

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
GREAT NECK LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Tuesday, October 23, 1990

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library was held on Tuesday, October 25, 1990, 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
Jo Ann Farley
Muriel Kane
Arthur Lerner
Dolly Relkin

Absent with prior notification:

Jack Eber
Emanuel Kline
Renee Zarin

Also present: Kenneth S. Weil, Library Director
Mary Dehn and Janet Fine

CALL TO ORDER

The President, Elayne Bernstein, called the public meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

MINUTES

Ms. Bernstein asked for approval of the minutes of September 25, 1990, copies of which had been distributed to each Trustee prior to the meeting. The following motion made by Arthur Lerner, seconded by Jo Ann Farley, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the minutes of September 25, 1990 be accepted as amended.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Board moved into Executive Session to discuss Personnel matters. The public meeting reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING - No members of the public attending.

COMMUNICATIONS

a. L. Paulo to E. Bernstein - Expressing her appreciation to the Board for the opportunity to attend the NYLA Conference in Rochester.

b. C. Bennett to Colleague - Inviting Trustees to the Annual Meeting of Library Trustees at 8:15 p.m. at the NLS Service Center. Dolly Relkin will try to attend.

TREASURER'S REPORT

After review and discussion Dolly Relkin moved, seconded by Jo Ann Farley, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board acknowledge receipt of the September 30, 1990 Financial Statement of Schutz, Gladstone, Madonna & Co., plus the payroll changes for the same period.

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

1. The contractor for the front steps should finish the punch list this week. There have been many favorable comments from the public and staff about the new steps.

2. Reviewed the preliminary drawings for the Station Branch. The plans include changing the inside of the vestibule and making the bathroom accessible for the handicapped. Cost is approximately \$125,000, not including furnishings. Mr. Weil will contact Steve Limmer for his advise relative to the lease requirements.

3. Received several bids on the Parkville ramp. Prices range from \$24,906 to \$69,500. Mr. Weil also presented a preliminary drawing which was very favorable. Muriel Kane moved, seconded by Jo Ann Farley, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board authorize the President of the Library Board to sign a contract for the Parkville ramp not to exceed \$30,000.

4. Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation - Upon motion made by Dolly Relkin, seconded by Arthur Lerner, and carried unanimously, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation be presented to the members of the Association at the Annual Meeting, Jan.29, 1991, as per the request of the Department of Internal Revenue Service (Amendment attached)

5. The contractor for Levels has not finished the punch list. Weber Construction has defaulted and legal action will proceed.

6. The O'Reilly Bus Company has asked for an increase due to the increase in the cost of gasoline. It was the general consensus of the Board to grant O'Reilly Bus Co. an increase of \$10. per day.

7. Mr. Weil reported that the NCLA's annual children's Librarians dinner is being held at the Library on Tuesday, November 13th. All Board members are invited.

OLD BUSINESS

A. **Architect Selection** - Mr. Weil distributed Evaluation Forms to be used during the interviews with the architects. A more complete packet will be delivered to all Board members before the interviews.

B. **Historical Booklet** - Mr. Weil reported that progress is being made and the booklet will be ready the first of the year.

C. **Insurance Update** - Mr. Weil reported that our insurance policy is due to be renewed in November. At the time we changed to Northbrook, Stanley Butwin stated that there would not be an increase in the premium for 18 months. We now received word that there will be a significant increase. The quote received is \$49,839.20. Board members are not pleased and asked Mr. Weil to speak to Stanley Butwin and if necessary determine whether there are other alternatives available in the market-place.

D. **Online Catalog** - Mary Dehn and Janet Fine reviewed their report and distributed a summary of expenses that would be involved in the purchase of each of the 3 systems discussed in the report. After considering various options available to the Great Neck Library, they recommend that the CLSI online public access catalog, CL-CAT, be implemented. Mr. Weil stated that he wants to negotiate further to get the lowest possible price.

E. **Other** - Dolly Relkin voiced a note of appreciation to Helen Banaciski for her help in working with her on the gift list for insurance purposes. The Board in turn extended their thanks to Dolly for all her work involved in the project. She also reported on the Art League of Nassau County Art Show presently being shown at the Library. It was a juried show and awards were given.

NEW BUSINESS

A. **James Madison Council** - Muriel Kane reported that this a National Committee whose hopes and goals is reaching out to public libraries to share the treasures of the Library of Congress. They own and have access to many things that they wish to share. They can restore old documents, books, films, etc. thru computer enhancements. Travelling exhibits and rare documents are available to all libraries.

B. **Governor's Library Pre-Conference** - Muriel Kane reported on the two meetings held on Long Island where approximately 200 people attended the Regional Governor's Conference Workshop. The purpose of these workshops was to take testimony on the future needs of Libraries in N.Y. State, and how they can best serve the people. Delegate nominations took place for people who were chosen to be representatives at the Governor's Conference in Albany on November 28 - 30th. Muriel Kane and Ken Weil were elected to be delegates to the Governor's Conference on Library Information Services in Albany.

C. **Other** - Elayne Bernstein reported that the Jewish-Latvian Children's choir will be performing at Temple Beth El this Saturday and invited all Board members who wished to attend. The children will be given a tour of the Library on Friday afternoon.

Ken Weil has been appointed to the Regents Advisory Council on Libraries.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded the public meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Zarin
Secretary