

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 1974 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 in the library meeting room on Wednesday, April 24, 1974 at 8:15 P.M. Present were Mrs. Bergo, Mrs. Kaiser, Mrs. Clifford, Mr. Katusic, Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Korbel. Mr. Kirkel and Dr. Fletcher were absent. Mrs. Kaiser was appointed secretary pro-tem.

The minutes of the March 20, 1974 meeting were read. A motion was made by Mrs. Kaiser and seconded by Mrs. Bergo that the minutes be approved as submitted. Unanimously approved by the board.

The Financial Report for the month of March, 1974 was presented. A motion was made by Mrs. Kaiser and seconded by Mrs. Clifford to accept the report as submitted. Unanimously approved by the board.

The Comparative Statement of Budget and Expenditures for the month of March, 1974 was received and placed on file.

The Finance Committee submitted the following reports of bills, copies of which are included as a part of these minutes.

No. 245 in the amount of \$6,159.73
No. 245A in the amount of \$8,412.83

A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that the President, Secretary and Village Treasurer be authorized to issue voucher checks in payment of the bills presented at this meeting. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Gallagher, aye - Mr. Katusic, aye - Mrs. Bergo, aye - Mrs. Clifford, aye - Mrs. Kaiser, aye. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that the firm of Goldman and Weiss be authorized to perform the annual audit of Library Accounts. Unanimously approved by the board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

We have received an invitation to attend the dedication of the new Tinley Park Public Library Building on Sunday, May 19th from 2 to 5 P.M. (17101 So. 71st Ave., Tinley Park, Ill.)

A workshop (Analyzing Your Community:: Basis for Building Library Service) will be held on Tuesday, May 7th at the Sheraton Oakbrook from 2 to 8:30 P.M. (\$9.75) A motion was made by Mrs. Clifford and seconded by Mrs. Bergo that any board member wishing to attend my do so at library expense. Unanimously approved by the board. Please contact Mrs. Schelli by May 1st if you are going.

We have received an application for use of the library meeting room from the Bellwood Garden Club for a fund raising bazaar on October 25th from 10 A.M. to 8 P.M. A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that in return for the clubs continued assistance in the beautification of the library grounds, we allow them to use the room as requested on a no charge basis. Unanimously approved by the board.

We have received a request for use of the library meeting room from the Bellwood Human Relations Commission for June 13th and September 12th from 7:30 to 9 P.M. A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr. Katusic to allow them to use the room on June 13th and an alternate date (Sept. 12th not available) at no charge. Unanimously approved by the board.

The Bellwood Block Club has submitted an application for use of the meeting room for 2 dates a month for board meetings and captains meetings. A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser to ask them to submit a "Statement of Purpose" for this group, and if possible send a representative to our next board meeting. Unanimously approved by the board.

LIBRARY DIRECTORS REPORT:

The Library Director's Report for the month of March, 1974 was received and placed on file.

Mr. Korbelt requested approval for purchase of the following items:

Card Catalog File (Approx. \$700)
Adult Book Stack (Approx. \$600)
Juvenile Book Stack (Approx. \$500)

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr. Katusic that this purchase be made against our 1974-75 Working Budget. Unanimously approved by the board.

Mr. Korbelt presented the following projected Triton College courses to be held in the library meeting room:

Sept. 10th - 10 wks. - Spanish II - Tues. 6:30 - 8:45 P.M. (\$16.50)
Sept. 10th - 10 wks. - Crocheting - Tues. 9:15 - 11:45 A.M. (\$20.00)
Sept. 12th - 10 wks. - Astrology - Thurs. 9:25 - 11:45 A.M. (\$20.00)
Sept. 12th - 12 wks. - Know Your Legal Rights - Thurs. 6:30 - 8:45 P.M. (\$22)

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that we allow these courses to be held at the library in cooperation with Triton College and Memorial Park District. Unanimously approved by the board.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that the library be closed all the Saturdays in July and August and the Saturday of Labor Day Weekend. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that the Library close for 2 weeks in August, dates to be determined in accordance with the ending of summer school classes in the area. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that we change our holiday schedule to close on the 30th instead of the 27th for Memorial Day in line with area schools and the state of Illinois. Unanimously approved by the board.

Minimum Wage Law: Effective May 1, 1973 the rate will be \$1.90 per hr. As of Jan. 1, 1975 the rate will be increased to \$2 per hr. In committee meeting on March 23rd it was recommended that we wait until we get a firm legal opinion on this and if it is necessary that we comply with this law, any pay can be retroactive to the final compliance date. A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr. Katusic that the board accept the recommendation of the administration committee as outlined above. Unanimously approved by the board.

Revisions to the wage schedule for Custodian, Housekeeper and Comptroller were made in committee meeting. These schedules are now based on a percentage increase and will be effective as of May 1, 1974 and May 1st of each year thereafter. A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mr. Katusic that the board approve the revisions to the wage schedule as of May 1, 1974. The employees involved will move to the following classifications and salaries:

Helen Schelli - Accountant 3 year (\$4.40)
Alfred Christiansen - Custodian I 4 yr. (\$4.30)
Bess Heffernan - Custodian II 5 yr. (\$2.80)

Unanimously approved by the board.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

The village is making us adhere to the same allowance of 52 garbage bags every 4 months as a single residence. This is not sufficient. Bellwood businesses are using a Leach Box for garbage pick-up at a cost of approximately \$125. A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Bergo that we stay with the garbage bags as supplied by the village. Unanimously approved by the board.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

At a meeting with the village Finance Committee we requested a loan of \$25,000 from revenue sharing funds to start construction on our addition. The village was most regretful but there is now way they can loan us this money as it is necessary for them to stay within their budget. They have however, promised us their full support for our proposed referendum.

Referendum resolution: A motion was made by Mrs. Kaiser and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that a referendum be held on October 26, 1974 for a bond issue of \$95,000.00 (Ninety Five Thousand Dollars) to be paid off in 10 years, and an increase in the tax levy from .15 to .30 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Bergo, aye - Mrs. Kaiser, aye - Mrs. Clifford, aye - Mr. Katusic, aye - Mr. Gallagher, aye. - This motion unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kaiser and seconded by Mrs. Bergo that the library retain Chapman and Cutler for legal work necessary for the referendum and the firm of Benjamin and Lang as brokers for the sale of the bonds when or as necessary. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that all financing for this referendum will be in compliance with state statutes. Unanimously approved by the board.

LIBRARY SYSTEMS COMMITTEE:

We have received nomination forms for the Board of Directors of the Suburban Library System. We are eligible for 2 categories and it was decided to defer this to the May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

The May board meeting date will be changed to May 8th at the usual time. Our June meeting will be scheduled for the 19th. It was felt that summer meetings should be held this year and they have been tentatively scheduled for July 17th and August 21st.

Bellwood Chamber of Commerce Dinner - Wednesday, May 15th at the Golden Autumn Restaurant - 6:00 P.M. Tickets \$6.50 with the second ticket free of charge. A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that the library purchase tickets necessary for any board member wishing to attend. Unanimously approved by the board.

A motion was made by Mr. Katusic and seconded by Mrs. Clifford that the Bellwood Library become a member of the Bellwood Chamber of Commerce. Unanimously approved by the board.

Election of Officers for the 1974-75 Fiscal Year:

The meeting was turned over to Mr. Korbel to act as secretary during the election of officers for the 1974-75 year, effective at the regular board meeting in May, 1974.

Nominations for President were called. Mr. Katusic nominated Mr. Gallagher for President. A motion was made by Mrs. Bergo and seconded by Mrs. Kaiser that nominations for president be closed. The secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of Mr. Gallagher for president.

Nominations for Vice President were called. Mr. Gallagher nominated Mrs. Kaiser for Vice President. A motion was made by Mrs. Clifford and seconded by Mrs. Bergo that nominations for Vice President be closed. The secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of Mrs. Kaiser for Vice President.

Nominations for Secretary were called. Mrs. Clifford nominated Mrs. Bergo for Secretary. A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher and seconded by Mr. Katusic that the nominations be closed. The secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of Mrs. Bergo for secretary.

A motion was made by Mr. Katusic to close the meeting and President Gallagher declared the meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Kaiser (by Adeline Bergo)
Rosemary Kaiser,
Secretary Pro-Tem

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BELLWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY
1974 - 1975

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	Mr. Padraic J. Gallagher
VICE PRESIDENT	Mrs. Rosemary Kaiser
SECRETARY	Mrs. Adeline Bergo

COMMITTEES

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K. Clifford
J. Fletcher

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T. Katusic

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L. Kirkel

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K. Clifford
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Adeline C. Bergo	938 Bellwood Avenue	544-6278
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Padraic J. Gallagher	521 47th Ave.	544-0419
Rosemary Kaiser	3320 Butterfield Rd.	544-8520
Thomas P. Katusic	3305 Monroe St.	544-6935
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LIBRARY DIRECTOR

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VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE

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