Drake Public Library Board of Trustees
Wednesday, October 14, 2026 5:00 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

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

Board Members Present: Janell Armstrong, Nicole Cox, Mike Cockrum, Kathy Cridlebaugh, Noel Gordon, and Shelly Baldwin.
Board Members Absent: Michelle Moore, Dennis Beeson, Elizabeth Hargrave
Library Staff Present: Library Director JeNel Barth
City Staff Present: None
Visitors/Public Comment: None

Agenda Approval: Approved as presented
Minutes Approval: Approved as presented
Approval of Bills: Mike Cockrum moved to approve the payment of bills, Noel Gordon second, approved by all.

Director's Report: Library Director JeNel Barth reports 1) JeNel attended the Iowa Library Association Conference in Cedar Rapids, 2) Work is continuing on the Morgan Cline Grant for funds to improve the front steps, sidewalks and book drop depository, 3) the Library is now an access point for a telehealth tablet for telehealth appointments.

Report from the City: None

Report from the Friends of DPL: The pool/bags tournament was a great success and raised approximately $2,500 for the Friends.

Report from the Drake Public Library Foundation: None

Report from Officers: None

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

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Annual FY 26 State Survey – JeNel shared the completed survey with the Board, Noel Gordon motioned to accept and approve said survey, Kathy Cridlebaugh second, approved by all.

Agenda Items for Future Meetings: Library policy updates

Upcoming Meetings: Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, November 11, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Adjourned