

Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
June 26, 2012

PRESENT: Alan Thoreson, Glenn Ytzen, Sue Fink, Barbara Burt, Maureen Lyons, Tom Colbert, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy and one member of the media. Absent: Karen Elder

President Maureen Lyons called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

MAY 28, 2012 MINUTES: The minutes were approved.

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

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) The library received a \$2700 community Foundation Grant to purchase Mango software. This is a self-paced language learning program that features over 44 languages. This will be available to patrons at the library or at home. The grant will pay for a one-year license.

B) The Martha Ellen Tye Foundation gave funds to the Friends of the Library to purchase the Foundation Center database, which lists over 100,000 foundations. The Friends of the Library is purchasing, with a restricted gift for adult computers, a dedicated reference computer for this and other databases. The gift will pay for a one-year license.

C) Contents for a recently-opened time capsule from Anson Middle School are on display in the library's lobby.

D) The library will be open until 8:00pm on the night RAGBRAI is in town, July 25. We received a request from a group to camp on the library's lawn that evening. It was agreed to allow them to camp on the library grounds.

E) Summer Reading Update: Over 1000 children have already registered for the summer reading program. Over 300 people attended the Dan Wardell program on Monday, June 25. Quilt pieces are being completed and displayed featuring books that adults are reading.

Items for the July meeting: Friends of the Library update and strategic planning in the fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm