

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
GREAT NECK LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Tuesday, January 21, 1992**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library was held on **Tuesday, January 21, 1992**, at the offices of the Library on Bayview Avenue at Grist Mill Lane, Great Neck, N.Y. 11024.

The following Trustees were present constituting a quorum:

Elayne Bernstein
Jack Eber
Jo Ann Farley
Muriel Kane
Emanuel Kline
Arthur Lerner
Dolly Relkin
Renee Zarin

Also present:

Ken Weil, Library Director
Joe Latini, Assistant Director
Arlene Nevens, Assistant Director

CALL TO ORDER

President Elayne Bernstein called the public meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

MINUTES

Ms. Bernstein asked for approval of the minutes of December 17, 1991 and January 6, 1992, copies of which has been distributed to each Trustee prior to the meeting. The following motion made by Renee Zarin, seconded by Emanuel Kline, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the minutes of
December 17, 1991 be adopted as presented.

Arthur Lerner moved, seconded by Jo Ann Farley, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the minutes of January 6, 1992 be adopted as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING -

COMMUNICATIONS

a. Steve Donnelly to Elayne Bernstein - Complimenting the Board on the open, clear and honest meeting held at the Parkville branch and the Board's awareness of their needs.

b. John Fehling & Alma Jost to Elayne Bernstein - Requesting a meeting with the two civic associations to present ideas that Committee members have put together.

c. Marianna Wohlgemuth to Elayne Bernstein - Thank you note for the meeting held at the Parkville branch and discussing the needs of the branch.

TREASURER'S REPORT

After review and discussion a motion made by Arthur Lerner, seconded by Emanuel Kline, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees acknowledge receipt of the December 31, 1991 Financial Statement.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Ken Weil reported on the following:

1. Circulation Statistics - Total circulation for 1991 was 810,499 items. This represents the largest increase in the history of the Library.

2. Station Branch - Bids have been received and reviewed and the list has been narrowed down to two contractors. The Receiver is willing to make space available at the Little Professor's store during renovations.

3. Parking Lot - Parking problems continue to get worse and more and more patrons are parking illegally. Mr. Farese of the Alert Fire Department and Ken Weil met to discuss the feasibility of designating the parking areas that abut the building as fire zones. Police will only ticket handicapped spaces and fire zone areas. The consensus of the Board was to proceed. We also need the approval of the Town of North Hempstead. Patrons will be informed of the new regulation before it goes into effect. Mayor Samansky also requested that a reminder about not parking on the bridge be included. If this persists the Village of Saddle Rock will have to ticket the offenders.

4. Doris Lundin, who has worked in the Children's Department for more than 20 years, is retiring as of February 3, 1992.

5. The Library's Book Sale on January 12th went off smoothly and successfully.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Building Committee's Recommendation - Dolly Relkin reported that at the December 17th Board meeting the Board Building Committee recommended to the Board that the plans for the expansion of the main library continue to move slowly and carefully. Considering the economic climate, the Committee believes that the investigating and planning stage of this project will continue well into 1992 and that the Library cannot go before the public until May of 1993.

After discussion and polling the Board, motion made by Arthur Lerner, seconded by Dolly Relkin, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees
accepts the recommendation of the Board's
Building Committee. (Copy attached to minutes)

NEW BUSINESS

a. Increase Hours at Parkville Branch - After discussion, motion made by Arthur Lerner, seconded by Dolly Relkin, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees increase the number of hours the Parkville Branch is open. (Tuesdays 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and Thursdays 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.)

b. The Board reviewed the proposed Agenda for the Annual Meeting.

c. Other - Jack Eber distributed a letter asking the Board to appoint a committee to consider certain issues relating to the election of persons to the Library's Board of Trustees. He requested that the committee begin its work no later than February 1st and report back to the Board on May 26th. Motion made by Emanuel Kline, seconded by Muriel Kane, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that further discussion be tabled until the next Board meeting.

Mayor Samansky stated that the Water Authority will be working under the Saddle Rock Bridge and great care is being taken in addressing the job. He also stated he was happy that the Board has delayed the expansion program.

Mr. Knobler commented on the By-Laws' ambiguous language and the election procedures in Mr. Eber's letter. He suggested the committee be expanded to non-Board members.

Mr. Zielenziger requested information on the cost of the Centennial Booklet, Celebration and all.

Motion made by Dolly Relkin, seconded by Renee Zarin that the Board go into executive session to discuss legal matters.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the public meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Lerner
Secretary