

**Dr. Grace O. Doane Alden Public Library
Trustee Meeting**

Date/Time: August 10, 2023
Location: Alden Library

Greg Lascheid: present X absent ____
Dean Vandervort present X absent ____
Sharon Evans: present X absent ____
Jessica Christensen: present ____ absent X

Lucy Rodriguez: present ____ absent X
Kathy Blome: present ____ absent X
Carol Vanderloop: present X absent ____
Lisa Liittschwager: present X absent ____

Minutes Approval: Reviewed minutes. Move to approve. Moved Carol Vanderloop
Seconded Sharon Evans Passed unanimously.

Librarian's Report: Moved Dean Vandervort ____ Seconded Carol Vanderloop ____
Lunches officially ended July 31st. It was a different dynamic of patrons this past summer with an increased amount of middle schoolers/teenagers. Had 25 kids at the last Story Time which is a huge amount of kids for our Story Time. Passed Unanimously.

Special Account Balance: \$9,346.61

Approve Bills: Moved Sharon Evans ____ Seconded Dean Vandervort ____
(narrative/notes): Passed unanimously.

Old Business (narrative/notes):

Shed – Greg talked to the city maintenance employees about some possibilities regarding a shed for storage for the library/city.

New Business (narrative/notes):

Library Officer Elections – moved until next month due to only having four members present at meeting.

Change in After School Program - splitting after school program into two groups which will be K-3rd on Tuesdays and 4th-6th on Thursdays, 7th and up will be on Mondays.

Update to grants – Director attended training about Stem cart that the library will be receiving soon that will be used for the after-school program. Still working on the upstairs with the grant for the young adult area.

Board Education: State Library Awarded \$246,000 Grant to Further Support Social Work Efforts in Iowa Libraries see <https://www.statelibraryofiaowa.gov/index.php/libraries/programs/social-work-iowa-libraries>
Discussion about the increased amount of patrons coming to the library seeking services other than checking out library materials especially this past summer with an increase in teen patrons. This is not unique to our library but a trend in many rural libraries.

Adjourn: Time 11:54 motion by Sharon Evans, Seconded by Dean Vandervort, passed 3 to 1 as follows Ayes – Dean, Carol, Sharon and No - Greg.

Next Board meeting will tentatively be Thursday, September 14, 2023 11:30am.