

Drake Public Library Board of Trustees
Wednesday, March 11, 2025, 5PM
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Board President, Janell Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Michelle Moore, Nicole Cox, Janell Armstrong, Shelly Baldwin, Kathy Cridlebaugh and Dennis Beeson

Board Members Absent: Kris Hoffman, David Farrell and Mike Cockrum

Library Staff Present: Library Director JeNel Barth

City Staff Present: None

Agenda Approval: Approved as presented.

Minutes Approval: The Regular Board Meeting minutes for February 12, 2025, were approved as presented.

Visitors/Public Comment: None

Approval of Bills: Nicole Cox moved to approve the payment of bills with the addition of the TK Elevator bill that was received late, second Dennis Beeson approved by all.

Director's Report: Library Director JeNel Barth shared staff is in full swing planning for the Summer Reading Program, Book Chat for March is biographies and memoirs, staff participated in a training to review all the closing procedures for each floor, and the adult programming surveys are being reviewed, and planning is taking place.

Report from the City: None

Report from Friends of DPL: Pi Day is March 14th beginning at 10:30am at the library.

Report for the Drake Public Library Foundation: A grant applied for with the assistance of Alison Fraser was awarded to the library to extend the front railings to the doors of the library.

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

Building: The solar company indicated that our structure is not optimal for solar panels.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Patron Application: Kathy Cridlebaugh moved to approve the patron application with the changes noted by the board, second Nicole Cox approved by all.

New Board Member: A new member will be needed to fill the board seat for David Farrell as he has moved from the county.

Agenda Items for Future Meetings:

Upcoming Meeting: Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 5 p.m.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned by President Janell Armstrong.