

**Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
May 26, 2015**

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

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

APRIL 28, 2015 MINUTES: The minutes of the April 28, 2015 meeting were approved as written. It was noted that the broken windows were replaced and the city paid for them from a special fund. (See April 28, 2015 minutes)

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

NEW BUSINESS:

--*The Friends of the Library* met April 17. They will be working on promoting the library levy and Mary Ellen Mondt will be working on a publicity piece. A special meeting will be held Sunday, July 19 at 4:00pm. More information, FAQ's and petitions will be discussed. Sarah spoke to the State Board of Elections to clarify what staff and board members can and cannot do to promote the levy. Board members, as individuals, may advocate for the levy, but the Board may not promote it as a group. Members are free to give information about the levy, but they may not ask people to vote "yes." Signatures must be turned into the City in September and the petitions will then be turned over to the County. The November city election will include the library levy and the election of three City Council members. FOL membership renewal cards have been sent and checks are coming in.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

--*The revised Volunteer Policy* was passed out. Members were asked to review the policy and it will be on the agenda to approve at the June meeting.

--*Summer programs* for both kids and adults are kicking off with good response.

--*Several successful programs* happened in April: A couponing program was presented by Mary Potter Kenyon and former University of Iowa wrestling coach, Dan Gable, spoke, signed autographs and posed for photos to a packed house! Original poetry from the Grin City Collective was installed on the windows in the café. A Spanish and Burmese version will be installed at a later date.

--*Sarah will attend an IMLS meeting* in Los Angeles early in June. She will be on vacation in June and will be unable to attend the June 23 Board meeting.

There was no public comment.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 23, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm.