

Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
August 28, 2012

PRESENT: Maureen Lyons, Allan Thoreson, Tom Colbert, Barbara Burt, Sue Fink, Leah Mattox, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy and a member of the media.
Absent: Glenn Ytzen.

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

JULY 23, 2012 MINUTES: The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

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

There was no public comment.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The following board members agreed to serve as officers for the next year: Maureen Lyons, president; Tom Colbert, vice-president; Sue Fink, secretary. Allan Thoreson moved to elect the officers. Seconded by Barbara Burt. The motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Strategic Planning: Members of the board and a selection of community members will be asked to serve on the Strategic Planning Committee, which will meet Saturday, October 13, from 9-3:00. Allan and Sue volunteered to represent the board on the committee.

Prairie Update: Sarah checked with the public works director and was assured that the weed seeds collected from the prairie and taken to the compost facility will be killed in the composting process. The prairie will be mowed in the fall and perhaps again in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

Becky Gile was introduced as a new staff member. She worked at the library a few years ago and has returned as a library page. She will primarily work in youth services.

Summer 2012: Over 1100 kids participated in the youth summer program! Adult programs were well received and attended as well.

RAGBRAI: Over 300 riders visited the library and over 100 guest passes were given to use the internet. Many good comments were left on our "guest book."

Board Agenda: In keeping with City Council practice, the public comment portion of the agenda will be moved to the end of the agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14pm.