

**Marshalltown Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
November 15, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Allan Thoreson, Judy Lindhom, Megan Bell, Leah Mattox, Maureen Lyons, Robert Untiedt, Sarah Rosenblum, Sandy Gowdy **Absent:** Ronnie Manis

President Leah Mattox called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

**OCTOBER 25, 2016 MINUTES:** The minutes of the October 25 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

**OPERATING BILLS:** It was moved and seconded (Thoreson/Lindhom) to approve the bills. The motion was unanimously approved. Note: the current Alliant bill was not reflected as it had not been received due to the early meeting date.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

--2017 Library Calendar: the city's HR Director has allowed the library to be open on Friday, December 22, 2017, and to consider that day to be a "floater" holiday, which may be taken anytime in October, November or December. It was moved and seconded (Lyons/Bell) to approve the 2017 Library Calendar. The motion was unanimously approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

--Friends of the Library Update: The FOL met Sunday, November 13. They are currently looking for new board members, so please pass along any suggestions. New members will be elected and installed in January 2017.

--Public Art: The library was part of a grant proposal that ultimately placed "Echo" on 13<sup>th</sup> Street and will place "Drill" at the MHS Roundhouse. The library did not receive that grant money, but the FOL had earmarked \$25,000 for a match. They are still interested in funding a piece(s) of public art, possibly for the library's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

--City employees participated in an in-service on November 11. Included was ALICE training. Library staff used the afternoon for department projects.

--The library will be closed Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 25. It will be open Saturday and Sunday, November 26 and 27.

--Many programs!!...Science-stravaganza, artist Gary Kelly, author/speaker Rosalind Wiseman. Upcoming events include the annual model train display and "stress relief" adult coloring.

--The city's new city administrator, Jessica Kinser, began her job on Monday, November 14. She will attend a library board meeting within the next few months.

--Additional and new collections include the "Lucky Day" collection and the growing "Welcome Center" materials. Looking for a vendor for the Launch Pads and to date, no sponsor has been found for the charging station.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 20.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18pm.