# DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY DECATUR, ILLINOIS

Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting - September 18, 1986

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Decatur Public Library was held September 18, 1986, in the board room of the main library.

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Others Present:
Mrs. Lutovsky Mr. Mueller Mrs. Rossiter Mr. Sorensen Mr. Susler	Mrs. Alpi Mrs. Jackson Mrs. Murphy Mr. Seidman	Mrs. Cook Mr. Seidl

The meeting was called to order by the President, Marshall Susler, at  $4:55\ p.m.$ 

The minutes of the regular Board meeting of August 21, 1986, were approved as submitted.

In his City Librarian's Report, Mr. Seidl stated that the Library's circulation for August was down 4 percent from August of last year. Possible reasons could be the beautiful weather we had and the fact that August 1986 had 26 days, compared to August 1985's 27 days. The major drop was in printed materials. Adult, youth and juvenile collections all dropped. Home reading and Extension Departments declined; while Juvenile, Reference and Audio-Visual/Young Adult Departments gained.

Mr. Seidl reported that Mrs. Shroyer from the Extension Department displayed library books, tapes and videos at the Health Fair and also at the Phoenix Park Festival which helps the Library's image in the community.

Continuing, Mr. Seidl informed the Board that 29 percent of the book budget has now been spent; although the figure should be at 33 1/3 percent.

The Children's Department program, "Readers on the Move" was very successful with 1,750 children participating. This year the summer reading program stressed all types of material, which caused an increase in non-fiction reading as well as fiction. Three hundred one pre-schoolers participated in pre-school reading programs where parents read to their children.

Decatur Public Library received a donation of 2,100 books and 2,700 records. Mr. Seidl said this donation was shared with the Millikin University Library.

Board members were informed of a meeting on Wednesday afternoon, September 24, at Rolling Prairie Library, to talk about \$20,000 LSCA grants. The Decatur Public Library could possibly secure one of these grants in a specific area for financial help. Also, Mr. Seidl said that Mr. Plotzke from Rolling Prairie Library is looking into a block grant for which Decatur Public Library could apply.

Regarding the Library's building needs for a new roof and carpeting, Mr. Mueller stated that Ron Lappi, City Finance Director, told him that when the Library needs these major repairs, the money would be there for them. It was decided that long-range plans and goals must be formulated in order to get grant money for the Library's needs.

Mrs. Rossiter made a motion that a special committee be set up for the purpose of devising ways of getting additional financing for the Library. Mrs. Lutovsky seconded the motion, and the motion carried by voice vote. Mr. Sorensen suggested that the Friends of the Library could be involved in this endeavor of publicizing the Library's needs, so that people will think of the Library when they make donations to charitable organizations. Mr. Susler will make appointments to this new committee at the next regular Board meeting.

Next there was discussion concerning the Personnel Policy and Public Relations Committee business. The Library's attorney, Mr. Booth, said the policy of having patrons pay the cost of our using the Credit Bureau is acceptable. A registration card will state that the patron will have to pay any charges that the Library incurs when using the Credit Bureau's services to collect delinquency payments owed the Library by that patron. Patrons already registered will have to be advised of this also.

In the report of the Evaluation Committee, Mr. Mueller called a meeting for Tuesday, September 23.

Under old business, Mr. Seidl said that a citizen's survey needs to be done for the Secretary of State by October 1 of next year. Mr. Mueller made a motion that the Library Board of Directors authorize the Decatur Public Library to have a citizen's survey made by the University of Illinois. Mrs. Rossiter seconded the motion, and it carried by voice vote. The survey will cost \$2,500 and will be a valuable tool for the Library in setting goals. By getting its request in early, Decatur Public Library will have an input into the questions asked and whether it will be a mail or telephone survey.

Also, under old business, Mr. Susler directed the Evaluation Committee to take up the salary for the new City Librarian at its September 23 meeting.

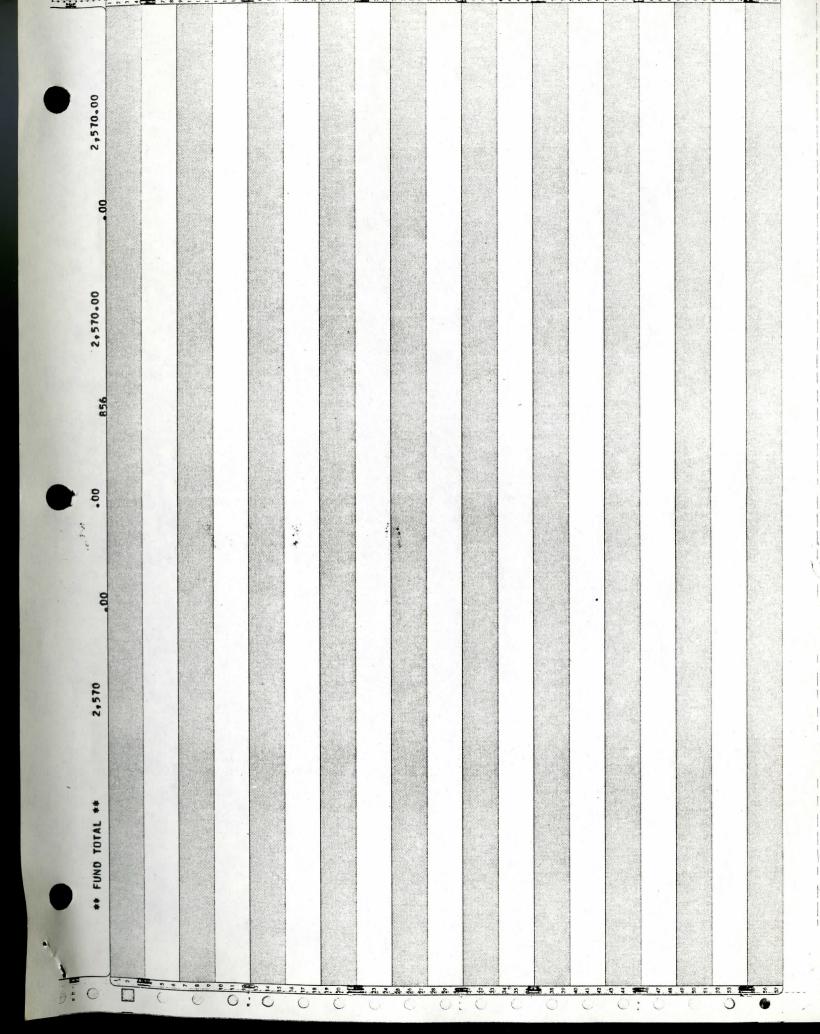
				The state of the s																		
PAGE 15	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	MATERIALS TO MAINT BLDGS	JEFICE SUPPLIES SOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS NOTO-VISUAL MATERIALS	SOURS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS SOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS SUFFICE SUPPLIES	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SOOKS, RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	SOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES JANITORIAL SUPPLIES SOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	NUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS  FIGE SUPPLIES  MATERIALS	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS BOOKS, RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS SOCKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	SERV TO HAINT BUILDINGS	ADDO-VISUAL MATERIALS AND BINDING AND BINDING	300KS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	SOURS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS ADVERTISING	SOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS SERV TO MAINI OFFICE EQUIP SMALL CAPITAL ITEMS	SOURS RECURDS AND EXHIBITS ADVERTISSING RAINT OFFICE EQUIP	DEFICE SUPPLIES ENPLOYEE RECOGNITION SUPPLIES	SERV TO MAINT OFFICE EQUIP TELEPHONE TENTAL-EQUIPMENT	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS AUDIO-XISUAL MATERIALS AUDIOS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS	DFFICE SUPPLIES DFFICE SUPPLIES AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS	6 BOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS 6 OFFICE SUPPLIES 6 AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS 6 SERV TO MAINT IMPROVEMENTS	SOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBITS RENTAL-EQUIPMENT
AND PAYROLLS	ENDING 8/27/86 CHECK, CHECK	3064 8/27/8/	3078 8/27/8 3085 8/27/8 3086 8/27/8	3087 8/27/8 3088 8/27/8 3091 8/27/9	3112 8/21/8	3115 8/27/8 3120 8/27/8	3126 8/27/8 3139 8/27/8 3140 8/27/8	3141 8/21/8 3168 8/27/8 3169 8/27/8	3170 6/27/8	3182 8/27/8 3185 8/27/8 3185 8/27/8	3188 8/27/8	3203 8/27/8 3204 8/27/8 32104 8/27/8	3211 8/27/8 3212 8/27/8	3226 8/21/8 3226 8/27/8 3227 8/27/8	3227 8/27/8 3228 8/27/8 3228 8/27/8	3230 8/27/8 3235 8/27/8 3235 8/27/8	3235 8/21/8 3235 8/21/8	3255 8/21/8 3255 8/21/8 3255 8/21/8	3256 8/21/8 3251 8/21/8 3269 8/21/8	3268 8/21/8 3279 8/21/8 3289 8/21/8 3290 8/21/8	3291 8/21/8 3293 8/21/8 3293 8/21/8 3296 8/21/8	3297 8/21/8 3304 8/21/8
Y OF DECATUR, ILL. BILLS	FOR PERIOD		3			ŗ.	A OF			INC	Se INC.	EAU C-			ues			7	PINC	Complete Submission S. C. Line Safety	46.00 146.00 146.50	17 142
CITY DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY	1									NORSTAR VIDEO C	OF FICIAL AIRLIN	PUBLISHERS CENTRAL B	PILOT BOOKS PENTON/IPC		R R BOWKER ROLLING PRAIRIE LI ROLLING PRAIRIE LI				STERAN JANSEE SPORTS ILLUSTRA	86 TOTAL PLASTICS 86 VESTRON VIDEO	6 VOGUE 6 MAIT'S 6 MAIT'S 6 MASTE HAULING	堂员

BILLS AND PAYROLLS

CITY OF DECATUR, ILL.

GLA3120

CENTER   CONTRICT	DESCRIPTION	FEGULAR SALARIES	AUDITING SERVICES EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION	HOSPITAL AND HEDICAL INSURANCE MORKMEN'S COMPENSATION OF THE ILLE INSURANCE ROLL FOR INSURANCE	PROPERTY INSU GENERAL LINE GROUP LIFE IN	UFFICE SUPPLI TRANSFER TO 6 POSTAGE TELEPHONE	SERV TO MAINT AUTO EQUI CONFERENCES AND OTHER T POSTAGE	MAIERIALS TO MAIN NATERIAL TO MAIN OFFICE SUPPLIES EMPLOYE RECOGNI	TEMPORARY SALA BOOKS RECORDS TELEPHONE	POSTAGI MATERI MATERI OFFICE	EMPLOYEE RECO POSTAGE TELEPHONE ACOKS RECORDS	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS MATERIALS TO MAINT BLDGS ANDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS ANDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS BOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBIT BOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBIT	BOOKS RECOR BOOKS RECOR BOOKS RECOR BOOKS RECOR	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS MATERIALS TO MAINT BLD AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS	BOOKS RECORDS AND EXHI BOOKS RECORDS AND EXHI OFFICE SUPPLIES	BOOKS RECORD AUDIO-VISUA BOOKS RECORD	OFFICE SUPPLIES OFFICE SUPPLIES MATERIALS TO MAINT BLDGS BOOKS RECORDS AND EXHIBIT
VENDUR  VENDUR  FAST PARKEL  CLEARING  FAST PARKEL  FAST	CHEC	8/06/		8000	8000	8/08/ 8/12/ 8/13/	8/14/ 8/14/ 8/14/	8/14/8	8/27 8/21/ 8/25/	8888 8888 8888 8888 8888 8888 8888 8888 8888	8/25/ 8/26/ 8/26/	8/27/8	8/27/ 8/27/ 8/27/	8/21/8 8/21/1/8 8/21/1/8	8/27/ 8/27/ 8/27/ 8/27/	8/27/ 8/27/ 8/27/	200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200	8/27/ 8/27/ 8/27/ 8/27/
PASS-PAYROLL CLEARING EAST-PAYROLL CLEARING EAST-PAYROLL CLEARING EAST-PAYROLL CLEARING EAST-PAYROLL CLEARING EAST-NON MEDICAL INNS	AMDUNT	1,379	200-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-	886 900 900 900 900	123 6023 101 101 101 101 101 101 101 101 101 10	824 500 183	13-80	2.10 2.10 1.47 4.00 39.867.93	15,882,08	12.08 10.18 10.18 1.98	11 . 83 24 . 86 103 . 01	110-00 376-15	1.54 4.65 8.00 8.00 8.00	517 112 112	\$-25 5-49 30-69	240-00 240-00 20-16	13.42 22.99 51.75	12-50 779-31 17-05 182-16
	~	EAS-PAYROLL CLE	T SELL FEEFTHONE CU AT, MARNICK, MITCHELL & BURT, LOU ANN	EAS-MEDICAL INSURA EAS-NON MEDICAL IN EAS-NON MEDICAL IN	AS-NON MEDICAL INS AS-NON MEDICAL INS AS-NON MEDICAL INS AS-CENTRAL GARAGE F	EAS-GENERAL FUND EAS-GENERAL FUND STMASTER DECATUR, IL	AS-PETTY CASH AS-PETTY CASH AS-PETTY CASH	AS-PETTY CASH AS-PETTY CASH AS-PETTY CASH AS-PETTY CASH AS-PETTY CASH	AS-PAYROLL CLEARING ON CIY HISTORICAL SOCI AS-IMPE	AS-PETTY CAS AS-PETTY CAS AS-PETTY CAS	TMASTER COMMUNICATION	E LIBRARY ASSN SOCIATED OFFICE FURNISHING SID BUFF CO. INC.	LEBY, HYERS & CLARK AZAR, INC RICAN ERNATIVE SOURCES OF EN	RICAN ARTIST RICAN LEGION STATE HDQ GER & TAYLOR CO	S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S	LBOARD TER HOMES & GARDENS OCK & CO. INC.	MPION PRESS RRIUS MUSIC. LTD CKET MAGAZINE	ATUR BLUE PRINT ATUR PAPER HOUSE ATUR PAINT & VARNI



- L				•					
0	GLA3010	REPO	RF OF EXPEN	REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR BUDGER FY 1986-87 21 DPL-CAPITAL PROJECTS	FY 1986-87	21 OPL-CAPITAL	PROJECTS	PAGE 47 8/31/86	
0	-	BUNGET EXPENDITURES	ENDIT POKES	KEAR-TO-DATE	V-T-P BUDGET	UNEXPENDED ENCUMBERANC		UNENCUMBERED PRONT	
6	900 EXPENDITURES	2,570	00°	00*	856	2,570,00	00.	2,570,00	
		2,570	00.	00.	856	2,570.00	00.	2.570.00	
0		21213							
. 0		*							
						•			
3 <b>(3</b> 3 5 )									

. 2. 2.

141,922,34 635,152,73 718,509 1537,808,07 400		<b>Y</b> !	
	193579 868-07	638,152.93	1,996,021

Color   Colo	20	LA3010	~	REPORT OF EXPEN	FEXPENDITURES TO BUDGET	FY 1986-87	20 DECATUR	PUBLIC LIBRARY	PAG 8/	31/8
1	800	DESCRIPTION		EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES	WoceP	UNEXPENDED	UMBERANC	JNENC UMBERED BALANCE	PRCNT
CONTRACTOR NAME OF STATE OF ST		PERSONAL SERVICE					,	Ş	,	
CONTRICTED TO THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT	0000	OVERTIMES TEMPORARY SALARTES RETTREMENT-IMRE	27,356	3,497	12.958.2 59.289.5	1 00	03000		397.7	45.03
THE COUNTRY CO	11111111111111111111111111111111111111	GROUP LIFE INSURANCE HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL NORKMEN'S COM PEDICAL SERVICE RECOGNITION	46.789 21.672 2.013	809 806-	622 622 632 632 632 632		1,192		1 92 4 48 3 80	<b>JUNIO</b>
CONTRICT		CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	,460,	12	,716.2	86.	3,253.	00*	3,253.	**
Care	200	BUNTING AND BINDING	7.5 0000	7360	63.00 80.00 80.00 80.00		0000 0000 0000	8888	9890	6 3
Comparison   Com	- N	ENV TO MAINT AUTO EQUIPMENT TO MAINT OFFICE EQUI	200	2400 2500 2500	902		748 748 90	0000	1.288.4 4.778.2 8.190.2	
COMMUNITIES   CONTINUE   CONTIN	200	AS EL EPHONE ATER	SOL	.690	1001		500	888	533.0	-
The properties   12,437   12,474.78   13,500   14,500	W-4	UDITING SERVICES ONFERENCES AND OTHER TRAV	U DE	300	000	9 9	946	888	946-0	30
COMMODITIES  COMMO	ての母	TITION REIMBURSEMENT THER PROFESSIONAL SERVI	NOW		402	333	1000 1000 1000	2000	1000 1000 1000	
COMMODITES  COMMODITES  COMMODITES  COMMODITES  2,100  100.67	60	ENIAL-EGOI PAEN	62,4	2,474.	,318.	0	12,118.	00.	12,118.5	10
CAPITAL CULLAY   CAPITAL CAP	0:	ADDITIES PLINETE	and C	• •	33.		200.0		200.0	~
THER CHARGES  OTHER COOLUGE  OTHER CHARGES  OTHER C	200	TORIAL SUPPLIES FREEZE RIALS TO MAINT BLDG	2.5	.171.	41.		1,746-4 0,158-8		1,746.4 100.0 0,158.8	w w
OTHER CHARGES  OTHER CHARGE  OTHER CHARGES  OTHER C	Ser	CAL SUPPLIES FIRE TO MAINT AUTO CE SUPPLIES OYEE RECOGNITION SE	5.0	1116	1.800	98	199.2		3,199	
STATE   CAPITAL DUTLAY   CAPITAL DUTLA		ER CHARGES	116	502.	,386.	16.	.218.4	000	,218.4	l <sub>w</sub>
29 GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE 1:224 602:00 2:408:00 0 4.816:00 0 4.816:00 0 4.816:00 0 4.816:00 0 4.816:00 0 0 4.816:00 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0000	DATINGENCIES RANSFER TO GENERAL FUN OTOR VEHICLE-INSURANCE	0007	310	:242	200	2.590 2.594.0		2,484	
CAPITAL DUTLAY  10 AUTUHUTIVE EQUIPMENT  12 AUDITO-VISUAL MATERIALS  28 6.287 79.025.89  10 AUTOHUTIVE EQUIPMENT  28 6.287 6.000  28 7.589 6.000  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.00  28 7.589 7.580 7.58	2000	KOPERTO INSURANCE ENERAL LIABILITY INSUR MALL CAPITAL ITEMS	222	ONM	493 223	121	986.0		986.0	wwo
16 DUTURUDI DE COLOR STATE OF THE COLOR STATE OF TH			21.	,320°	,705.8	i ic	1.910.	00.	1.910.	
286,287 18,381.47 79,025.89 147,100 207,261.11 .00 207,261.	11100	UTCHOTIVE EQUIPMENT FFICE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMONTS OF SECORDS AND EXHIBITS	222	4,107.5	848 230 536 410	2000	4.152.0 8.057.0 7.563.0	0000	28 1 52 28 0 57 27 5 6 3	שה פי
	J		86,2	8,381.4	,025.	47,1	07,261.1	8	07,261.1	12

#### STATISTICAL REPORT

August, 1986

CIRCULATION	Adult Adult	Youth Youth	Juvenile Juvenile	Total Total	12 Months 12 Months to Date
Total Books, 1986	26,668	2,289	21,485	50,442	649,629
1985	29,582	2,328	21,601	53,511	639,369
A-V Materials, 1986	6,296		544	5 <b>6</b> ,840	76,762
1985	5,872		485	6,357	61,782
Total circulation,	32,964 35,454	2,289 2,328	22,029 22,086	57,282 59,868	726,391 701,151

### TECHNICAL PROCESSING

Cataloging		Acquisitions	
New books added	1,515	Books checked in	1,763
New titles added	580	Telephone directories	-0-
Books withdrawn	439	Pamphlets	51
Books mended	733	Gifts, books	1,014
		Gifts, record	1,685

Materials in the State of Processing
Materials (physical items) - 647
Titles - 520

# FINANCIAL REPORT

	Budgeted	1985/86	1986/87	Unencumbere
Personal Services Operating	1,460,970	413,689	477,716	983,253
Capital and Books	248,764 286,287	59,823 63,915	80,410 79,025	66,446 207,261

# STAFF STRENGTH

	Strength Previous Month	Terminations	New Staff	Present Strength
Professional	7			7
Library Assistants	8+5 (400 hrs)			8+5 (400 hrs)
Clerical	23+22 (1720)	1		22 + 22
Maintenance	$3\frac{1}{2}$			3 ½

Current Vacancies: TS Clerk, half-time, Assistant City Librarian, Cataloger, Head Cataloger

Computer Down-time for Month: 1 hr 15 min

Under new business, Mr. Susler made an announcement that Rolling Prairie Library is having a systems plan of corporation meeting on October 14 at 7 p.m. They will be drafting policies saying how the system will work with different libraries and what their criteria is for membership in Rolling Prairie Library System. The first meeting will be setting goals for the System. Mr. Susler went on to say that the multi-type really means that nonpublic libraries will have a say in the expenditure of public monies. The State should not be able to dictate state-wide regulations for all libraries, as each System has different needs to fill in its community. Mrs. Lutovsky did point out, however, that the System has benefited Decatur Public Library by taking over services, such as "Talking Books" and inter-library loans. Mr. Susler urged the Board members to attend the October 14 meeting to stand up for local control rather than state control of libraries.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m. by Mr. Susler, President of the Board.

Janna Lutovsky

Secretary of the Board

Regarding personnel matters, Mr. Seidl informed the Board that Sharon Bakula from Greenville, North Carolina will start November 3 in Harvey Inman's cataloging position. She has had experience working with the OCLC computer as well as an excellent background in cataloging. Mr. Seidl will be interviewing on Friday, September 26, for the Cataloging Librarian position. Also, interviews for Miss Schwegman's position are being held, and it will be filled within a week.

Mr. Scholtz has had articles published in two magazines, Greenleaf and Consumer Digest, and has started work on a book.

Mr. Seidl has offered IBM computer training to the staff. In three days, 32 staff members signed up.

In response to Mr. Sorensen's question about the Assistant Librarian position, Mr. Seidl explained that the loss of total funding for the Library budget forces him to leave that position open. In order to receive assistance in his position as City Librarian, Mr. Seidl is delegating more authority to his professional staff.

As Chairman of the Finance and Properties Committee, Mrs. Rossiter led the discussion of the bills for August. The new station wagon was rustproofed and undercoated. Payment was made to the Secretary of State's office for OCLC telecommunication charges rather than paying monthly (to save money). Mrs. Rossiter made a motion that the bills paid in August be approved. It was seconded by Mrs. Lutovsky and passed by roll call vote.

Further reporting, Mrs. Rossiter said that money should be put in the budget next year to improve the front doors. New closures would cost \$1,200 to \$1,500 and enable the doors to open easier. Other alternatives are the pneumatic power assisters (\$3,500-\$4,000), the electric door openers (\$4,500), and the "push and go" operation using a button. It was recommended that only one set of doors--either east or west set, not the center doors--be made to have easier access. These are wide enough for the handicapped to use. Further study will have to be done before next year, and architects will need to get their specifications and working drawings developed around the first of May, 1987.

Considerable discussion followed concerning the Library's financial problems. The City does not want to increase its tax levi by more than five percent in order to avoid a public hearing and tax referendum. In order to meet the proposed budget, the library must save 5 percent (\$100,000) of its 1986/87 budget. The only line item presently overspent is temporary salary line due to a budgeting error.