**Drake Public Library Board of Trustees**

**Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 5:00pm**

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order:** Board President Janell Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

**Board Members Present:** Janel Armstrong, Nicole Cox, Shelley Baldwin, Dennis Beeson, Mike Cockrum, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Kris Hoffman

**Board Members Absent:** Michelle Moore

**Library Staff Present:** Library Director, JeNel Barth

**City Staff Present:** None

**Agenda Approval:** Approved as presented. JeNel Barth will take minutes for Michelle Moore.

**Minutes Approval:** Approved as presented

**Visitor’s Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Bills:** Kris Hoffman moved to approve the payment of bills, seconded by Kathy Cridlebaugh, approved by all.

**Director’s Report:** Library Director JeNel Barth reports that 1) Summer Reading planning is underway, and the children’s staff represented the library at the 2025 Healthy Kids Fair this past Saturday. The Storywalk will be getting a new story very soon. 2) Adult programming will stay on track throughout the summer and will include IA Works being on site on the 4th Thursday of the month for job search support and education. 3) Two pieces of negative library legislation has died and a piece of legislation to reinstate special levies is being proposed. 4) The City of Centerville sent out an RFP for banking services and will be changing banks. This will include Drake Public Library accounts. The change will progress May through June to be in place by the start of FY26.

**Report from the Foundation:** Dennis Beeson will attend the next meeting for the Foundation on April 17th at 4:30pm.

**Report from Friends:** PI Day was very successful, bringing in $2,138 to support SRP and other library programming. They are looking for ideas to pivot the activities during the Halloween Hustle that could allow for more participation from the public and be more profitable.

**Report from Officers:** None

**Reports from Standing Committees (Executive, Budget and Finance, Governance, Building, Public Relations, Personnel):** None

**Old Business:** Elizabeth Hargrave was approved by Centerville City Council as board trustee to fill out an open trustee position through June 30, 2030.Nicole Cox moved to approve Elizabeth Hargrave for the trustee position. Kathy Cridlebaugh seconded, and the motion was approved by all.

**New Business:** None

**Agenda Items for Future Meetings:** Approval of signatures for new banking accounts.

**Upcoming Meetings:** May 14, 2025, at 5pm.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned by President Janell Armstrong