

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

Date/Time: July 11, 2024

Location: Alden Library

Greg Lascheid: present__ absent__X_
Dean Vandervort present X absent__
Chris Kuhnle: present_X__ absent _
Jessica Christensen: present_X_ absent__ _

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. Moved_ Dean Vandervort
Seconded__Jessica Christensen Passed unanimously.

Librarian's Report: Moved Kathy Blome _____ Seconded_ Dean Vandervort _____ Passed
unanimously.

Dr. Grace O. Doane's granddaughter and great-granddaughter visited the library this week. She was in town for the 100th anniversary of ILC and had always wanted to visit the library. The family was giving a tour of the library and took pictures in front of the sign out front.

Averaging 25-26 kids per week for lunch. They are not always the same kids each week. They are sent home with a sack of food to help feed them for the rest of the week. We always have food available at the library for them to eat if they need food or lunch any other day of the week.

Have had a lot of traffic through the door. The door counter is over 300 in the first 10 days. Had over 50 kids at the last program day. Have had new people/daycares coming in to programs. Summer programming is going well. Next week we have Calkins and the end of the year foam party coming up. Thursdays we normally do arts/crafts with recycled theme. Have two more live music events for adults – July 30th with Brian Herrin and August is Tank Anthony and a food truck the Hangry Pig will be here.

Received the new interactive play table and it doesn't work. They are sending us a replacement which should be arriving in the next few days. We will have to ship the broken one back.

Reviewed infographic with FY2024 statistics. 282 programs offered last year with 1782 participants, door count over 10,000, 37 new library cards, ILL loans borrowed 366 from other libraries and loaned 123 items to other libraries, hoopla 693 loans, and Overdrive/Libby 1507. The online services allow people to utilize the library without having to physically step foot in the library.

We are hiring a part-time position of 4-10 hours per week.

Special Account Balance: \$10,223.96

Approve Bills: Moved_ Jessica Christesen _____ Seconded__ Kathy Blome _____
(narrative/notes): Passed unanimously.

New Business:

Re-election of board members. Motion made by Lucy Rodriguez to re-elect Carol Vanderloop and table Greg Lascheid's re-election until August meeting. Moved by Jessica Christensen and Seconded by Lucy Rodriguez.

We will elect officer positions next month for President, Vice-President, and Secretary.

Old Business:

Elevator Upgrade Payment – the \$8,000 check has been requested from the Foundation. Lisa will attend the City Council meeting on Monday to ask the council to approve the remainder payment be split between the Library Special Fund and the Library Building Fund.

Fire Alarm System – Zoske has things working for now. Working on getting estimates to be able to write a grant to have replaced. Zoske and Iowa Fire Equipment will be giving estimates. Also have contacted Carstens to see if Scott Eisentreger has any suggestions. Dean suggested contacting Hansen Electric for an estimate.

Alden Days – We received \$200 donation from the vendor who utilized our address for the event. The Friends of the Alden Library brought in over \$1200 with the bake auction.

Board Education – Review and discussion of the Five Primary Responsibilities of Boards from the Iowa Library Trustee's Handbook.

Adjourn: Time 12:09pm_motion by Jessica Christensen , Seconded by Kathy Blome, passed unanimously.

Next Board meeting will tentatively be Thursday, August 8, 2024 at 11:30am.