

Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
October 28, 2014

PRESENT: Allan Thoreson, Tom Colbert, Leah Mattox, Barbara Burt, Maureen Lyons, Ronnie Manis, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy, Mayor Jim Lowrance Absent: Sue Fink

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

SEPTEMBER 23, 2014 MINUTES: The minutes of the September 23, 2014, meeting were approved as corrected to read "library report at the October 27 City Council meeting."

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

OLD BUSINESS:

The Martha Ellen Tye Foundation approved one-half of a grant application for a Volunteer Coordinator position at the library. The Foundation will fund \$20,000 for one year with the challenge of raising an additional \$20,000 for the second year. Sarah will be submitting a request to the "100 Women Who Care" on Thursday, October 30.

NEW BUSINESS:

2015 Calendar. It was moved by Barbara Burt and seconded by Ronnie Manis to approve the 2015 calendar. Trustee meetings will be moved to the THIRD Tuesday of the month in both November and December of 2015 and the library will be closed on Saturday, December 26.

Director's Report: Sarah reported on several upcoming events at the library: The Altered Book Reception on October 29, Tech Help resuming on October 29, Annual Scrabble Tournament on November 15 and an author visit by Patience Griffin on November 15. The library continues to be busy with many large meetings and high everyday attendance figures.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Jim Lowrance congratulated Sarah on her presentation to the City Council on October 27 and reported many positive comments about the library. He was pleased that the Martha Ellen Tye Foundation approved the grant request for a volunteer coordinator position and believes other organizations will follow suit and offer volunteer positions that will satisfy the needs of people interested in volunteering in the community.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10pm.