

DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY
Decatur, Illinois

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
October 30, 1959

Members Present: Mr. Madden, Mr. Burnett, Mr. Felts, Mrs. Greider, Mr. Hart, Mr. Koslofski, Mrs. Moothart, and Mrs. Ridgley. Mrs. Howe and Mrs. Appelt were present.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Madden, president at 4 PM/ Minutes of the September 25th meeting were approved as currently revised. Mr. Burnett, chairman of the Finance Committee reported on the bills presented for payment. He stated the committee had examined the bills, budget and new listing carefully, and therefore moved the bills for October be approved for payment. Mr. Hart seconded the motion. All present voted aye. The motion carried.

Staff Salaries	\$15,604.22
Janitor's Salaries	769.12
Operating Expenses	<u>16,512.69</u>
Total	\$32,886.03

Mrs. Moothart, chairman of the Properties Committee reported on the shelving for the Magic Carpet Room. The Remington Rand bid was considered the best of the four received. This company reported the order should be placed by November 1st in order to insure installation April 1st. Mrs. Moothart moved the bid be accepted and the order placed with Remington Rand for the new shelving in the Magic Carpet Room. Mr. Burnett seconded the motion. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Bids had been presented and discussed at the Sept. meeting.

Mrs. Ridgley, chairman of the Personnel Committee, asked the Librarian to report on the personnel matters. A meeting was being arranged with the Civil Service Commission for the following Tuesday at four o'clock. Mr. Bodnar and Mr. Dellert would meet with the Cabinet and the Personnel Committee on Wednesday.

Mr. Madden reported the Salary Survey had been completed by the Librarian. 112 libraries had been asked to submit data and 82 replied. He said the Personnel Committee would study the statistics and commented the data was valuable because it was up-to-date.

The parking problems were discussed. Mr. Burnett reported a city committee is studying the problem. A suggestion was made to purchase the Legion Building next door, tear it down and make a parking lot with meters to defray the cost.

The Librarian reported that books had been taken to the National Bible Week exhibit held in Fairview Plaza. This room would make excellent quarters for a branch library.

Mr. Madden urged all members to think about the purpose of the Library and suggested a whole meeting be devoted to the subject before the end of the fiscal year. Mrs. Ridgley asked all members to read the article on Friends of the Library in the recent Library Journal.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. Howe
Secretary