

Jan. 2nd 1951

The regular meeting of the Lawrence Free Public Library was called to order by the president Mr. Barr.

The following members answered to roll call. Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Braderton - Mr. Barber - Mr. Allen & Mr. Hankins - Mr. Wilhelm and Miss Buckminster

Minutes of the regular and special meetings were read and approved.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$106.51 was accepted as read. 163 children had attended the story hours.

Mr. Barr had written resolutions expressing the appreciation and gratitude of the Board to Mr. Van Handel for his most efficient service to the library. These resolutions were ordered spread over the minutes. Mr. Van Handel gave the yearly report on the work and accomplishments of the library. It was moved and carried that the librarians be authorized to release these figures so that the public might know the condition and work of the library.

Mr. Barr read several letters from applicants. Moved by Mr. Hankins that the board allow Mr. Barr's expenses from Chicago to Ann Arbor to interview two applicants. Carried.

The bills for the month amounting to \$2229.61 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

Harold Barr

President

Addie Buckminster
Secretary

A Special meeting of the Board was called by Mr. Barr to make a report on his trip to Ann Arbor to interview Mr. Potter. After hearing Mr. Barr's report the Board voted to offer the position to Mr. Potter at a salary of \$3750.00.

A vote of thanks was given Mr. Barr for his report.

Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Barber - Mr. Allen and Miss Buckminster attended the meeting. Also Mr. Hankins.

Addie Buckminster
Secretary

Harold G. Barr
President

Annual Meeting
January - 7 - 1951

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors met at four o'clock.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manly - Mrs. Pondleton - Mr. Barber - Mr. Allen - Mr. Hankins - Mr. Wilhelmi & Miss Buckminster. As no appointments had been received from the Mayor Mr. Wilhelmi moved we suggest the name of Mr. Barr for re-appointment and Mr. Holmes ^{and} Mr. Cotton for the new member.

Minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The annual reports of president and librarian were read. Moved by Mr. Barber these reports be received and sent to the Mayor. Carried.

Feb.
~~January~~ 7-1951.

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr. Barr presiding. The following members answered to roll call. Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Barber - Mr. Allen - Mr. Hankins - Mr. Vilhelmi and Miss Buckminster.

The librarians report showed cash collections amounted to \$164.19. This included the Governor interest of \$50.⁰⁰.

This report was accepted and filed.

After the last special meeting Mr. Barr received a letter from Mr. Potter accepting the place as librarian. He asked if the board made any provision for moving expense. After discussion on the matter Mr. Hankins moved we allow \$100.⁰⁰ for moving.

Mr. Van Handel had received four bids for redorating the main floor and new stairway - as follows - Phillips \$889.⁰⁰ - Castle \$862.⁸⁶ - Higgins \$847.⁵⁶ - Peters \$655.⁰⁰. This was referred to the buildings and grounds committee.

Mr. Vilhelmi moved we allow Mr. Van Handel's Feb. salary - carried.

Mr. Van Handel suggested covering the receiving desk with linoleum like that used elsewhere in room at a cost of \$45.⁰⁰. Moved the desk be covered as Mr. Van Handel suggested - carried.

Moved the disposal of certain magazines be made to N. U. and the remainder be left to the discretion of the new librarian.

Bills amounting to \$1515.⁰⁶ were allowed. action being taken by roll call. Adjourned.

Addie Buckminster Secretary

Harold Barr President

March 6 - 1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr. Barr presiding

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Barber - Mrs. Allen - Mr. Hankins and Miss Buckminster.

Mr. Barr announced that Mr. Wolfe had been appointed to the board to take the place of Mr. Allen.

The librarians report showing cash collection amounting to \$86.50 was accepted ninety-five children had attended the story hours. A letter of thanks from Mr. Baker - librarian at the University, for the magazines to complete their files was read Mr. Potter thanked the board for their assistance in his moving to Lawrence.

After discussion it was moved by Mr. Hankins that Mr. Potter be allowed to try out the reprints in the .25 cent editions.

Mr. Hankins suggested the library sponsor a radio program on KLMN by having book reviews or similar programs. This was to be further investigated.

Bills for the month amounting to \$1701.73 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

Harold G. Barr
President

Edith Buckminster
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April - 4th 1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr. Barr presiding.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pundleton - Mr. Wolfe - Mr. Hankins - Mr. Gilhelmi - Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$152.30 was accepted as read. 128 children attended five story hours.

The radio program was discussed further but no decision was reached.

Mr. Barr reported that Jack felt quite indignant that he had not received a raise in salary when the staff did. The librarian recommended a raise of thirty dollars a year.

Mr. Potter spoke of the pictures which had formerly been in the reading room and asked permission to offer some of the early Lawrence pictures to the Historical Society which is to have a room in the new city building. Mr. Gilhelmi moved this be left till the next meeting to allow the board time to inspect the pictures.

It was moved and carried that the Board favor making library social security retro-active to the first of January.

Bills amounting to \$2607.18 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

Harold G. Barr
President

May 1-1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr Barr presiding.

The following members answered to roll call. Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Barber - Mr. Hankins and Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and corrected to read - The board voted to give a raise of thirty dollars a year raise to Jack.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$140.25 was accepted as read. Of this amount \$25.00 was interest on the Moore bonds. Sixty six children had attended three story hours.

After discussion in regard to radio programs it was moved and carried we authorize the librarian to make arrangements for the programs. x

The librarian gave a very complete report of the District Library meeting at Atchison.

x Mr. Potter presented several projects which the library might sponsor. These were discussed but no action was taken.

Bills amounting to \$1585.11 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

Wald Barr
President

June 1951

The Board of Directors met in regular session Mrs Manley presiding.

The following members answered to Roll call - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pondleton - Mr. Golfe - Mr. DiIuliani and Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$127.69 was accepted as read.

Mr. Potter reported the Social Security cards were made out and in Topeka. Also the condition of the old type writer. It was moved and carried that the librarian be authorized to buy a new type writer.

Mr. Potter told a fifteen minute ^{radio} program would be every Monday A. M. at 9-45 o'clock.

He also suggested a marker at 9th and Mass. St. directing the location of the city library.

Bills amounting to \$1983.60 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

Walter Burr
President

June 14-1951

A Special meeting for consideration of the budget was called by the president Mr. Barr.

Members present were Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley
Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Wolfe - Mr. Hankins - Miss Buckminster

The budget was thoroughly discussed item by item.

Moved by Mr. Wolfe - seconded by Mr. Hankins that the librarians salary be set at \$4000.00. The motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Hankins seconded by Mrs. Manley that with this addition the budget be accepted - carried.

Adjourned.

David L. Barr
President

Addie Buckminster

July - 1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr Barr Presiding.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Wolfe - Mr. Delhelmi and Miss Buckminster

Minutes of the regular and special meetings were read and approved

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$109.59 in fines. Interest on the Perkins Edwards Welch and Governor bonds was received.

The report was accepted as read.

The furnace was in the process of being cleaned and repaired.

Mr. Potter reported the radio programs progressing satisfactorily. Many Pocket books gifts had been received. Mr. ^{Potter} that very few purchases would be necessary.

The summer library hours - Week day 10 to 12-30 A.M.
6-9 P.M. Sat. 10 to 9 p.m.

Children 10-12-30 A.M. Sat. 10-6.

Bills amounting to \$1522.49 were allowed action being taken by roll call. Adjourned.

August - 1951

As a quorum was not present no meeting was held. Mr. Barr + Miss Buckminster signed the checks so the bills might be paid. These to be approved at the September meeting. Bills amounted to \$1143.12

September - 1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr. Barr presiding.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Barber and Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the July and August meetings were read and approved.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$85.74 was approved as read.

Mr. Potter had conferred with Mr. Maxan in regard to clearing the Amos Lawrence pictures the price being \$10.00. Action was deferred till later.

Jack reported the retaining wall around the yard needing pointing up also the cornice. This was left to the buildings and grounds committee.

Bills amounting to \$1143.12 ^{August} were allowed action being taken by roll call. The ^{July} bills amounted to 1522.49 Adjourned

October 2, 1951

The Board of Directors met in regular session Mr. Barr presiding.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Barber - Mr. Hankins - Mr. Hulhelmi and Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Coal bids had been received from Burgner Bowman Mathews Co. & the Snider Coal Co. who was given the contract as theirs was a straight bid and the Burgner specified any raise in price or freight was to be taken by the Library.

Two bids for the magazine subscriptions were received. Mrs. Olmsted's bid was \$299.00 and assume no responsibility. Miss Caldwell's bid was \$313.00 with guarantee of satisfaction. Miss Caldwell was given the contract.

There was discussion on changing from coal to gas for heating. No action was taken. Librarian proposed dropping the accession record. This was referred to the Library Com. It was recommended the Duplicate Pay be dispensed with. A reserved fee of five cents was voted. The subject on country seats was not entirely dropped, but held over.

Bills amounting to \$1282.75 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

November 6 - 1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session. Mr. Barr presiding.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mr. Barber - Mr. Hankins - Mr. Wilhelmi and Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$86.82 was accepted as read.

Mr. Potter had investigated the cost of the conversion of our heating system. After much discussion it was decided to leave the advisability of a change until more funds are available.

Mr. Potter gave a very complete report of the library convention at Hutchinson. Miss Perkins attended the meeting also.

Bills amounting to \$2068.40 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned

December 4 - 1951

The Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library met in regular session Mr. Barr presiding.

The following members answered to roll call - Mr. Barr - Mrs. Manley - Mrs. Pendleton - Mr. Golfe - Mr. Gillelmi and Miss Buckminster.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The librarians report showing cash collections amounting to \$163.08. ~~This~~ This includes ~~amount~~ ^{interest} \$12.50 from the Perkins-Edwards and Welch funds. The report was accepted as read.

There was discussion of the advisability of the the water boiler. Mr. Potter reported the Hankaker's water was made for all kinds of fuel. The cost of installation ^{of gas} would be \$528.00.

As the next meeting falls on New Years day it was voted that the next meeting be Jan. 2nd.

Mr. Potter reported there would be a complete turn over of the staff in the next few years. After discussion it was moved the librarian investigate the salary scale of cities of the same relative size.

Bills amounting to \$1139.36 were allowed action being taken by roll call.

Adjourned