AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Hotel Statler, Detroit, June 26, 1922.
10:30 A. M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Azariah S. Root, President. The following members were present:

Mr. Azariah S. Root, President.
Mr. Samuel H. Ranck, First Vice President.
Miss Claribel R. Barnett, Second Vice President.
Mr. Edward D. Tweedell, Treasurer.
Mr. George B. Utley.
Miss Gratia A. Countryman.
Mr. George S. Godard.
Mr. H. H. B. Meyer.
Mr. Carl H. Milam, Secretary.
Miss Sarah C. N. Bogle, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced that letters had been received from Miss Edith Tobitt and Miss Margaret Mann, stating their inability to be present. The Secretary stated that Mr. Dana would not be present; but that Mr. Roden would arrive on June 27th.

The Secretary stated in substance the minutes of the last previous meeting. Without objection, the minutes stood as approved.

The report of correspondence votes was read by the
The next order of business taken up was the election of officers. Mr. Ranck moved that the election be held on Wednesday, June 28th, between the hours of one P.M. and six P.M. This was seconded, and being put to a vote by the President, prevailed.

The President announced the appointment of tellers, as follows:

- Mr. Franklin H. Price, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Miss Leta Adams, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Mr. John B. Kaiser, Tacoma, Wash.
- Miss Susie Lee Crumley, Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Ranck moved the appointment as stated by the President be confirmed. This was seconded and carried.

In connection with the election of officers, the Secretary read communications from Dr. Hill and Messrs. Chapman, Cutler & Parker, counselors at law. Mr. Ranck moved that the correspondence in relation to the above be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-laws, which, on being seconded, and put to a vote by the President, prevailed.

The President announced the appointment of Committee on Resolutions as follows:

- Miss Linda A. Eastman, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Mr. Purd B. Wright, Kansas City, Mo.
- Mr. Andrew Keogh, New Haven, Conn.
Miss Elizabeth H. West, Austin, Texas.
Mr. Adah Whitcomb, Chicago, Ill.
Miss Margaret Reynolds, Milwaukee, Wis.
Mr. Tweedell moved the above appointment be approved and confirmed, which upon being seconded, was put to a vote by the President and prevailed.
The next order of business, Proposed amendments to the By-laws, was then taken up.

Mr. Godard moved that the Constitution and By-laws Committee be asked to consider in the light of the whole situation the question of the present system of nominations for offices, especially calling their attention to the importance of arranging to have assurances in advance that candidates will serve, if elected. This was seconded by Mr. Ranck, and being put to a vote by the President, prevailed.

It was moved by Mr. Ranck, seconded by Mr. Utley, that the Executive Board recommend to the Association that the details of revision of the Constitution and By-laws, be referred to the Council, to consider and report back to the Association, the object being to have time in deliberation. This was put to a vote, and carried.

The report of the Finance Committee was then read by Mr. Utley, who moved that it be adopted. This was supported, and the report was adopted. (The Secretary has this report).

The Whitney Fund was then taken up and discussed at length, Mr. Tweedell reading a report in connection therewith. Mr. Meyer moved that it be the sense of the
Executive Board that the Whitney Fund is an endowment fund, and should be treated accordingly; and should be turned over by the Treasurer to the Trustees of the Endowment Fund for administration; with the instructions that the interest on this fund be allowed to accumulate until the Executive Board calls for it. This was seconded by Mr. Ranck, and being put to a vote by the President, prevailed.

Miss Barnett then read a report on the Oberly Memorial Fund. After discussion, Mr. Ranck moved that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to report at this meeting. This was seconded, and carried.

Mr. Ranck then brought up the matter of encouraging funds for special purposes, and a discussion followed. Mr. Milam reported relative to contributing and sustaining memberships. Mr. Ranck thereupon moved that the matter be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Constitution. This was seconded, and carried.

The Secretary thereupon reported in respect of revenues and expenses of publications.

The Board then proceeded to a consideration of the salary paid to Miss Sarah C. N. Bogle, Assistant Secretary. The Secretary stated the present situation in this behalf, touching also upon the status of Misses Ford and Brigham. The discussion relative to this was had in the absence of Miss Bogle.

The matter of a building fund was introduced by Mr. Meyer and talked over by the members of the Board.
Mr. Meyer moved, seconded by Mr. Ranck that a temporary committee, consisting of the present chairman of the Finance Committee, the present Secretary and the present Treasurer, be appointed to consider this matter, and make a recommendation to the next Executive Board with regard to this matter. This was carried.

The matter of the salaries of the Misses Bogle, Ford and Brigham was thereupon taken up and the discussion in respect thereof resumed. The Secretary was asked to make some recommendation, and suggested Miss Bogle's salary be at the rate of $3,600 per annum; Miss Ford's salary at the rate of $2,600 per annum; and Miss Brigham's salary at the rate of $2,100 per annum, for the rest of the year. Mr. Ranck moved that Mr. Utley, Mr. Tweedell and Mr. Milam be appointed as a special committee to consider the question of office salaries which might seem necessary. This was seconded, and carried.

The Secretary brought up the question of dues paid by members of the Association, affiliated associations, and by members of other organizations. This was discussed, and was left to the Secretary to take up in his discretion.

The President announced that the next order of business was report of Committee on Transfer of Library War Service Activities. Mr. Meyer reported at length, and a discussion followed. The matter of books returned from the Army and Navy was talked over. Mr. Ranck moved that the matter of distribution be referred to the Committee on Transfer of Library War Service Activities, of which the Secretary is a member, to work out the details of distribution. This was seconded and carried.
Mr. Meyer then introduced the subject of transfer of books from Coblenz; and touched upon the Paris Public Library, reading correspondence with Dr. Stevens.

Mr. J. I. Wyer then reported on the activities of the Committee of Eleven. Mr. Ranck moved that the action taken by the Committee of Eleven be concurred in. This was agreed to.

Miss Countryman requested that some action be taken in respect of library and vocational service in behalf of veterans in civil prisons. This was discussed at some length.

Resolutions from Mr. Meyer and Mr. Utley called for in vote of the meeting on December 28th were then considered.

It was moved and seconded that Dr. Andrews represent the Association at the Complimentary Dinner to be given to Miss Spencer. This was carried.

Thereupon the Board recessed to meet following the adjournment of the Council meeting, June 26, 1922, P. M.
Hotel Statler, Detroit, Monday, June 26, 1922.

5.15 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Azariah S. Root, President.

Following the discussion of the matter concerning libraries which have failed to keep their contracts with the Carnegie Foundation, it was moved by Mr. Ranck, and seconded by Mr. Utley, that the Board adopt the recommendations contained in the report of the committee. The motion was adopted, and the secretary instructed to carry out the suggestions of the committee, but that no blacklist should be published without further instructions from the Board.

The report of the committee on salaries was received, and inasmuch as the matter of salaries was discussed in the Council meeting of even date, it was moved and seconded that the situation be accepted as at hand. The motion was carried.

The secretary read a letter from Petrograd soliciting aid for destitute library workers of Russia. The secretary was instructed to communicate with the
Hoover organization to ascertain whether they would handle any funds which might be collected from the individuals of the American Library Association to be applied particularly to the librarians of Russia. Upon motion duly seconded, a vote was passed that in case the Hoover organization expressed themselves as willing to administer such a fund for Russian librarians, the secretary was instructed to publish a statement to that effect in the library journals.

The matter of the special report on public libraries published by the government in 1876 was brought before the meeting in connection with a letter from Miss Baldwin to Mr. Dana. Mr. Meyer moved that the secretary be instructed to confer with Dr. Bostwick on the subject of publishing a volume in 1876 as a memorial on fifty years of library service, dating from the report of 1876. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ranck and passed.

Mr. Meyer moved that the secretary be instructed to write Dr. Richardson and request that Dr. Richardson investigate the Paris situation, and to forward to Dr. Richardson the information contained in the papers which Mr. Meyer brought with him from Washington. Mr. Ranck seconded the motion and it was passed.

Upon motion, duly seconded, the meeting adjourned.