BPL FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Evelyn Arana Ortiz, Committee Chair 12.19.23

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BPL OPENING STATEMENT

The Trustees of The Boston Public Library reaffirm our commitment to racial equity and to principles of diversity equity and inclusion, more broadly.

The Library is formally committed to becoming an anti-racist organization in response to systemic racism, inequity, and injustice prevalent in our society.

We acknowledge also that the Boston Public Library's Central Library stands on land that was once a water-based ecosystem providing sustenance for the indigenous Massachusetts people and is a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among nations. We are committed to land acknowledgements for all locations at which we operate.

We reaffirm this commitment to set the context for our planning, deliberations, and public engagement so that they take place from the spirit of welcome and respect, found in our motto 'free to all.'

Taken from the Institutional Statement Ratified by the Board of Trustees for the Boston Public Library on September 29, 2020.



F&A COMMITTEE

Evelyn Arana Ortiz, Committee Chair

- Welcome Remarks
- Roll Call of Committee Members
- Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 31, 2023



CONTRACT VOTE

Emily Tokarczyk, Chief Financial Officer

A. Newspaper Digitization Contract Vote

VOTED: "that, the Trustees Finance and Audit Committee of the Public Library of the City of Boston approve to award the three-year contract for newspaper digitization to CCS Content Conversion Specialists of GmbH Weidestr.134, 22083 Hamburg, Germany up to but not to exceed Two hundred eighty thousand dollars and zero cents (\$280,000)."

B. Multi-Function Printer Contract Update



New Business

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY



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Public Comment

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- The Moderator will unmute your mic when you are called on.
- Comments made in chat during meeting will not be acknowledged.
- If follow up is required, please send your contact email or phone number to the Clerk of the Board at <u>pcarver@bpl.org</u>

Adjournment

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• *Next Committee meeting is scheduled for 1.23.24 Please check the BPL website for details/changes