

**Marshalltown Public Library
Board of Trustees
May 20, 2025**

Members present: Maureen Lyons, Judy Lindholm, Ashtyn Beek, Sandy Bennett, Erik Hall

Absent: Tonya Gaffney, Ruzan Morrison

Staff: Sarah Rosenblum, Joa LaVille, Katie Fink

Recording Secretary: Sandy Gowdy

Vice President Maureen Lyons called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Public Comment: The following spoke during Public Comment: Linda Clark, Garrison Oppman, John Worden, Ray Mitchum, Gary Thompson

Board Comment: No comments

Approval of the Agenda: Moved/Seconded (Lindholm/Bennett) to approve the agenda. Passed.

Approval of the April 15 Minutes: Moved/Seconded (Bennett/Hall) to approve the minutes. Passed.

Operating Bills: Moved/Seconded (Beek/Lindholm) to approve the bills. Passed.

Old Business:

--IMLS (federal funding) is still in flux. No new information.

--MOBI has been sold to the City of Burbank. It was sold for \$160,000 and the City and the Friends of the Library will receive portions of the proceeds. Someone from California will drive it "home."

New Business:

A: State Library Update:

--Three databases will not be renewed next year: The Foundation Directory, FirstSearch and Brainfuse

--Iowa Shares (ILL delivery service) deliveries will drop from twice weekly to once a week

--The FY24 Iowa Public Library Statistics has been released.

B: Community Room AV Project: Mechdyne was awarded the project and has met with staff to discuss placement of cameras, etc. They hope to do this project in September.

This \$135,000 project is being funded by the Friends of the Library.

C: July 4 Weekend: Entryway tile work is going to be done on July 3. The library will be closed July 4, 5 and 6. It was moved/seconded (Bennett/Lindholm) to close the library on July 4, 5 and 6. Passed.

D. Staff Reports:

Katie:

--Adult Summer Reading kicks off on June 3

--Other summer programs include:

--Mending clinic on June 7

--Sled Dog program on June 8 (for all ages)

--Humanities Iowa program about Nancy Drew on June 14

--Seed saving program in August

Joa:

--Summer sign-up on Beanstack begins June 1 (Early sign-up has started)

--Working with the adult department so families can participate and earn activity badges together. All programs are free and most do not need pre-registration.

E: Director's Report:

- Maintenance projects continue (cabinet re-facing) and some computers are being replaced.
- A new partnership with Iowa Works has begun. A representative will be at the library one day a month and will provide one-on-one service.
- Interviews for the Parks and Rec director are taking place.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 17 at 5:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52pm.

Judy Lindholm
5/17/25