

Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
June 23, 2015

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

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

May 26, 2015 MINUTES: The minutes of the May 26, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

--Volunteer Policy: There was a question on the proposed policy of the types of background checks done and if the sex offender registry is checked in states other than Iowa. The existing Volunteer Application will be looked at during the July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

--*Summer Activity Update:* There have been several days in June when the door count has exceeded 1,000 patrons. Attendance and circulation is up and programs have been well attended. Miss Teen America will be visiting the library as well as storyteller Dave Daugherty/William and Blackjack. Patrons have the opportunity to contribute to the Marshall County fireworks by getting their picture taken in the youth department with Captain America for a small donation. Over 900 children have signed up for the summer reading program so far!! A "Paranormal Iowa" program will be presented on June 26. Donations will be collected for the "Christmas in July" program which will benefit the Iowa Veterans Home residents by purchasing canteen cards. A bus trip is planned for August 5 and will feature the Iowa Hall of Pride and the Iowa Historical Museum.

--*Board officers* will be elected at the July meeting.

--Leah mentioned that she has been tutoring students at the library this summer and that it has been difficult to use their Chromebooks because the internet speed is very slow. Other patrons have mentioned/complained that they are being "knocked off" while using the Wi-Fi here at the library.

OTHER COMMENTS:

--A gentleman complained about the appearance of the prairie garden, while many others have stopped those who have been working in the garden telling them that they think it's very nice. The flowers are blooming and attracting many birds and butterflies. The wet weather has hindered mowing and weeding, but they are getting caught up.

The next meeting will be July28.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10pm.

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