

**Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
September 23, 2014**

PRESENT: Maureen Lyons, Barbara Burt, Allan Thoreson, Leah Mattox, Sue Fink, Ronnie Manis, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy **Absent:** Tom Colbert

President Maureen Lyons called the meeting to order at 4:32pm.

AUGUST 26, 2014 MINUTES: The minutes of the August 26, 2014, meeting were approved as written.

OPERATING BILLS: It was moved by Allan Thoreson and seconded by Sue Fink to approve the bills. The motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Library staff and a social worker continue to work with a local family to help correct unsanitary living conditions in their home so that library privileges may be restored.
- A grant application has been submitted to the Martha Ellen Tye Foundation for a two-year, part-time volunteer coordinator position.
- "Building Paths from Poverty" Symposium activities will continue, including a presentation, "Nickel and Dimed," to be presented at the Orpheum Theatre on October 26 and a second book discussion at the library on Thursday, October 23.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Valerie Strong, a retired MCSD employee, has been hired as a part-time library page.
- The fall movie matinee series will begin on Monday, September 29, and will feature romantic comedies. Movies continue through December.
- An after-hours teen movie, "Divergent," was shown last week. There was a good turn-out for this first-ever event.
- The annual altered books reception will be on October 29. Old books are available to repurpose and books with ideas are available at the Information Desk.
- Friends of the Library Board will meet Sunday, September 28. New board members will be needed and suggestions are welcome.
- Sarah will be giving a library report at the October 20 City Council meeting at 5:30pm. All are welcome to attend.
- The entire library staff and a few other city staff members will participate in a "Mental Health First Aide" class on Friday, March 13. It was moved by Barbara Burt and seconded by Sue Fink to close the library on Friday, March 13, for a staff in-service day. The motion unanimously passed.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 28, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58pm.