

DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY
Decatur, Illinois

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
April 24, 1959

The Board of Directors of the Decatur Public Library met in the Directors' Room of the library for the regular monthly meeting. Mr. Rollins called the meeting to order at 3:45 PM, April 24, 1959. Those present were: Mr. Rollins, president, Mrs. Moothart, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Bailey, and Mrs. Ridgley. Also present were: Mrs. Howe, Mr. Bushee, Mr. John Sweetnam, architect, and Mr. McGarrion, reporter from the newspaper.

Mrs. Ridgley moved the minutes of the March meeting be approved as received by mail. Mrs. Moothart seconded the motion. All present voted aye. Motion was carried.

It was announced the April bills would be presented in May. The payroll was approved for April:

Staff	\$13,927.28
Janitors	<u>771.70</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$14,698.98</u>

The librarian gave a report on the activities during National Library Week. The outstanding programs had been the dedication of the Anne M. Boyd Room for the library science materials at which time Dean Robert Downs, director of the University of Illinois Libraries gave the chief talk. Miss Boyd thanked the library for the honor. Another program cited was the workshop for adults on "how to use the library". Appreciation was expressed for the services of the Jaycees and their wives at the Open House on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ridgley announced the Trustees' meeting in Springfield. Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Ridgley will attend.

Mr. John Sweetnam, architect explained the results of the Properties Committee Bid Opening at three o'clock for the Restroom remodeling. These bids were:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid</u>
Christy and Foltz	\$6,088
L. E. DeVore	4,936
Lester Hayes	5,158
A. F. Krall	5,000
I. R. Lewis	5,202

Mrs. Bailey moved to accept the bid of \$4,936 from DeVore. Mr. Burnett seconded the motion. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The Directors were asked to select a meeting date for the next budget study. It was decided to meet Monday at 7 PM in the Decatur Club. The Librarian asked the members if they wished to hold a combined Directors and Staff Annual Meeting as they did last year. Wednesday, May 13th was selected for the Annual meeting. It was agreed to hold a combined meeting with luncheon in the Staff Room.

A letter was read from Mr. Gore expressing appreciation for serving on the Board since 1952. Mr. Rollins will write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Gore.

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Mr. Burnett was welcomed to the Board.

The exhibition of the Architects' Association of Decatur was announced as opening Monday evening, May 11th.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Howe
Secretary