DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES February 17, 1994

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Patricia Williams, Secretary. Members present: Ms. Williams, Janice Lambert, Richard Lockmiller, Edmund McClure, and David Pritts. Absent: Stanley Sitton, Daniel Gaumer, Gary Pasek, and John Stengel. Staff present: John Moorman, Leta Burch, and Linda Humphreys. Others present: Owen Balding.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 20, 1994 were approved as mailed.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Owen Balding addressed the Board on a variety of his concerns.

IV. CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Leta Burch, Staff Artist, discussed her duties in both the Staff Artist position and the new Public Information Officer position.

The City Librarian's report was previously mailed.

Mr. Moorman reported that the Barn Colony will have its annual art show in the auditorium during the second week of May.

Representatives of GEAC will be in the auditorium on February 23 at 3:00 p.m. to demonstrate LIBS 100+ including the new acquisitions and serials modules.

The first contract negotiation will be February 24 at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Booth will be preparing summaries for the Board after each meeting.

A state Library Task Force has been formed to investigate and recommend funding for libraries that would reduce dependence upon property tax. John Dunn is one representative from this area.

The compact disks will soon be out of the locked cases. Circulation of the CD's is expected to increase.

Laura Cornille Cannady will present a training seminar on change for the staff in March.

Mr. Moorman is working on a report for the Board about statewide circulation statistics.

V. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Personnel, Policy, and Public Relations Committee: The Committee did not meet.

Finance and Properties Committee: Mr. McClure made a motion to approved the January bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lockmiller and unanimously carried on roll call vote.

The Committee did not meet.

Rolling Prairie: Mr. Lockmiller attended the February meeting. ILA legislative day is April 13. The state capitol building will be turned into a library for a day. Rolling Prairie will soon be getting a watts line. The system will be hiring a full-time automation consultant.

Foundation: The discussion of Foundation plans and programs was tabled for one month. Mr. Lockmiller passed out copies of the Foundation's Mission Statement and Long Range Plan.

Friends of the Library: The Friends did not meet this month.

VI. AVENUES TO EXCELLENCE II

Chapter X was reviewed.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

The DPL/District 61 Joint Use Facility Project Committee met today. The school district will soon be purchasing the same circulation system that the library has. The committee will be looking at intergovernmental agreements.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of policy regarding communications from the public: A letter from Ed Booth was received on this subject. The bylaws state that comments may be made on any issue of public concern. There was discussion about restricting comments to library business. This will be further discussed next month. Mr. Moorman will prepare proposed language changes in the bylaws.

Long Range Plan: This committee should meet in March.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Williams adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Williams, Secretary Decatur Public Library Board of Trustees