

Drake Public Library Board of Trustees
Wednesday, April 8, 2020, 5:00 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Board President Michelle Moore called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held via video conference (Zoom) due to Covid-19 concerns and recommendations of the Iowa Department of Health to avoid gatherings of groups of 10 or more people.

Board Members Present: Julie Eagan, Nicole Cox, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Ron Eggerman, and Michelle Moore

Board Members Absent: Dennis Beeson, Tom Johnson, Kris Laurson, and Dana Moritz

Library Staff Present: Library Director JeNel Barth

City Staff Present: City Administrator Jason Fraser

Visitors/Public Comment: None

Agenda Approval: Approved as submitted

Minutes Approval: Approved as submitted

Approval of Bills: Ron Eggerman moved to approve the payment of bills, Julie Eagan second, approved.

Director's Report: Library Director JeNel Barth reports 1) the library closed March 17, 2020 in response to Covid-19, library employees are still being paid but working modified hours and in separate locations within the library to maintain as safe an environment as possible, 2) plans for the Summer Reading Program are unclear at this time, more will be known as the virus progresses, Kristin Craver is keeping in touch with the planned presenters, 3) there has been an increase in online checkouts with the shutdown and library staff are assisting patrons with signing up for online service over the phone, and 4) the library may be able to assist with printing face shields with the 3D printer.

Report from the City: The City is working to address all aspects of the virus concerns and will be monitoring the effects it will have on the city budget.

Report from the Friends: Library Director JeNel Barth reports that the Friends Pi Day bake sale sold out quickly and was a great success. The Friends will not be holding meetings while there is concern over Covid-19.

Report from the Drake Public Library Foundation: The Foundation will not be holding meetings unless necessary and until safe to do so.

Report from Officers: None.

Reports from Standing Committees (Executive, Budget and Finance, Governance, Building, Public Relations, Personnel): None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Agenda Items for Future Meetings: None offered.

Upcoming Meetings: Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 5:00 pm

Adjourned