Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Skokie Public Library held January 13, 1971 at 5:30 p.m. in the Lecture Room of the Library

Members present: Mrs. Diana Hunter, Mrs. Selma Petty, Dr. John Wozniak, and Rabbi Karl Weiner, Miss Mary Radmacher, Chief Librarian.

Also present: Mr. James Hammond and Vincent Cameron, architects;
Mr. Harold Schiewe of Samuel R. Lewis Associates; and representatives from
Commonwealth Edison Company, Messrs. Harry Lemme and Gordon Smith.

Rabbi Weiner, President of the Board, presided.

Architect James Hammond who has been in consultation with Commonwealth Edison and Northern Illinois Gas Company regarding the concept of energy to be used in the new building stated Commonwealth Edison's proposal will be the best and most economical, leaving the present building with gas as fuel. Mr. Schiewe stated Commonwealth Edison provides free electricity for the present building. The new building will have improved lighting with approximately 200 ft. candles. This will give good lighting and provide waste heat by proper design of the system. In other words, ventilated light fixtures have been designed. There will be individual room control and a high level of lighting. A 300-ton refrigeration system will provide cooling and there will be an electric boiler to provide heat in the building in order to maintain heat loss from the outside. The drawings have been reviewed by Commonwealth Edison as well as the rate structure. A point of agreement has been reached whereby Commonwealth Edison will continue to serve this existing building at no charge.

Commonwealth Edison representatives commended Mr. Hammond and Mr. Schiewe on their excellent job in designing the library. They further stated the lighting in the present building can be doubled per foot candles and still maintain the rate structure within this building if some money can be spent to improve the standard of lighting.

Mrs. Hunter asked about the possibility of a "brown out," and was told assurance has been received of a supply of electricity for years to come. Commonwealth's load is in the summer. In case of a "brown out" the Library would be one of the last places

asked to shut down. Commonwealth Edison quoted as follows: Estimated usage, \$27,440.10 less 45 o/o or \$12,348.05 for the new building plus \$1,068.14 for snow melting and water heating. Free service in the old building at the rate of 22 amounts to \$28,282.64 annually.

Rabbi Weiner said the Library Board should have a firm understanding the architects and engineers have reviewed everything and found it the best way to handle this building. Commonwealth Edison plan to send a letter spelling out exactly what was discussed at this meeting.

The representatives from Commonwealth Edison Company retired from the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The regular meeting reconvened in the Conference Room at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes of the December 9, 1970 meeting were approved on motion by Dr. Wozniak and seconded by Mrs. Hunter. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial statements for the month of December, 1970 for the General Operating Fund, Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Sites and Buildings, Library Construction Fund and NSLS-CAP were accepted and approved on motion by Mrs. Hunter, seconded by Dr. Wozniak. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Petty, seconded by Dr. Wozniak which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion:

That the lists of bills payable for the General Operating Fund in the amounts of \$26,498.33 and \$30.00; Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Sites and Buildings in the amount of \$640.28; Construction Fund in the amount of \$20,018.55; and NSLS-CAP in the amount of \$1,312.56, be approved for payment.

Circulation Report for the month of December, 1970 was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Reciprocal borrowing with Evanston Library was discussed. Rabbi Weiner reported that Mrs. Thorpe, Evanston Public Library Board member, recently stated her approval of it.

A letter received from Mr. Howard Hummer regarding North Suburban Library

System was discussed and Mr. Hummer commended for his design of a letterhead for the System Trustees. Rabbi Weiner mentioned his concern about the fact that this Library is one of the two major libraries in the System and is constantly being left out of the government of that System. Discussion followed.

The Librarian announced a Trustees Education Conference is being given by North Suburban Library System with one of the three meetings scheduled February 1 at this Library.

Mr. Kraft and Mrs. Petty's terms of office will expire in 1971 and they will run for reelection.

In discussion of the building program and the need for immediate decisions to be made, the following motion was made by Dr. Wozniak, seconded by Mrs. Hunter which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion:

That the Building Committee be empowered to make immediate decisions both for the building and furnishings when necessary during construction.

Rabbi Weiner asked for the Board's action on Mr. Hammond's request for authorization to proceed at this time with testing projects which should be handled independently of the building contractor, so the testing laboratory can start work. Motion by Dr. Wozniak, seconded by Mrs. Hunter which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion:

That Hammond and Roesch, Inc., architects, ge be given authorization to proceed at this time with materials testing.

Miss Radmacher reported developments on the LSCA grant and stated John W. Lewis, Secretary of State, will sign the contract at a State Library staff meeting scheduled for tonight.

Mr. Vincent Cameron reporting on the building program said: (1) Preliminary permit is being negotiated with Mr. Kingsley - process paperwork without official application in order to expedite construction schedule; (2) Corrigan to submit preliminary draft of contract for review of board so that finished version will be ready for signature at appropriate time without delay; (3) Commonwealth Edison representa-

\$4,000; (5) Additional items for consideration had already been taken up with Building Committee; (6) Need to sign contract with Corrigan before February 11, 1971; and (7) Possibility of new Village Hall at Village parking lot as discussed with Mr. Arnold. He asked for approvals or concurrence on: (1) Delegation of authority to Building Committee for approval of sub-contractors, etc. and to Hammond and Roesch, Inc. to approve sub-contractors and suppliers; (2) Authorization to Hammond and Roesch, Inc. for investigation of additions to contract for cost determination and expenditure of \$5,000 to pursue this investigation; (3) Pre-testing procedures which have been authorized; (4) Approval of specific sub-contractors—all have been tentatively approved. At this time Dr. Wozniak made the following motion which was seconded by Mrs. Petty and, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion:

That the Skokie Public Library Board approve the selection of specific sub-contractors submitted by Hammond and Roesch, Inc. as follows: Ewing Plumbing Co., F. E. Moran, Inc., James W. Hardy, Inc., Hunter Clark Ventilating Co., A.C. and S., Inc., Midwest Concrete Industries, National Wrecking Co., Pirie Excavating Col, Phoenix Mfg. Co., Gateway Erectors., Inc., David Arch. Prod. Co., Evanston Fuel and Material, Ceco Corp., Sager Sealant Corp., Westinghouse Elevator, C & I Building Products, Altman Modern Woodwork, Norton Roofing, and Kedmont Waterproofing Company.

Mr. Cameron continued with his report asking approval of Building Committee authority to: Negotiate with Village regarding (Sharing cost of paving west alley areas; (2) Transfer of title or granting of easement to Library for west alley now or in future; (3) Return of permit fee monies to Library at completion of job; (4) Tiein to Village for fire and police alarms including negotiation for acquisition of additional property to west for additional parking. In discussion concerning acquisition of more property to the west, Rabbi Weiner stated this needs to be considered and thought out more completely. Mrs. Petty made the motion seconded by Dr. Wozniak which, on roll call vote, carried unanimously.

Motion:

That the Skokie Public Library Board approve or concur on items 1, 2, 3, and 4 regarding negotiations with the Village, as listed on the architect's report.

The final item Mr. Cameron discussed was Phasing of construction operations including west side site development. Hammond and Roesch's recommendation was that the site be finished permanently as soon as possible and the Board concurred.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Selma Petty - Secretary