

**Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
July 28, 2015**

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

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

JUNE 23, 2015 MINUTES: The minutes of the June 23, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

--*Volunteer Policy:* A copy of the volunteer application was reviewed which included the change in wording from "Iowa Sex Offender List" to "Sex Offender List." It was moved and seconded (Mattox/Burt) to approve the revised volunteer application form. It was moved/seconded (Fink/Thoreson) to approve the amended Volunteer Policy. Both motions were unanimously approved.

--*Prairie Update:* Barbara commented how nice the prairie looks. Leah recommended putting up signage with educational information throughout the gardens.

NEW BUSINESS:

--*Election of Officers:* It was moved and seconded (Fink/Burt) to re-elect Maureen Lyons as President of the Board of Trustees. It was moved and seconded (Thoreson/Fink) to elect Barbara Burt as Vice-President and Leah Mattox as Secretary. Both motions were unanimously approved. It was noted that Barbara Burt's and Sue Fink's terms both end in September of 2015.

--*Budget Update:* The fiscal year has ended and we have not heard yet from the city how we ended the budget year. The library did receive a \$10,000 cut for the FY15-16 budget. After reading about this in the newspaper, an anonymous patron came in and presented Sarah a check for \$2500. That has been deposited in the donation account.

--*FOL:* Maureen spoke on the recent Friends of the Library meeting. Mary Ellen Mondi is working on marketing ideas for the upcoming library levy. She is preparing a brochure and FAQ sheet. Petition signatures still are being collected with 200 signatures required by the end of August. The election will take place on November 3 with the library levy and city council election being on the ballot.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Summer activities are winding down. The Blank Park Zoo was at the library today and did several programs. The adult summer program has collected nearly \$500 for their "Christmas in July" program, collecting funds for the Iowa Veterans Home. Over 20,000 people have come to the library in both June and July. There will be a presentation on the "Monuments Men" in October and a Celtic musician will perform in September—hopefully outside on the lawn. Book sales continue to be good with a paperback book sale running in July. Maureen commented she appreciates the event notices on the library's Facebook page

There was no public comment.

The next meeting will be August 25, 2015

