

**Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
May 28, 2013**

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

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

APRIL 23, 2013 MINUTES: The minutes were approved as written by a unanimous vote.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

National Medal for Library Service: Sarah Rosenblum, Maureen Lyons, Veronica Guevara and Sandy Gowdy attended the awards ceremony on June 8 at the White House in Washington D.C. First Lady, Michelle Obama, presented the award. Five libraries and five museums in the country were given this honor, including the Czech and Slovak Museum in Cedar Rapids. The award is now displayed in the library's lobby.

NEW BUSINESS:

Staff Vacancy: Stacey McKim has resigned from her position and her last day will be June 25. The Information Supervisor position will be replaced by an Information Librarian and both staff members in that position will report to Sarah. Sixty applications were received for the position and Sarah conducted phone interviews for a number of qualified candidates. The final three candidates will be interviewed in person on May 29. The interview team will be Sarah, Sandy, Jill Petermeier (city HR) and Stephen Troskey (city planning). This position no longer requires an MLS degree, but all three candidates do have that degree.

Library Volunteer: The library staff is saddened by the death of volunteer, Beverly Cumberlige.

Budget: The State Legislature recently approved a commercial property tax reduction which in turn will affect city budgets. The city will start planning for cuts in the next fiscal year (2014-15). Thoughts and suggestions are welcome!

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm.