

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

Date/Time: July 9, 2025
Location: Alden Library

Greg Lascheid: present__ absent_X__
Dean Vandervort present X absent__
Chris Kuhnle: present_X__ absent __
Jessica Christensen: present X __ (by phone)

Lucy Rodriguez: present__X_ absent_
Kathy Blome: present__X absent__
Carol Vanderloop: present_X__ absent__
Lisa Liittschwager: present__X_ absent__

Minutes Approval: Reviewed minutes. Move to approve by Dean Vandervort Seconded_ by Lucy Rodriguez, Passed unanimously.

Librarian's Report: Received a donation from Nextera in the amount of \$3000 to purchase STEM and renewable energy products. Have purchased two VR headsets, a 3D printer, and some other fun STEM activities. Working on putting everything into the system and directions on using items. Isaac Smith is volunteering to help with the project. Also have ordered some new products including three Whazoodles and launchpads for youth. Both items are pre-loaded and do not require the internet to work. Move to approve report by Dean Vandervort and seconded by Kathy Blome, passed unanimously.

Special Account Balance: \$11,542.09

Approve Bills: Moved __Dean Vandervort __ Seconded __Lucy Rodriguez ____
(narrative/notes): Passed unanimously.

New Business

Access Copier Contract Renewal-reviewed the contract proposal. Motion to approve the new contract and copier made by Lucy Rodriguez, seconded by Jessica Christensen, passed unanimously.

Board Officer Elections- motion to keep current officers made by Dean Vandervort and seconded by Chris Kuhnle, passed unanimously. (Carol Vanderloop for President, Kathy Blome for Vice-President, and Lucy Rodriguez for secretary)

Lawn Care for front yard – received a bid from Greenbelt Lawn Care to prepare and put down new grass seed. Carol is going to speak with the city about responsibilities of the city vs. the library, who pays for the expense, etc. The Director will seek additional bids.

Old Business

Fire alarm bids review and selection-motion made by Dean VanderVort and seconded by Lucy Rodriguez to accept Zoske's bid with the additional expenses included and a five year monitoring contract paid up front. Passed unanimously.

Rental Reviews

Starting for next year, all weekly groups need to meet during open hours of the library and groups will not be allowed to have a key for more than just a one time rental event.

Board Education-Iowa Library Trustee's Handbook: 2021 edition, page 92, complete the library board assessment and we will discuss next meeting.

Adjourn: Time 12:01pm , motion by Kathy Blome Seconded by Dean Vandervort, passed unanimously.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at 11:30pm.