

**Drake Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Wednesday, April 10, 2024**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order:** Board President, Janell Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.  
**Board Members Present:** Janell Armstrong, Dennis Beeson, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Julie Eagan, Ron Eggerman, Kris Hoffman  
**Board Members Absent:** Nicole Cox, Michelle Moore, Mike Cockrum  
**Library Staff Present:** JeNel Allen Barth

**Agenda Approval:** The agenda was approved as presented  
**Minutes Approval:** The minutes for the March 12, 2024 meeting were approved as presented  
**Visitors/Public Comment:** None  
**Approval of Bills:** Kris Hoffman moved to approve the bills, Kathy Cridlebaugh seconded, motion carried

**Director's Report:** JeNel reports that the Enfys McMurry book discussion went really well. The eclipse glasses donated by the Friends were given away very quickly and a few people came to the library to watch for the eclipse movement. Children's staff attended the Healthy Kids Fair. Puzzles are now circulating with the library's collection including 8 donated puzzles. JeNel has also been invited to be a selector for the State Library of Iowa's Bridges Consortium collection.

**Report from the City:** The city budget, including funding for the library and staff payroll/benefits will be reviewed and approved at the next City Council Meeting.

**Report from the Friends of DPL:** Pi Day raised over \$2,500 for the library and the group is now focusing on the Halloween Hustle which will be held on the third Saturday of October.

**Report from the DPL Foundation:** Their next meeting will be Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at noon. The Foundation has recently agreed to partially fund the roof replacement project and has sponsored a grant application for paint and patching throughout the interior of the library building.

**Reports from Standing Committees:** Nothing to Report

**Old Business:** A letter from JeNel and on behalf of the board to current and potential contracting communities was reviewed.

**New Business:** Trustee contact information was reviewed and corrected as needed. Ron Eggerman and Julie Eagan's terms are up at the end of June 2024 and they do not wish to renew their terms. One male and one female board member will need to be recommended to be approved in time for the July Annual Meeting.

**Agenda Items for the Next Meeting:** Board Trustee recommendations

**Upcoming Meetings:** Wednesday, May 8, 2024, 5pm

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned by President Janell Armstrong