

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

Meeting of the Trustees as a Corporation and Administrative Agency

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Zoom: <https://boston-public-library.zoom.us/j/87571631043>

AGENDA

I. **Chair's Call to Order and Report**

Priscilla H. Douglas, Chair

- A. Welcome Remarks
- B. Roll Call of Trustees
- C. Review and Approval of Minutes for the Trustees Meetings held on November 16, 2021.

II. **President's Report**

David Leonard, President

- A. Current Operating Reality
- B. Organizational Changes

III. **Presentation and Discussion of BPL Equity Agenda**

David Leonard, President and Michael Colford, Director of Library Services

- A. Board Discussion

IV. **Finance and Audit Committee Update**

Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, Committee Chair

- A. Hepzibah Rapoport
Consulting
Beth Prindle, Head of Special Collections

VOTED: “that, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston vote to approve a contract not to exceed One Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$199,640) with Hepzibah Rapoport Consulting, 34 Belmont St, Apt 2, Somerville, MA 02144. They were the most responsive and responsible bidder in a public Request for Proposal (RFP) process, advertised under M.G.L. 30B, a contract for as specified for two years with the BPL to serve as project consultant to develop, implement, and oversee completion of a major initiative to clean, inventory, catalog, store, and provide access to hundreds of thousands of the library’s most significant research holdings. The Boston Public Library Evaluation Committee performed an evaluation of the proposals submitted by the vendors as described in the RFP documents, and through this process determined the proposal presented by: Hepzibah Rapoport Consulting represented the best value for the Boston Public Library.”

V. **New Business**

VI. **Public Comment**

“Please sign up for public comment the first 30 minutes of the meeting to support effective time management. On occasion, additional public comments on matters formally on the agenda may be allowed at the discretion of the Chair, and time allowing. Members of the public are also reminded that comments may alternatively be submitted in writing to the Clerk of the Board for distribution to the Trustees.”

VII. **Adjournment**

Priscilla H. Douglas, Chair

2021-2022 Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday May 24, 2022 8:30 a.m., Annual Meeting (revised date)

**Meetings dates/times/location are subject to change*

Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston

Priscilla H. Douglas, Chair; Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, Vice Chair,
Zamawa Arenas, Jabari Asim, Navjeet Bal, Joe Berman, Ben Bradlee Jr,
Cheryl Cronin, Linda Dorcena Forry, John Hailer, Jeff Hawkins, Joyce Linehan
Senator Mike Rush, Representative Chynah Tyler, and Christian Westra

President, David Leonard
Clerk of the Board, Pamela R. Carver

This is an open meeting and will be recorded. The public is welcome to attend.
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