

Called Meeting of the Library Board

May 15, 1926

Present: Messrs Hardy, Shade, Scott, Lorenz, McGaughey
Mrs. Gastman and Mrs. Vincent.

The meeting was called for the purpose of hearing the Librarian's fifty-first annual report for the year ending April 30, 1926. As the report for April was incorporated in the annual one, it was accepted without being read. The annual report was then read by the president of the Board, Mr. Hardy. On motion it was approved and, together with the President's report, was sent to the Mayor and Commissioners.

The budget for 1926 - 1927 was presented and adopted as presented.

A discussion of the enlargement of the library and the necessary bond issue followed. In order to get an approximate idea of the cost of the improvement, an architect, working with the librarian, was to make tentative plans, and it was decided to engage S. A. Clausen to do this.

Insurance policies expiring in June were to be renewed, and more insurance was to be taken out. The question of insurance on the Lincoln Memorial collection and the card catalog was taken up and discussed, This was to be investigated by the Finance committee.

Mention was made that the repairing of the driveway was done; also that Prof. Raab had finished bronzing the busts of Gov. Oglesby and Dr. Barnes.

The Librarian and two members of the staff were to attend the I.L.A. meeting in Mt. Vernon, May 12-14.

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As has been the custom the past few years it was decided not to have the regular meeting the last ~~Friday~~ of May, but the Finance committee would approve the bills and the checks would be signed by the President.

On motion, adjourned.

Minnie A. Dill

Secretary.

Librarian's report for April, 1926

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans Branch	E. End Branch	School	Hospital	Total
Total vols. 31 Mar. 1926	40506	6802	3611	524	2647	233	54323
New books added by purchase	255	31	10	50	0	0	346
New books added by gift	3	0	12	2	0	0	17
Magazines bound	109	2	1	0	0	0	112
Books replaced	1	5	0	0	0	0	6
Total add. (new & replaced)	368	38	23	52	0	0	481
Books transferred during yr.	1	2	6	55	1	0	65
Books found during year	8	5	6	0	3	0	22
Total added	377	45	35	107	4	0	568
Books withdrawn by transfer	51	12	0	0	2	0	65
Total vols. 30 Apr. 1926	40832	6835	3646	631	2649	233	54826

Registration

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans Branch</u>		<u>E. End Branch</u>		Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 31 Mar. 1926	9274	3696	601	1006	69	173	14819
Borrowers registered	191	49	15	12	22	22	311
Borrowers' cards cancelled	145	90	10	21	0	0	266
Cards in force 30 Apr. 1926	9320	3655	606	997	91	195	14864

Circulation

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans Branch</u>		<u>E. End Branch</u>		School	Hosp.	Stations	Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child				
Books issued	10758	4660	1356	1631	592	1151	2529	247	277	23201
Largest daily circ. at	Main Lib. -		1062	At Evans Br. -		190	At E. End Br. -			131
Smallest " " " "	" " " "		329	" " " "		43	" " " "			41
Average " " " "	" " " "		593	" " " "		119	" " " "			64
Delinquent postals sent	-----									508
Reserve postals sent	-----									158

Binding and Repair

Books sent to bindery	-----	200
Books repaired in library	-----	676

Sunday Opening

Visitors: Men --- 111 Women --- 57 Children --- 10 Total --- 168

Classified Report

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans Branch	E. End Branch	Total
General works	78	1			79
Philosophy	8				8
Religion	11				11
Sociology	43	6	1	3	53
Philology	1				1
Science	21	1	2	3	27
Useful arts	34	1	1	2	38
Fine arts	50		2		52
Literature	28	5		3	36
Travel	21		4	4	29
Biography	19	2	1	3	25
History	8	2	1	0	11
Fiction	40	2	2	34	80
Total	368	38	23	52	481
Rental coll.	17				17

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Circulation

	Adult	Child	Evans Branch	E. End Branch	Schools	Hosp.	Stations	Total
General works	10	16	17					43
Philosophy	128		1	3			9	141
Religion	125	27	15	17	74			258
Sociology	169	561	197	130	380	2	9	1448
Philology	15							15
Science	180	132	67	52	185	1	11	628
Useful arts	251	79	48	43	36	2	14	473
Fine arts	289	81	22	20	15	11	8	446
Literature	600	187	93	77	158	11	21	1147
Travel	218	144	53	84	218	4	30	751
Biography	226	62	29	40	113	2	29	501
History	223	97	56	45	250		48	719
Fiction	7989	3247	2242	1163	1100	214	98	16053
Foreign books	22							22
Magazines	112	27	147	69				355
Rental coll.	201							201
Total	10758	4660	2987	1743	2529	247	277	23201

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 31 Mar. 1926	\$11,244.39
Fees for non-residents	11.00
Fines, damages & lost bks	259.78
Rental coll.	20.40
Reserve postals, etc	9.82
Interest during year	96.32

Total receipts ----- \$11,641.71

Expenditures:

Salaries	\$1847.90
Books	337.90
Periodicals	4.48
Binding	402.89
Supplies	159.90
Repairs & improvements	50.82
Light & heat	219.34
Furniture & fixtures	242.28
Postage, freight & express	38.99
Telephone	9.05
Rent	35.00
Interest	69.44
Miscellaneous	26.70
Total expenditure	\$3444.69
Balance due from appropriation 30 April 1926	\$8197.02

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie A. Dill

Librarian.