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# Library Board

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## Schanning, Mary

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**From:** Deiss, Kristine  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 14, 2009 11:38 AM  
**To:** Schanning, Mary  
**Subject:** FW: Library Board

Kristine M. Deiss  
Mayor, City of West Bend

From: Rich Kasten [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2009 7:15 AM  
To: Deiss, Kristine  
Subject: Re: Library Board

Mayor Deiss,

Thanks for the note - While I respect your decision, I don't think serving on two other Boards/Committees that never meet (in fact I don't even know the other members after 4 years) should have removed me from consideration. I can only hope that the same criteria was extended to the other candidates as well - especially Tom O'Meara who serves on the prolific Park and Rec. Does this mean I need to step down from my current positions to be considered for other positions in the future?

I do wish you success with the nominees and hope that we can quiet down some of the rhetoric regarding West Bend soon.

Rich Kasten  
725 James Ct.  
West Bend, WI 53095  
262-306-7918

Deiss, Kristine wrote:

> Rich,

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> I want to thank you for applying for the Library Board and your willingness to volunteer, but since you already serve on two other City Boards/Committees, I decided to extend the opportunity to other City residents who have applied. Again, thank you.

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> Kristine M. Deiss

> Mayor

> City of West Bend

> (262) 335-5111

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Rich Kasten [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
> Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2009 8:52 PM

> To: Deiss, Kristine

> Subject: Library Board

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> Mayor Deiss,

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> I am writing to check on the progress of the library board nominations.  
> I had not heard anything and thought I would check in. Based on the  
> article in the newspaper and our emails, you mentioned you would be  
> interviewing the candidates. From the list of candidates I saw, I was  
> pretty sure I was a strong candidate. My skill set, the time I spend  
> volunteering for the city and my passion for furthering the greater  
> good of the city should be favorable qualities and I would also bring

- > a new face and new ideas to the board. When you look at the candidate
- > list, there are names from the extreme sides of the past issue and
- > names of individuals that have spent a lot of time on either the
- > Council or boards that may not bring the new blood needed during this challenging time.
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- > Thanks and I look forward to hearing from you.
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- > Rich Kasten
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