

**Drake Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 5:00pm**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – Meeting held at Craver, Grothe, & Cox Conference Room**

**Call to Order:** Board-President, Nicole Cox called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Michelle Moore, Nicole Cox, Kris Hoffman, Ron Eggerman, Dennis Beeson, Julie Eagen, Janell Armstrong and Mike Cockrum(entered at 5:02 p.m.)

**Board Members Absent:** Kathy Cridlebaugh

**Library Staff Present:** Library Director JeNel Barth

**City Staff Present:** None

**Agenda Approval:** Approved as presented

**Minutes Approval:** December 14, 2022, Regular board meeting approved as presented

**Visitors/Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Bills:** Kris Hoffman moved to approve the payment of bills, second Dennis Beeson, approved by all.

**Director's Report:** Library Director JeNel Barth reports 1) There has been an increase in participation in the children's programs, 2) A plan has been implemented to begin delivering to the local nursing homes, 3) The librarian for the Centerville Community School District is working with JeNel to implement a partnership between the schools and the library and a meeting is scheduled in February to begin with the Middle School, 4) There was a gas smell at the library today that was a result of a spill at Bratz across the street. After a brief shut down and a walk through by Alliant and the Centerville Fire Department, the building was cleared and opened back up. There is a repair being discussed to prevent this from happening again.

**Report from the City:** Jason is continuing to work on the city budget.

**Report from the Friends:** The Friends will be meeting at the end of the month and new officers will be elected. Imagination Library continues to add participants and funding.

**Report for the Drake Public Library Foundation:** The Foundation met and discussed assisting the library with fire alarm upgrades, security system upgrades and technology updates.

**Reports from Standing Committees** (Executive, Budget and Finance, Governance, Building, Public Relations, Personnel):

1. **Budget & Finance:** The Budget and Finance Committee met with JeNel to review the budget on January 3, 2023. A secondary meeting will be held after the January 11 meeting to finalize.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Agenda Items for Future Meetings:** Personnel Policies Review

**Upcoming Meeting:** Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 5 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned by President Nicole Cox.