

Board of Trustees  
June 29, 1951

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 3:45 P.M.

Members present, Mr. Knuth presiding; Mrs. Garman, Mr. Hull, Mr. Owen, and Mr. Stafford.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The Librarian's report for May was examined and ordered filed.

The motion was made by Mr. Owen, seconded by Mr. Hull, and unanimously passed that bills to the amount of \$6812.37 be paid.

The motion was made by Mr. Owen, seconded by Mr. Hull, and unanimously passed that Mr. Knuth remain as President for the year 1951-1952. Committees will be appointed after the Mayor has filled Trustee vacancies.

The Librarian reported on the meeting May 25th of Duncaan's bankruptcy. A Trustee was appointed to take care of all bills and funds. This was the main work accomplished at the meeting.

Mr. Owen reported that the oil burner was in process of being installed at the Evans Branch. The motion was made by Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Hull, and unanimously passed that the clock thermostat and a grill cover be used in the Branch in place of the thermostat supplied with the heater. The Librarian was instructed to dispose of the coal remaining at the Evans Branch and to investigate and place an order for oil for the Branch.

Mrs. Garman reported that she will talk with Mr. Spangler concerning the repair of scagliola columns.

The Librarian reported on the case of Hartford Glasford who was found seriously injured in a window well on the library grounds in May.

She asked the Board's advice concerning Dr. Jack Greider who refuses to return five rather expensive library books. The Trustees suggested that she turn the matter over to the City Attorney and ask him to issue a writ of replevin.

It was reported that Howard Neff was hired as Second Janitor June 4th and that Mrs. Bernita Newman resigned June 30th.

Public exhibits in the Lincoln Room and hall were discussed and the Librarian was instructed to see that groups having exhibits should not damage walls or woodwork with thumb tacks.

The Librarian was asked to investigate the price of fireproof files for use in storing valuable papers.

It was decided by the members that the Librarian should represent Decatur at the ALA National Convention in Chicago.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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