

**Drake Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Wednesday, April 12, 2023, 5:00pm**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order:** Board President, Nicole Cox called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Michelle Moore, Kris Hoffman, Dennis Beeson, Janell Armstrong, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Nicole Cox, Ron Eggerman and Mike Cockrum

**Board Members Absent:** Julie Eagen

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

**City Staff Present:** None

**Agenda Approval:** Approved as presented.

**Minutes Approval:** Approved as presented.

**Visitors/Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Bills:** Michelle Moore moved to approve the payment of bills, second Janell Armstrong, approved by all.

**Director's Report:** Library Director JeNel Barth reports 1) May 2<sup>nd</sup> the library will be home to a weekly travel exhibit from the Science Center of Iowa, 2) The new Storywalk Story has been installed and several classrooms have scheduled field trips to the park, 3) Summer Reading Program is Find Your Voice and sign up will begin June 1<sup>st</sup>. Several programs are already planned and look for more information in the coming month, 4) The Library is in the process of having a blood pressure monitor and coordinating literature for the public to utilize. Appanoose County Public Health is working with the library on this venture and 5) Dial a Story participation continues to increase.

**Report from the City:** None

**Report from Friends of DPL:** Pie Day raised over \$1,000 and there are already new ideas to improve the event next year. Imagination Library continues to add participants monthly.

**Report for the Drake Public Library Foundation:** No report

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

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Kris Hoffman – County Funding: Kris Hoffman attended the April 3, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting on behalf of the Board of Directors. He thanked the Supervisors for their continued support of the Drake Public Library, requested additional funding and also requested that funding be allocated to the Library earlier in the budget year. The Supervisors indicated that there was an increase in the current budget for the library and they will request funds be dispersed earlier.

**Agenda Items for Future Meetings:** Additional policy updates

**Upcoming Meeting:** Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at 5 p.m.

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