

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

Date/Time: May 13, 2026
Location: Alden Library

Dean Vandervort present ☒ absent___
Chris Kuhnle: present___☒ absent___
Jessica Christensen: present ☒ absent___
Lucy Rodriguez: present___☒ absent___

Kathy Blome: present___☒ absent___
Carol Vanderloop: present___☒ absent___
Meagan Herrin present___☒ absent___
Lisa Liittschwager: present___☒ absent___

Minutes Approval: Reviewed minutes. Minutes incorrect, so Director is going to fix and bring April minutes to the June meeting for approval.

Librarian's Report: The After-School Program is wrapping up this week, still doing story time for the littles through middle of May, full schedule of events for the Summer Reading Program. Erin is working to coordinate a Bob Ross painting event for this winter for adults. We are also doing a macramé class this summer for adults.

Approve Librarian's Report: Moved ___Kathy Blome___ Seconded___ Meagan Herrin_____
(narrative/notes): Passed unanimously.

Special Account Balance: \$11225.60

Approve Bills: Moved ___Dean Vandervort___ Seconded___Chris Kuhnle _____
(narrative/notes): Passed unanimously.

New Business

Grant updates - \$20,000 received through ALA in the Foundation account for the ALA grant. It comes with some stipulations such as trainings and community conversations. Church Women United gave us money for new sinks and Imperial Points is supposed to come and install those. Nextera Energy gave us \$1,000 to purchase STEM products. Dean Vandervort did pick up our check for the \$18,000 from HCCEF. The work has started for the cameras and new door locks. The locks will have cards (like hotels) instead of codes. Will need to update rental policy for the new system. Also received a Penguin Random House grant of \$500 in free books. Waiting to hear back on a grant for \$25,000 through ALA for the adult literacy. We are required to have a community conversation for the ALA grant regarding disability services and that will be held on June 10th here at the library.

Summer lunches – not having Alden has a site. Director has talked with the hospital and we will be distributing meals on Tuesdays and Fridays for the Alden Community. We will have to pickup the meals from Iowa Falls and bring them to the library for distribution. Meals will be distributed on Tuesdays and Fridays starting June 2nd which works out perfect with our Tuesday program.

Chimney repair – drywall needs to be patched. Imperial points gave us an estimate for tuckpointing the chimney and fixing the drywall. Board would like to get another estimate and the name suggested was Pat K. in Iowa Falls with a phone number provided by Dean Vandervort.

Roof-Director will contact Hadwiger to ask about the roof and to fix the cable that is hanging down.

Retired General Rand George – library will do a tribute to him. Director met with him when he was in town and he is willing to donate uniforms and some other items.

Old Business

None.

Rental Reviews

No rentals.

Board Education – None this month

Public comments

None.

Adjourn: Time 12:02pm, motion by Jessica Christensen Seconded by Kathy Blome, passed unanimously.

Next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday**, June 10th, 2026 at 11:30pm.