

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 21, 1972 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BELLWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bellwood Public Library was called to order at 7:45 P.M. on June 21, 1972 in the library meeting room. Present were Mrs. Bergo, Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Kaiser, Mr.Kirkel, Mr. Korbel and Mr. Chiodo, the village representative. Mr. Katusic, Mr. Gallagher and Dr. Fletcher were absent.

The minutes of the May 24, 1972 meeting were read. A motion was made by Mrs. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Kirkel to approve the minutes as submitted. Unanimously approved by the board.

The Financial Report for the month of May, 1972 was submitted. A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Clifford to accept the report as presented. Unanimously approved by the board.

The Comparative Statement of Budget and Expenditures for the month of May, 1972 was received and placed on file.

The Finance Committee submitted the following reports of bills, a copy of which is included with these minutes:

No. 223 in the amount of \$5,882.10 No. 223A in the amount of \$6,011.66

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr, Kirkel that the President, Secretary and Village Treasurer be authorized to issue voucher checks in payment of the bills presented at this meeting. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkel and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that the library open an additional account for general funds of the Bellwood Public Library at the Bank of Commerce in Berkeley, Illinois. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that the Audit Report for the year 1971-1972, as prepared by Goldman & Weiss, be approved. Unanimously approved by the board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mrs. Clifford read a letter received from District 88 Board of Education expressing their appreciation and thanks for our cooperation during the 1971-1972 school year.

We have received a letter from the Bridgeview Public Library, 7840 West 79th St., Bridgeview, Ill., extending an invitation to attend the next Suburban Library Trustee's meeting on Thursday, June 29th at 7:30 P. M. The main topic on the agenda for this meeting will be the discussion of the formation of a Suburban Trustee's Association. Reservations for Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Bergo, Mrs. Kaiser, Mr. Kirkel and Mr. Korbel will be made.

We have received an application from the Bellwood Garden Club for use of the library meeting room on the following dates:

Sept. 11, 1972 Nov. 13, 1972 Dec. 11, 1972 Jan. 8, 1973 Feb. 12, 1973 Mar. 12, 1973 April 9, 1973 May 14, 1973

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr. Kirkel to allow them to use the meeting room as requested for a charge of \$18.00. Unanimously approved by the board.

The Library Directors Report for the month of May, 1972 was received and placed on file.

TYPEWRITERS:

Mr. Korbel requested approval of the purchase of two new Adler manual typewriters to replace two old Royal machines. A motion was made by Mrs. Clifford and seconded by Mrs. Bergo approving the purchase of 2 manual Adler typewriters from Kanak and Sons at a price of \$215.60 each. Unanimously approved by the board.

CHAIRS:

Mr. Korbel informed the board that the wire charies in the Juvenile Room have broken and that he would like to replace them with new ones. A motion was made by Mr. Kirkel and seconded by Mrs. Bergo that the Building and Grounds Committee be empowered to purchase 12 chairs for the Juvenile Room after a suitable selection and a firm price received, not to exceed \$498.00. Unanimously approved by the board.

INTERIOR DECORATION:

Mr. Korbel would like to redecorate the adult room this summer. We have received an estimate from Koski Interiors for one pair of center draw draperies, flame proofed, and a new traverse rod for a total cost of \$400.00 installed. He would also like to hire Mr. Paul Truchan to paint and prepare surfaces at a rate of \$3.00 per hour. A motion was made by Mr. Kirkel and seconded by Mrs. Clifford to approve this expenditure for new draperies and rod and the hiring of Mr. Truchan as specified. Unanimously approved by the board.

Mr. Korbel requested approval to remove the display case in the library entrance lobby, to be replaced with a charge-out desk for audio-visual materials. Mr. Kirkel suggested keeping the case and adding shelves so that it could be utilized. Mr. Korbel stated that he would investigate this suggestion. Broadview Public Library has some shelving, a 15 drawer catalog file, and four sections of charge-out desk that they wish to sell. Mr. Korbel suggested an offer of \$350.00 for all equipment or \$200.00 for the shelving and card catalog. A motion was made by Mr. Kirkel and seconded by Mrs. Clifford to offer the Broadview Library the sums mentioned for this equipment. Unanimously approved by the board.

EXTERIOR DECORATION:

Mr. Korbel called attention to the fact that the bushes along the Juvenile Room are turning brown. He would like to cement this area. It was felt that it would be better to preserve and rejuvenate the bushes or replace them with new bushes where needed. It was decided

to let the Building and Grounds Committee look further into this matter and to approach ourlandscapers, Cali & Cescalini, for some suggestions as to new plantings.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE: No Report

Mr. Korbel informed the board that an ad has been placed in the Herald and the Star Sentinel for full time mature help.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Korbel informed the board that both sump pumps stopped functioning and our boiler room started flooding. HMR Plumbing in Westchester was called and they loaned us a pump while ours were removed for estimation on repairs. They were beyond repair and it was necessary to purchase two new pumps and an alarm system for a total cost of \$265.00 installed.

FIPPINGER HOUSE:

This house, located on the corner of St. Charles and Eastern Avenue is for sale at a price of \$35,000.00. The original building dates from 1842. This piece of property has value as a Historical Landmark. It might be possible to purchase this property and utilize it as a repository for old Chicago history and local history. This might best be done through the formation of a group of interested people or organizations to preserve this property. The village board might be interested in participating in this venture, and they will be approached on the possibility of declaring this site a historical landmark. Mr. Chiodo will check into this matter.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND LEGISLATION: No Report

BROCHURE:

Mr. Korbel approached the board regarding preparation of a brochure, mainly pictures, of all the services offered at the library. It would be similar to the Memorial Park District brochure. Their cost for 10,000 copies was about \$900.00 but we could reduce the number of pages and thereby reduce the cost. Mr. Kirkel thought that the cost was excessive. It was suggested that we might try some smaller type of advertising handout, possibly wallet size, listing services, hours, etc. This will be looked into further.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The following committee appointments were made by President Kaiser:

- 1. Building and Grounds Mr. Leo Kirkel (Chairman)
 Dr. J. Fletcher
 Mr. T. Katusic
- 2. Public relations and legislation Mr. Gallagher (Chairman)
 Mrs. Bergo
 Mr. Katusic
- 3. Fine Arts Mrs. Kaiser (chairman)
 Mrs. Clifford
 Mr. Gallagher

SUBURBAN LIBRARY SYSTEM:

At the last meeting, Mr. Kirkel suggested that we make some decision on resumption of participation in the Suburban Library System. Dr. Fletcher felt that Mr. Gallagher should be present when such a decision is made. Mrs. Kaiser discussed this matter with Mr. Gallagher by phone and he has requested that this be postponed until the September meeting when he can be with us. A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr. Kirkel that we hold a special meeting the first week in September for the purpose of making a final decision regarding participation in the Suburban Library System. This meeting will be set for a date on which all board members can be present.

NOMINATION FORM - S.L.S.

Mrs. Kaiser appointed Mr. Kirkel as our delegate to attend the annual meeting of the Suburban Library system to cast our vote for new directors of this organization. This meeting will be held on July 17th at 8:00 P.M. at the Burr Ridge building. It was decided not to assume anyone for the board of directors of this organization.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo to close the meeting and President Kaiser declared the meeting adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Katherine A. Clifford, Secretary