

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

Meeting of the Trustees as a Corporation and Administrative Agency

Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Held via Zoom: <https://boston-public-library.zoom.us/j/81929828398>

AGENDA

- I. Chair's Call to Order and Report
Robert Gallery, Chair
 - A. Welcome Remarks
 - B. Roll Call of Trustees
 - C. Review and Approval of Minutes for the Trustees Meetings held on May 26, 2020
- II. President's Report
David Leonard, President
 - A. Introduction of new managers
 1. John Craven, Human Resources Manager
 2. Angela Veizaga, Director of Strategic Partnerships
 - B. Operational Reality, Current Statistics, and Services
David Leonard, President
Michael Colford, Director of Library Services
Laura Irmscher, Chief of Collections
Lisa Pollack, Director of Communications and Strategy
Kurt Mansperger, Chief Technology Officer
 - C. Priority Areas
 1. Youth Engagement
Michael Colford, Director of Library Services
 2. Workforce Development
Michael Colford, Director of Library Services
 3. Capital Projects
Eamon Shelton, Director of Operations and David Leonard, President
 4. Equity & Outreach
David Leonard, President
 - D. Review and Ratification of the BPL Race & Equity Statement

VOTED: "that, the Trustees of the Public Library for the City of Boston vote to endorse and ratify the Boston Public Library Race and Equity Statement as presented on September 29, 2020."
 - E. Fine Forgiveness Extension
 - F. Art & Architecture Brochure

- G. MBLC 2020 Action Plan
Michael Colford, Director of Library Services

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston approve to accept the Boston Public Library’s 2020 Action Plan for the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.”

- H. The John Adams Library
Laura Irmischer, Chief of Collections
Beth Prindle, Head of Special Collections
Jay Moschella, Curator of Rare Books
Caroline Driscoll, Legal Advisor

- III. Trustees Finance and Audit Committee
Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, Committee Chair
Ellen Donaghey, Chief Financial Officer

- A. Review of Boston Public Library Draft Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020.

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston approve the Boston Public Library’s Draft Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020.”

- B. Review of BPL Draft Management Letter for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston vote to accept the Draft Management Letter for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 from CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, Certified Public Accountants.”

- C. Johnson Ceiling Abatement Project

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston vote to delegate approval of the Johnson Ceiling Abatement project in the estimated amount of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) but not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to the Finance and Audit Committee.”

- D. The Catered Affair Contract Extension

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston extend the Catering and McKim Restaurant Contract with The Catered Affair by a period of eighteen months to November 1, 2022.”

- E. Report of “Gifts, Grants, Donations to the Boston Public Library”, Fiscal Year 2020

- IV. New Business

- V. Public Comment
***Members of the public can sign up in the Chat Section of the Zoom call to give public comment*

- VI. Vote for Executive Session
Robert Gallery, Chair
Caroline Driscoll, Legal Advisor

***The purpose of the Executive Session is to discuss the legal guardianship of The John Adams Library under Exemption 3 of MA Open Meeting Law.*

The Clerk will take roll call to vote on entering into an Executive Session; it will be held immediately following the public meeting and the Board will not be reconvening in a public session.

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston vote to enter into Executive Session.”

- VII. Adjournment
Robert Gallery, Chair

2020-2021 Trustee Meeting Schedule

- Tuesday, November 17, 2020, 8:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, January 12, 2021, 8:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 8:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, May 18, 2021 (Annual Meeting), 8:30 a.m.

Meetings scheduled via Video Conference until further notice

**All meetings are subject to change*

Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston

Robert E. Gallery, Chair; Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, Vice Chair,
Zamawa Arenas, Jabari Asim, Ben Bradlee, Cheryl Cronin, Priscilla Douglas,
Linda Dorcena Forry, John Hailer, Jeff Hawkins, Representative Chynah Tyler

President, David Leonard

Clerk of the Board, Pamela R. Carver

This is an open meeting. The public is welcome to attend.

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