MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE SKOKIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Held May 11, 1977, at 6:00 p.m. in the

Library Board Room

Members Present: Walter Flintrup, Diana Hunter, Richard Lindberg, Shirley Merritt, John Wozniak, Norma Zatz, Rabbi Karl Weiner, President and Miss Mary Radmacher, Chief Librarian

President Weiner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Minutes of the April 13, 1977 Board Meeting were read and Shirley Merritt moved acceptance with correction of the word "will" to "might" on Page 8, fifth line from the bottom. Motion seconded and on roll call carried unanimously.

MOTION:

That the Minutes of the Skokie Public Library Board of Directors Meeting held April 13, 1977, be approved as corrected.

Upon review of the financial statements and bills, Dr. Wozniak moved and Mr. Flintrup seconded the motion which on roll call vote was unanimously approved.

MOTION:

That the financial statements for the General Operating Fund, Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Sites and Buildings and Library Construction Fund be accepted, subject to audit.

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That the lists of bills for the General Operating Fund in the amounts of \$6,304.90 and \$46,904.84 be approved for payment.

Miss Radmacher reported that due to Mrs. Sarver's absence there are no annual reports to present at this time.

Because a larger than anticipated amount remains in some lines of the budget, especially the salary line of the budget, for several reasons among which were 1) with the bi-weekly payroll one week of the 1976-77 fiscal year is carried into the 1977-78 fiscal year; 2) retirement of a Department Head, etc.; and funds remain in maintenance of buildings and grounds, as a result \$100,000.00 may be transferred from the Operating Budget to the Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Sites and Buildings. Motion by Mr. Flintrup, seconded by Mr. Lindberg which, on roll call vote carried unanimously.

MOTION:

To transfer \$100,000.00 from the Operating Budget to the Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Sites and Buildings.

Circulation reports for the month of April were examined and after discussion of possible means of increasing circulation the reports were ordered to be placed on file.

In a discussion on the book bags Mrs. Merritt suggested enclosing one with the Welcome Wagon kit along with the Skokie Public Library application cards. Mr. Flintrup mentioned their distribution through children's programs.

The receipt of a gift of \$25.00 from the Civic Woman's Club of Skokie was gratefully acknowledged.

Miss Radmacher reported the following personnel changes: the resignations of Miss Roberta Binder, Young People & Children's Department, effective March 29, 1977; Mrs. Kyung Ock Lee, Technical Services Department, effective March 11, 1977; and Mrs. Ruth Lynn, Young People & Children's Department, effective April 25, 1977.

Dr. Wozniak retired from the Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

A letter from Miss Mary's Preschool was received commending Mrs. Sue Stein and Mrs. Ruth Lynn, Children's Librarians.

Mrs. Hunter reported for the Sculpture Fund Committee with her and Mr. Flintrup's suggestions for a Chairman (Don Rumsfeld) and size of Committee (5 or 6 members). Discussion followed.

Mr. Flintrup accepted reappointment as the Skokie Public Library representative to the North Suburban Library System Board of Directors and reported on the previous NSLS Board meeting.

Reference was made to the appointment of LaDonna Kienitz to head the Lincolnwood Library Demonstration Project.

Regarding the legal overdue statement Mr. Di Leonardi has not had time to make his legal recommendations - nor to talk with Harvey Schwartz, Village corporation counsel re including the Skokie Public Library in Village Vandalism Ordinance.

The mechanical condition of the Bookmobile was discussed. Mr. Flintrup has contacted NORTRAN for the Library regarding acquisition of an old bus which might be available to us, also inspection and examination by them of our Bookmobile. The Bookmobile is in need of some major repairs. After inspection by Mr. Adcock of NORTRAN a decision can be reached. Mr. Lindberg expressed concern over considering a bus 18 years old with 1,000,000 miles on it. The Board agreed that Mr. Flintrup should have the Bookmobile inspected by Mr. Adcock and hear his recommendations.

Mrs. Hunter reported on revenue sharing funds hearing she attended at the Niles Township Office on behalf of the Skokie Public Library.

Rabbi Weiner retired from the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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Mrs. Hunter, Vice President, then presided and reported on the 3rd Annual Library Legislative Day held in Washington, D.C. April 19, 1977. She met with Congressman Mikva and spoke with Senator Stevenson's legislative assistant.

Miss Radmacher reported on the six National Library Week programs on the Treasures of Tutankhamun presented by Mrs. Gerda Frank for all fourth graders in Skokie schools (public and parochial).

Miss Radmacher expressed appreciation of Mrs. Frank's contribution to the Skokie Public Library. Mrs. Frank is a volunteer at the Field Museum of Natural History.

Miss Radmacher referred to the problem of heat and cold, depending upon the season, around the water court. Use of drapery or rearrangement of furniture are possibilities to improve the situation. Mr. Lindberg suggested talking to Mr. Hammond regarding solution.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on motion by Mr. Lindberg.

John M. Wozniak

Secretary