

Drake Public Library Board of Trustees
Wednesday, February 14, 2024
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Board President, Janell Armstrong called the meeting to order at 4:59 p.m.

Board Members Present: Michelle Moore, Janell Armstrong, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Ron Eggerman, Mike Cockrum, Kris Hoffman, Dennis Beeson, Julie Eagen and Nicole Cox

Board Members Absent: None

Library Staff Present: Library Director JeNel Barth

City Staff Present: Jason Fraser

Agenda Approval: Approved as presented.

Minutes Approval: Regular Board Meeting minutes for January 10, 2024, were approved as presented.

Visitors/Public Comment: None

Approval of Bills: Michelle Moore moved to approve the payment of bills, second Nicole Cox, approved by all.

Director's Report: Library Director JeNel Barth reports: 1) Adults: Book Chat for February is None of This is True by Lisa Jewell and there is a new puzzle in the Swab Reading Room, 2) Kid Stuff: Staff will be participating in Kindergarten Roundup and the participants will be encouraged to attend Little Listeners following and Create Crew enjoyed tearing apart old computers as an activity.

Report from the City: There will be a City Council Work session related to Goal Setting on February 26. Suggestion to reach out to council members to encourage continued library support.

Report from Friends of DPL: The next fundraiser will be Pie Day on March 14th. There is a bill being proposed for state-wide funding of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Report for the Drake Public Library Foundation: The Foundation will meet in March.

Reports from Standing Committees (Executive, Budget and Finance, Governance, Building, Public Relations, Personnel):

- Budget and Finance: Committee approves of moving forward with current budget.
- Building: Dearborn Becker Roofing will be coming to look at the roof. There have been significant leaks.

Old Business:

- Approval of FY25 Library Budget: Kris Hoffman moved to approve the budget, second Mike Cockrum, approved by all.

New Business:

- Contracting Communities/Library Services Contract: Jason Fraser and JeNel presented the lack of funding from municipalities outside of the Centerville City limits in relation to the services provided/used. There will be a campaign to reach out to these entities to request additional funding.

Agenda Items for Future Meetings: None

Upcoming Meeting: Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 5 p.m.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned by President Janell Armstrong.