

The spring general meeting of the Manitoba Library Trustees' Association was held at the West Kildonan Public Library, Saturday, June 4, 1971.

Coffee and registration from 9 A.M. - 10 A.M. and the business meeting convened at 10 A.M.

The chairman, Mrs. Leona Issett, presided. Motion by Mrs. Levi, seconded by Mrs. Tegelberg, that Mrs. Elinor Brown act as Secretary for the meeting. Carried.

Mrs. Issett welcomed the delegates. Mr. Ross Hotson, vice president of the M.L.A., brought greetings from the Association. Mr. R. Bailey, chairman of the West Kildonan Public Library Board and host for the meeting, welcomed the trustees present and brought greetings from his board.

Motion by Mr. Tomlinson, seconded by Mr. Bannister, that the minutes of the annual meeting be adopted as circulated. Carried.

Motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. James, that the minutes of both executive minutes which were read be approved. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Mr. Hall, chairman of the Nominating Committee, was asked to have a slate of officers with all positions filled ready for the annual meeting.

A notice of motion moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. James, that the Trustees' no longer function as a Section of the M.L.A. but remain as the M.L. Trustees' Association, with recommendations to the M.L.A. that Mr. Russell's and Mr. Bennett's reports on the M.L.A.'s Constitution report on Special Sections be implemented whereby trustees would serve on the executive of M.L.A. and committees appointed by that executive. Carried.

This notice of motion was to be referred to the M.L.A. as a recommendation from the Trustees.

Mr. J. Russell, chief librarian of the St. James-Assiniboia Public Library, addressed remarks to the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was read from Mr. Fred McGuinness of the Brandon Sun, advising the chairman that he was unable to speak at the meeting. No other speaker was available to take his place.

A motion by Miss Stefansson, seconded by Mr. Tingley, that the executive ask for a meeting with Mr. Burtiak and formulate a brief to present at that time with recommendations sent in from library boards across the province in regard to appointment of Director of Public Library Services, the activation of the Public Library Advisory Board and proposed library legislation. Carried.

Mrs. Issett presented the Financial Report for 1970.

Moved by Mr. Tomlinson, seconded by Mrs. Tegelberg, this report be adopted as circulated. Carried.

Interim Financial Report until June 5, 1971

Bank Balance	January 1, 1971	\$ 177.11
Fees and Bank Interest		<u>302.49</u>
	Total	\$ 479.60
Expenditures		<u>45.00</u>
	Balance June 5, 1971	\$ <u>434.60</u>
Petty Cash:	January 1, 1971	\$ 13.78
Petty Cash Advanced		<u>20.00</u>
		\$ 33.78
Expenditures		<u>21.08</u>
June 5, 1971	Cash on Hand	\$ <u>12.70</u>

Mrs. Issett read the Chairman's and Secretary's reports.

Chairman and Secretary's Report

There have been two executive meetings since the annual meeting in Flin Flon September 12, 1970.

The executive at a meeting, October 4 accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Hilda Brydon as councillor. Mrs. Brydon has been an energetic and faithful member of the executive for a number of years and will be sorely missed. Mrs. Hildur Guttormson of Fort Garry Public Library Board was appointed by the executive to fill Mrs. Brydon's term of office.

The Provincial Government Library Portfolio was taken over from the Hon. P. Petursson, who retired, by Hon. Peter Burtniak, Minister of Recreation and Tourism, and Minister of Cultural Affairs responsible for libraries.

At the annual meeting of the M.L.A. in Flin Flon, I was elected as a Director of M.L.A. for 1970-71 and have served in this capacity since September. A brief from the M.L.A. was presented to the Hon. Mr. Burtniak and the Deputy Minister Mr. Eagleton in February of this year. Eight members of the M.L.A. representing different areas of library service formed the delegation. Mr. Craw and myself representing library trustees.

Miss Marjorie Morley, Provincial Librarian retired in September and the position of Director of Public Libraries remains unfilled. Miss Morley was named at the annual meeting in Flin Flon, to be the first honorary life member of M.L.A. Presentation of a life membership certificate was made by the chairman at a dinner in her honour, held in Souris, Manitoba in October.

The M.L.A. asked that a member of the Trustees' Association serve as an official representative on the M.L.A. executive. At the March 21 trustees' executive meeting Mrs. L. Tegelberg was named as the representative.

In my capacity as chairman of the Trustees' I have represented the M.L.T.A. at many functions during the past year. I also attended the Saskatchewan Library Association meeting in Yorkton and was warmly received at the Saskatchewan Trustees' meeting, where I brought greetings from our Association. Last week-end I was in Dauphin and viewed the library operation of the Parkland Development Corporation and had a tour of existing facilities with Miss McDormand. I attended the M.A.S.L. Conference in Neepawa and hope to be able to be present at the C.L.A. Conference in Vancouver June 18 - 25. Mr. Craw and I are both members of the C.L.T.A. Executive, he as Secretary-Treasurer and myself as Manitoba provincial representative.

My thanks again to the members of the Executive who have served so willingly and covered long distances to attend executive meetings. Their support has been most gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,

Leona Issett,
Chairman.
Secretary.

A motion by Mr. Bannister, seconded by Mr. Craw, that these reports be adopted.
Carried.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion by Mr. Tingley, seconded by Mr. Bailey, that the following people be recommended for life membership in the Manitoba Library Trustees' Association, these to be presented at the annual meeting in the fall: Mrs. H. Moore, Mrs. C.E. L'Ami, Mr. D. Craw, Mrs. P. McLintock and Mr. J.A.V. David.
Carried.

The chairman suggested the Canadian Library Trustees' Handbook be considered by boards to be used as a guide for new library trustees.

A motion by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bannister, that \$100.00 expense money be paid to the M.L.T.A. representative attending the C.L.A. Conference in Vancouver June 18 - 25th.
Carried.

A notice of motion by Mrs. Tegelberg, seconded by Mr. Bannister, that a Publicity Chairman be added to the list of executive officers for the M.L.T.A. Carried.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES' WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2nd. AT 2 P.M., 7th FLOOR OF THE FORT GARRY HOTEL, WINNIPEG IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WESTERN INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY CONFERENCE, WHICH WILL BE HELD FROM SEPTEMBER 30 TO OCTOBER 3 UNDER JOINT SPONSERSHIP OF THE M.L.A. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND EDUCATION.

Discussion followed on remuneration of library trustees and payment of travel expenses from Provincial Government to attend conferences.

Moved by Mr. Hood at 12:45 P.M. that the meeting adjourn, to re-convene at 2 P.M.

A delicious lunch was served in the library and Mayor A. Yanofsky brought greetings from the City of West Kildonan.

The meeting re-convened at 2:15 P.M. for an open shop talk session.

Mr. J. Russell, chief librarian of the St. James-Assiniboia Public Library, and Mr. G. Brown, chairman of the Manitoba School Library Audio Visual Association, were resource people for the informal round table discussion.

Topics covered in Discussion:

Duplication of catalogue cards for small libraries - feasibility of purchasing duplicating machines.

Commercial processing or centrally located processing agencies. Duties of the Director of Public Libraries should be overall to co-ordinate services for regional areas in cataloguing and processing.

There should be basic collections in every library - also selection of material applicable to the area.

Book - patron relationship one of the main function of every library.

Book selection should be made by librarian not the board and should be evaluated as to the library's needs.

Guided selection of material reviews and annotations are done and circulated by a central location under the Winnipeg School Division.

Standardization of personnel in public libraries and salary schedules for personnel across province.

Contractual arrangements for professional librarian's services - a shared services program to meet smaller communities' needs.

Unequal service in Manitoba in respect to monies spent.

University of Manitoba Extension Library Services.

Discussion of school division in province where qualified teacher librarians are being removed from the school system and technicians and clerks being given control of the school libraries.

Parkland Regional Library Development.

A motion by Miss Stefansson, seconded by Mrs. Tegelberg that a letter be sent to Mr. Burtniak, asking about the brief presented by the M.L.A. and what action had been taken on the matters presented. Carried.

A motion by Mr. Hasker, seconded by Mr. Hood, that thanks be tendered to Mr. Brown and Mr. Russell for taking such an active and informative part in the Trustees' meeting, to Mr. Bailey and Mrs. Good for the warm hospitality extended to the delegates, to Mayor Yanofsky and Council of West Kildonan for the delicious luncheon and to Mr. Ross Hotson for attending the meeting. Carried.

Mr. Tomlinson moved adjournment of the meeting at 4 P.M.