

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CENTER MORICHES FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 16, 1968 AT THE LIBRARY

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. with the president, Mr. Carmer, presiding. Other Board members present were Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Bryner, and Dr. Schlein. Mr. Privett was absent. Mr. Donnelly was present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved on motion of Mrs. Foster.

Library Director's Report

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Security National checking account-8/30/68	\$2,926.75
Valley National savings account-9/16/68	1,116.02
2. Circulation-

August 1968	-	2,645
"	1967	- 2,665
3. A new registration system will soon go into effect. Borrowers will receive a numbered registration card which must be shown when taking out Library materials.
4. The McNaughton plan for renting best sellers will be discontinued as of the end of September.

Unfinished Business

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On motion of Dr. Schlein, it was approved that the Board of Education be requested to provide the Library with the tax money on a quarterly basis, with the balance owed for the first quarter to be included with the payment for the second quarter. Thus, the payment of tax income would be as follows:

\$ 5,000	-	paid in July
10,500	-	payable in October
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The secretary was instructed to make this request to the Board of Education by letter.

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Regarding the immediate need of the Library for more space, the following information was obtained:

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After discussion, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Schlein, seconded by Mrs. Bryner, and adopted:

- Resolved, That the Board of Trustees abandon the plan of F.E.Allardt,Jr.,A.I.A., for the proposed addition to the present Library building and for alterations to the existing structure in the amount of \$57,000.
- Resolved, That the Board of Trustees request the Board of Education to pay to Mr. Allardt the proper fee for professional services rendered in accordance with the terms of the contract.
- Resolved, That the Board of Trustees, in accordance with the Agreement dated January 29, 1968, reimburse School District #33 for Mr. Allardt's fee by withdrawing funds from its savings account with Valley National Bank.

It was further suggested that Mr. Carmer learn from Mr. Allardt the approximate cost of a very modest addition to the Library building. Also, Mr. Donnelly will consult with Mrs. Ennequist of the State Library Division as to the extent of State approval needed for a minimum adjoining, temporary addition.

New Business

On motion of Dr. Schlein, seconded by Mrs. Foster, it was approved that the Board of Trustees pay 50% of the premium, approximately \$150 per year, thereby sharing equally with the library director the cost of his participation in the Blue-Cross-Blue Shield health and accident plan including the Blue Cross Major Medical feature recently adopted by the School District.

Mr. Carmer presented a resume of important recent developments regarding implications of the Commissioner of Education's interpretation of Regulation 101.2. It is outlined herewith.

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Protests against the Commissioner's ruling were voiced in said committee meetings by those libraries which were largely surrounded by areas not supporting libraries, with the result that it was planned to amend the Commissioner's ruling so that no library would have to serve any area which had a population of 10,000 or over and supported no library of its own. However, this amendment would offer no financial relief to the C.M. district which is surrounded by communities having populations of less than 10,000. Messrs. Carmer, Schlein, and Donnelly voiced strong objections to such an omission. Thus, at its meeting on Sept. 11, the committee arrived at the recommendation that Suffolk County libraries not be required to serve areas with no library if the area refused to enter into a contract for library service with the established library. On Sept. 19, the committee will meet again and will have present Mr. R.J.Flores, Chief of the Bureau of Public Libraries, Division of Library Development. It is the intent of the committee that the proposed amendment excusing libraries from serving communities with a population over 10,000 be removed from the agenda of the Sept. meeting of the Board of Regents, thereby allowing the matter to be studied further in the hope that an amend-

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General discussion followed the resume, and it was the consensus of opinion of the Board members present that a more equitable amendment is vital to the future of the CMFPL and that its representatives on the committee should continue their endeavors on behalf of its acceptance. On motion of Mrs. Foster, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey R. Bayner, Sec'y

CENTER MORICHES FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

529 MAIN STREET

CENTER MORICHES, N. Y., 11934

September 1, 1968

Mr. J. Wesley Sinnickson
Treasurer
Center Moriches, N. Y., 11934

Dear Mr. Sinnickson:

The following bills totalling \$2,477.59 were audited and approved for payment by the Board of Trustees of the Center Moriches Free Public Library at their regular meeting on September 16, 1968:

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>CHECK#</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
American News Company	3074	Periodicals	187.45
Marilyn Banks	3075	August P/R	56.88
Bellport-Brookhaven Historical Soc.	3076	Books	10.00
Marcella Bogash	3077	August P/R	50.20
R. R. Bowker Company ⁸	3078	Books	23.50
R. R. Bowker Company	3079	Books	10.85
Center Moriches Paper Company	3080	Supplies	27.45
C. Gerard Donnelly	3081	Sept Payroll	733.96
C. Gerard Donnelly	3082	Petty Cash	25.00
C. Gerard Donnelly	3083	Travel	11.20
Kathy Giammarinaro	3084	August Payroll	118.30
Sophie Golob	3085	Custodial Svc.	65.00
Nancy Gratson	3086	August Payroll	32.50
Olive Hoag	3087	August Payroll	84.00
Imperial Stationers	3088	Supplies	11.70
The Kirkus Service	3089	Periodicals	42.00
Jean Lauer	3090	August Payroll	23.88
Library of Congress	3091	Supplies of Congress	3.44
Long Island Lighting Company	3092	Electric	12.53
Lou's Floor Waxing & Maintenance Svc.	3093	Custodial Svc.	18.00
McNaughton Book Service, Inc.	3094	Books	43.00
National Geographic Society	3095	Periodicals	7.50
New York Telephone Company	3096	Telephone	24.75
Newsday, Inc.	3097	Periodicals	1.15
Polley's Stationery	3098	Supp/Pers/Books	22.74
Security National Bank	3099	Fed Tax	139.20
Security National Bank	3100	Supplies	5.00
The Sou'wester Bookshop	3102	Books	42.72
Joan Stachiw	3103	August Payroll ¹⁹	55.63
Suffolk Cooperative Library System	3104	Books	545.02
Suffolk Stationers	3105	Supplies	38.04
Superintendent of Documents	3106	Books	5.00
		TOTAL	\$2,477.59

Very truly yours,

Audrey R. Bryner, Secretary