

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Skokie Public Library was held at Lincoln School, January 14th, 1959 with the following members present: Mrs. W. C. Griffin, Mr. L.C. Green, Mr. George Savage, Mr. Louis Weingart and Mrs. Leo James Regan. Miss Mary Radmacher, Librarian, Mr. Wesley Pipher and Mrs. Dolores Miller of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Architects, were also present.

The reading of the minutes of the December meeting was dispensed with owing to the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Babb. Mrs. Griffin then appointed Mrs. Regan acting Secretary.

Mrs. Miller presented a furniture layout scheme; and furniture, equipment and placing of same were discussed at length. Mr. Pipher then presented suggested landscape ideas, and will present more detailed plans with costs later.

Mr. Green moved and Mr. Savage seconded a motion that we accept the Financial Report for December, 1958. All ayes. Mr. Savage moved that the bills be paid as presented and Mr. Weingart seconded this motion. All ayes.

Miss Radmacher gave her report including recommendations for:

- (A) Increase in lighting in the auditorium. At present the specifications call for 25 foot candles of light in the auditorium - the remainder of the building has almost 50 foot candles. There are conceivably certain types of programs and activities for which 25 foot candles of light is insufficient. An increase in light may merit consideration. At least we must be aware of existing limitations.
- (B) Provision should be made for a closing signal. This should be installed for control from the circulation desk.

The Board authorized Miss Radmacher to secure more information from the architects regarding the above recommendations.

Building plans were further discussed.

Circulation for December 1958 showed 62% increase. During the calendar year of 1958, 8009 volumes were added to the book collection. This is a significant figure in-as-much as it represents approximately 20% of the library's entire collection.

Correspondence was read.

Announcement was made of the American Library Association Mid-Winter Conference January 27 - 31 at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago.

A motion was made by Mr. Weingart to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Savage. All ayes.

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