

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CENTER MORICHES FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
HELD ON MAY 15, 1972 AT THE LIBRARY

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. by Mr. F. Lewis Bowditch, president. Also present were:

- Mrs. Margaret Waide
- Mrs. Dorothy Sullivan

and Mr. G. Gerard Donnelly, Library Director. Mr. Gerald Levine, newly elected trustee was a guest at this meeting. Mrs. Cynthia Venerable was excused.

On motion of Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Waide, the agenda for this May 15 meeting was approved.

On motion of Mrs. Waide, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the minutes of the April 17, 1972 meeting were approved.

REPORTS:

Director's Report:

Circulation for April, 1972 was:	1,498	Adult
	474	Juvenile
	<u>1,972</u>	Total

New borrowers added during April, 1972 amounted to 29.

Total number of borrowers as of May 14, 1972 is 2,790.

Mr. Donnelly reported that the Friends of the Center Moriches Free Public Library ran a used book and magazine sale during National Library Week, April 19 through 22, 1972 and the proceeds from the sale amounted to \$148.00. He also reported that the Friends have purchased a steel two-drawer file for the Library. This file has been designated as the Picture File, and will hold pictures for circulation to our borrowers. There is a group of Friends who meet weekly to mend damaged books. On April 25, 1972 the Friends planted a Ginkgo Tree on the front lawn of the Library. Mrs. Ruth N. Hartell delivered a speech to Center Moriches High School students and adults who had attended the planted ceremony. The Board of Trustees commented on the efforts of the Friends of the Library.

Mr. Donnelly reported attending the workshop called "Libraries as Community Information Centers" held on April 19 at the Suffolk Co-operative Library System.

Mr. Donnelly reported discussing a 6-8 week First-Aid Course in the Library with the Red Cross officials.

Mr. Donnelly reported the public interest in the petition in support of increased state aid for public libraries.

The success of the recent fine-free period at the Library was discussed and it was estimated that 40% of the long-overdue books were returned.

On motion of Mrs. Waide, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Director's Report was approved with thanks.

Financial Matters:

On motion of Mrs. Waide, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Treasurer's Report showing a balance of \$11,444.41 as of April 30, 1972, was accepted.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Donnelly reported receiving a letter from the Board of Education of School District #33 informing the Library that the School District office would not pay for the libraries recently installed oil burner. The Library was informed that the School District would assume responsibility for maintenance to the exterior of the library building and the library grounds.

Mr. Donnelly reported writing a letter to Mrs. Maud Griffing, the only surviving relative of Miss Grace Daniels, informing her that the library would like to affix a plaque on the portable building naming Miss Daniels as donor. On motion of Mrs. Waide, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the wording on the plaque was approved and a date in June was suggested as a dedication date.

REPORT ON 1972-73 LIBRARY PROGRAM:

Mr. Donnelly reported that he has been working on a summer program for children of the community. He included a program in dramatics, puppet shows and a reading program as possible activities. He also reported that the library would need more persons working during the libraries open hours. It was reported that Mrs. Margaret Hawkins will be employed at the library.

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Mr. Donnelly reported that the library would be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings beginning in July, and also two hours on Friday morning.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Donnelly reported that the future of the library needs must be studied. He suggested that one of the prime goals of this library should be urging contractual service with neighboring communities. Mr. Carlone reported that the East Moriches school would not put contractual service on their up-coming school budget at this time but would consider it in the Fall.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Donnelly asked the Board to study the By-Laws in preparation for the reorganization meeting.

The next meeting will be held on June 19, 1972 at 8 p.m. at the Library.

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