

September 12, 1974

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Skokie Public Library held September 12, 1974 at 5:30 p.m. in the Library.

Members present: Diana Hunter, Shirley Merritt, Richard Telingator and Rabbi Karl Weiner, Miss Mary Radmacher, Chief Librarian.

Rabbi Weiner presided.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held August 14, 1974 were approved and accepted on motion by Mrs. Hunter, seconded by Dr. Telingator. Motion carried.

Miss Radmacher informed the Board an announcement of the change in non-resident fees is posted at the Circulation desk.

The Board questioned payment from the Construction Fund of \$639.18 to Wiss, Janney, Elstner and Associates because it is an addition to the amount originally approved and paid. The following motion was made by Mrs. Hunter, seconded by Mrs. Merritt, which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion: That the lists of bills for the General Fund in the amounts of \$148.68 and \$16,533.22 and the bills for the Construction Fund, with the exception of the Wiss, Janney, Elstner and Associates bill, be approved for payment.

In discussion concerning the charge by Wiss, Janney, Elstner and Associates, it was pointed out that the architects approved the charge and justified why it was in excess of the amount originally specified. Motion by Dr. Telingator, seconded by Mrs. Merritt, which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion: That the Skokie Public Library Board approve payment of the invoice received from Wiss, Janney Elstner and Associates in the amount of \$639.18.

Miss Radmacher informed the Board of personnel appointments and resignations.

Mrs. Hunter had no report at this time from the North Suburban Library System Board.

Regarding the piano situation, Miss Radmacher reported that, to the best of her knowledge the Krakows did not see the Chickering piano at the Admiral Music Company because, in their opinion, it is too small and the cost too high. In response to Mrs. Litwin's telephone call about a piano, Rabbi Weiner informed her a piano will have to be rented when necessary.

Rabbi Weiner read a letter received from Mr. Lindberg concerning application to the Dr. Scholl Foundation for a grant for the purchase of a piano for this Library. An application was enclosed to be prepared and presented at a July meeting. Applications are received every year in the month of July. The applications are reviewed, awards made in September and payment in December of each year. This would preclude any possibility of getting a piano until 1976. Discussion followed whether it would be possible to commit the money for the expenditure and apply for the grant based upon the Library's commitment. Mr. Di Leonardi said there is now an amendment to the Library act which permits libraries to purchase on an installment plan and this might have some bearing on applying for and receiving a grant under such commitment.

Mr. Di Leonardi reporting on the status of the arbitration said the three arbitrators named include one attorney, a structural engineer and an architect. He said he had cleared most of the month of November to be available and, hopefully, there will be no problem getting together. Arbitration will probably be set for the latter part of the month. Libby-Owens-Ford has made no statement and the representative from National Hamilton reported the LOF will not join in the arbitration.

The lawn sprinkler situation which is outside of the Corrigan contract was reported on by Miss Radmacher. Mr. Di Leonardi said he wrote Mr. Höglund outlining points to proceed.

Miss Radmacher reported she checked with the Illinois State Office in Chicago and was advised Illinois will observe November 11 as Veterans' Day,

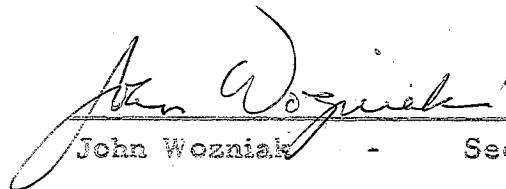
although the Federal Government designated the fourth Monday in October as Veterans' Day. She asked for an opinion from the Board as to the date for the Library's observance. Consensus of the Board to observe the same day as the local schools.

Miss Radmacher reminded the Board of the Village Open House on September 29 and advised the Library will participate. Ms. Palmore is in charge of this project and will probably show some films. A more suitable location than last year has been requested. Mrs. Hunter suggested young staff members be asked to man the booth.

Miss Radmacher reported she had nothing additional to report on the Blue Cross/Blue Shield situation.

Rabbi Weiner reported receiving a call from Judge Sullivan which was a three-way conversation with assistant village manager Mr. Brady. Judge Sullivan had asked for space in the Village Board Room for the Juvenile Court which could not be granted. Village Board member Mr. McCabe suggested using the second floor meeting room in the Library. This was not Mr. Brady's suggestion. Rabbi Weiner checked with Miss Radmacher and she advised that room is in use much of the time and could not be made available at the times specified by Juvenile Court.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p. m. on motion by Mrs. Hunter, to discuss the personnel audit under way by Dr. Ronald Miller.


John Wozniak - Secretary