

A joint meeting of Directors of the Public Library and of the Committee appointed by the City Council to secure a Carnegie Library, was held at the office of W. J. Starr on the evening of Feb. 25th, 1902.

There were present of the Library Board, Directors Starr, M. S. Frawley, Cotten, Ingram, Coffin, Lockwood and Mrs. Putnam, and of the City Committee Mr. Starr, Mr. T. F. Frawley and Aldermen Forest, Drummond, Blum and Syverson.

W. J. Starr acted as Chairman and C. W. Lockwood as Secretary.

Mr. Starr read the correspondence which had passed between Mr. Carnegie and the Committee, which resulted in the offer from Mr. Carnegie of \$40,000.00 for a Public Library Building in Eau Claire, providing the City would furnish the building site and an appropriation of \$4,000.00 per annum for support.

After a thorough discussion of the matter in question, on motion of T. F. Frawley, seconded by Mr. Cotten, it was voted to recommend to the Council the acceptance of Mr. Carnegie's offer of \$40,000.00 for the Public Library Building, that the annual appropriation for the support of the Library be \$5,000.00, and that a suitable site should be provided.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Public Library, Mr. Coffin, was requested to furnish an estimate of the expense of maintaining the Public Library in a building of its own.

The Chairman appointed the following Committee on building sites, David Drummond, J. H. Forest and W. K. Coffin.

It was further decided to hold the next meeting of the Committee and of the Library Directors at 7-30 P. M., March 4th, at the same time and place.

C. W. Lockwood

Secretary.

W. J. Starr