

**Marshalltown Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
November 19, 2024**

**Members Present:** Tonya Gaffney, Maureen Lyons, Judy Lindholm, Ashtyn Beek, Sandy Bennett, Erik Hall, Ruzan Morrison

**Staff:** Sarah Rosenblum, Joa LaVille

**Recording Secretary:** Sandy Gowdy

President Tonya Gaffney called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

**Public Comment:** John Worden, Joleen Ballard, Jeanine Grady, Ray Mitchum and Linda Clark spoke during Public Comment.

**Board Comment:** Tonya Gaffney spoke during Board Comment.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Moved/Seconded (Lyons/Hall) to approve the agenda. Approved

**Approval of the October 15, 2024 Minutes:** Moved/Seconded (Lindholm/Bennett) to approve the minutes. Approved.

**Operating Bills:** Moved/Seconded (Lyons/Beek) to approve the bills. Approved.

**Old Business:** The Kathy Wilson program on the Salem Witch Trials has been rescheduled.

**New Business:**

**A: Staff reports:** *Joa*

--Summer 2025 reading prep has begun

--Battle of the Books will launch at Lenihan from January-April

--Train display and story time in December

--Due to the closure of Game Haven, there is an interest in a Pokémon Club—perhaps summer.

**B: Director's Report:**

--The library was a voting site for the November election.

--Author, Michael Perry, will be here November 21.

--The State Library is doing away with state-provided email. Looking for an alternative.

--The City is interviewing for the Housing Director position.

--The town of Ferguson has elected not to contract for library services with the MPL. Residents of Ferguson will be notified that their library privileges will cease January 1, 2025.

**C: Board Training:**

--The Circulation and Behavior Policies will be reviewed during the next few months. The Behavioral Policy includes service dogs. An informative graphic was shown describing the definition and examples of service dogs.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 17, at 5:00pm.

*Judy Lindholm*  
12/17/2024