

Minutes of the Meeting  
of the  
Board of Directors  
of the  
Peoples Institute and Portland Free Dispensary  
October 1925

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Peoples Institute and Portland Free Dispensary was held October 2, 1925 in the office of the Dispensary. This being the first meeting after the summer vacation.

Those present were Mrs Corbett, presiding, Mrs Bailey, Mrs Wight, Mrs Ayer, Mrs Kerr and Miss Prichard. Those absent were Mrs Wilcox, Mrs L. A. Lewis, Mrs Gerlinger, Mrs Johnson, Mrs Devereaux, Mrs Gillison, Mrs Grelle, Mrs Shevlin and Mrs Hunt Lewis.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and signed by the President and Secretary. The Treasurer's report was read by Miss Prichard and accepted. This report showed a balance, September 30, of \$1622.81.

Miss Prichard read the yearly budget as arranged by the Budget Committee, which showed the total for the year 1926 as \$22700. She stated that this was an increase of \$1980. over the budget of 1925 and explained the reason for the increase.

This increase includes a salary of \$100. per month for one nurse and \$25. per month extra for another nurse which the Dispensary fund will carry until such time as the Medical School can take it over



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The increase of the salary of the Social Service Secretary from \$115. to \$125. per month. The increase of Mrs Davis salary \$15. per month placing her on full time. The salary of an additional Social Service Visitor on half time (with the use of her own car) at \$65. per month and additional Janitor service to amount of \$30. per month.

Miss Prichard reported that an appropriation of \$2800. had been granted by the City Council and \$1000. by the County Commission. The same amounts that we have previously received.

Miss Prichard also stated that larger sums had not been asked from these two agencies as Dr Dillehunt had deemed it unwise to do so at the present time as he had just asked them for aid which would benefit both the Medical School and the Dispensary.

As the majority of members present were members of the budget Committee the approval of the Board as a whole was postponed until the next meeting unless previously procured from individual members.

The Superintendents report was read and approved. The fall term of the Medical School has just opened and 94 students are scheduled for work at the Dispensary. 65 Physicians are in attendance each week in charge of either lectures or clinics. There are 92 groups each week for which proper space must be provided.

A new plan this year is to have six Medical men here each morning and to have the patients return by appointment.

Miss Prichard spoke of the expense of the Xray work and the amount of work done for the T. B. Patients and suggested that she talk with Mrs Dieck regarding the subject. This plan was approved by the members present. During the summer a large rug for the office was donated by Mrs Simeon Winch and it was moved and seconded that a letter of thanks be sent to her expressing the appreciation of the Board.



Miss Prichard reported a conference she had with Dr Dillehunt regarding the work of the Dispensary in which he said he thought the work was constantly improving and he was well pleased with it. He suggested that we lease the same location for another two years if possible. As our present lease expires in November another lease was asked for and granted. This action was approved by the Board and the lease was signed by the President, Vice President and Treasurer.

Mrs Corbett reported the transfer of the banking account from Ladd and Tilton to the Security Savings and Trust Co. and the papers necessary were signed by the President, Vice President and Treasurer.

Miss Prichard reported the need of 1 dozen new sheets, 3 dozen table pads, 2 dozen chest blankets and 3 wool blankets. Blankets were promised by Mrs Wight, sheets by Mrs Kerr and table pads by Mrs Ayer.

The statistical report for August showed 1450 Patients and 2753 Visits. A letter was read from the Portland School of Social Work announcing an extension course in Social Work for volunteers. Moved and carried that a letter be sent to Mrs Margaret Sharp Secretary, thanking her for the announcement and stating that it had been presented to the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting adjourned.

Signed - Mabel Kerr, Secretary Pro Tem.