

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

**Call to Order:** Board President, Janell Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Michelle Moore, Janell Armstrong, Shelly Baldwin, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Mike Cockrum, Elizabeth Hargrave and Kris Hoffman

**Board Members Absent:** Nicole Cox and Dennis Beeson

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

**City Staff Present:** None

**Agenda Approval:** Approved as presented.

**Minutes Approval:** The Regular Board Meeting minutes for May 14, 2025, were approved as presented.

**Visitors/Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Bills:** Michelle Moore moved to approve the payment of bills, second Kathy Cridlebaugh, approved by all.

**Director's Report:** Library Director JeNel Barth reports that: 1) Summer Reading Program is up and going with 150 kids signed up so far, 2) The birthday celebration for Jane Austin kicked off on June 9<sup>th</sup> and will continue during the summer with various events, 3) Book chat will continue with the Jane Austin theme for June, 4) State Library of Iowa's funding cuts will effect the inter library loan program and also eliminate our free access to Brainfuse free online tutoring, 5) Iowa Works will be in the library again in June, & 5) JeNel indicated the best way to support the Drake Public Library is to have a library card and participate in library events.

**Report from the City:** None

**Report from Friends of DPL:** The Friends are planning an alternate to the Halloween Hustle, details to come. Michelle and JeNel have been cleaning up the child list for Imagination Library.

**Report for the Drake Public Library Foundation:** None

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

**Executive:** We will be holding our annual meeting before the regular July 10th board meeting. The election of officers will take place for the new year.

**Building:** The new AC/HVAC system is installed and works great. The exterior improvements are being scheduled.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Salary Resolution Review:** The board reviewed the updated salary resolution as presented by the city. The updated amounts were included in the budget previously approved.

**Agenda Items for Future Meetings:**

**Upcoming Meeting:** Annual Board Meeting followed by Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, July 10, 2025, at 5 p.m.

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