

January 4th 1956

The Library Board met in regular session Mr. Wilhelmi presiding: The following answered to roll call, Mr. Wilhelmi, Mr. Crown, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Hoover, and Mrs. Pendleton.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

The librarian's report showed cash collections of \$151.08 plus \$12.50 each from the Perkins, Edwards and Welder funds and \$32.50 from the Moore fund plus \$50.00 from the Governor fund.

It was moved and seconded that the librarian's report be accepted as read.

Mr. Fox said the total circulation of last year was 141,358 which was the highest on record for any one year.

It was moved & seconded that the be allowed, action being taken by roll call.

It was moved & seconded that the meeting adjourns -

Marie B. Pendleton, Secretary -

February 1st 1956.

Due to a lack of a quorum no meeting of the Library Board was held but the checks were signed by Mr. Wilhelm, acting as Vice President and Marie B. Pendleton, Secretary and Treasurer -
Marie B. Pendleton - Secretary -

Annual Meeting March 7th 1956

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library was called to order by the Vice President, Mr. Wilhelmi. The following members answered to roll call, Mr. Wilhelmi, Mrs. Manley, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Hoover & Mrs. Puddleton. It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved and accepted as read.

It was moved and seconded that the annual report of the librarian be accepted and filed and that we commend the librarian, Mr. Fox, and his staff for the excellent service that they have rendered as is evidenced by this report.

It was moved and seconded that this report be accepted as read & that a copy be presented to the Mayor & to the Journal World.

It was moved and seconded that the present officers serve for another year.

Mr. Wilhelmi declared this meeting adjourned.

Marie B. Puddleton, Secretary

March 7th 1956.

The Library Board met in regular session, Mr. Wilhelm presiding. The following answered to roll call: Mr. Wilhelm; Mrs. Manley, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Hoover and Mrs. Tundleton. The minutes of the January 4th and February 1st meetings were approved as read.

The Librarian's report for January showed cash collections of \$110.22. It was moved and seconded that the Librarian's report be accepted as read. The Librarian's report for February showed cash collections of \$103.22. It was moved and seconded that the Librarian's report be accepted as read.

It was moved and seconded that the action of the officers in paying the January bills be approved.

It was moved and seconded that the bills be allowed, action being taken by roll call.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.
Marie B. Tundleton, Secretary

April 3rd 1956

The Library Board met in regular session Dr. Barr presiding. We are glad to welcome Dr. Barr back to our meetings. The following answered to roll call: Dr. Barr, Mrs. Manley, Mr. Volk, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Wilhelm and Mrs. Puddleton.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

The librarian's report showed cash collections of \$127.68. It was moved and seconded that the librarian's report be accepted as read.

It was suggested that Mr. Fox contact Mr. Selichnow to take care of the trees. It was moved and seconded that the bills be allowed - action being taken by roll call.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn -

Marie B. Puddleton, Secretary

May 2nd 1956

The Library Board met in regular session, Dr. Bave presiding. The following answered to roll call, Dr. Bave, Mrs. Manley, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Wilhelm, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Crown and Mrs. Puddleton. The minutes of the last meeting were approved and read.

The librarian's report showed cash collections of \$150.99. It was moved and seconded that the librarian's report be accepted as read. The librarian reported a total gain of 9,000 books which is a 20% gain over last year.

Mr. Belichow has trimmed the trees. It was suggested that the librarian be allowed to move the desk and card catalogue.

Mr. Fox attended two library meetings, one in Kansas City and one in Euforia.

After a discussion of the budget it was moved and seconded that the two positions circulation and children's librarian's salaries be increased by \$260 or a total of \$4,080.00. It was moved and seconded that the assistant librarian's salary be raised at the same rate which would be \$4,260.00.

It was moved and seconded that the librarian's salary be increased \$300.00 from \$4800.00 to \$5100.00.

It was moved and seconded that the bills be allowed, action being taken by roll call.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Marie B. Puddleton, Secretary

June 6th 1956

The Library Board met in regular session, Mr. Wilhelmi presiding. The following answered to roll call; Mr. Wilhelmi, Mrs. Manley, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Crown and Mrs. Puddleton.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

The librarian's report showed cash collections of \$145.52. It was moved and seconded that the librarian's report be accepted as read.

It was moved and seconded that the budget of \$39,620.00 for 1957 be adopted and a copy sent to the mayor and city clerk.

^{It was} moved and seconded that the bills amounting to \$3,075.23 be allowed, action being taken by roll call.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Marie B. Puddleton, Secretary -

July 3rd 1956

The Library Board met in regular Session, Dr. Barr presiding. The following answered to roll call: Dr. Barr, Mrs. McCluggage, Mr. Wilhelm, Mr. Hoover and Mrs. Pulleton.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

The librarian's report showed cash collections of \$134.50. It was moved & seconded that the librarian's report be accepted as read.

Mrs. McCluggage was appointed a member of the Library Board for a term of four years.

Dr. Barr appointed Mrs. McCluggage to take the place of the present Secretary and Treasurer whose appointment has expired due to a new state law.

It was moved and seconded that the bills amounting to \$3,374.80 be allowed, action being taken by roll call.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Maria B. Pulleton, Secretary.

September 5, 1956

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session. Dr. Barr presided. The following members were present: Dr. Barr, Mrs. Manley, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Hoover, and Mrs. McCluggage.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Mr. Fox presented Miss Daum's resignation and it was read to the members of the Board. Mr. Wolfe made the motion to send Miss Daum a note stating that the Board accepts with deep regret her resignation and express our deep appreciation for the outstanding contribution she has made during her tenure here.

The Auditor's report was submitted and accepted.

Mr. Wolfe made a motion that bills amounting to \$2,120.97 for regular salary checks, public services for July, and the August bills amounting to \$2,617.50 be allowed. The motion was seconded and passed.

The matter of air conditioning the library so summer hours could be extended to 66 hours per week was discussed. It has been customary to close the library during the afternoons in the summer months and a number of protests have been made. The suggestion was made that competitive bids be made for this proposed improvement.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Charlyne L. McCluggage, Secretary

October 3 - 1956

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session. The members of the Board present were, Dr. Barr, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Wilhelmi, Mrs. McCluggage.

Dr. Barr reported Mrs. Manley's resignation to become effective immediately. He referred her resignation to Mayor Crown. Mr. Wilhelmi moved to send her a letter of regret from the members of the Board. Mrs. McCluggage seconded the motion.

Mr. Fox gave the librarians report for September, showing cash collections of \$105.62. The bills for the month of September were \$3,792.19. It was moved and seconded that the librarians report be accepted; action being taken by roll call.

On October 3, the amount of \$13,940.40 was transferred from the account of Marie Pendleton, Treasurer, Lawrence Free Public Library - to Mrs. Charlyne L. McCluggage, Treasurer.

Mr. Fox reported on the Summer Reading Program. The total of awards was 928 seals. The number of children who read books in 1955 was 1,100, - in 1956 the number increased to 1,331. The total children's books read in 1955 was 13,800 and in 1956 the increase was to 20,711.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Charlyne L. McCluggage, Secretary.

November 7 - 1956

Due to a lack of a quorum no meeting of the Library Board was held. The checks were signed by Mr. Wilhelmi acting as Vice-President and Mrs. Charlyne L. McCluggage, Secretary and Treasurer.

Charlyne L. McCluggage - Secretary

November 14 - 1956

Dr. Barr called a special meeting to discuss an applicant for Children's Library. A motion was made by Mr. Wolfe and seconded by Mr. Crown that the amount of \$4,140 be offered this applicant, with corresponding raises to the assistant librarian and circulation librarian if the applicant accept the position. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that Mr. Fox use his own discretion in offering other applicants salaries in case a further search has to be made to fill the vacancy made by Miss Damm's retirement. The motion carried.

Board members present for this special meeting were, Dr. Barr, Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Crown, and Mrs. McCluggage.

Charlyne L. McCluggage, Secretary

December 5, 1956

The Library Board met in regular session. The members of the board present were Dr. Barr, Mr. Barber, Mr. Wolfe, and Mrs. Mc Cluggage.

Mr. Fox gave a report of the October and November bills. The desk funds were \$163.18. The total amount of bills for November was \$3,114.45.

On Dec. 3 Miss Marcelle Gralapp came to Lawrence and met some of the Board members. Mr. Wolfe made a motion that we approve the appointment made by Dr. Barr and Mr. Fox to invite her to fill the vacancy made by Miss Daum in Children's Library, and offer her a salary of \$4,140 a year. It was seconded.

Marquette Henry, author of books for children, was in Lawrence for one day, Dec. 3. She visited schools through the day meeting parents and children. The receptions, and luncheon at the Castle were co-sponsored by the Library and the Lawrence Parent Teachers Council.

A motion was made by Mr. Barber to approve the action taken by Mr. Wilhelmi and Mrs. Mc Cluggage in signing the checks for November, due to a lack of a quorum for the November meeting. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion.

Mr. Wolfe moved and Mr. Barber seconded the motion that the bills for November be allowed. The action was approved by roll call.

Mrs. Allen Crafton attended the meeting as an observer for the League of Women Voters.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Charlyne L. Mc Cluggage - Secretary.