

Jan. 5, 1954.

The Elwood Public Library Board of Trustees met with the following members present: Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Bohlander, Mr. Hadley and Mr. Stevens.

Minutes of the Dec. meeting were read and approved.

The librarian's monthly report was read and the financial report was as follows:

Balance	# 4558.14
Fines	18.00
Fees	2.00
Township tax settlement	605.46
City tax settlement	6201.47
	<hr/>
	11,385.07
Expenditures	2075.11
Balance	9304.96

Motion made by Mr. Hadley, seconded by Mrs. Jordan that report be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Armfield, seconded by Mrs. Bohlander that expenditures be allowed and orders drawn for same.

The following nominating committee was appointed: Mrs. Armfield, chairman, Mrs. Bohlander and Mr. Hadley.
Jordan

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

J. O. Stevens
Sec'y. Pro tem

Feb. 2, 1954.

The Elwood Public Library Board of Trustees met with the following members present: Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Bohlander, Mr. Hadley, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Stevens.

Minutes of the Jan. meeting were read and approved.

The librarian's monthly report was read and the financial report was as follows:

Balance	# 9309.96
Fines	28.50
Fees	1.50
	<hr/>
	# 9339.96
Expenditures	1505.10
Balance	# 7834.86

Motion ^{was} made and seconded that report be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

Motion ^{was} made and seconded that expenditures be allowed and orders drawn for same.

The annual report for the year of 1953 was read and approved and ordered placed on file.

Election of officers was postponed until the March Board meeting.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.
J. O. Stevens
Sec'y. Pro tem

1

2
3

MINUTES OF LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was held on March 2, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Thomas Bohlander, Mrs. Orla Armfield, Mr. Joe Stevens and Mr. Glenn C. Hadley, together with Mrs. Charles Sticler, acting librarian.

In the absence of Mrs. H.W. Fitzpatrick, President of the Library Board, Mrs. Thomas Bohlander, Vice-President, took charge and opened the meeting and appointed Mr. Hadley, Secretary Pro-Tem.

Mrs. Bohlander asked to have the minutes of the previous meeting read and they stood approved as read.

Mrs. Bohlander asked the acting librarian, Mrs. Sticler, to read her librarian's report and after the same was read, a motion was made by Mrs. Armfield that the librarian's report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was seconded by Mr. Stevens and unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then read the Treasurer's report which showed the following:

Balance on hand	\$7,834.86
Fines	24.00
Fees	<u>3.00</u>
Total amount received and on hand	7,861.86
Expenditures	<u>1,157.05</u>
Balance	6,704.81

and after the reading of the Treasurer's report, Mr. Stevens made a motion that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Armfield and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Bohlander then asked Mrs. Armfield to submit the report of the nominating committee and Mrs. Armfield submitted the report of the nominating committee which is as follows:

President-	Mrs. Thomas Bohlander
Vice President-	Mr. Joe Stevens
Secretary-	
Treasurer	Glenn C. Hadley

which names were placed in nomination for the respective offices by Mrs. Armfield and

Mrs. Bohlander asked for any other nominations for any of the three offices and there were no other nominations and Mrs. Armfield moved that the nominations be closed which was seconded by Mr. Stevens.

Mrs. Armfield moved that the Secretary Pro-Tem cast the unanimous ballot of the Board for the persons nominated for the respective offices, which motion was seconded by Mr. Stevens and the Secretary Pro-Tem cast the unanimous vote of the Library Board for Mrs. Thomas Bohlander for President; for Mr. Joe Stevens as Vice-President and Mr. Glenn C. Hadley as Secretary-Treasurer.

There being no further business to come before said meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

Glenn C. Hadley
Secretary

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELWOOD LIBRARY BOARD

The regular monthly meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held at the Library on Tuesday evening, April 6th, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Thomas Bohlander, Mrs. Orla Armfield, Mrs. H.W. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. H.J. Jordan, Mr. Joe Stevens and Mr. Glenn O. Hadley, together with Mrs. Charles Stickler, acting librarian.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Bohlander, who asked to have the minutes of the previous meeting read, which minutes were read and stood approved as read.

The President then asked Mrs. Stickler to give her librarian's report and her report showed an increased use of the library and many more books were circulated during the month of March than had been circulated for some previous time and her report showed the following:

Balance on hand at the beginning of the month	\$ 6,704.81
Fines	37.50
Fees	2.50
Other receipts	<u>3.00</u>
Total	6,747.81
Total expenditures	<u>1,344.52</u>
Balance on hand	\$ 5,403.29

and after a completion of the report, a motion was made by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the librarian's report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Jordan and unanimously carried.

The president then asked Mrs. Stickler to give her treasurer's report and after the same was read, Mr. Stevens made a motion that the various claims be allowed and that orders be drawn for the same, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Armfield.

Mrs. Bohlander asked Mrs. Stickler for any other reports or recommendations she might have and Mrs. Stickler mentioned there was \$1500.00 in the budget for equipment and she would like to spend some of that for necessary purchases

prior to August so that her cash balance would not look so large to the members of the Budget Board when they reviewed her 1955 proposed budget. Mrs. Stickler stated that the library was in need of a filing cabinet for pictures as the present cabinet was overcrowded and she had investigated various types of cabinets and she would be able to procure one for \$182.50 and she made this recommendation to the board. Mr. Stevens suggested that no motion would be necessary and that he thought the cabinet should be purchased and the various members of the board gave their verbal consent that Mrs. Stickler procure the same.

Mrs. Stickler also mentioned that the library was in need of some additional shelving, however, the space where she anticipated placing the shelving was not suitable for pre-fabricated metal shelving as standard shelving comes in 36" widths and the space she had in mind was wider than 36" and she deemed it advisable to have shelving built in so that all the available space would be used and the cost would not exceed that of metal shelving and would be more advantageous to the needs of the library. She further stated that the library needed approximately 25 1/2' of shelving and it should be 50" in height; that she had talked to Mr. Paul Records and he stated that he would build the necessary shelving and that the shelves would be adjustable, and his cost would be \$408.00, which figure is lower than comparable metal shelving and would be more adapted to the space provided. Following a brief discussion, Mrs. Fitzpatrick made the suggest that Mrs. Stickler procure the needed shelving, which suggestion was concurred in by various members of the Board and no motion was deemed necessary since a sufficient amount was set up on the budget to more than take care of this item.

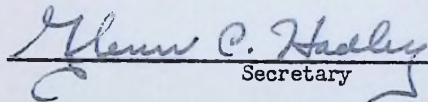
Mrs. Stickler also mentioned that the district library meeting would be held on April 30th, 1954 at New Castle, Indiana and she had received no other information other than that published in the quarterly issued by the Indiana State Library, which publication had been received by all the members of the Library Board. Mrs. Stickler stated that she would like to have as many of the trustees attend as possible and she hoped to have more information shortly on the same.

Mrs. Stickler also mentioned that a representative of some company was at the library concerning the pointing of the building and that the building was in need of this service and if the board was interested, he would make a definite figure for his services and advise just what he would do. Various members of the board thought

this matter should be investigated further by Mrs. Stickler and if deemed advisable, that an amount could be placed in the 1955 budget to take care of this work; however, nothing definite was decided until additional figures could be procured.

In connection with a brief discussion of the budget, Mrs. Stickler stated that she had received a letter from Mrs. Fite of Frankton stating that the rent on the library building at Frankton would be increased from \$9.00 per month to \$12.00 per month and that the library building had received a fresh coat of white paint on the outside of the same.

There being no further business to come before said meeting, the same was adjourned.


Secretary

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF LIBRARY BOARD

The regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held at the library on May 4, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Armfield, Mr. Allen and Mr. Hadley present, together with Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Bohlander, who asked to have the minutes of the previous meeting read, and after reading the same, they were approved.

The librarian's monthly report was presented by Mrs. Stickler and was as follows:

Balance on hand	\$ 5,403.29
Fines	40.00
Fees	<u>3.00</u>
Total	5,446.29
Expenditures for the month	<u>1,369.28</u>
Balance on hand	\$ 4,077.01

After the reading of the report a motion was made that the report be accepted and placed on file. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick and unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then submitted the Treasurer's report showing the expenditure of \$1369.28 for the preceding month and after the presentation of the various claims, a motion was made by Mrs. Armfield that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Stickler stated that Frances Robertson desired a leave of absence from her employment at the library for the period from June 7, 1954 to September 1, 1954 as she had some matters she would like to take care of and would like to be off work during that period of time. Mrs. Stickler stated that Madeline Sealy would be available to work during that period of time and that since Madeline was a former employee of the library that she would be a very capable replacement and she has full knowledge of the work carried on and she would be very happy to fill in during this period of time. It was also suggested that Madeline Sealy be paid at the same rate as Frances Robertson now receives. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mrs.

Armfield that Frances Robertson be granted a leave of absence from June 7, 1954 to September 1, 1954 and that the acting librarian be authorized to employ Madeline Sealy to fill this vacancy during this period of time and that she be paid at the same rate as Frances Robertson, which motion was seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick gave a very interesting report on the district library meeting held at New Castle on April 30th, 1954 and she stated among other things that the library gave a "Crowded" appearance; however, the children's department was lovely and very well equipped. She also stated there were some good talks, especially the one on "Adult Education" and that there was an interesting and enlightening talk on "Pre-school Education" and that the lady who gave this talk was very understanding and had a remarkable gift with children and that during her talk the children of pre-school age were present and she kept them interested and entertained with her work.

Mrs. Stickler reported that the meeting was quite inspiring and that it reminded her of some of the district meetings which had been held some time previous and that the meetings were getting back to more fundamental matters and was much more interesting than some had been in the past.

Mrs. Bohlander reported that there was a panel discussion at the district meeting and the participants as to the way they looked at their library and there was a very honest appraisal given by the various members of the panel and after the statements by Mrs. Bohlander, a general discussion was held by this Library Board concerning some of the matters brought up at the district meeting.

Mr. Allen remarked that he thought more publicity could be given by the library to the school children as some of the children had never been in the library and had no knowledge of its operation and Mrs. Stickler stated that she had presented the library and its operations in the various schools of the city, but that in some classrooms, the teacher preferred that she leave a poster rather than present the material to the students during the regular school hours.

The acting librarian presented a letter that she had received from some firm in connection with the pointing and caulking of the library building and that the price given for pointing and caulking the entire building was \$675.00 and that for sand-blasting the front and two sides of the building, would be \$450.00 and water-proofing the front and two sides of the building with a colorless material would cost

about \$300.00. Some months ago, she stated that she had some correspondence with another firm and they wanted the sum of \$1410.00 for pointing and caulking the building. These figures were presented and there was a comparison made so that the members could give some thought to having this work done and the money included in the 1955 budget.

Mrs. Stickler mentioned that she had a balance in the equipment fund of \$898.50 and that this money should be used prior to the meeting of the County Review Board or the State Tax Board concerning the 1955 budget or else the Library Board would lose the use of this sum. Mrs. Stickler made two suggestions concerning the same: the first being that her office is used for cataloging and it is too small and inconvenient to be used as an office and to interview various people in connection with library work while cataloging is being done and that an additional room was needed and she suggested that the present ^{Board} room could be modernized with a new conference table and chairs and could be used as the librarian's office and that the cataloging could be left in the present office and she estimated that the cost of this work would be between \$775.00 and \$800.00.

Her other suggestion concerned starting the children's room in the basement that had been talked about for some period of time and that this sum could be used to purchase some of the material necessary for that room; however, she suggested that before the room could be placed in operation she deemed it advisable to have an additional staff member for at the present time a staff member could not be spared to handle the children's work exclusively; however, the money could be used to buy some shelving or other equipment needed in that department.

There was a general discussion concerning the propositions made by Mrs. Stickler and the question arose as to being able to find the right person to handle the children and one adapted to that type of work and it was generally agreed that the library work should start with the children as that was the most important phase of the work.

Mr. Allen suggested that some new light fixtures should be installed and the wiring checked and he thought it advisable to fix up the ^{Board} room and office and then the Board could be thinking about the needs of the children's department and a motion was made by Mr. Allen that Mrs. Stickler be authorized to fix up the existing Board room and make it into a librarian's office and Board room and that suitable furniture be procured for the same and that Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Bohlander serve as a committee with Mrs. Stickler to procure the necessary furniture for this room,

which motion was seconded by Mr. Hadley and was unanimously carried.

Mrs. Stickler stated that there was a balance on hand of \$789.00 in the repair fund and that this money could be used to point and caulk the building; however, some other repairs might be necessary and that the windows needed to be painted on the outside and the inside sills should be varnished and there were a few other incidental repairs that should be made.

Various members of the Board mentioned about the grass and that they had heard comments concerning the same and it was the most grass anyone had ever seen on the East side of the library and everyone was quite pleased with the work of Mr. Gantz in fixing this terrace in order to grow grass.

There being no further business to come before said Board, said meeting was adjourned.

Glenn C. Hadley
Secretary.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE LIBRARY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held at the library on June 1st, 1954, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Jordan, Mr. Allen, Mr Stevens and Mr. Hadley present, together with Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Bohlander, who asked to have the minutes of the previous meeting read and after the reading of the same, they were approved.

The librarian's monthly report was presented by Mrs. Stickler and was as follows:

Balance on hand-May 1, 1954	\$4,077.01
Fines	29.50
Fees	<u>2.50</u>
Total	\$4,109.01
Expenditures for the month	<u>1,457.96</u>
Balance on hand-May 31, 1954	\$2,651.05

After the reading of the report, a motion was made by Mrs. Armfield that the report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Jordan and unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then submitted the Treasurer's report showing the expenditure of the sum of \$1,457.96 for the month of May and after the presentation of the various claims, a motion was made by Mr. Stevens that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Stickler reported on the purchase of new equipment and stated that Mrs. Bohlander and Mrs. Fitzpatrick accompanied her to Marion and they visited the Shaw-Walker Office, but that this office had no display room and they then visited the Peerless Printing Company in Marion and that they purchased an all-steel desk with the overhang on two ends and the one side, which desk had a brown finish and the top had a light finish, almost cream in color, and that they purchased a matching chair for the librarian's use and two arm chairs and five chairs without arms. Also, they purchased a hall-tree and waste basket, all of which cost approximately \$586.00, which figure was less than the figure submitted by Shaw-Walker for their furniture. It was

also stated that a typewriter was being purchased from the Elwood Bank Supply, Elwood, Indiana, for approximately \$175.00 and which was an R.C. Allen typewriter, and that lights were being purchased for the librarian's room from Industrial Heating and Electric at a cost of \$85.00 plus the installation. It was also stated that the shelving would be ready shortly and would be installed by Mr. Records.

Mrs. Stickler mentioned that it would be possible to paint the files and furniture in the librarian's room so that they would match the new steel furniture; however, this matter would be delayed until after the furniture arrived and then the decision could be made concerning this.

There being no further business to come before the Board, said meeting was adjourned.

Glenn C. Hadley
(Glenn C. Hadley-Secretary)

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LIBRARY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held at the library on July 13th, 1954, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with Mr. Stevens, Mr. Allen, Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Jordan present, together with Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

The meeting was opened by the Vice-President, Mr. Stevens, who presided in the absence of the President. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and after the reading of the same they were approved.

The librarian's monthly report was presented by Mrs. Stickler and was as follows:

Balance on hand June 1, 1954	\$2651.05
City tax settlement	9092.82
Fees	1.00
Fines	<u>21.00</u>
Total	\$11765.87
Expenditures for the month	<u>2431.87</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1954	9334.00

After the reading of the report, a motion was made by Mr. Allen that the report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick and unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then submitted the Treasurer's report showing the expenditure of the sum of 2431.87 for the month of June and after the presentation of various claims, a motion was made by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same, which motion was seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Stickler read a letter received from Marcelle Foote, chairman of the joint legislative committee which stated that contributions were

being sought for the purpose of sharing the costs of a suit to test the legality of the right of libraries to issue bonds. It was moved by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the sum of \$25.00 be placed in the 1954-55 budget for said contribution, which motion was seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously carried.

Estimates from Mr. Van Blair for the painting of the outside trim and for the inside trim were presented to the board by Mrs. Stickler, who also reported that Mr. Pace had been contacted for an estimate for the installation of two outside hose connections. It was moved by Mr. Allen that the outside trim be refinished by Mr. Van Blair at the cost of \$379.50 and the inside trim refinished by Mr. Van Blair at the cost of \$72.50 and that the two outside hose connections be installed. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Jordan and unanimously carried.

A discussion of the 1954-55 budget was held and the acting librarian was instructed to proceed with the preparation of the budget which should be presented at the regular August meeting of the Library Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, said meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Secretary

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELWOOD LIBRARY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held in the library on Tuesday ~~afternoon~~ ^{evening}, August 3rd, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Allen and Mr. Hadley. There was also present Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Bohlander, who presided during the meeting and she asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read, which minutes were read and approved.

The acting librarian read the Secretary's report which showed the financial condition of the library as follows:

Balance on hand July 1, 1954	9,334.00
Settlement from PipeCreek Township	923.51
Fines	34.50
Fees	2.00
Settlement for lost book	<u>1.00</u>
Total	10,295.01
Expenditures for month of July, 1954	<u>1,250.72</u>
Balance August 1, 1954	9,044.29

A motion was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Stevens that the librarian's report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then read the Treasurer's Report which itemized the expenses totaling \$1250.72 and after the reading of the report, a motion was made by Mrs. Armfield and seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the claims be allowed and orders be drawn for the same.

Mrs. Bohlander then asked Mrs. Stickler to explain the proposed budget and Mrs. Stickler went over the various items in the budget and explained the reason for the various amounts set out. She also stated that through an error of the Librarian's Retirement Board, that an amount had been charged against this library that should have been charged against the library at Elkhart, Indiana and we had set up the figure of \$600.00 in the budget for retirement fund and only the sum of \$300.00 would be necessary and she suggested that this additional \$300.00 be added to repairs and subtracted from the retirement item. There was a general discussion concerning the proposed budget, which budget amounted to \$18,831.50 and amounts to a rate of 17¢ per

\$100.00 valuation. A motion was made by Mr. Stevens and seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the budget for 1955 be accepted as prepared by Mrs. Stickler.

There being no further business to come before said meeting, the same is now adjourned.

Glenn P. Hadley
Secretary

MINUTES OF A STATUTORY MEETING OF THE ELWOOD LIBRARY BOARD

A statutory meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held in the library on Monday evening, August 30, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Hadley. There was also present Mrs. Stickler the acting librarian.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Bohlander, who presided during the meeting.

The budget for the Elwood Library was presented by said President to the members of the board and after a thorough consideration of the same by the board and no taxpayers being present to present their views, a motion was made by Mrs. Armfield and seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the budget as proposed be approved and adopted by said board as the budget for the Elwood Library Board for the year 1955 and this motion was unanimously carried.

This being all the business to come before said meeting, the same is now adjourned.

Glenn C. Hasley
Secretary

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELWOOD LIBRARY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held in the library on Tuesday evening, September 7, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Jordan and Mr. Hadley. There was also present Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

In the absence of the President, Mrs. Bohlander, and the Vice-President, Mr. Stevens, Mrs. Armfield was selected to preside during the meeting and she asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read, which minutes were read and approved.

The acting librarian read the Secretary's report which showed the financial condition of the library as follows:

Balance on hand August 1, 1954	\$ 9,044.29
Fines	31.50
Fees	<u>.50</u>
Total	9,076.29

Expenditures for month of August	<u>1,354.43</u>
----------------------------------	-----------------

Balance September 1, 1954	\$ 7,721.86
---------------------------	-------------

A motion was made by Mr. Hadley and seconded by Mrs. Jordan that the librarian's report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then read the Treasurer's report which itemized the expenses totaling \$1,354.43 and after the reading of the report, a motion was made by Mrs. Jordan and seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same.

That being all the business to come before said board, the meeting is now adjourned.

Glen C. Hadley
Secretary

ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY
ELWOOD, INDIANA

Oct. 5, 1954.

Mrs. Thos. J. Bohlander
President, Library Board.

Dear Mrs. Bohlander:

I respectfully submit my resignation
from the staff of the Elwood Public Library to take
effect Jan. 1, 1955.

I wish to thank the Library Board
for its kindness and consideration extended to me
throughout the years.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Stickler

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELWOOD LIBRARY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held in the library on Tuesday evening, October 5, 1954, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Allen and Mr. Hadley. There was also present Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Bohlander and she asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read, which minutes were read and approved.

The acting librarian read the Librarian's report which showed the financial condition of the library as follows:

Balance on hand September 1, 1954	\$ 7,721.86
Fines	27.00
Fees	<u>3.50</u>
Total	7,752.36
Expenditures for month of September	<u>1,360.05</u>
Balance October 1, 1954	6,392.31

A motion was made by Mrs. Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mr. Stevens that the librarian's report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was unanimously carried.

A noticeable gain in the circulation for the month of September was commented upon and the gain in the Elwood library was 1472 books over September of 1953 which is 27% gain and the Frankton Branch also noted a gain for the month.

The acting librarian then read the Treasurer's report which itemized the expenses totaling \$1,360.05, and after reading the report, a motion was made by Mrs. Armfield and seconded by Mr. Stevens that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same.

Mrs. Stickler tendered her resignation as acting librarian effective January 1, 1955 which letter of resignation was read by the President and Mrs. Stickler commented that if the Library Board was unable to procure a librarian by that time, she would help out for a period of time until a librarian could be procured. There was a lengthy discussion concerning this letter of resignation and many comments were made by the members of the Board and Mrs. Stickler. ~~and~~ The Board expressed their wish that this letter of resignation be tabled until the next

regular meeting of the Library Board at which time consideration will be given to the same.

That being all the business to come before said board, the meeting is now adjourned.

Glenn C. Hadley
Secretary

This being all the business to come before said board, the meeting
is now adjourned.

Glen C. Hadley
Secretary

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELWOOD LIBRARY BOARD

The regular meeting of the Elwood Library Board was held in the library on Tuesday evening, December 7th, 1954, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. with the following present: Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Armfield, Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Hadley. There was also present Mrs. Stickler, the acting librarian.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Bohlander and she asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read, which minutes were read and approved.

The acting librarian read the librarian's report which showed the financial condition of the library as follows:

Balance on hand November 1, 1954	\$4,972.29
Fines	25.50
Fees	3.50
Lost book	<u>1.00</u>
Total	\$5,002.29
Expenditures for month of November	<u>2,178.42</u>
Balance December 1, 1954	\$2,823.87

A motion was made by Mrs. Armfield and seconded by Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the librarian's report be accepted and placed on file, which motion was unanimously carried.

The acting librarian then read the Treasurer's report which itemized the expenses totaling \$2,178.42 and after reading the report, a motion was made by Mrs. Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mrs. Armfield, that the claims be allowed and orders drawn for the same.

Mrs. Stickler stated that she had received some correspondence from an attorney in Florida stating that Dora C. DeLay died, testate, leaving the sum of \$250.00 to the Elwood Public Library for books in the name of Rosa DeLay Harting. Mrs. Stickler stated that she had written the attorney asking whether or not it would be permissible to use the money for some permanent gift or memorial that would be of lasting duration instead of books that would be of a temporary nature and the attorney replied that the money was left for books. In view of this, it was the thought of the various members present that the money should be spent for some type of reference work and that appropriate book plates should be procured for the same.

Mrs. Stickler reported that the hot-water heater that had been authorized at the previous meeting had been installed and was very satisfactory and that she had procured a thirty gallon size instead of a twenty gallon size as the thirty gallon size could be purchased more cheaply than the twenty gallon size.

This being all the business to come before said board, the meeting is now adjourned.

Glenn P. Hasley
Secretary