. 343 or, for out-of-towners, Linda at 1-800-461-0183.

Hope to see many of you there.

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

Oct. 17-23rd, 1988
Ontario Public Library Week

Nov. 19th, 1988
Board of Directors meeting

Nov. 12-19, 1988
Children's Book Week
Theme: "Share Our Story"

Dec. 2nd, 1988
Annual Christmas Dinner
Culpeppers restaurant
6:00 pm.
